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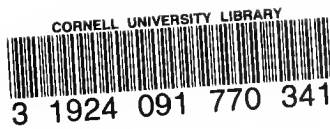


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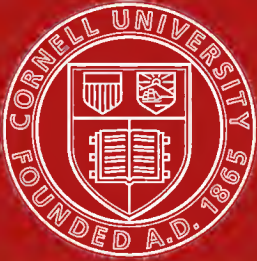
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## P R E F A C E.

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THE present volume was begun by Mr. William Douglas Hamilton, who had calendared the documents down to nearly the end of the year 1631, and passed the sheets through the press, at the time of his death in 1894. It was then arranged that Mrs. Everett Green should continue it when she had finished that portion of the reign of Charles II. upon which she was engaged, and the last volume of which appeared in the spring of last year, 1895. Before entering upon the work, however, she obtained permission to make certain researches amongst the unedited papers at the Record Office, and upon this preliminary investigation she was occupied when her death, on the 1st of November 1895, brought to a close the long labours of forty years. The completion of the volume was then entrusted to the niece who had worked as her assistant for several years.

The contents of a volume of Addenda are necessarily very miscellaneous, and lack the historic continuity and importance of an ordinary Calendar; but this one chronicles a large number of interesting, and some important documents, besides many which are connected with papers already calendared. As regards these last, care has been taken to give references to the earlier volumes, but two or three may be noticed as instances, viz., a letter from Lord Cromwell to Secretary Conway (p. 50), enclosing, as is stated, one to the Duke of Buckingham (enclosure calendared, Vol. VI., No. 30); a letter from Secretary Coke (p. 453) to the Mayor of Newcastle (answer calendared Vol. CCXXXIV., No. 56);



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of expenses connected with various Court festivities (p. 726), has some interesting items, and to somewhere about the same time probably belongs the estimate of the charge of a diet of ten dishes at a meal (p. 756) which, however, has already been printed. In June 1628, a Member of Parliament describes a game of bowls between the King and Duke of Buckingham, at which the Duke kept on his hat while all the rest stood bare. He also narrates the well-known scene when the Commons' Remonstrance was presented to the King, who, after answering it, "gave the Duke his hand to kiss " before us all; at which I suppose you think we took " little comfort " (p. 282). After the death of the Duke, Lord Henry Percy writes: "For the King, it is reported " that he doth not apprehend it so sensibly as was " expected, and is commended to carry it very discreetly, " though he were sad and troubled, either really or in " show, but I think both." As for the Queen, although in obedience and discretion she joins in the lamentations, " I need not tell you that she is glad of it, for you " must imagine as much " (p. 292). The hopes of those around the King rose high, and the Earl of Pembroke writes, "the King our master begins to shine " already, and I hope this next session to see a happy " agreement between him and his people," (p. 290) while the Earl of Dorset expresses a fervent hope that after the last seven years' unfortunate undertakings, the kingdom will again flourish, and that the end of the next Parliament " may be a day of jubilee, by striking a " covenant between sovereign and subject of continual " peace and happiness " (p. 303). After this early period, the notices of the King are few and less interesting. In July 1634 Endymion Porter writes that while hunting, he has had a dangerous fall, but "God be thanked, is

not the worse" (p. 477). A zealous Roman Catholic, burning to be the instrument of his Majesty's conversion to the true faith, finds no means to this end "more forcible than a good book." He has some difficulty in making his choice, many of the most efficacious having, as he naïvely remarks, "been answered," but finally fixes upon an "acute, clear, convincing, learned, unanswerable" work, which he begs may be sent to him bound up "with a curious gilt cover and strings of ribbon," fit for him to present to the King (p. 576). One of the last notices of King Charles occurs in the deposition of a certain Edward Clarke, who, during the Civil War, having captured some plate meant for the King's use, has been informed by divers persons that "the King has declared "that if deponent came into his power, he would sit on "his skirts," for robbing him of his plate (p. 678). At the end of the reign are calendared two books of acquittances for moneys paid to servants of the King's household, &c., giving a very great number of names, and signed throughout by the persons who received the payments. The lists are too long to be calendared, but the books have been indexed to facilitate reference.

There are several letters or copies of letters from the Duke of Buckingham, the most noteworthy being a love letter in French, preserved amongst the Conway Papers, and supposed to be from the Duke to the Queen of France (p. 721.) It was probably written after the dissolution of Parliament in August 1625, and the letter of Pierre Civet which is placed with it, perhaps a little later. The writer of the modern notes [Mr. Wilson Croker?] suggests that Civet was the "petit asne" of Buckingham's letter, but as a dispatch from M. Augier, the English agent in Paris, tells us that some time before this, in consequence of a quarrel, "le Sieur de

“Civet s’est retiré en Angleterre, au service de la “reyne de la Grande Bretagne” [*French Correspondence*,  $\frac{19}{29}$  October 1625], it does not seem likely that he would be sent back there. Moreover the “oysiveté pareille à celle des morts” of which Civet speaks, suggests the seclusion of the young English Queen at Titchfield rather than the life of the French Court. If the letter *was* written in France, it would have to go to the time of Carleton and Holland’s mission at the beginning of 1626, as neither in English State Papers nor French Correspondence do we find any sign of the Earl’s having returned to France in the latter part either of 1625 or 1626. (With Buckingham’s letter compare two from Lord Holland, printed in the “Cabala,” pp. 252, 253, ed. 1655, also one in the French Correspondence, March  $\frac{7}{17}$ , 1626.)

Two or three letters, written in the summer of 1625, help to throw light upon the subject of the deliverance of the English ships to France, promised by Buckingham in 1624, viz., Lord Conway to Admiral Pennington (p. 29), the Earl of Pembroke to the same (p. 35), and Conway to Buckingham (p. 37). See also Edward Nicholas to Pennington, 6th May 1626. These letters have been already noticed by Dr. S. R. Gardiner (*History of England*, Vol. V., pp. 382, 386 *et seq.*).

In 1626 we find various documents relating to the attack upon the Duke in the House of Commons. There are letters of sympathy from Lord Conway and the Earl of Suffolk (pp. 107 and 131), and of warning from Attorney-General Heath? (p. 133) and Edward Bolton, who speaks of the “great duel” in which the Duke is the single defendant against a multitude—all the choice of a nation,” and characteristically suggests, as one cause of his loss of favour with “the gentry and better bred sort,

who universally delight in books," that of late he has not sufficiently valued learned men! (p. 129). This is the Edward Bolton of whom Mr. Bruce speaks in the preface to his Calendar for 1628-29. Copies of some of the speeches against Buckingham, and of his own address to the Lords, are also calendared, but these are all printed in Rushworth or elsewhere. Notices of his assassination occur in letters of the Earl of Pembroke, Lord Henry Percy, and Sir Robert Aiton (pp. 290-3), which also give many interesting details of affairs at Court. See also two from Lord Goring (pp. 294, 296).

The documents relating to Buckingham's great antagonist, the Earl of Bristol, include the draft of a letter from the King, corrected by his Majesty's own hand (p. 98), and two letters to the King, written from the Tower. The Earl prays to be allowed to speak for himself, acknowledging that as his proceedings now stand represented, he "cannot but most justly expect all rigour." He confesses that he was moved to some passion in his answers to the charges against him, but declares that he "kept silent" many things highly important to his defence, because he judged the divulging of them might be to his Majesty's displeasure. Impeached in his honour and reputation, questioned for his life as a traitor, and still kept a prisoner, he yet represents these things to the King, not by way of complaint or repining, but as sacrifices of expiation and atonement, whereunto he most willingly adds "that oblation which of all others "is most pleasing to God, whose person your Majesty "doth here represent, viz., *sacrificium humilationis et " cordis contriti*" (pp. 149 and 153). In November his wife pleads with Buckingham that he may be allowed to leave the Tower, and remain in confinement in his own house, as he had been aforetime, he being ill, and "that



place denying him those helps " needful for his recovery (p. 170).

Personal notices of Lord Weston, afterwards Earl of Portland, occur in two or three letters. Lord Goring, writing to the Earl of Carlisle, in September 1628, says of him, " Our Treasurer is the most potent man in this " State, and the more likely to hold so because he is both " honest and able " (p. 294). In March 1630 we hear that he is " daily greater and greater, and whoever " loves him least is the most forward to speak him " fair " (p. 367), and a little later we are told that the Queen had been much displeased with him, but that peace had been made between them by the King, in whose favour he was never higher than now (p. 381).

Of the Secretaries of State, Lord Conway appears most prominently. Mr. Bruce's first volume (1625-1626) was completed when the Conway Papers reached the Record Office in 1856, and those of the first two years of the reign are therefore (excepting the docquets) entirely included amongst the Addenda. There are many letters to and from Lord Conway, the latter happily not often in his own extremely bad handwriting, to which Lady Falkland refers in a letter to him, apologising for a haste which she fears will make her letter more difficult to read " than ever your Lordship's own hand was " (p. 88). His letters show a kindly disposition, as when he sympathizes with Sir John Ogle upon his feeble health and lack of spirits (p. 20), sends word to a suppliant to come to him in all freedom concerning anything in which he has been wronged (p. 96), and intercedes with Sir Robert Heath for a poor French watch-maker (p. 166). On page 113, however, is a letter to Bristol, so hard and cold, that it is surprising, in December 1628, to find the Earl writing gratefully of his obligations, and alluding to their mutual

professions of love and friendship (p. 301). Perhaps the explanation is that one was before and the other after the death of Buckingham. There are many private letters from various members and connections of the Conway family, including two notes from Sir Robert Harley to his father-in-law, giving news of himself, his "dear Brill," and their boy, "your Lordship's little Ned," whose mother and nurse are both of opinion "that if he " were in beggar's clothes he would be sure to be taken for " a gentleman's child " (p. 29). In December 1625, Lord Conway asks for the wardship of Sir John Packington's grandson, with the avowed wish to make a match for him with one of his own grand-daughters (p. 77). In the year 1628 Conway resigned the Secretaryship for the less onerous post of President of the Council, and Carleton, now Viscount Dorchester, took his place, but the papers relating to him are of no particular interest, excepting two letters to him from Thomas Locke and Sir Thomas Roe (pp. 27, 418), and an extraordinary letter to Sir Philip Carteret (p. 730), which was probably written in jest.

Sir John Coke appears very little in this volume, nearly all the papers by or for him having been duly calendared in their proper place. His appointment as Secretary of State, although not generally popular, seems to have given satisfaction to his senior colleague, for Lord Brooke, who, as Lord Conway's cousin, may be supposed to have known his views, congratulates him upon Coke's advancement as "good for the kingdom, and a passing safe and easy yoke-fellow" for himself (p. 52). Lord Conway may have found him an easy yoke-fellow; Sir Francis Windebank evidently did not. In a letter to the Earl of Leicester he complains that, "through the " retentive faculty of my colleague, I cannot expect that

“ more shall pass to my knowledge than what he cannot  
“ keep from me, and from him I seldom come to the  
“ understanding of anything of moment but at the  
“ Foreign Committee, which his Majesty has commanded  
“ to meet every week, and he husbands that so thriftily  
“ that, unless the King calls us upon some special occasion,  
“ once in a month or six weeks, we never otherwise  
“ come together ” (p. 550). As a protégé of Laud,  
and more than suspected to be a Romanist at heart,  
Windebank would be little likely to find favour with his  
very protestant senior. In one branch of the public  
service Secretary Coke seems to have been very zealous,  
*i.e.*, the hunting for priests and Jesuits; the pursuivants,  
Wainwright, Newton, and Grey, acting under his orders.  
On the other hand, Newton complains that, having had  
two rich popish vestments given him by the Lords of the  
Council, Secretary Windebank has taken them away from  
him (p. 562).

The notices of Sir Henry Vane do not show him  
in an attractive light. On his appointment to go  
as ambassador to the King of Sweden in 1631,  
Sir Thomas Roe remarks, “ he supplanted me enviously  
enough,” grounding his fortune “ by assuming an opinion  
of power ” with the Queen of Bohemia, which Roe  
evidently does not believe him to possess (p. 421). There  
is no doubt, however, that she was on very intimate terms  
with him, as her many letters to him testify. He seems  
to have managed the King of Sweden very badly, if we  
are to believe Durie, who writes that “ Sir Henry Vane  
was like to have marred the whole business ” by irritating  
the King, who would fain have had him out of the way,  
saying to the King of Bohemia, “ Brother, I see that you  
and I must make an end of this business alone,” and  
devising various expedients to induce Sir Henry’s recall

(p. 446). In fact, the King of Sweden's sentiments towards the father seem to have been something like Cromwell's towards the son, "The Lord deliver me from Sir Harry Vane." Durie's statements, however, must be taken with some reservation, as no doubt he knew that his patron had himself hoped for the post bestowed upon Vane.

Sir Thomas Roe's own letters are, as usual, delightful, excepting perhaps when he launches out into lengthy dissertations on the union of the Churches. He is full of interest in affairs abroad and determined to make the best of matters at home, but there is a constant vein of bitter disappointment perceivable at the neglect shown to him by his master and the Court. He speaks of weaning himself from "the deceitful food of fools—hope" (p. 414); and yet he cannot easily believe that his Majesty hath laid him aside like Drake's ship (a favourite simile of his, apparently) after so many years of faithful service (p. 417). Meanwhile, he retires to "a country life and safe harbour" at Bulwick, where he fills his house with lords and ladies, and dances away "cares and the gout, and a worse disease, inhospitality" (p. 432). On 15th February 1632, he makes an appeal to the King. "Your Majesty," he writes, "hath now some ways open by which you may call me to your nearer service. . . . Desire of riches shall not ensnare me, them I have neglected in all my ways, and I have no posterity to infect me; ambition cannot, for I know no greater honour than your service. . . . How far I am able I myself know not, and your Majesty hath not tried me, but may easily teach me" (p. 434). Roe does not mention the object of his desires, but it can hardly have been anything but the secretaryship, although it is difficult

to believe that he would make the application on the very day of Lord Dorchester's death. Perhaps Dorchester (who seems to have known that he was very ill, as he made a codicil to his will on the 13th), had already resigned his post; thus Sir Thomas may have known of his resignation and not of his death. Once again he was destined to disappointment, and the obscure Clerk of the Signet was preferred to the tried and trusty ambassador. To Elizabeth of Bohemia Sir Thomas was a life-long friend and adviser. There are several of his letters to her in this volume, the most interesting being one written shortly after the death of her husband and of the King of Sweden. Experience has assured him, he warns her, that her greatest danger will arise from delay, as when the memory of the King of Sweden begins to cool, "jealousies insinuated with Spanish gold and Austrian flatteries" will arise, and the Germans, remembering the severe hand of the Swede, "will take up the cry 'Out with the stranger'" (p. 449). Dinley sends Roe a touching account of the Queen after her husband's death. "Her Majesty, the most afflicted of women, " and yet the greater for her trials, has passed through " fire and water, sighs and tears, though not without " some marks of her agony." Of King Charles' letter of condolence, he writes that "Sir Francis Nethersole " brought it over in haste, my Lord Marshal in solemnity, " and Sir Robert Austruther in all sincerity. Though " her heart before was petrified with grief, these cordials " have made it supple, and willing to be preserved for " her children " (p. 448. This letter has been already printed by Mrs. Everett Green in her life of Elizabeth of Bohemia). In the same letter, Dinley speaks of the young Elector, Charles Lewis, as a prince of promise, and Durie, writing about the same time, describes the

Administrator Ludovic as "a zealous and godly young man, somewhat more resolute than his brother, the King of Bohemia" (p. 446). Both Dinley and Durie send Sir Thomas long accounts of affairs in Germany, Durie evidently depending upon him for supplies (pp. 444-448). There are letters from the Queen of Bohemia herself to Sir Harry Vane (p. 452), the King (p. 458), Archbishop Laud (p. 539), and Roe (p. 615), all written with her own hand, as was her habit.

Lucius, Viscount Falkland, is represented by two graceful little letters, addressed to his "noble kinsman," by whom it seems probable that he means Thomas Carew. He discusses some work which had evidently lately been acted, and as he speaks of the "actress" of it, it must have been a private masque, no women at that time acting upon the ordinary English stage. He praises it in very lavish terms, and tells how much a sight of it had been desired by Lady Dorothy Sherley, "one of the newest, prettiest, and wittiest widows of the day" (p. 473). The editor is indebted to G. F. Warner, Esq., of the British Museum, for the suggestion that the masque was probably the "*Coelum Britannicum*," produced by Carew at Court just at the time that Lady Dorothy (daughter of the first Earl of Essex) was left a widow.

There are not many papers directly relating to Archbishop Laud, but two documents of the year 1633 form quite a little collection in themselves, for each contains a petition to the Archbishop; a reference, written by William Dell, his secretary, but signed by Laud himself, to Bishop Williams of Lincoln; and a note by Bishop Williams in answer. One Leonard Vowe, in Lincoln diocese, complains that the records of the Bishop's Registry are kept in his own house at Buckden; that

there is no registrar,—a servant of the Bishop, Mr. Walker, having charge of the documents,—and that certain papers which he wished to see are not to be found. Laud refers the petition to the Bishop, saying that he can hardly believe that the records should be so kept, and Dr. Williams makes a somewhat evasive rejoinder. Again Vowe petitions and again the Archbishop refers him to Bishop Williams, suggesting that the registrar, being a public person, should be publicly known, to which the Bishop replies that he has already “sufficiently implied” that Walker is registrar (pp. 458, 461).

There are several documents which were no doubt drawn up by Laud’s orders, mostly in connection with his disputes with Bishop Williams. The Archbishop insists upon his right of metropolitical visitation, and precedents are gathered from the ancient registers of Canterbury to show that this right has been claimed and allowed. The Bishop of Lincoln resists the claim, and in his turn produces precedents in support of his views (pp. 486, 739). In 1637, the Bishop is before the Court of High Commission, and we have depositions on both sides; by his friends, that he is no favourer of Puritans, but a strict observer of the rites and ceremonies of the Church, and by his adversaries, that he is a constant supporter of Puritans and Non-conformists, and at enmity with the High Church party,—Lambe, Sibthorpe, and the rest (p. 559). In July 1637, there is the announcement of his suspension by the Court of High Commission (p. 562), after which we hear no more of him until he re-appears as Archbishop of York.

Almost the only document directly relating to Strafford (beyond copies of some of the speeches, &c., on his impeachment, which have been many times printed) is a note of the stately ceremonial when he was created

Earl (p. 616); but several petitions concerning lands in Ireland contain requests that he may be ordered to investigate and make a summary end of the matters in dispute; thus showing considerable confidence in his justice and impartiality on the part of the applicants.

There are some half-dozen papers signed by Cromwell, and two short notes, one of which, however, is very characteristic. It is merely a request to the sequestrators of the Isle of Ely to pay certain moneys to two persons named, but was evidently written in one of his introspective moods. "I have not been often troublesome  
" to you," he writes, "I have studied to deserve the  
" good opinion of honest men, amongst which number  
" as I have cause to account you, so I hope I have the  
" like esteem with you" (p. 673).

Sir Thomas Fairfax is represented by two or three notes, one being the letter written by request of Parliament, to urge officers and men of the army to take service in Ireland in the spring of 1647. It is addressed to Colonel Nicholas Kempson, the one officer who seems to have entered into the project with alacrity, and does not betray any great enthusiasm in the matter (p. 707).

Of the Earl of Manchester, there are two short letters, both to Lieutenant-General Crawford (pp. 665, 667), the first being to congratulate him on his taking of Sheffield, whereat the Earl was "exceedingly joyed."

The most extensive series of papers calendared in this volume is that comprising the documents (now included for the first time in the Charles I. Domestic State Papers) relating to Jersey and Guernsey. These islands, "parcel of the Crown but not parcel of the realm of England," had a constitution of their own, the foundation of their laws being the ancient "Acts and Customs" of Normandy (pp. 226, 493). The island Courts, consisting of the



Bailiff and twelve jurats, had power "by their ancient charters," to decide all causes save those of "treason, " coiners, or injury to the Bailiff and jurats in their " office " (p. 599), but the inhabitants could appeal to the King in Council, a right of which they availed themselves freely. In criminal cases there was no appeal (p. 350). The jurats were appointed for life, an arrangement which sometimes proved practically inconvenient, we find, for in 1626 the Lieutenant-Governor complains to the Privy Council that one of the jurats is long since under a guardian, another is 94 years of age, and a third obstinately absents himself. Yet the people are "possessed with an " inveterate punctilious maxim, Once a jurat and so to " the grave " (p. 109).

Lord Conway, who had been in Jersey as Commissioner in 1617, considered that the islanders had the government too much in their own hands and that they had need of "the just bridles and helps which by just concession is (*sic*) granted to the power of the Crown " (p. 196).

In a memorial presented by Sir Philip Carteret to the Council in 1628, he states that the population of Jersey is about 25,000, whereof 3,000 are able men. There are two castles, one very ancient, called Mont Orgueil, built on a high rock, but commanded by an adjoining hill; the other, Castle Elizabeth, easy to make impregnable, as it is situated on a little islet, almost cut off from the main land (p. 259). The greater part of this castle was built by Queen Elizabeth, and it was much added to and strengthened by King Charles, upon the advice of an able engineer, Captain John Paperill, sent over in 1635 (p. 507). It had the distinction of being the last fortress to hold out for the royal cause, not being surrendered until 1651.

At the beginning of the reign of Charles I., Sir John Peyton was Governor of Jersey, and Jean de Herault,

Sieur de St. Sauveur, was Bailiff (p. 15), Sir Philip de Carteret, Sieur de St. Ouen, one of the jurats, acting *pro tem.* as Lieut.-Governor (p. 60). Before long, however, Sir John Peyton, junr., was made Lieutenant-Governor, and, as his father was aged and in failing health, had much of the authority in his own hands. In March 1626, M. de St. Sauveur died (p. 108), and Peyton appointed Sir Philip to be Judge Delegate until a new Bailiff was chosen, at the same time strongly urging his claim for the latter office (pp. 109, 722). A rival candidate appeared in the person of Philip Lemprière, Mons. de la Trinité (pp. 167, 169), but the office was bestowed upon Carteret, apparently by Conway's influence (p. 194). The *Procureur du Roi*, or Attorney-General, at this time was Elie de Carteret, brother of Sir Philip (p. 150). Edward Meservy was *Avocat du Roi*, or Solicitor-General (p. 110), and John Darell was *Greffier*, or Secretary of the Court Royal (p. 169). In 1628, Elie de Carteret is alluded to as Deputy Bailiff under his brother (p. 279), but this was probably merely a temporary appointment, during Sir Philip's absence from the Island, as Elie Dumaresque is repeatedly mentioned as holding the office (p. 327, 479, &c.). In 1636, however, we find it in Elie de Carteret's hands again (p. 534).

In 1630, Sir John Peyton, junior, was succeeded as Lieutenant-Governor by Captain Francis Rainsford. Within a very short time of his arrival he managed to set everything in an uproar. He quarrelled with the Bailiff, and he quarrelled with the soldiers, and he quarrelled with the people. The aged Governor tried to smooth matters over, saying that "rubs happen often upon undertakings," and that his Lieutenant's proceedings might be imputed to his zeal in performing the State's commands, but the report of the Council is distinctly adverse to Rainsford (pp. 375-379).

In December 1631 Sir Thomas Jermyn was appointed Governor (p. 425), but his post of Vice-Chamberlain kept him at Court, and from that time Sir Philip de Carteret, who was shortly made Lieutenant-Governor also, appears to have held the real government of the Island in his own hands, subject, of course, to directions from King and Council.

At the time of his appointment as Bailiff, he was 42 years of age, having been born in the Isle of Sark in 1584. He gave himself heart and soul to the care of his Island, and the present volume contains a very large number of papers—letters, memorials, petitions and suggestions,—sent by him to King, Council, and Ministers of State, urging the needs of Jersey, and advocating its interests. It is said that he roused the indignation of the jurats by his haughty demeanour to them, but possibly his uprightness and impartial justice had something to do with their annoyance. These qualities do not seem to have been shared by them as a whole, judging from the constant complaints made against them by the inhabitants, complaints in which the Bailiff is never included, and from which he is sometimes expressly excepted. Three or four times, however, we find him engaged in disputes with dwellers in the Isle, and oddly enough, in every one of these, his adversary seems to have been a woman. Sir Philip evidently quite lost patience with the sex, for he complains of the “injurious calumniations and foul aspersions” of one lady (p. 406), and says of another that “she is a wilful and clamorous woman, whom no reason can satisfy” (p. 535). He appears to have ruled wisely and well, and if the jurats were annoyed with him during his life, they at any rate did him justice after his death, for a Royal Court declared of him in 1668 that “*et au gouvernement et en l’administration de la justice,*

“ il s'enquitta toujours avec tant d'honneur et d'intégrité,  
“ qu'il ne se rendit pas moins considerable par son propre  
“ mérite qu'il l'était par l'importance de ses charges ”  
(Cæsarea, p. 264). The tone of his letters is that of a  
high-minded and honourable man ; see especially one to  
Nicholas, mentioning a disagreement he has had with a  
Captain Plumleigh (p. 374), and another to Conway,  
touching the conduct of Captain Rainsford (p. 377) ; also  
his petition to Parliament in 1628 (p. 324). In the  
March of 1628, as he was returning from England to  
Jersey with stores for the Island, he was captured by a  
vessel of Dunkirk, and carried prisoner to that port  
(p. 272). The Infanta of Flanders made it a condition  
of his release that a Scotch priest in the Gatehouse should  
be set free ; to which Sir Philip replied that he would  
endeavour to arrange it unless the priest were accused of  
treason, but that he would live in prison all the days of  
his life rather than give way to so dishonourable a thing  
as that his Majesty should yield up to them a subject of  
his. “ What may be justly and conveniently done in my  
behalf,” he writes to Conway, “ I humbly entreat for,  
“ else not, for if the safety and welfare of the Island be  
“ looked to, it matters not much what becomes of me ”  
(p. 279). Happily he was well treated, and soon set at  
liberty, for in July he writes from Jersey once again  
(p. 285). He encountered many difficulties in his efforts  
to secure the safety of the Island, partly from the  
mutinous behaviour of the soldiers (p. 295), partly from  
the indifference of the inhabitants (p. 285), and always  
from the inadequate response to his entreaties for  
help from England. At the beginning of the reign,  
he and Sir John Peyton were in a continual state of  
alarm lest the Islands should be attacked from France,  
they lying within such easy reach of the French coast,

and so far from England that no help could be obtained in case of sudden danger (pp. 221, 261, &c.). But the expected descent was never made, and perhaps the danger was exaggerated. At any rate so the Earl of Danby seemed to think, when he went over at the beginning of 1629, to try to discover the designs of France and to order the defence of the Islands (p. 331); being sent, as his instructions state, "both because the Government of Guernsey is proper to your charge, and also, as it is said that a Peer of France undertaketh the attempt, that he may be encountered by another Peer of ours" (p. 328). As a report was in circulation that the French King had actually made a grant of the Islands to M. Toiras (p. 264), it is not to be wondered at that the authorities there thought the danger somewhat imminent.

The Earl of Danby was made Governor of Guernsey in 1621, his brother-in-law, Sir Peter Osborne, being in the same year appointed Lieutenant-Governor, which offices they held until the death of the Earl in 1643. This being the case, it is puzzling to find that in the documents now before us, Captain Nathaniel Darell is repeatedly styled Lieutenant-Governor. It is most probable that he was Captain of Castle Cornet, and Deputy Lieutenant-Governor when Osborne was absent in England. At the beginning of the reign, Amice de Carteret was Bailiff, being succeeded in 1631 by John de Quetteville. Peter Gosselin was Greffier, and J. Foupper, Sergent du Roi (pp. 474, 475). The inhabitants of the Islands seem to have been strangely fond of litigation, and went to law with each other upon the slightest provocation. In some instances, the causes went on year after year, beginning in the Island Courts, taken up by appeal to the King and Council, referred by them to the Law Officers of the Crown, and generally sent back in the end to the Courts

of the Islands. The sums involved were often so small that the expenses of the suit, and especially of the journeys up to London, must have swallowed up more than the amount in dispute. (For cases, see Index, under the names of Edward Payne, John Blanche, Zachary Roberts, John Mesurier, and Peter de Lisle; also under Jersey and Guernsey, inhabitants of, suits of.)

The Church government of the Islands was a matter constantly in agitation. After the Reformation, they had accepted the English liturgy, but during the reign of Elizabeth, it was gradually thrown aside and the creed and services of the islanders became nearly allied to those of the Huguenots of France. In 1619, Jersey had been made once more conformable to the Church of England. It was divided into twelve parishes, "all called rectories," and their incumbents styled rectors, although the tithes mostly belonged to the King, and went to augment the Governor's salary (p. 518).

A Dean was appointed (p. 324), the office to be always held by one of the rectors, and the Bishop of Winchester was made Ordinary of the Island. But either the people's dislike to the change was very strong, or Dean Bandinell was very injudicious, for there was constant friction, and the Dean was very unpopular (pp. 144, 231, &c.). In 1636, the King directed a letter to be written to the Earl of Danby, urging the advisability of bringing Guernsey also into conformity with the English Church (p. 537). The letter is written by William Dell, Secretary to Archbishop Laud, who, no doubt, was the prompting spirit in the matter. We know that Dr. Heylin, who accompanied the Earl of Danby to the Islands in 1629, laid before Laud, then Bishop of London, the relation regarding Church matters which he afterwards published. The Earl replied to the King's letter by a thoughtful paper, enumerating

the reasons which, in his opinion, made any interference with the Church government of his islanders inexpedient, and gently hinting that the success of the experiment in Jersey had not been so great as to encourage its repetition elsewhere (p. 556). One great benefit was bestowed by the Archbishop upon the Islands. The inhabitants had more than once prayed that some places in one of the Universities might be allowed to them, but nothing was done until Laud came into power, when, a large estate in London and county Bucks having been escheated to the Crown, he obtained a grant of it from the King to endow three fellowships in Exeter, Jesus, and Pembroke Colleges, Oxford, for students born in the Islands. In April 1637, Sir Philip Carteret and the Jurats of Jersey wrote a letter of thanks to the Archbishop, and proposed the very hopeful young man, Daniel Brevin, "to reap the first fruits of that gift" (p. 555). He took the fellowship at Jesus College, and in after years became successively Prebendary of Durham and Dean of Lincoln.

Other notabilities of Jersey whose names occur in these pages are Captain George, afterwards Sir George Carteret, Sir Philip's nephew, who held Castle Elizabeth for the King, and after his execution boldly proclaimed Charles II.; and Philip, afterwards Sir Philip Carteret, junior, Philip le Guit, John le Hardy, and Peter Fautras, all of whom signed the Act of the States for proclaiming the young King.

There are many documents relating to the City of London, amongst them being a petition from the Lord Mayor, &c., touching 100,000*l.* supplied to King James, and 60,000*l.* to King Charles, which sums have never been repaid, nor interest allowed after the first year, and for which the lenders, having the city seal to their securities, are in suit against the Chamber of London

(p. 317). Another petition concerns their plantation in Ulster. They state that they have expended over 100,000*l.*, besides having contracted for a church in Londonderry, which will cost about 4,000*l.*, and boast that they have brought that part of the kingdom, formerly so barbarous, "to be one of the most civilized places thereof" (p. 427). In 1634 there is a brief of the case of the clergy of London, setting forth that the benefices, at one time great by reason of tithes, church lands, obventions to saints and images, &c., are now mean and poor (p. 483); and, in the same year, the King "recommends" a rector for St. Stephen's, Walbrook, to the Grocers' Company, and a new Recorder (Robert Mason) for the City in place of Edward Littleton, made Solicitor-General (pp. 467, 479). In 1637, Sir Nathaniel Brent reports upon his visitation of the foreign churches in London. There are repeated allusions to payments for the repair of St. Paul's; a petition of the parishioners of St. Gregory's against the removal of their church (which adjoined the cathedral on its north side), and two or three orders of the small Committee appointed by Parliament to manage the estates of the Dean and Chapter when sequestered for delinquency (pp. 684, 685). The Deanery was given to Dr. Cornelius Burgess, a member of the Assembly of Divines, and he seems at any rate to have taken good care of the fabric, repairing and building it up very substantially, as we read (p. 684). It is interesting to note that the report distinctly speaks of the house as "late in the possession and use of Dr. Steward, Dean of Paul's," although he appears never to have been formally instituted. It will be seen that, as regards two of the Lord Mayors, Hamersley and Deane, the years of office do not agree with the list given by Stowe, but in each case the date of the document is perfectly distinct (pp. 300, 729).



Several papers relate to Cambridge University. In 1625 a report on the defects in the system of education there states that the mathematics are "almost neglected in all colleges and in many the tongues," that lectures are slighted, disputations neglected, and the talking of Latin omitted, and that there is great abuse in the granting of degrees, and many defects as touching good manners and order (p. 40). In 1627, Lord Brooke founded a lectureship of History there, to which he appointed Dr. Dorislaus, the learned Dutchman. His lectures on Tacitus, seeming to trench on the kingly power, were heard "not without distaste and objection" by the University; but as he offered a voluntary explanation, from which it appeared that his error arose not from intention but from the nature of the subject, and, as it was thought a pity to deprive the University of his abilities, the mediation of the Bishop of Durham was entreated "both of matter and man" (p. 237). Another account of the matter, sent by the same writer (Dr. Matthew Wren) to Laud, then Bishop of London, is calendared in the volume for 1627-28.

In 1633 occurred the dispute as to the Mastership of St. John's College, the documents relating to which are calendared in the volume for that year. The present volume contains a paper of notes, in Sir John Lambe's handwriting, strongly in favour of Dr. Lane *versus* Dr. Holdsworth (p. 459).

• In 1638, Clare Hall was rebuilt, and in March the King sent down to King's College detailed instructions as to the re-arrangement and allotment of the grounds of the two colleges, particularly, as he says, with a view to the benefit of "our unparalleled chapel, the beauty whereof we are most desirous to advance" (p. 573). In this same year, 1638, a private letter from one old Cambridge student to another tells us that the Vice-Chancellor,

Dr. Brownrigg, or Dr. Bromwich, as he is here called, had much reformed the University; that not a student was to be seen in any of the taverns, and that "luxury was much restrained from walking the streets" (p. 762). On p. 754 is an inventory of goods belonging to fellows of the University, seized by the Parliament Sequestration Committee, the names of the owners being arranged under their several Colleges. Finally we have a petition to the Parliament Revenue Committee, from the Provost and Scholars of King's, praying that the pensions anciently payable from abbeys and monasteries, and afterwards paid by the King, but some few years ago discontinued, may be renewed (p. 719).

Of Oxford University, almost the only notices are a statement by the Earl of Pembroke, as Chancellor, of the claim of Queen's College to the right of nominating a head to St. Edmund's Hall (p. 116); a note for allowing certain students, entitled to scholarships at St. John's, from the gift of Sir Thomas White, to study at Cambridge instead, "as in regard of these distractions" they cannot go to Oxford, "being now the King's quarters" (p. 696); and a memorandum relating to Laud's Chancellorship, apparently drawn up by his adversaries for use at his trial, and accusing him of procuring the office surreptitiously, of imposing statutes (evidently those of 1636) with a high hand, of punishing men in an arbitrary way, and of taking away the power of appeals (p. 658).

In 1627 an important Commission was appointed "For Enquiry into exacted Fees and innovated Offices," the enquiry to go back as far as 11 Elizabeth. The first notice of the Commission in this volume is in April 1630 (p. 368), but there are only scattered documents until 1635, when we have a draft Order Book, dating from

October 1635 to May 1636 (p. 510). From April 1638 to December 1639 there is a fairly complete set of notes by their clerk, John Reynolds, of business to be transacted, and also of warrants to Robert Sharpe, messenger of the Chamber, to warn persons to attend (pp. 580 and 611). They examined a great number of witnesses, and then probably reported matters to the Court of Star Chamber, as some of their papers are said to be there, and its orders are alluded to (p. 612). They also sent Commissioners down into the country, notably into Devonshire, where the Vice-Admiral, Dr. Jos. Martin, had roused much indignation by taking excessive fees (pp. 588-591). One chief branch of their work was to listen to complaints from prisoners of their treatment by their keepers and warders. Aquila Weekes at the Gatehouse (pp. 481 and 484), and Bartholomew Hall at the Marshalsea Prison (pp. 555, 572, 593), were great offenders, the accusations against Hall including his wife, of whom a prisoner complains that she behaved "with all the violence that the malice of a woman could invent" (p. 571). For the Fleet Prison a separate Commission was appointed. Thomas Coo, long imprisoned there, asserts, amongst other grievances, that he was "beaten down dead with an engine," after which severe treatment it is rather surprising that he is able to send up petition after petition to the King and Council (p. 733). His case was before the time of the Fleet Commission, and perhaps was one of those which led to its being appointed.

The papers relating to ship-money are not numerous, and are mostly drafts or copies of others already calendared. There is a petition of Sir Thomas Philipps, May 1635, complaining of the conduct of the sheriff of Somerset with regard to the assessment (on the writs of 1634) of certain parishes which he "was pleased to interpret to

be maritime" (p. 497); a letter from the sheriffs of Middlesex, September 1635, giving a full account of their proceedings in the matter of rating the county (p. 507); a document giving the assessment in co. Bedford upon the writ of 1637, which almost attains the importance of a subsidy roll, as it contains 662 names, with amounts, distributed under the several hundreds of the county (p. 574); and the report of the members of Parliament sent, in December 1640, to question the Judges concerning Finch's solicitations for their votes on ship-money. There were only eight to be interviewed, Hutton, Denham and Vernon having all died a year or so before, this time, and Finch himself being the twelfth. The queries seem to have related to their declaration in 1637, rather than to their first opinion in 1635, as Croke is included amongst those who voted, and it is implied that Hutton had done so. Baron Trevor says that Finch came and would have him subscribe, and Croke, of course, declares that he signed but for conformity to the rest. The others say that they were not solicited, but the Chief Baron, Sir Humphrey Davenport, states that the case signed by him differed from that which was afterwards dispersed (p. 628). There are also two MSS. copies of the Remonstrance against ship-money, written by William Prynne in 1636, (p. 540) for which the preface to the edition printed in 1643 claims that it "gave the first blow to that illegal tax." It was at first only distributed amongst friends in writing, but "by some ill-carriage came into the hands of the Lords of the Council," who made every effort to suppress it.

In 1637 we have the first trace of the troubles in Scotland, in a MS. copy of the supplication presented at Edinburgh on the 18th of October (p. 565). In July

1638, the Doctors of Aberdeen presented their "Demands concerning the Covenant" (p. 583) to the Commissioners who, headed by Montrose, came down in the hope of persuading them to sign it, and about this time also must have been written a paper by Henry de Vic on the affairs of Scotland (p. 585), perhaps addressed to Windebank (by whom it is endorsed) as one of the newly appointed Committee for Scotland. In this paper, the fear that the disturbance in Scotland may be followed by trouble in England is very clearly revealed. There is a graphic account of the Assembly of Glasgow (p. 594), the wording of which now and then curiously resembles Robert Baillie's description, and a copy of a letter, undated and unsigned, giving the writer's lively but very intemperate views upon the northern storm which "like a new disease, " hath so far posed the Doctors of State that as yet they " have not given it a name, though perhaps they all " firmly believe it to be rebellion " (p. 597). There are also copies of various other documents of about this date, which, however, are printed in Rushworth, Spalding, or elsewhere. In 1640 we have the examination of William Colville (p. 622), who had been sent to France in the March of that year with the (second) letter from the Scottish Lords to King Louis; and three documents containing details of the position of affairs in Scotland (pp. 622, 623, 629). Under date 7th September (p. 624) is a curious letter supposed to be addressed to the Pope by Lucifer, prince of darkness, the main interest of which lies in its allusion to the "Armada procured from Spain" in 1639, and the plot which was "crossed by the Divine Providence above and Hans Van Tromp below"; thus illustrating the fact to which Dr. Gardiner draws attention, that England believed herself to have been "saved by the gallant Dutchmen from a grave peril"

(History of England, Vol. IX., p. 69). There is a companion letter to this one amongst the King's Pamphlets at the British Museum (E.  $\frac{129}{3}$ ), the preamble to which is exactly the same, but which professes to be written at an earlier date.

With the year 1641 we come to the Irish rebellion, and to the measures taken by the English Parliament for sending over troops and furnishing them with arms and provisions. So many Committees were appointed for this purpose that it is sometimes difficult to tell to which one the documents refer. The first, appointed on 2nd November 1641, consisted of 26 members of each House, and acting with them was a Committee of Citizens and Adventurers of London, who undertook the practical business, the levying of assessments and furnishing of arms and provisions.

In February 1642, certain Commissioners, of whom John Hampden was one, were chosen to treat with the Scots concerning the reduction of Ireland (p. 638), and in September 1642, the Committee of Lords and Commons for Irish affairs was replaced by a Committee of the House of Commons, in which every member of the House who was an "Adventurer" had a voice. No fewer than 66 names occur as having been present at their meetings at one time or another. John Goodwin was Chairman of this Committee, which sat, at any rate at first, in the Exchequer Chamber. Two books containing copies of its orders are calendared (pp. 646, 656), and a series of original orders of the year 1643 (p. 753), besides many other papers. It also worked in conjunction with the Committee in the City. On 14th July 1643 a fresh Committee of Adventurers of the House of Commons and Citizen Adventurers of London was appointed, which sat at Grocers' Hall, and is often mentioned as the Grocers' Hall Committee, and on the 20th

of this same July, the House of Commons passed an Ordinance appointing the Lord Mayor and twelve others to be a Committee to enlist those who wished to serve in Ireland, and to receive contributions, arms, &c., for them. This is generally called the Committee appointed on the Ordinance of 20th of July, and sat sometimes at Merchant Tailors' and sometimes at Grocers' Hall, not, however, superseding the Committee of Adventurers. There was also a Sub-Committee of the Committee of Both Kingdoms, and various others, more or less temporary. In July 1645, Irish affairs were once more put into the hands of a Committee of Lords and Commons, who sat first in one of the Chambers at Westminster and afterwards (re-modelled probably, as the signatures of the Peers are different) at Derby House. In 1648, certain Commissioners for the affairs of Ireland (including Sir William Parsons) were appointed, who met in the Star Chamber, and these two Committees are left sitting at the end of the reign (see Index, under Ireland, Committees for).

The first supplies for Ireland came from a weekly assessment in London and Middlesex, received by the Committee sitting at Merchant Tailors' Hall, and issued on warrants from the Westminster Committee. Then Adventurers were invited to contribute, on promise of receiving lands in Ireland in return. The fact that the lands were to be taken from their Irish owners could not be expected to trouble the minds of any party in England, whether of King's men or Commonwealth men, and applicants for "Irish acres" eagerly came forward. For present needs, the wealthy merchants were asked to advance money, to be repaid with 8 per cent. interest as the assessments came in. Thus, when the Civil War began, the resources of London were already deeply taxed, and during the next few years, whoever was or was not paid,

the demands of the soldiers in Ireland must be to a certain extent satisfied. As we read of one payment after another—moneys from the Chamber of London, from the City Companies, from the Merchant Strangers, even from the mariners on the river Thames; of further weekly assessments and monthly assessments, of loans and yet fresh loans; of moneys collected in the counties, of grants upon the excise, and orders upon Guildhall, Haberdashers' Hall and Goldsmiths' Hall—we realize what a terrible drain Ireland must have been upon the Parliament resources all through the war.

The chief contractors for Ireland were Sir John Clotworthy, John Davies, Benjamin Goodwin, and Messrs. Rodbeard and Gauden (the Sir Denis Gauden, Contractor for the Navy, and friend of Pepys, of the reign of Charles II.). Against the first three, there are many accusations brought, of misappropriating the moneys, of charging undue rates, and of furnishing clothes not fit to wear and provisions not fit to eat (pp. 671, 686, 687, 698, 701, &c.). A folio volume, calendared on page 656, contains (amongst other items) particulars of forces and abstracts of muster rolls taken in Ireland in 1642; a list of English garrisons there, with their governors and commanders, some being noted in the margin as taken by the rebels; and a copy of the Articles of the Treaty by which the Scotch Commissioners agreed (at the beginning of 1642) to send 10,000 men to aid in crushing the rebellion.

On page 732 is a letter from Robert Perry at Antwerp to Captain Porter, brother of Endymion Porter, concerning certain pictures by Vandyke, lately sent to England. He almost apologises for having paid 10*l*. for one of them, assuring his patron that this is the rate all men pay, "and yours above all is esteemed rare." The picture for



which this extravagant sum was given had a narrow escape, as it fell into the river "crossing it in foul weather." The date is very indistinct, but appears to be 1629. We know that Robert Perry was in Antwerp in 1628, and in June 1630, Hugh Perry, his uncle, writes of a picture of Vandyke's obtained by Endymion Porter for the King, which may very probably be the one here mentioned (*see* Calendars for these years). There are two other allusions to Vandyke; notes by Windebank of the house provided for him in London (pp. 457, 460).

One of the most interesting petitions in the volume is that of Robert Law, who for nearly half a century was vicar of St. Mary's, Huntingdon (p. 755). The author of a little history of Huntingdon published in 1824, writes that during Law's long incumbency the church register was kept with singular fulness and accuracy, with his "neat ornamental signature" affixed to nearly every page. "We confess," he goes on to say, "that it was "not without regret that we witnessed (*sic*) the entry "of the death of the faithful vicar, which took place "on 8th of September 1644." The present vicar of St. Mary's has been so obliging as to look into the register to see whether the entry gives Law's age (which would have dated the petition), but unfortunately it does not. The Fishbourne legacy, asked for in the petition, is still paid to the parish by the Mercers' Company, as trustees. Law seems to have been an eccentric as well as an energetic man, for he begins his request to the Archbishop in a curiously abrupt fashion: "Whereas the petitioner for want of straw (for "corn he hath none, the friars and nuns do eat it up) "doth fail in delivering his tale of bricks, &c." This odd preamble has an interest of its own. The priory of St. Mary, the house of Austin Friars, and the nunnery

of Hinchbrook (by whom the great tithes of Huntingdon were held), came, after the dissolution of the monasteries, into the hands of the Cromwell family, and in a house built out of the ruins and standing on the site of the old Friary, the future Protector was born. In 1631 he joined with his uncle, Sir Oliver, and his mother, in disposing of the family property in Huntingdon, but during most of Law's incumbency they represented the friars and nuns of whom the vicar so bitterly complains.

Another interesting petition is one signed by 46 inhabitants of Manchester, praying that the funds derived from the delinquency of the canons of the Collegiate Church may be devoted to the payment of the ministers of the chapelries in the parish. Of the chapelries here alluded to, one of the most important was that of Birch, lying to the south of the town, and containing the estates of the noted puritan families of Birch and Worsley. Colonel Thomas Birch, as one of the County Committee, signs the order granting the petition (p. 669).

On page 690 is a cipher letter from Archbishop Williams of York to Lord Digby in Ireland, which was intercepted by Parliament, but apparently not deciphered. A word of explanation is perhaps due as to the authorship. The scheme of the cipher (in which each symbol represents a word, not a letter) soon developed sufficiently to show that it was written by someone whose name began with W or Y, from a place in Wales with the initial C, and near to a garrison beginning with R. Curiously enough, there seemed to be two answers to the riddle, for Sir John Watts held Chirk, near Ruthin, for the King, whilst the Archbishop of York was at Conway, within easy distance of Rhuddlan, and both were in correspondence with Ireland. The Archbishop appeared, however, to be the more likely of the two, and happily

a comparison of handwritings put the matter beyond dispute. The word rendered "Bishop" of Lichfield is doubtful. The first and most natural idea was that it was Bagot (the Governor), but, on reflection, it seemed improbable that a cipher which contained no symbol for Byron, should have one for so much less important a man. It is quite possible, however, that Bagot may be the true interpretation. The detention of the letter, and the despatch of that to the King by a different road, are explained by the fact that just at this time Lichfield was surrendered to Parliament. The interest of this letter lies in the proof which it affords of the bitter feeling of the King's friends concerning the "business of Glamorgan," many of them being "in great enmity with Digby" about it, and Sir Nicholas Byron declaring that Glamorgan has done nothing but with his consent and the King's.

The private letters are both numerous and interesting. Those of the Conway family have been already mentioned. On p. 60 are four letters from Endymion Porter to his wife, and on pp. 465-7, five letters to him from his Spanish mother, who seems to have taken very kindly to English home life, although she still writes in her native tongue.

The widow of Viscount Dorchester contributes several (p. 744), in which she shows herself a very keen woman of business indeed. Whether she was as conscientious as she was energetic, is perhaps doubtful.

A series of letters from Essex, written by John Wiseman to his friend Arthur Pyne, of co. Somerset, gives a glimpse of the courtship of a young relative of the Earl of Warwick, for whose hand Pyne and Mr. Fiennes, son of Lord Saye and Seal, are rival suitors. The writer shows himself very enthusiastic in his friend's cause,

declaring, with an evident allusion to the story of Atalanta, that he hopes to throw, "instead of golden balls, such leaden ones in his (the rival's) way, as he shall not fail but stumble at." The lady's father remains obdurate for some time, but Lord Warwick lends his influence, and in the end, as we learn from the endorsement, the lovers are united (p. 724). These letters, with many other papers in the supplementary Addenda, have been in the custody of the Court of Wards.

Lastly, we have a collection of private letters of the Morton family, cousins of John Blakiston (M.P. for Newcastle in the Long Parliament) and connections of Bishop Morton of Durham, chiefly relating to matters and men at Leicester and at Newcastle-on-Tyne, between the years 1630-1638 (pp. 761-762).

Amongst other papers of interest may be noted :—

A return, under date 28th June 1625, of the disbursement of the subsidy moneys (*i.e.*, the three subsidies voted 30th March 1624, to be paid to Treasurers appointed by Parliament) of which Mr. Hamilton remarks that he calenders it in full, as it is the only record which we have of that subsidy, the money never having been paid into the Exchequer (p. 23).

Suggestions for levying money by way of Privy Seal, which Mr. Hamilton notes as having been acted upon (p. 83).

A news-letter from Flanders, apparently written early in the year 1626, and showing the hopes entertained abroad of drawing Argyle into a plot against the King. "I did see a letter," says the writer, "saying that he was not worthy of a heavenly kingdom who would not venture for a Crown on earth. The meaning of this letter was addressed to the Earl of Argyle" (p. 722).

A letter from Sir James Bagge to Buckingham (p. 112) concerning the burgesses sent by the Earl of Pembroke to Parliament (noticed by Dr. Gardiner, Vol. V., p. 30, note).

A list of the officers slain and taken prisoner at the retreat from the Isle of Rhé (p. 232).

A schedule of the amounts to be contributed by the nobility to the proposed Privy Seal loan in January 1628, which may be compared with the Book of the Subsidy of 1625 (Vol. 7, No. 6). 110 names are given. The Earl of Pembroke still stands alone at the head of the list, rated at 700*l.*; but the Earls of Lincoln and Warwick, as well as of Northumberland, Rutland and Devonshire, are now rated at 600*l.*, and the Earls of Essex, Bolingbroke and Mulgrave and Lord Grey of Wark, at 500*l.* In most cases, the amounts are just the same as for the 1625 subsidy, but about 20 are to pay more, and three, including the Earl of Northampton, less than before (p. 727).

A collection of papers relating to the affairs of Roman Catholics in England (p. 274).

A letter from Lady Anne Hay to her father, the Earl of Carlisle (p. 308). This lady, whose name appears to be omitted in all the modern peerages, was the daughter of the Earl by his first wife, and died young.

A letter from Attorney-General Heath, also to the Earl of Carlisle, dated 7th February 1628–29 (*i.e.* the day after Eliot's attack upon Heath for not prosecuting Prebendary Cosin of Durham, when Heath had been more outspoken in his answer than the King approved), excusing his conduct and pleading for Carlisle's intercession with his offended master (p. 329).

Order in the Star Chamber touching Sir John Eliot (p. 342).

News from Court by Sir Toby Mathew (p. 367).

Statement of the case of Mr. Burgis, schoolmaster of Saffron Walden (p. 551), which forms a companion paper to one in the Harl. MSS. (No. 2,103, fol. 172) noticed by Lord Braybrooke in his "History of Audley End, &c." This Burgis is perhaps the "medical man" fined in Star Chamber in 1635 (see Calendar for that year, p. 230), and there is a letter relating to him on p. 429 of the volume for 1636-37.

Petition of the Goldsmiths' Company against the wearing of sham jewellery, on which Lord Keeper Coventry reports that "if all were supplied with rich jewels who now "conceive themselves well furnished with counterfeits, "it were like to waste a great part of the treasure of the "kingdom" (p. 480).

Notes of visitations in the diocese of Lincoln, with presentments of recusants and other offenders (pp. 487 and 504).

A list of contributions from peers, officials, &c., to the King for his expedition to the North in 1639; with note (by the late Mr. Robert Lemon?) that this important paper was purchased by him for the Record Office (p. 604).

A short letter from William, afterwards Sir William Dugdale, on some matter of business, a thing, he laments, quite out of his element and which ministers great affliction to him (p. 640).

A certificate from the Walloon congregation in Canterbury (p. 641).

The articles presented to the King by the States' Ambassadors in the summer of 1644 (p. 664).

A relation, by Colonel John Were, of proceedings in the West during this same summer, describing the differences between the Earl of Essex and Sir William Waller (p. 667).

Regulations for patients and nurses in the Savoy hospital (p. 668).

A letter from Dr. Theodore Mayerne to the second Lord Conway, in which he says "le feu roy, Henry le  
" Grand, mon maistre, distingoit de la goutte, qui le  
" travailloit souvent, disant que quelques fois il prenoit  
" la goutte, quelques fois elle le prenoit " (p. 717).

A letter, probably from Lord Conway, to the Queen (p. 745).

And, lastly, a collection of MS. tracts and verses, mostly relating to religious and controversial matters (pp. 757-60).

Very grateful thanks are due to Dr. S. R. Gardiner for kind help in dating some difficult papers.

It is not easy to make quite intelligible the index of a calendar embracing so many years, and containing frequent allusions to occurrences of an earlier date, but it is hoped that a certain degree of clearness has been obtained by a free insertion of dates.

S. C. L.

Dulwich,  
December 1896.

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# ERRATA.

- Page 2, line 12 from bottom, for "Sir John Burgh" read "Thomas, Lord Burgh."
- " 2, line 9 from bottom, for "Coventry" read "Williams."
- " 16, No. 59 is a copy of Vol. CV., No. 56, and should be under date 1628. See Calendar for 1628-29, p. 144.
- " 44, line 4, omit note and see p. 154.
- " 49, line 28, for "same" read "Sec. Conway."
- " 89, line 20, for "William Weld to Viscount Wimbledon" read "George Rawdon to the 2nd Lord Conway, and alter date to June 1636.
- " 89, line 24, for "Visc. Falkland" read "Lord Wentworth."
- " 89, line 37, delete "Secretary to Lord Conway."
- " 101, line 5 from bottom, for "Lord Conway" read "Duke of Buckingham."
- " 105, line 18, for "Rupert" read "Frederic Henry."
- " 119, line 17, after "Portland Castle" insert "(sic)."
- " 128, line 25, for "Olive" read "Oliver."
- " 132, line 4 from bottom, for "or intended to be made" read "by the Duke of Buckingham"; and see p. 721.
- " 144, line 27, after "objections addressed" insert "by the Dean of Jersey" and alter date to after Dec. 1626.
- " 144, line 36, for "him" read "the writer."
- " 144, line 4 from bottom, for "they" read "the writer's family."
- " 144, line 3 from bottom, after "and" insert "they have."
- " 145, line 3, for "the writer, we" read "the writer's family."
- " 145, line 6, for "any" read "the writer's."
- " 145, line 36, for "Bailiffs" read "Bailiff."
- " 186, Vol. 525, No. 94, appears to be missing from the volume of original papers.
- " 199, line 30, for "Sec. Coke" read "Lord Treasurer Marlborough."
- " 201, line 4 from bottom, for "Sir Philip" read "Amice de"; and for "Jersey" read "Guernsey."
- " 201, line 3 from bottom, delete "Peyton."
- " 230, No. 5. The true date of this paper is 26th October 1621 (see Addenda 1580-1625, Vol. XLII., No. 62).
- " 242, line 14, after "benefit" insert full stop.
- " 255, line 16 from bottom, for "Calendin" read "Calendrini."
- " 256, line 26, before "cannot be prejudicial" insert "and that the dyeing thereof."
- " 260, No. 12. The true date of this document is 29th January 1617-8.
- " 263, line 27, for "Castlebar" read "Castleton."
- " 263, line 29, for "26th March" read "29th March."
- " 285, margin, line 8 from bottom, for "Nontorgueil" read "Montorgueil."
- " 308, line 32, for "presidents" read "precedents."
- " 314, last line, for "Spittle" read "the Spittle."
- " 318, Vol. 529, No. 109, is a duplicate of Vol. 527, No. 73.
- " 319, line 14, for "Deputy-Lieutenant" read "Lord Lieutenant."
- " 320, line 9, for "Honour" read "Honours."
- " 328, line 6, to No. 6 add "61, the enclosure referred to."
- " 328, line 7, for "as Governor" read "on a special mission."
- " 329, line 3 from bottom, for "my cousins" read "Mr. Cosins."



- Page 345, line 22, after "Weston" delete comma.
- „ 350, line 35, for "Sir Philip" read "Amice de."
- „ 389, line 16, for "Bullitort" read "Buttitort."
- „ 396, line 22, for "Marquis" read "Earl."
- „ 401, line 5 from bottom, for "with" read "without."
- „ 431, No. 90. True date probably 1625.
- „ 447, line 20, for "Drury" read "Durie."
- „ 464, line 13, for "Histrio-Mastrix" read "Histrio-Mastix."
- „ 476, line 17, for "petitioner" read "petition."
- „ 482, line 3 from bottom, for "Pitt" read "Pett."
- „ 488, No. 35. True date probably 1626, not long after the occurrence described (Feb. 26 of that year).
- „ 502, Vol. 535, No. 83, is a draft for Vol. 525, No. 93.
- „ 578, line 4 from bottom, for "Taperill" read "Paperill."
- „ 628, line 5 from bottom, note, for "must have died, &c." read "died on the 9th."
- „ 631, line 10, for "Edward" read "Edmond."
- „ 635, line 11 from bottom after "lending" insert "100l."
- „ 698, line 29, for "Earl of Inchiquin" read "Lord Inchiquin."
- „ 706, line 14 from bottom, for "Earl of Inchiquin" read "Lord Inchiquin."
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# DOMESTIC PAPERS.

(ADDENDA.)

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## CHARLES I.

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1625.

[March 27.] 1. Manuscript copy of the Proclamation of the Privy Council declaring the accession of Charles I. [*Already calendared, see Domestic Calendar, 27th March.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[March.] 2. Notes by Secretary Conway's secretary of the proceedings on the decease of James I. and accession of Charles I. The King died Sunday 27th March, between 11 and 12 at noon, at Theobald's. The Lords of the Council with many others presently assembled together, penned and signed [the] Proclamation and, instantly, at the Court Gate, proclaimed Prince Charles King, &c. This done, they came all to Whitehall into the Council Chamber, signed the Proclamation new drawn, and about 5 o'clock went together into London proclaiming King Charles. The King came that night to St. James', and the next morning declared his intention to continue all the late King's officers [and] councillors in their charges, and gave commission presently [for] administering the oath to all the Council, which was done that [even]ing; and the next [day] Sir Humphrey May was added to the [pa]per; and all other commissions are in preparation.

[He then] likewise resolved to prosecute the ways and counsels [of his father], and to that purpose dispatches to foreign [States and neigh]bours for maintenance of the same correspondence [between] the ambassadors and agents; approves all instructions [given] them and their negotiations, which they are to pursue constantly; [and] Parliament is forthwith to be called by new writ. [The] funeral, coronation, settling the household, businesses [are] presently to be ordered. [*A further report of the proceedings of the Privy Council is already calendared in Domestic Calendar, Vol. I., No. 5. Damaged by mice.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[March.] 3. Estimate [by Captain Vaughan] of the monthly expense of the officers, crew, diet, and repairs of the pinnace called the "Lion's Whelp," [bestowed on the Duke of Buckingham]; total, 2,203*l.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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4. [Secretary Conway] to Sir Robert Anstruther [Ambassador to the King of Denmark]. You will at large find by the enclosed the great loss we have sustained of our late gracious master and blessed King [James], whose pious ways and sincere professions of religion in the whole course of his life have in this last period been happily confirmed and crowned by his zealous declaration of his faith, calling for and receiving the communion, and performing those acts of devotion and piety which, even in the midst of extreme sorrow and grief, gave us much comfort. You will also find in our now gracious master the lively image of his father's piety, in confirming all his father's acts; the choice of his ministers, both abroad and at home; and his intention to pursue the wise and happy counsels of his blessed father. So as your Lordship is not only to assure that King and the Princes with whom you are to negotiate of his Majesty's affection unto them, and resolution to follow constantly the designs and courses begun in his father's time; but also according to the letters of credence and directions to you from his Majesty herewith sent, to pursue the treaty and negotiation wherein you were, in the same manner and way and to the same end, you should have done in his late Majesty's time. The match with France is concluded and should have been solemnised about the 12th of April, according to a promise of the French king, if this diversion had not happened. But, notwithstanding that and the gravity His Majesty keeps in the full observation of time and circumstances for the solemnization of the funeral, I doubt not but that within the compass of seven weeks the funeral solemnities will be past, the marriage celebrated in France, the Parliament assembled by new writs, the lady on her way from France hitherwards, and both the coronations to follow speedily. The time is so pressing for business I can add no more.

*Postscript*—To Sir Robert Anstruther: That only the letters to the King of Denmark and Elector of Brandenburg are now sent, the rest shall follow. *Dorso*,

4. 1. *The like mutatis mutandis to Sir Isaac Wake and Mr. Trumbull.* [*Copy.* 2 pp.]

April 1.  
Chequer Lane.

5. Lady Frances Burgh [widow of Sir John Burgh] to Secretary Conway. I have been informed by my son and Mr. [Henry] Gibb how much I am engaged to you not only for that you wrote for me to the Lord Keeper [Coventry] in His Majesty's name, but for your honourable report of my dead lord, whose services are with his body raked up in ashes, and both myself and children forgotten, only in your worthy memory there are some relics of him remaining. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

April 2.

6. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Coventry. To draw a renewed Privy Seal for Sir William Bruncker and Christopher Aubrey. [*Minute of this already calendared, see Domestic Calendar under date.* *Draft.* ¼ p.]

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- April 4. 7. Bill of Robert Stevens for goods supplied to Mr. Henry Fanshaw, and his receipt for 28*l.* 5*s.* *Subjoined*,  
 7. i. *A note of Mr. Fanshaw's debts. Total, 457*l.* 10*s.* 11*d.**  
*[= 3 pp.]*
- April 5. 8. Secretary Conway to Archbishop Abbot of Canterbury. I am solicited by the French Ambassador to move your Grace for the liberty of Gabriel Colford and Alexander Osbenson, now in custody of the pursuivant Crosse, they being taken and detained for matter of religion, likewise for the return of his bonds to John Sincops, who was taken last summer with divers others and released upon bonds, which have been delivered back to all the rest. This is the information and request made to me. You who know best the truth and reason of the matter can best judge of it, and will be pleased to give order according to His Majesty's intentions in such cases for discharge if the restraint or bonds be for matter of religion. If otherwise, furnish me with reasons to satisfy the French Ambassador. *[Copy.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]*
- April 5. 9. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Coventry. To draw new grants to the Earl of Annandale of Plumpton Park and Plumpton Head in co. Cumberland. *[Minute of this already calendered under date. See Domestic Calendar, Car. I. Draft. 1 p.]*
- April 5. 10. The like to draw new grants to the Earl of Holderness. *[Ditto. Draft.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]*
- April 5. 11. The same to the same. To draw a grant to Abraham Vanderdort. *[Ditto. See ibid. Draft.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*
- April 6. 12. The same to the same. Pardon for Robert Jenner. *[See ibid. Draft.  $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]*
- April 6. 13. The same to Deputy Lieutenants of Anglesea. *[Ditto. See ibid. Draft.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*
- April 7. 14. The same to Trinity College, Cambridge. *[Ditto. See ibid. Draft. 1 p.]*
- April 7. 15. The same to the Justices of Assize for co. Palatine of Chester, touching Sir Henry Bunbury. *[Ditto. See ibid. Draft.  $1\frac{1}{4}$  p.]*
- April 9. 16. The same to Lord Treasurer Ley. Restraining the felling of woods within the presidentship of Wales. *[Ditto. See ibid. Draft.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*
- April 9. 17. The like, signed by Secretary Conway. *[1 p.]*
- April 12. 18. Thomas Locke to Sir Dudley Carleton, Ambassador at the Hague. I received yours of the 20th ultimo only yesterday. I have made inquiry and do not find but that the same resolution that was

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taken before the King's death concerning your Lordship holds still. There are no Privy Seals renewed yet. The sum allowed for blacks at the Queen's funeral was 100*l*. and escutcheons were sent; whether a greater sum should be now desired, or what you shall conceive fitting I will be ready to do. I heard to-day from Sir Richard Harrison they are all well, but he can do nothing about the letting of the land at Imworth. [*Seal with bird. 1 p.*]

April 12. 19. Sir John Arundel of Trerise to Sir Richard Carnsew. Requests his help and votes in the approaching election of knight of the shire for co. Cornwall. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

April 14. 20. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Coventry. To draw renewed grants to Lord Danvers and Mr. Henry Osborne of the offices of house-keeper and under house-keeper of St. James' severally, upon the surrender by James Levingston and David Bennett of the latter office. [*Minute of this already calendared. See Domestic Calendar under date. Draft. 1 p.*]

April 15. 21. Secretary Conway to Solicitor-General Heath. Warrant to draw up a new commission for the advancement of trade. *Ditto. See ibid. Minute.*]

April 15. The like to draw up corporations for 32 counties for the manufacture of New Draperies, to pass by immediate warrant, with a Privy Seal for 150*l*. for reward of clerks' pains, to be delivered to those of the Council who are of the Commission and by them distributed. [*Minute. Ibid.*]

April 15. Petition of the merchants of England trading in the Levant seas to the King. Your Majesty was pleased at our request to confirm Sir Thomas Roe for Ambassador at Constantinople about four years past, whose time being to expire at the end of December next, we understand he is desirous then to return into England. Whereas at this time present that trade has become more dangerous than in former times by reason of the combustions in those parts, and your subjects having had good experience of Sir Thomas Roe's sufficiency in his employment, and of his great care to secure their persons and estates by settling a peace with the towns of Algiers and Tunis, and defending them from the Avanyas [oppressions] and injustice of the officers of the Grand Signor whose insolence doth now exceed all former times; so that if Sir Thomas Roe should return before the work now begun be settled, it may fall greatly to the prejudice of your subjects and hazard the overthrow of that trade. In tender consideration whereof we entreat you to grant your Princely letters to Sir Thomas Roe for his continuance in that place for two years longer, as well for securing your subjects' sons, servants, and goods as for the better settling of that trade. [*This petition was originally presented to King James on the 6th of March 1624-25, but does not occur in the Calendar for that reign, and is therefore*

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*inserted here under date 15th April, when it was again presented to Charles I. Levant Company, Vol. I., Nos. 36 I. and 36 III. Copy.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]*

- April 19. 22. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Coventry. Warrant to renew the Commission and Instructions for the North according to those of 11th July 1619, and the names according to a schedule under the King's hand, these were, Lord Scrope, President, Archbishop of York, Earl of Cumberland, Lord Clifford, Bishops of Durham and Carlisle, Lords Darcy, Sheffield, and Cary [Carew], Justices of Assize, Justice Hutton, Sir Henry Saville, Sir Thomas Wentworth, besides 21 more here named. [*Minute of this already printed. See Domestic Calendar under date. Draft. 1 p.*]
- April 22. 23. Secretary Conway to Lord Treasurer Ley. To give order for payment of the pension of 2,500*l.* a year to the present Marquis Hamilton, as his father held the same out of the pretermitted customs. [*Holograph unsigned. 1 p.*]
- April 22. 24. Copy of the same, of which a minute is already printed. [*See Domestic Calendar under date.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.*]
- April 22. 25. The same to Attorney-General Coventry. For renewing the Earl of Anglesea's Privy Seal. [*Ditto. See ibid. Copy. 1 p.*]
- April 25. The King to the [Company of Merchants trading to the Levant  
Westminster. Seas]. We have understood that you were lately suitors to King James for his consent that Sir Thomas Roe, Ambassador with the Grand Signor, might return home, in which he was pleased to give you satisfaction; and to supply that employment he had made choice of Sir Thomas Phillips and purposed to have commended him to you. Although by some proceeding of yours afterwards he was somewhat displeased, yet out of his accustomed clemency and singular care of your affairs, and to give countenance and protection to your trade, both for your own particular and for the general good of our kingdoms, and being as well advantageously to serve you as to pleasure all that belong to the honour and interest of the State, he continued constant to his determination. For which reasons and for other motives appearing unto us, we do approve of Sir T. Phillips for this employment and accordingly recommend him to you, not doubting but that you will willingly and readily apply yourselves to our choice of the person, wherein we shall expect your answer [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 46. Copy.  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.*]
- April 25. Another copy of the same. [*Ibid, No. 36 IV.*]
- April 27. 26. Secretary Conway to Eliza, Lady Hatton. [*Minute of this  
Whitehall. already Calendared. See Domestic Calendar under date. 1 p.*]
- April 27. 27. Draft of the same. [*1 p.*]
- April 27. 28. The same to Frances, Duchess Dowager of Richmond. The King's pleasure, touching her dispute with Lady Hatton, and the choice by each of two commissioners. [*Ditto. See ibid. Copy.  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.*]

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April 28. 29. The same to the same. I have moved his Majesty, and would have attended you with the relation. His Majesty prays you to remember that, being with him at Whitehall, you were pleased that the way of mediation and ordering by commissioners to be chosen should be propounded to the Lady Hatton. [*Holograph unsigned.* 1 p.]
- April 28.  
London. 30. Egidio Ouwers to Mons. Blocquerye, Chancellor to the Prince of Liège. As for business concerning the State, it seemeth that this new King [Charles I.] will cause certain mutations in this kingdom arming 93 ships for the war; their enterprise is yet unknown, but it is thought that they are to oppose the King of Spain's great preparations. The Dunkirkers make daily prizes of the Hollanders. About 10 days ago a little ship brought into the haven three ships taken from the Hollanders, and the same day, on my arrival at Calais, another little ship of Dunkirk took another of the Hollanders before the haven of Calais in sight of two Holland men-of-war. At Cadiz 12 Capuchin Friars died by poison, but the author of this fact is unknown. Events in Brazil. [*Abstract.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- April 28.  
[London.] The same to Cardinal de Ceuua [Ceva] at Brussels. Eight days since I arrived in this kingdom [of England] where I found that 93 ships are preparing for the war, whereof about 70 belong to particulars [private merchants], most of them of 240 and 300 tons with 24 pieces of iron ordnance and some with 28 pieces. In Dunkirk and Ostend [I have found greater quantity of good mariners and the King [of Spain's] ships as well as the particular [merchants] in better quality than I imagined, the King [of Spain's] ships being 16, including those building. If they should go at the beginning of July to destroy the herring-fishery where the Hollanders go, near this kingdom, it will be sufficient, in my judgment, to spoil that chiefest mine which furnished the Hollanders to uphold the unjust war against our King. Last year the Hollanders went to that fishery with 2,400 fisher boats, guarded by 40 men-of-war, which boats do not fish in one place, nor within the compass of 5 or 10 leagues, but are scattered about 200 leagues, by reason of which these so-called men-of-war cannot keep them, being themselves little, and at the present scarce in Holland. If His Majesty [of Spain] be inclined to undertake this enterprise, the way which should be kept is this: To send about the beginning of June from Dunkirk to the haven of St. Sebastian in Biscay, 10 of the King's ships and five particular with eight or 10 pair of oars for each, causing six of the King's ships remaining with the particular to be ready and to molest the Holland sea, to keep the State's shipping in suspense, which are designed to defend that sea, and to the said 10 great ships and five smaller ones to add as many more of Spain and so to sail together through the Irish and Scottish seas, by doing which they may certainly overcome that enterprise, and afterwards turn towards Greenland and there take or drive away the whalers. From Holland I will give you a particular relation of the quantity and quality of such ships as are there. At Dunkirk they want a person of authority to be their general at sea, and to set all things

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in order. For the desire I have to do His Majesty [of Spain] some acceptable service and of profit, I will not fail to inquire in Zealand and Holland of all that passes, whither I go to-morrow, and will give you speedy notice thereof. [*Ibid.* Abstract. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

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[London.]

Egidio Ouwers to a correspondent at Brussels. If you receive any answer to my letters from the Cardinal [de Ceva], open them and write me their contents, retaining the original. Instead of naming the Cardinal write "Cosin Cornelis," and instead of "His Majesty of Spain" write "France," so as to disguise the contents in case the letters should be intercepted. When I write to the Cardinal out of Holland I will direct the cover "Al Illustrissimo Domenico de Molin in Venetia," which take off and write on another cover "Al Illust. et Rev. Signor Cardinale de Ceuua." [*Ibid.* Abstract.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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The same to Marco and Michelle Moens in Venice. If you have done nothing concerning the wager for Breda, I would entreat you to let it rest, for I do not doubt it will yield within a month or six weeks. As concerning the state of this country [England] it seems that this King [Charles] will cause some alteration. There are 20 of the King's ships and about 70 of particulars preparing for the war, wherein it is said there will go 10,000 men besides the mariners. It were good if they went against the Barbary pirates. Here arrived [in London] a "Chaus" of Constantinople who came by Argier [Algiers] to establish with this nation an everlasting truce, but it seems that he is little welcome for all he brought 50 slaves [captives] with him. They of Dunkirk grow strong and daily take English, Holland, and French ships going for Holland. I counted at Dunkirk above 70 ships, including nine of the King [of Spain's] and seven others, almost finished, every one mounted with 14 pieces of brass ordnance and 22 iron pieces; the rest are mostly little ships belonging to particulars [merchants] which do most damage, for they can row upon occasion. [*Ibid.* Abstract. 1 p.]

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31. Estimate of the pay by the month and year of 10,000 soldiers with their officers, viz. Officers' pay per mensem 1,498*l.*, per annum 19,474*l.* Soldiers' pay at 8*d.* each per mensem 9,333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, per annum 121,333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The pay of 100 lances for a month with their officers, total 224*l.*, the same per annum 2,912*l.* [1 p.]

April.

32. Report [to Lord Treasurer Ley] concerning the state of the reckoning between His Majesty and Lord Sheffield. By way of admittance that Lord Sheffield do redeem the pensions assigned by him, parcel of 2,000*l.* per annum out of the alum works, viz., 1,000*l.* a year to Thomas Jones and William Essington, and of 500*l.* to William Ferrers and so accounting them as due to himself, and they not to pretend any claim or interest in them. There is due to Lord Sheffield the sums here particularized. Total of money demanded by Lord Sheffield under the considerations before



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remembered, 18,920*l.* Particulars of the sums received 'by Lord Sheffield. Total of the moneys received and charged upon Lord Sheffield, 9,030*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.* So, under the admissions and with the cautions formerly set down, then there seems to be due to Lord Sheffield 9,889*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.* *Mem.*—That Sir Robert Pye out of the Receipt doth charge Lord Sheffield with 1,500*l.* for buildings and reparations of His Majesty's house at York, and Mr. Auditor Hutton out of the Receiver's accompts, 3,500*l.* for those works, total, 5,000*l.*; but I conceive his Lordship is doubly charged with 1,000*l.* upon the grounds here stated. There was a tally stricken in the Receipt for 1,000*l.* upon Thomas Scudamore, Receiver of co. York, 13th July 1616, yet it appears that he took no allowance of that tally, but had acquittances again from Lord Sheffield for the said 1,000*l.*, the copies of which acquittances I have seen, and the copies of the Privy Seals perishing by the fire at Whitehall, yet there is brought to me the docquets of those Privy Seals, which do mention as here stated. [3 *pp.*]

[April.] 33. Petition of the Eastland Merchants of York and Hull to the Council. A general act of the Company restricted the times for shipping cloth this year to 21st March and 30th April. Were prevented shipping at the proper time from the danger of the Dunkirkers lying on the coast, but, as the act cannot be altered except at a general yearly assembly, beg exemption from penalties in transgressing it by sailing at another time. [1 *p.*]

[April.] 34. Notes in Sir John Coke's hand headed "Commonwealth Laws," viz.: 1. An Act for the maintenance and increase of the Navy and shipping of the kingdom. 2. An Act for the making of the offence of transportation of ordnance felony. 3. An Act for armour to be provided and fitted to the service of the present time. 4. An Act for the staying of gold and silver within the realm and the bringing of silver to the Mint. 5. An Act for further provision for conveying of wools out of the realm. 6. An Act for the more easy passing of accounts in the Exchequer. 7. An Act for the further restraining of informers. 8. An Act for the renewing of a former statute touching rebellious riots. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

[April.] 35. Verses on the death of James I. by Edward Fairfax, headed "On the late King":—

" All that have eyes now wake and weep,  
He whose waking was our sleep  
Is fallen asleep himself and never  
Shall wake more till waked for ever.  
Death's iron hand hath closed his eyes  
That were at once three kingdoms' spies."

[Printed in the *Fairfax Correspondence*, Vol. I. Damaged by damp. 32 lines.]

May 3. 36. Secretary Conway to the Master and Fellows of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge. His Majesty has been informed by Sir Edward Barrett, appointed to be his resident Ambassador in France, that he

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is to take along with him for his household Chaplain Mr. Benjamin Lany a Fellow of that House, it being as well usual as just that worthy persons employed abroad for the honour and service of their king and country should receive all favourable dispensations. His Majesty's request to you is that Mr. Lany be permitted to enjoy all privileges and profits as Fellow of your House during his absence in attendance upon the Ambassador in as ample manner as he would if resident with you. [*Copy.* 2½ p.]

May 4. 37. The same to Attorney-General Coventry. To prepare a grant for Andrew Pitcairn, Groom of the Bedchamber, to be Keeper of the Hawks. [*Minute of this already printed. See Domestic Calendar under date.* *Copy.* ½ p.]

May 5. 38. George, Duke of Buckingham, to Sir Horatio Vere [subsequently Lord Vere]. In this great design of His Majesty's applying himself to the suit of his dear sister and brother [the King and Queen of Bohemia] for the remedy of their so apparent and lamentable necessities by arms, your worth and my estimation of you hath not been unacknowledged. But the choice which the States [of Holland] have lately renewed of you to command the nation of English in their service, and the many uses we are constrained to make of that State, with the necessity that equal care be had for the conservation of that State as for this, hath counselled me not to disappoint that State's confidence in you at this time, when they have so notable use of you, especially since your service there is as important and acceptable to His Majesty as in any place wheresoever you could be employed. And this comfort I shall be bold to give you from His Majesty and assurance from myself, that no man is preferred before you as a virtuous man and able soldier, whereof, as occasion shall be offered, you shall have good proof, to your honour and advantage in all things whereof I pray you have confidence. For the present, I have been so happy as to obtain from His Majesty the creating of you a Baron. The patent is drawing but cannot be perfected till we hear from you of what place or name you will give yourself the nomination. *Endorsed*: "To Sir Horace Vere. By [Bassit] Coale by the way of Brussels"; and by Sir W. St. Leger, the duplicate. From the Duke." [*This last paragraph is stated in the margin to be in the Duke's own hand. Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers.* 1 p.]

May 5. 39. The same to [Henry de Vere], Earl of Oxford. By yours, I perceived your active desire to have employment in this voyage to sea with some land forces. I know you are assured of my affection and contentment in your company, but the first deliberation, wherein were also the first choices and dimensions, were by His Majesty's special direction; so, as it is not in my power to satisfy myself in any offer I can make to your Lordship to be worthy of you. Only I can say there is in my disposing the Vice-Admiral's place, but with such a limitation as I would not offer it to you, nor can I judge it meet for you to accept, the Vice-Admiral

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being to be subject to the directions and commandments of the Lord Marshal for the land, if by any occasion I should be recalled or absent from the Fleet and Army. My Lord, this is but the beginning of action wherein you shall see yourself attended with my affection to sort you with employment more<sup>l</sup> suitable with your honour and fully to your contentment, there being nothing more in my desire than to acknowledge my opinion of your worth by getting you into employment answerable to it. *Endorsed*: "As sent like the preceding." [*Modern copy among the Conway Papers. 1 p.*]

May 5. 40. The same to Sir John Borough. I do make such account of your ability to do the King service, as I do venture to summon you to come over to go in an employment wherein I shall labour to advance you and give you contentment, and would with all that you should use your own endeavour and employ my power to keep what you have in the Low Countries; but, though you could not keep that regiment, I shall expect you will put yourself upon His Majesty's employment and [for ?] the advantage of that. For your old company I doubt not but to continue it to you. Both the Lord Ambassador [Sir Edward Barrett] and Sir Edward Cecil will tell you the day of the rendezvous at Plymouth, and I shall expect you before to use your advice and execution. *Endorsed*: "As sent like the above." [*Modern copy amongst Conway Papers. From original draft. 2/3 p.*]

May 5. Petition of the Merchants of England trading in the Levant Seas to the King. That having lately received your royal letter [*see* 25th April] we caused it to be read at our General Assembly, whereby it seems your Majesty hath understood we had been of late suitors to your royal father [King James]. That Sir Thomas Roe, Ambassador resident with the Grand Signor at Constantinople, might return home, and that thereupon His Majesty was purposed to have commended Sir Thomas Phillips for that employment with other remonstrances from your Majesty of your pleasure. May it please your Majesty, under your gracious favour to understand, that we never preferred any such suit to his late Majesty for calling home Sir Thomas Roe or gave any cause to his Highness therein to be offended with us. We do declare to your Majesty that we were petitioners to King James, and, since his death to your Majesty, that Sir Thomas Roe might remain there two years longer, which petition we do still continue, for that the present trade of those parts is very much decayed, and become more dangerous than hath been in former times, by reason of divers troubles lately stirred up among themselves and the daily injustice and oppressions done by the officers of the Grand Signor, whose insolencies now exceed all former times, although by the wisdom, care, and sufficiency of Sir Thomas Roe, they are often prevented and your subjects secured from many injuries; insomuch as if Sir Thomas Roe should now be removed in these dangerous and troublesome times it will be a great discouragement in following

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their trade and may hazard the overthrow of their estates there. In tender consideration whereof your loyal subjects do implore your Majesty's gracious support and assistance and that you would grant to them your princely approbation and letters to Sir Thomas Roe to continue in that place two years longer both for securing the estates of your subjects and the persons of their sons and servants as for their better encouragement in following their trade without fear or distrust. [*Lievent Company, Vol. I., No. 36 v. Copy. 1 p.*]

May 9.  
Whitehall.

41. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Coventry concerning Mr. Robert Hay. [*Minute of this already printed. See Domestic Calendar under date. 2 p.*]

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42. Thomas Locke to Sir Dudley Carleton, Ambassador at the Hague. I have not yet received any order from the Earl of Oxford or any other, about soliciting for the money, but what I had from you, and upon that I have spoken to the Council and they give good answers but complain of want of present money. Now that things begin to be settled that Council will sit oftener than of late they have done and dispatch more business. By my next I will give you further account. Gordon brought news of the marriage [of Henrietta Maria in France being solemnised]. And the King wrote back letters of joy and thanks to the [French] King, Queen, and Queen-Mother. The 4th of this month order was given for making bonfires throughout the city and suburbs, which was done abundantly. The King's journey to Dover is put off longer than formerly was appointed; it will be the 15th of this month before he goes, if so soon. There is order given for a new levy of 10,000 men who are to be ready by the 15th to be shipped at Plymouth. Sir Francis Goodwin desires you to do him what right you can about the death of his son who was slain by one Shugborough. Mr. Lucas, a gentleman of Essex of good quality being a man of 4,000*l.* in lands and a great friend of the Bishop of Norwich and so of my acquaintance, desires me to thank you for civilities shown to his son, who is beholding to your Lordship as all English gents who come into those parts are. As I was going to seal these, John Nicholls being now upon his departure, I received letters from the Earls of Oxford and Essex and the other two, Colonel Borlase and Lieutenant-Colonel Conway. The letters were sent in a packet from Mr. Colwell [Colville] and those to the Council of War unsealed and wanting the bills of Exchange mentioned in them. I will presently repair to the Council of War [and go] from one [member] to another as I can find them, for I do not hear that they meet in Council. [*Seal with arms and crest. 2 pp.*]

[May 10.]

43. Commission for George, Duke of Buckingham, to proceed to Boulogne as the King's agent to fetch over his bride, Henrietta Maria, with her attendants numbering 50 persons, to join the King at Dover. [*Latin. Draft. 1½ pp.*]

May 11.  
Newcastle.

44. Certificate returned to the Privy Council of the proceedings of the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle-upon-Tyne from Michael-

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mas 1624 till Easter following. Since our last certificate we have caused to be summoned all persons that have done any prejudice to the river [Tyne] either by reason of their staiths lying down and in decay, or by taking ballast without license, or suffering it to fall into the river. Some we have punished by fines and the meaner sort by imprisonment. We also certify that some who were summoned have neglected to appear, on these we have imposed fines, intend hereafter to proceed further against them, as by your Lordship's orders we are directed. Lastly, we certify that by the great inundations and overflowing of the river, the like of which has not occurred here within the memory of man, divers staiths and wharfs have been much ruined to the hurt of the river, part we have caused to be repaired and in convenient time all the rest shall be. *Signed by William Hall, Mayor, and six others.* [= 2 pp.]

- May 11. 45. A letter to the Lord Deputy of Ireland, requiring him to send over such rent hawks as are due to the King and any given him there. Likewise to certify out of the rolls there what hawks are reserved to the Crown. Subscribed and procured by Sir Henry Holcroft. [*Minute.*]
- May 11. A like requiring the Lord Deputy to cause 352*l.* English money to be re-delivered to Margaret Smith, widow, forfeited from her by the Customer of Dublin for which his late Majesty wrote several letters and yet the same is not restored. [*Minute. Ibid.*]
- May 11. Warrant under the signet to the Attorney-General. To draw a grant to Sir Richard Moryson and Edward Mereweather, during their lives, of the office of Collector and Receiver-General of the composition rents within the Province of Munster upon surrender of a former grant. Procured by Lord Conway. [*Minute. Ibid.*]
- May 11. Warrant to the Exchequer for payment of 2,000*l.* to Sir Abraham Williams and Philip Burlamachi, or either of them, for providing blacks for the Lady Elizabeth, Electrice Palatine and her family, for the funeral of his late Majesty. Procured by Mr. Secretary Morton. [*Minute. Ibid.*]
- May 11. The like for payment of money disbursed by Munton Jennings, keeper of the house at Theobalds, for divers new ridings within that park and other works done there. Procured by Lord Conway. [*Minute. Ibid.*]
- May 11. The like to pay to Munton Jennings 100*l.* for erecting of a nursery at Theobalds for fruit of various kinds. Procured as above. [*Minute. Ibid.*]
- May 11. Sir Charles Glemham to the Levant Company. As his Majesty was pleased to command me to deliver his letters to you concerning his pleasure touching your affairs of Constantinople, so likewise he commanded me to bring his answer to your petition upon those letters, which, being delivered to you, you requested under my hand

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that you might the better satisfy the Company of the discharge of the trust they reposed in you according whereunto I have obtained his leave.

The substance of your petition was that his Majesty would confirm Sir Thomas Roe [as] his ambassador for you for two years more. To which his answer was that Sir Thomas Roe had been and now is a suitor for his return home, for which, and more especially for that his Majesty had affairs of State that required him to send an ambassador with new instructions, he had made choice of Sir Thomas Phillips of whose sufficiency he has had very good report, and purposed speedily to give him his dispatch; yet nevertheless since the protection and securing of your trade was his second care, out of his accustomed grace to you he was well pleased if you had any just exception against Sir Thomas Phillips to hear the same, and upon such occasion he would make a new election of his Ambassador, which election he charged me to let you understand he would ever preserve in himself as belonging to the prerogative royal. His Majesty's will is that you speedily present to him your exceptions if you have any against Sir Thomas Phillips. This was his royal command, which, according to your desire, I have set under my hand. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 36 vi. Copy.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.*]

May 12. 46. Warrant of Lord Treasurer Ley to Mr. Auditor Povey and  
Whitehall. others. To send fair written on parchment a particular of such rents, pensions, and duties as are reserved or payable on the manors of Berdon Hale and Abbas Hale, co. Essex. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 13. 47. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Coventry. Proclamation about King's evil. [*Minute already printed. See Domestic Calendar under date. Copy.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.*]

May 14. 48. The like. For Lord Compton to be Master of the Robes vice Earl of Carlisle. [*Already Calendared. See Vol. II., No. 56. Copy.  $\frac{1}{3}$  p.*]

May 15. 49. Thomas Locke to Sir D. Carleton. I have given an account by the enclosed to the Lords' Colonels, as much as I can for the present, of their business, which I submit to your judgment before it be delivered. I have received the bill for your Lordship's blacks, which, with a minute of your Privy Seal, I have delivered to Lord Conway to be signed, because Mr. Secretary Morton is gone into France, upon Wednesday the 11th instant, with the Duke of Buckingham, Earl of Montgomery, and Sir George Goring. The King takes not his journey [to Dover for the reception of the Queen] till the 21st, so that it is thought he will see the Parliament begun before he goes. The sickness [of the plague] begins to increase here; this last week there died more by above 20 than the week before and there are nine or ten parishes more infested. I send you a letter from Mr. Barnard. *Postscript.* I have delivered the letter to Lord Montjoy.—Queen Mary [Henrietta Maria] is remembered in our prayers in public, together with King Charles. [*Two seals with arms and crest. 1 p.*]

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May 16. Petition of the Merchants of England trading the Levant Seas to the King. That your royal pleasure being signified to Sir Charles Glemham in answer to our petition for stay of Sir Thomas Roe [as] Ambassador at Constantinople, that notwithstanding you had made choice of Sir Thomas Phillips to succeed him, we humbly make known to your Majesty that it doth so much concern us, the continuance of Sir Thomas Roe there for one or two years longer, as we are again enforced to petition you for the same, or otherwise that we may have our own free choice of an ambassador, with reference to your approbation as in the time of Queen Elizabeth and of your royal father, and that for your satisfaction you will be pleased to give them audience. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 36* VII. *Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 16. 50. Thomas Locke to Sir D. Carleton. I have spoken to Lord Conway about your allowance for mourning, and he tells me that ambassadors are allowed but 150*l.*, and agents 100*l.* What he will allow I know not yet. The day on which the King will take his journey to Dover is not yet known. Mr. Carey Rawley came yesterday out of France, bringing word that the [French] King had a fever, some guess that to be the cause of the putting off of the Queen's coming away, others think that Barberini, the Pope's Legate, has brought some new matter to be considered of. It is thought here that another must come yet out of France before the [time of the] King's going [to Dover] will be certainly known. I send enclosed the answers from the Council-of-War to your letter, and that of the Lords' Colonels, which was not dated. It seems that the Council of War will not be troubled with any more bills of exchange, but have taken another course, which they have expressed in their letters, so that I shall not need to give any further account to the Lords' Colonels but what is contained in the letter enclosed. *Postscript.*—Viscount Andover will be Master of the Horse; he and the Earls of Dorset and Holland are made Knights of the Garter. [1 p.]

May 17. 51. Secretary Conway to Sir John Coke. Those things which come into my mind as most presently to be put in execution are, shipping to be provided at Hull or Newcastle for the transport of 2,000 men, a proportion for the victualling of those men, which must be drawn into a computation that the Lord Treasurer may give warrant accordingly, and a man-of-war to conduct those ships, without which they would run such a danger as is not wisdom to be hazarded. If the King's hand be required to be procured for any of these things, I will attend to that or what else you may think proper to give expedition to. Sir John Ogle is ready to go down to Plymouth, and Captain Courtney to Hull, with commissions for receipt and payment of the soldiers. [*Minute of this printed. See Domestic Calendar under date.* *Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 21. 52. The same to Attorney-General Coventry. His Majesty's  
Whitehall. pleasure is, that the patent granted to Richard Browne for the

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Under-Keeper's place of Denmark House, together with the place of Keeper of the Wardrobe and Privy Lodgings there, be renewed to the said Richard Browne and his son Henry during their lives. [*Minute of similar grant to Robert [Richard?] Browne, already printed. See Domestic Calendar under date. Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 23. 53. Warrant of Sir R. Weston, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to Mr. Auditor [Povey]. To make out and send a perfect particular of the Collectorship of Pensions and portions in co. Essex, with the yearly fee. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 23. 54. Letters Patent addressed to the Exchequer and Court of Westminster. Wards, signifying His Majesty's grant of 2,000*l.* yearly pension or annuity to his principal Secretary, Edward Lord Conway, his executors and assigns, to commence from the 25th March last past and be continued for 21 years. [*Copy.* 13 pp.]

May 25. 55. Secretary Conway to Mr. Ralph Hopton. When I first had the good fortune to meet you at Prague I took special notice of your great worth and virtue, and would desire your advancement in that noble way of a soldier you have applied yourself to. According to the freedom I desire to hold with you I must declare to you my opinion, that for a gentleman of your estate to live in an army so unsettled and uncertain is little better than to be a courtier or gambler, who depends too much upon fortune, and [such employments] are safer for those that want than for such as have much to spare. There is now in my judgment a fair opportunity to change that uncertainty for a far more hopeful employment in the forces to be now set forth from hence, where your services and merit may have a more immediate and ready passage to His Majesty by those noble friends of yours, who will be eye-witnesses of your carriage and favourable reporters to His Majesty. I have written to Sir Edward Cecil, who, you know, is the second person in command under His Majesty in that expedition, and you may be pleased to advise with him, and dispose yourself if you find cause to come over hither, where you shall find my endeavours ready in all your uses to serve you. [*Copy.* 1 p.]

May 26. 56. Report made to the Privy Council by Attorney-General Coventry and Solicitor-General Heath, on reference to them of a cause between Sir John Peyton, Governor of the Isle of Jersey, and John Herault, Esq., Bailiff of that Island. Find that Herault procured in October last, an act of justice in that Isle, to compel the King's Receivers to pay him such arrearages of his pension, as the Governor had already paid to Sir William Parkhurst, knight, sent over as Bailiff, by the Lords' letters upon His Majesty's especial command during Herault's suspension. We conceive that the sentence against the Receivers is erroneous and fit to be reversed; neither do we see any cause that Sir J. Peyton should be constrained to a double payment. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]



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- May 27. 57. Piers Butler to George, Duke of Buckingham. Right noble, my love and service remembered, you see how I have suffered by my adversary, who likewise accuseth your Grace, saying that you and I have done him all this wrong, and you know how free we have ever been from doing or thinking him any harm, but notwithstanding seeing I have a clear conscience in these respects, I account myself happy to be so falsely accused; and now my adversary, seeing that this late plot of his hath taken no effect, and that I love and honour Mrs. Stuard, hath devised a new way, whereby to procure impeachment to my person, that is by getting fellows to swear that I was born at such a place, that I have wives here and there, all to this end, to persuade the world that I am not the man that I am, lest that I should marry Mrs. Stuard, whom I so much affect, that if I marry her not I will never marry while I live, and therefore I desire to go to the wars, that so the world may see that I will deserve before I desire, for I am not able to endorse these speeches of my adversaries continually buzzing in my ears, besides which speeches I received a letter awhile ago when I was at supper with my Lord [Bishop] of Llandaff, wherein I was certified that a plot was laid to murder me, the party that sent the letter would not be known only as a friend he advertised me thereof, yet do I not fear it at all. But I would desire your Grace to speak to the King, that if he have any service to command me, His Majesty would be pleased to do me the honour as to employ me therein, for that it was, is, and ever shall be, my ambition to do His Majesty service, and if occasion were but offered His Majesty should see that he hath not a faithfuller subject in the world of a poor gentleman, and because my reputation is called into question before all the world, unjustly, I desire by sword to obtain it again, but if His Majesty hath no present employment I desire leave to travel to seek my fortunes. Yet wheresoever I go I shall be ready at His Majesty's pleasure and yours to do any service whensoever occasion is offered, and if His Majesty will be pleased to bestow the honour of knighthood upon me, and give me a sword and leave to kiss his hand before I travel, I will desire no more. So I rest, having only left room to subscribe myself your faithful friend and servant till death. *Postscript.*—I intend to wait upon your Grace to-morrow myself for answer. [*Seal with Ormond crest and coronet. Amongst the Conway Papers. 1 p.*]

- May 27. 58. Modern copy of same. [*Attached is the following note in a modern hand:* "The seal to these letters confirms what Arthur Wilson, pp 287, 288, says about Piers Butler having 'vaunted' 'himself to be of the House of Ormond.' We have a letter, 'which I presume is written by the Mrs. Stuard he aspired to marry. It gives not a very favourable specimen of her mental endowments.'"]

- May 29. 59. The King to the Lord Admiral [Buckingham]. It is not unknown to you that a ship of our dear uncle, the King of Den-

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mark, called the "Lundwerme," employed on a voyage to Nantes, is now upon our coast, and is stayed in the Downes upon pretext of having some deal boards. Complaint is made by the master that 13 men are put aboard his vessel who consume all his victuals and his master's letters are taken away from him. You know likewise our engagement to our dear uncle, and the many just reasons we have to favour his servants and give assistance to all his services. We do therefore require you to give order to free that ship from any unjust or unnecessary hindrance. [*Copy.* 1 p.]

May 30.  
Suberhill.

60. Foulke Reed to Edward, Lord Conway. Since my return home I have been suffering by an ague, insomuch that I could neither perform this office nor certify you of your business at Ragley. I wish I could give you a contenting intelligence of the state of your affairs there. First, as concerning the rents. Letting of certain lands there. Lord Brooke and Mr. Throgmorton, as I hear, have many grounds to let with good abatement of rent, but the inhabitants thereabout are mostly poor, and few are found able to stock a ground of that rent. These are sufficient and able men reputed, and therefore I think you may do well to let them have it. The horses and hawks are well. [2 pp.]

May 31.  
Brompton  
Castle.

61. Lady Brilliana Harley to her father, Edward, Lord Conway. Mrs. Rivett's sudden going up to London gives me an opportunity to write to your Lordship, which I hope will not trouble you, though it come often, for this is all I have to comfort me in not seeing you. Ned is well and I hope will live to do you service. Mr. Pierson brought me the welcome news of your health. Give me and Ned your daily blessing. [*Seal, broken.* 1 p.]

[May].

62. Mem. by Secretary Conway's Secretary of businesses and directions to be dispatched. To send out the letters for the militia. To write to the cos. to know what gunpowder is in the magazines. To be informed in the meantime what certificates are returned of musters the last year and this. Tuesday appointed for the Commissioners to make their return touching the forts. My Lord Admiral may be pleased to cause an information to be given to this Commission what ships are in harbour. To inquire touching the building of ships, and their proportion, and the *5s.* heretofore given for tonnage. *Ireland.*—To peruse the certificate returned out of Ireland to the Council here by [Sir Paul] Pindar touching the forts there. To refer the consideration of this to my Lords Grandison, Carew, and Chichester, and whatsoever else concerns the defence of Ireland, as, namely, the arming or disarming of the people.

*Treaties.*—The Low Countries first considerable; but that the overture do come first from them and not from His Majesty. That His Highness will be pleased to deal privately with his sister the Queen of Bohemia to cause her to infuse it into the Prince of Orange or who else shall be thought fit and therein to advise with

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Sir Dudley Carleton, but he not to appear in it. If the States' Ambassador here do fall upon such discourse with Mr. Secretary Conway. That he shall entertain it so far as to give him encouragement that it may in all probability be entertained by His Majesty if it be moved. That the Queen of Bohemia do keep it secret as touching any directions she hath from hence. Sir Albert Morton to be sent with verbal instructions. Lord Marquis Hamilton to speak with the French Ambassador concerning a confederation with France, as of himself. [*Damaged by damp.* 2 pp.]

[May.] 63. Petition of John Schewder, master of the ship "Golden Rose" of Hamburg. That 41 ships of Hamburg which were bound for France and Spain were stayed by Sir Richard Bingley, but were afterwards released by your Honours saving only two, one of which has been driven away by storms, and your petitioner who still remains at Dover Pier laden with cables, masts, copper, and pork, which, it was supposed, would be taken for His Majesty's service, but as yet he has received no directions whether His Majesty will have the goods or no. Prays that his ship may be released and be permitted to pursue his voyage, or otherwise that His Majesty would receive the goods if he hath use for them; and that the skipper may receive his freight [1 p.]

[May.] 64. List of knights, gentlemen and captains [eligible for service in the proposed expedition.]

May. 65. Notes sent by Lord Carew to Sir John Coke, giving particulars of Sir Francis Drake's expedition to the coast of Spain in the year 1587. Upon intelligence that there was an intention of Spain to invade England, to prevent the same, Sir Francis Drake was appointed general over 30 sail of ships, whereof the "Bonaventure" was admiral, the "Lion," the "Dreadnought," the "Rainbow," and two pinnaces of Her Majesty's [fleet], the rest were merchants' ships. Their successes at Cadiz, Cape Sacre, and the Azores. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

May. 66. Report of the Attorney and Solicitor General on examination of a cause brought by appeal from the Isle of Guernsey and referred to them by the Lords of the Privy Council. We have heard the allegations proffered both on the part of John Blanch and Mary Gardner, widow, as guardian of her infant, and find that the sentence given in that Isle the 24th February 1624[-5] on behalf of the widow is just and therefore think it unfit to be altered. *Signed by* Coventry and Heath. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May. 67. Attestation by Henry Bates. That being at Dover on the 17th May [1625?], he saw a Dutch East India ship, estimated at 700 or 800 tons, just arrived from the Indies, which anchored in Dover Road and signalled for a boat to come aboard her, and then weighing anchor departed for Holland in company with one of the States' men-of-war. I do also affirm that Mr. Hugeson, of Dover

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told me that he heard for certain that the English and Dutch East India Companies were agreed, which was also the general report at Dover. Although within a league and a half of the King's ships yet they neither weighed anchor to go aboard her nor sent a boat or other message for ought I could hear. Mr. Hugeson said he had no reason to do anything, seeing that the King's ships did nothing, otherwise being master of a ship with 24 pieces of ordnance imprested for the King's service he would have made stay of her. [1 p.]

[May.] 68. Estimate of the charge for 1,000 soldiers, going from London to Plymouth, being 180 miles or 12 days' journey, at the rate of 8*d.* each per day, viz., 400*l.*; for 1,000 coats at 4*s.* each, 200*l.*; for nine captains to conduct the soldiers thither, at 4*s.* each per day, 21*l.*; total, 621*l.* 12*s.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

June 1. 69. Secretary Conway to Sir H. Marten. I have received a letter from Sir John Hippesley advertising that Sir Francis Stuart hath made stay of a Dunkirk ship in the Downs laden with coin and bullion, and that the particulars thereof are certified to you by Sir Francis Stuart, [who has] acquainted His Majesty with as much as can [be known], and his pleasure is that you take it into [your consideration] and certify your opinion to His Majesty, who [thinks it] just and meet to be directed touching this, and how far His Majesty may in justice proceed in the stay and disposing of the [ship and her lading] in respect of the injustice done to his subjects on the other side [of the water] by the stay of their persons and confiscation of their ships and goods. I conceive you will be called to the Council Board for your advice touching this ship. But His Majesty requires your opinion immediately from yourself, and that with all possible expedition, that directions may be given for the stay or release of the ship, as there shall appear cause. [*Minute of this already printed. Damaged by mice Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

June 2. 70. The same to Matthew de Quester, Postmaster for Foreign parts. Touching the progress of Lord Stanhope's suit. His late Majesty had the question between his Lordship and you touching the validity of your patent [referred] to a legal trial, and a verdict is given against you. His Majesty would therefore be pleased to give order for a proclamation to prohibit all except Lord Stanhope and his servants to intermeddle in sending or receiving packets either for Foreign or Home service. [*Minute of this already printed. Damaged by mice. Draft.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

June 2. 71. The same to Edward, Earl of Worcester, Lord Privy Seal. [Canterbury.] I received a message [just] now brought me from the Lord Chamberlain by order of the King, to advertise you and request you to make known to the rest of the Lords, that they may forbear their coming to Canterbury, [for] that the solemnities of the royal marriage are to be performed at London by reason that Her

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Majesty [Queen Henrietta Maria] will not arrive at Dover until Tuesday at the soonest. [*Minute of this already printed. Draft. ½ p.*]

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72. The same to Sir John Coke. According to the advice contained in your letter I moved His Majesty concerning the [Dutch] pirate Campaine, and obtained his directions to the Attorney-General for preparing a protection and safe conduct to bring him in, which His Majesty condescended unto for the satisfaction of his merchants. The directions come to you herewith, and if anything be wanting confer with Mr. Attorney and cause it to be supplied in the draft, and I will get a full warrant from His Majesty for it. Thanks him for the particular account given in his letter of the 4th. I doubt not but you have acquainted Lord Admiral [Buckingham] with the East India merchants' complaints. From whomsoever the countermand came I am sure none went from me. I do not understand what those 14 chests of sword blades and the ships and goods are which your letter mentions, and neither the Lord Admiral nor Council being here I can send you no directions how they are to be disposed of. There is stay of some ships of Dunkirk and others laden with Spanish goods, but I know of no others, nor any cause to stay any, so you may give what order you will if any such others are stayed. [*Minute of this already printed. Copy damaged by mice. 1 p.*]

[June 5 ?]

73. Katharine, Countess of Suffolk, to Mr. Kendall. Sends letter for Robin Howard. Mr. Weston is anxious for news; she only wishes to know when the Queen will be in London, because she would send to Bess Howard. Wishes him to write when he thinks her son would come from Dover. [1 p.]

June 7.  
Datchet.

74. Richard Budd to Thomas Dorrell, Collector of the Subsidy in Bucks. Understanding that you are collector of the third and last subsidy granted 21 James I., and being charged at 10% goods in Datchet, I desire to inform you that I have already a certificate of discharge from that assessment now in Mr. Auditor Phelip's hands, as I do pay in London. [*½ p.*]

June 8.

75. Secretary Conway to Sir John Ogle. I am exceeding sorry to find that the perplexities and troubles in your mind follow you in this service with so much violence and discouragement. When I moved for the employment [at Plymouth] and gave my consent to it, my hopes were otherwise, both from your own good resolution, and that I was confident the hand of God would be with you in that good action. I will not take upon me to persuade you by any reasons or arguments against your own resolutions. All that I can do is to pray with you and for you. And I doubt not but you will find the gracious and blessed disposition of the King and the sweet mild nature of the Duke of Buckingham inclinable to make the best and most favourable interpretation of your weak-

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ness and cherish the good parts in you, till it may please God to remove the present infirmities that obscure them and enable you to employ them profitably in your King's and country's service. I have sent your letter to the Duke into France with a recommendation to take it into his gracious consideration. I will endeavour all in my power to bring you off fairly from this employment [at Plymouth] without blemish to your reputation and with as much contentment and satisfaction to yourself as I shall be able to procure, and will in all other things serve you according to my professions and good affection. [*Minute already printed. Draft.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.*]

June 11.  
Newport.

76. Sir John Leigh and Sir Edward Dennis to Lord Conway. This poor man, the bearer, had his bark arrested at the Cowes Castle by Captain Ersfield's men, under a pretence of piracy, the men being imprisoned from 28th May till 2nd June. The constable well knowing the passages of this business, lest this poor man should suffer some further wrong, brought him to us, whereby we conceive not how the constable hath offended. Hereupon we granted warrant for the Captain and the rest of the parties to be brought before us to be examined, when we found that Captain Ersfield had examined those who were most material, and this man was examined before us. This man's bark was hired by Captain Hugh Williams, a Netherlander, who had a commission from the States, and so they put to sea and gave chase to a Calais man[-of-war] laden for the Straits, out of which they took six pieces of small iron ordnance, four murderers, two hogsheads of oil, and some small trifles, as by their examinations will appear; after this they took another ship of 120 tons laden with woad and wheat, and putting into Kilmore in Ireland were questioned by the Vice-Admiral, but their commission was conceived to be good and the prize lawful, so they were suffered to proceed to the Isle of Wight, where they arrived on 28th May. Thus recommending this poor man's case to your Lordship's wise consideration, with our dutiful respects, we remain. [*Seal with arms and crest.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.*]

June  $\frac{1}{2}$  3.  
Stanton.

77. Ralph Hopton to the Lord General Cecil [Colonel Sir Edward Cecil, Lieutenant-General and Lord Marshal of the Cadiz Expedition]. The favourable opinion of your Lordship disposes me with much readiness to receive and obey your commands, so as soon as I received your letter I went to the General to solicit my leave, which he refused me unless first demanded of him by letter. I thought fit, therefore, to dispatch this gentleman first to you and thence into England, to make known my readiness to be guided by my noble friends and the present occasion of my stay, which I doubt not it will be easy for you, acknowledging me for your soldier in this employment, for the immediate service of His Majesty, to remove. *Postscript.*—Let me beseech you to give me leave to present my humble service to Sir William St. Leger. [*Seal with arms. 1 p.*]

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Aboard the  
"Happy  
Entrance."

78. Sir Richard Bingley to the Duke of Buckingham. Certifies his arrival in the Downs from the Maze [Maes] in Holland, where he safely harboured the 2,000 men he had in charge to waft over from Hull thither. He purposed to have gone in himself, but a storm from the north-east forced him out to sea, where he has been much weather-beaten, but is now here ready for your Grace's further command. [*Seuls broken.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

June 21.  
Kanegay [or  
Kenegie].

79. John Harris to Edward, Lord Conway. Recommends to your Honour this suit on behalf of his ancient acquaintance Captain Edward Yates. Yates' desire is that you would confirm to him the command over the 150 Cambridgeshire soldiers assigned him by Sir John Ogle. Prays you would write two or three words to Colonel Ogle that he may be listed amongst the rest of the captains for this journey [to Cadiz]. Services done by Yates to the late King James and Prince Henry, whose servant he was. Styles himself your Honour's truly devoted servant and kinsman, and excuses his own present boldness and former neglects by reason of his inability of doing service, but should hold it for a happiness should you honour him with any of your commands. [*Seal with crest and motto broken.* 1 p.]

June 21.  
Kenegie.

80. Arthur Harris to the same. To the same effect as the preceding. Prays him to recommend Yates in two or three words to the Colonel, as Sir John Ogle will not take upon him absolutely to settle Yates in his place without your allowance. My request for myself is that if any supplies be granted to His Majesty's forts you would remember [St. Michael's] Mount, which, amongst others, was recommended to your Honour. [*Seal with crest and motto.* 1 p.] *Enclosed,*

80. i. *Warrant by John Bere, Treasurer of the Army, to Mr. Peter Livesey, Conductor of 150 Cambridgeshire men, and to the constables of the same places. Sir John Ogle, Commander of the forces about Plymouth, having disposed of these forces to Captain Edward Yates, you are required to deliver them over to him by indenture. Plymouth, 14th June 1625. [Copy.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*

June 21.

81. Edward Lord Conway to Lord Treasurer Ley. In the Duke of Chevreuse's train are two jewellers, Francis du Jardin and Matthew Colbin, who have brought hither certain jewels which they desire to show and put to sale in this Court. His Majesty has commanded me to signify his pleasure to you that you give order at the Custom House for the same to be permitted to pass without paying customs upon a list being delivered, and that they may be sold at any time during the stay of the Duke here to such noblemen and gents. as may desire to buy them without accounting for any custom, and those remaining unsold after the Duke's departure to be freely carried back, or sold here upon payment of custom according to the usual rates. [*Draft.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]*

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The same to the same. Mr. [Edward] Sheldon's humble suit to your Lordship is that you would procure a license for him and his wife Elizabeth, together with Ralph Sheldon and Bridget his wife, and their 18 servants and six horses [to travel on the continent] for two or three years. [*Minute written on back of the preceding.*]

June 24.  
Westminster.

82. Letters Patents of Charles I. Understanding by a certificate of the justices of the peace for co. Chester that William White and others, owners and joint partners of a bark called the "Phoenix," and Thomas Robinson and others, owners and joint partners of the bark called the "Trinity," both lying in the port of Liverpool, were stayed and pressed by the Mayor for conveying over into Ireland 162 soldiers for King James's service, which vessels, setting forth on the 30th of March last, were, through extremity of weather and tempest of the sea, driven upon the coasts of Wales, where the "Phoenix" perished with all her crew, owners, and soldiers, while the "Trinity" was lost, but her crew, the soldiers, and others escaped with their lives, losing all their goods. Out of our special grace and princely compassion we do authorise the representatives of the survivors to take the alms and charitable benevolence of our loving subjects inhabiting within the city of London and suburbs, in counties Dorset, Somerset, Devon, and Cornwall, and in Poole, Bristol, Bath, Wells, and Exeter, but not elsewhere, for and towards the recovery of their losses, and the relief and maintenance of themselves, their poor wives and children. Our will is that at such times as Thomas Robinson, William Wilson, John Robinson, William Parbott, and Margery White, or their deputies bearing these our letters, shall repair to any of your churches, chapels, or other places to ask and receive gratuities they be suffered so to do, the parsons, vicars, and curates exhorting and persuading their congregations to extend their liberal contributions to so good and charitable a deed. Lastly, as we are informed of the great abuse which is now crept in amongst these poor people who sell their licenses to other persons, whereby men's charity goes not the right way, but unto such as deserve it least, our will is that if it shall appear to any of you that the persons above named have contracted or sold these our Letters Patents, whereby the benefit shall pass from them to any other person, that thereupon these our letters shall be void and of none effect. [*Printed by Thomas Purfoot in black letter, with elegant impressions of the royal arms. Broadside.*]

June 28.

83. Return of the Parliamentary subsidy moneys paid into the hands of the Treasurers appointed by Parliament and by them disbursed from time to time. It is headed "A Collection of all the Warrants directed to be paid by the Treasurers of the Subsidy moneys," viz.,—For the four regiments in the Low Countries:—

1. A warrant dated 30th June 1624 for the levying, conducting, and transporting of 6,000 men, which, at 10s. a man, amounts to 4,800*l.* In margin: See the first article concerning the levy, &c., fol. 217.



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2. Another warrant, dated 6th July 1624, for arming and clothing these 6,000 men, 17,280*l*. *In margin*: This was done after many debates, and upon the resolution of the Judges, &c., fol. 5.

3. Warrant, dated 13th July, for the first three months' pay of the 6,000 men, with their colonels and other officers, accounting 42 (*sic*) days to a month, &c., 25,932*l*. 13*s*. 6*d*. *In margin*: See the copy of the articles of alliance, &c., fol. 216, subscribed by Lord Conway, and the King's pleasure signified by him, fol. 251.

4. Ditto, dated 9th October 1624, for the second three months' pay of the 6,000 men, 25,932*l*. 13*s*. 6*d*.

5. Ditto, 21st January 1624[–5], for the third three months' pay of the 6,000 men, to begin the 23rd of March last and ending 27th July 1625, amounting to 25,932*l*. 13*s*. 6*d*. *In toto* for the four regiments, 99,878*l*. 0*s*. 6*d*.

## For the Navy.

1. A warrant, dated 13th July 1624, to defray the charge of fitting 20 Newcastle ships to make them serviceable for the defence of this kingdom, amounting to 1,029*l*. 2*s*. 10*d*.

2. Ditto, dated 21st July 1624, for the extraordinary charges in setting forth to sea in warlike manner such of His Majesty's ships, &c., as are or shall be by His Majesty directed, 5,000*l*.

3. Another the same day for extraordinary provision of victuals for the same ships, 9,800*l*.

4. Ditto, dated 29th July 1624, for provision of victuals for setting forth of the "Convertive" in warlike manner to the seas over and above His Majesty's ordinary guard, 1,000*l*. *In margin*: See the warrant under His Majesty's signet, fol. 237, and the Privy Seal, fol. 240, dated 7th April 1625.

5. Two other warrants, dated 9th October 1624, for provision of hemp towards the making of an extraordinary proportion of cordage to be always in store, 10,000*l*.

6. Warrant, dated 20th October 1624, for emptions in the Office of the Ordnance for the furnishing of the gunners' stores of five of His Majesty's ships, and two drumblers set to sea over and above His Majesty's ordinary guard.

7. Ditto, dated 23rd December 1624, for charge of preparing for the seas 12 of His Majesty's ships, two drumblers, and one pinnace; and to defray the continuing charge of five ships and two drumblers then at sea, in full of 14,955*l*. 5*s*. 6½*d*., the sum of 9,955*l*. 5*s*. 6*d*. *In margin*: See the Duke of Buckingham's signification of His Majesty's pleasure and the Commissioners' estimate, fol. 239.

*In toto* for the Navy, 37,530*l*. 8*s*. 4*d*.

## For the Office of the Ordnance and Forts in England.

1. A warrant, dated 2nd July 1624, for 2,000*l*. to be imprested to Mr. Evelyn upon and according to contract made with him for gunpowder by the Prince and the Lords Committees in April 1624, 2,000*l*. *In margin*: See the contract and the quantity required

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by the book of supply for the magazine of the Office of the Ordnance allowed by the Prince and the Lords' Committees, &c.

2. More to him by warrant dated 13th July 1624, 2,980*l.* *In margin* : For April and May.

3. More to him by warrant dated 20th July 1624, 1,620*l.* *In margin* : For June.

4. Ditto by warrant dated 16th September 1624, 1,700*l.*—for July.

5. Ditto by warrant dated 28th October 1624, 1,700*l.*—for August.

6. Ditto by warrant dated 2nd December 1624, 1,700*l.*—for September.

7. Ditto by warrant dated 4th January 1624[–5], 1,700*l.*—for October.

8. Ditto by warrant dated 31st January 1624[–5], 1,700*l.*—for November.

9. Ditto by warrant dated 28th February 1624[–5], 1,700*l.*—for December.

10. Ditto by warrant dated 28th March 1624[–5], 1,700*l.*—for January.

11. Ditto by warrant dated 25th April 1625, 1,700*l.*—for February.

12. Ditto by warrant dated 26th May 1625, 1,700*l.*—for March.

13. A warrant, dated 21st July 1624, to pay unto John Browne, His Majesty's founder of iron ordnance and shot for round shot of iron, 1,475*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* *In margin* : See book of supply and the quantity thereby required, &c., and the Privy Seal, fol. 240.

14. More to him by warrant dated 24th September 1624 for another quantity of round shot of iron, 1,000*l.*

15. More to him in full payment of the former quantity of shot by another warrant dated 1st November 1624, 556*l.* 9*s.* 10*d.* *In margin* : See book of supply and the quantity thereby required, &c., and the Privy Seal, fol. 240.

16. Another warrant, dated 19th August 1624, to pay to Sir Peter Osborne, Knight, for provision of field carriages for the castles in the Isle of Guernsey, 368*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* *In margin* : See the Act of Parliament and the necessity of the service.

17. Another warrant, dated 12th October 1624, to pay to Bernard Johnson, the King's engineer, to defray his charges, &c., in surveying and setting forwards the work at Portsmouth, 40*l.*

18. To Sir Jasper Fowler and the Mayor of Dover for the reparations of Dover Castle and Motes' bulwark by warrant dated 2nd December 1624, 1,000*l.*

19. More to Bernard Johnson, the engineer, to survey and set forward those works by warrant dated the same day, 40*l.*

20. More to Captain John Higham in part of a greater sum to be assigned for the reparations at Portsmouth by warrant dated 20th December 1624, 300*l.* *In margin* : See the Act of Parliament and the book of survey of the forts.

21. More to Sir Richard Moryson, Knight, the Mayor of Portsmouth, and Mr. [William] Towerson, in part of a greater sum towards

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the reparations of Portsmouth [as] aforesaid by warrant dated 5th March 1624[-5], 1,200*l*.

22. More to Sir Robert Killigrew in part of a greater sum towards the reparations of the castles of Pendennis, St. Mawes, St. Michael's Mount, in Cornwall, by warrant dated 6th April 1625, 350*l*.

23. More to Sir William Russell for munition, &c., for the Newcastle ships by two several warrants, the one dated 2nd December and the other 17th December 1624, 15,744*l*. 0*s*. 3*d*.

24. A warrant, dated 4th January 1624[-5], to pay unto Sir Richard Moryson, Knight, Lieutenant of Ordnance, for supply of divers of His Majesty's castles and forts in England with divers sorts of munition and habiliments of war to be provided by way of emption, 5,973*l*. *Inde* paid only 1,000*l*. *In margin*: Remains to be paid as the treasure will permit, 4,973*l*. See the several proportions and warrants for supply.

25. A warrant, dated 9th March 1624[-5], to pay to Joseph Day, plumber, for 12 tons of lead cast into musket shot, 168*l*.

26. More for 500 rests for muskets, 80 chests for muskets, and 200 casks for musket shot, 57*l*.

27. More to John Browne, for the remainder of round shot of iron, by warrant dated 15th June 1625, 1,926*l*. 17*s*.

*In toto* for the Office of the Ordnance and Forts in England, 47,126*l*. 4*s*. 5*d*.

## For Ireland.

1. A warrant, dated 12th October 1624, for 5,666*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*., to Lord Docwra, in part of 17,000*l*. assigned to defray the charge of the forts in Ireland, 5,666*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

2. More to him for raising 230 horse for Ireland by warrant dated 13th October 1624, 4,600*l*.

3. More to George Hooker, Esq., for provision of arms and apparel for the 2,250 foot raised for Ireland by warrant dated 1st December 1624, 6,605*l*. 8*s*.

4. More to the Lord Docwra in part of the pay of the said horse and foot for Ireland for six months, and for the charges of portage and transportation of that and other sums of money by warrant dated 17th December 1624, 8,459*l*. 2*s*.

5. More to the Lieutenant of the Ordnance for munitions, &c., for Ireland by warrant dated 4th January 1624[-5], 760*l*. *In margin*: See the Act of Parliament and the proportions allowed by His Majesty, fol. 247.

6. More to George Hooker, Esq., for carts, &c., to carry the Irish arms and apparel to Bristol, Chester, and Liverpool, by warrant dated 23rd February 1624[-5], 420*l*. 15*s*.

7. More to defray the charge of press, conduct, and transportation of the 2,250 footmen for Ireland, per estimate, 1,800*l*.

8. More to Lord Docwra in full for the first six months pay of the said horse and foot there, 3,984*l*.

*In toto* for Ireland, 32,295*l*. 18*s*. 4*d*.

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## For the Service under Count Mansfeldt.

1. To Philip Burlamachi, for provision of arms for Count Mansfeldt's forces, by three several warrants, one dated 4th October and the other two 24th November 1624, 15,000*l*.

2. More to him for two months' pay of Count Mansfeldt's forces, by two warrants dated 19th and 24th November 1624, out of which 6,000*l*. was allowed to defray the charge of the press, conduct, and transportation of soldiers raised to serve under him, 40,000*l*. *In margin*: The Act of Parliament, His Majesty's warrants, and other letters, &c., fols. 249, 250, 258, &c.; and the Answer to the Memorials, fol. 260.

3. More to George Hooker for cassocks for those soldiers, by warrant dated 1st December 1624, 6,666*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

*In toto* for the service under Count Mansfeldt, 61,666*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

*Summa totalis* of the warrants and payments directed to be paid as aforesaid, 278,497*l*. 4*s*. 11*d*.

4. Memorandum that over and above the several services before specified and the several sums of money issued and to be issued by our warrants for the same as aforesaid, we did long since resolve and order accordingly that out of the money of the second and third subsidies these further services should be performed and money issued accordingly, viz.:—

5. In full for the supply of all the forts and castles before mentioned (surveyed by Sir Richard Moryson, Sir John Ogle, and Sir John Kay, Knights, in September 1623), with all sorts of munition, according to the several proportions and warrants for the same, 4,973*l*. 1*s*.

6. In full for the reparations of all the said forts and castles according to the said survey, 10,650*l*.

7. And in full for the repair of the old and erecting of new forts, &c., in Ireland, according to our opinions delivered and the resolution taken by his late Majesty, 11,333*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

*In toto*, 26,956*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*.

8. But the subsidies being not like to afford the means to perform those so necessary works, we humbly commend the supply of what shall be wanting for the same unto His Majesty's princely wisdom and provident care. [*This Return is here given in full, being of considerable interest as the only record we have of the particular receipts and disbursements of this subsidy. It was never paid into the Exchequer, and consequently no record of it was kept amongst the Treasury Papers.*] *Dorso*,

28th June 1625. [= 8 pp.]

June 30.

84. Thomas Locke to Sir Dudley Carleton, Ambassador at the Hague. I have received yours of the 18th with the lease. I have already advertised you of the passing of your Privy Seal, with allowance of 150*l*. for mourning, which I could not get increased unless there had been a motion made to the King about it. If the Privy Seal had not been sued out no suit could justly have been made to the Lord Treasurer for money, which, though it be not

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obtained yet, I hope it will be shortly. At the present the Lord Treasurer complains of extraordinary scarcity of money. There have been divers applications about the renting of Imworth, but it is more for love of the house now at this time than desire of the land, indeed, it were better that somebody dwelt in it than otherwise. Yesterday the Lower House of Parliament granted two subsidies to the King, payable respectively in October and April next. It is not likely that the Parliament will continue long now, for there died of the sickness this week 390, the whole number was 942, and there are 50 parishes infected. The greatest business that has been handled in Parliament yet has been about recusants, which many think would have been more seasonable after the French are gone. The King stays here, as we think, to take his leave of the Duke of Chevereuse before he goes to Hampton Court. His charge and that of the rest [of his suit] comes to 500*l.* a day. I send two letters enclosed for Lady Carleton. [*Seal with arms and crest broken.* 2 pp.]

[June.] 85. Fragment of a letter. Loss of Breda. We have lost [Henry Wriothesley] the brave Earl of Southampton and his son, both of a burning ague. [Sir Robert] Anstruther has acquitted himself well. But those cold spirits want our coals to kindle their fuel which it seems is in abundance. [*Draft amongst the Conway Papers, much damaged.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[June?] 86. [Lord Conway to Sir John Ogle.] Recommending Isaac Lucan, a gentleman of good family in Cambridgeshire, to be a captain or lieutenant of a company in this present service for His Majesty. He served in Colonel Ogle's company under Captain Gibson. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[June?] 87. Portion of a speech preserved amongst the Conway Papers, similar to that delivered by Lord Keeper Williams at the opening of the first Parliament of Charles, but without name of Speaker or date. It commences thus: "To open to you the present state of "affairs it will be requisite to show the condition they were in at "the calling of the last Parliament." [3 pp.]

[June?] 88. *Mem.*—An allowance to be made to Sir John Ogle of 40*s.* per diem for this service, viz., for quartering the soldiers at Plymouth, according to a computation of former presidents in like cases, until His Majesty shall have settled the Army [designed against Cadiz], and the Lord General and Lord Marshal shall come thither [to Plymouth] with His Majesty's commission, by which time it is conceived that the office and entertainment of Sir John Ogle will be declared, and some allowance for his journey thither. [*Wrongly headed Rochelle, 1627. Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Jan. 89. Philip Burlamachi to Sir [Charles] Rich. Protests that he had nothing to do with the great iron shot for cannon landed by Martin Bowen, as had been reported to the Lord Admiral. [*French.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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[June.]

90. Philip Flemynge [to Secretary Conway, as Captain of the Isle of Wight]. The castles of the Isle of Wight are to be repaired, especially Sandown Castle, which, if it be not speedily looked unto, much of it will fall into the sea. The King's woods are like to be spoiled by the poorest inhabitants, there being no officer at present. There is no officer to execute writs and warrants proceeding out of the Courts of Justice. Lastly, if the King's lands and manors pass from the Crown the Captain is no more Steward, [so] the ancient civil government of the Island will be altered. *Postscript*.—Wroxall Apse passed in the Earl of Holderness' book. Buccomb, Niton, Thorley, and Wellow passed to the Earl of Anglesea. [1 p.]

July 2.

91. Warrant of Sir John Denham to the Remembrancer of the Exchequer, or his Deputy. That Sir Thomas Scrimshere and Sir John Offley were appointed Collectors of the Third Subsidy granted 21 James I., in co. Stafford, but were not notified of the fact till the latter had gone to town, so that the day for Sir Thomas Scrimshere's passing his account is deferred until next term. [1½ p.]

July 2.  
Brompton  
Castle.

92. Sir Robert Harley to [Lord Conway]. I am commissioned by my Lady Griffith, who has long given me leave to call her wife, to bespeak your mercy in behalf of Mr. Jeremy Eure, sometime Lieutenant to the Earl of Devonshire, Lord Deputy of Ireland. My dear Brill[iana] presents her humble duty to your Lordship, and she and your little Ned's nurse are of opinion that if he were in beggar's clothes he would be sure to be taken for a gentleman's child.

July 3.

93. Secretary Conway to Captain Pennington. Complaints of the French against him. He is to obey entirely the command of the French Admiral. [*Minute of this printed under date. Draft.* 1 p.]

July 6.  
Tichborne.

94. Sir Benjamin Tichborne to Secretary Conway. Reports to Conway as Lord Lieutenant of the county the want of sufficient captains to some of the trained companies of the Hants. militia, whereby, if in future you should command any general musters or speedy impress, it would fall out very troublesome. Should you have occasion to view your charge I would be very glad if you would take my old house [at] Tichborne in your way. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

July 7.

95. George, Duke of Buckingham, Lord Admiral, to Secretary Conway. The pinnace called the "Ann," of Portsmouth, is by the Court of Admiralty adjudged forfeited to me. Understanding that she is a vessel of very good sail, which may do good service, I have appointed Captain Robert Walsingham to take charge of her as Captain, and to attend the fleet for His Majesty's service. Therefore I pray give order for her to be delivered over to him. [*Seal with arms, coronet, and motto.* ½ p.]

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July 7.

96. Doctor Thomas Ryves to Lord Conway. Mr. Wyan desires me to send him word whether there be a ship or pinnace called the "Ann," of Portsmouth, which stands condemned and adjudged to the Lord Admiral [Buckingham], because he has written for the delivery of her. *Underwritten,*

96. i. *Mem.—There is a small bark belonging to Captain Quaile, a pirate, now remaining at Portsmouth, adjudged to the Lord Admiral, but not by any name. Thomas Wyan.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 8.

97. Secretary Conway to [Owen] Jennings [at Portsmouth]. The Lord Admiral having required me to give present order for delivering over the pinnace called the "Ann," of Portsmouth, adjudged forfeited to him by the Court of Admiralty, into the charge of Captain Robert Walsingham, I do hereby require you to see the same performed, recommending to your care the preservation to my use of anything that of right doth belong to me. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 9.  
Brompton  
Castle.

98. Sir Robert Harley to Lord Conway. That two brothers named Bentall, of Shropshire, were desirous to go in this expedition by sea [to Cadiz]. They have entreated me to recommend their suit to you, which is all the preferment they seek, but what they shall hereafter merit. If you knew how much comfort it is to me to have leave on paper to present my duty to your Lordship, and ask your blessing for myself, my dear Brill[iana], and your little Ned, you would pardon me a great fault in thus intruding on your time. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

July 9.

99. The King to Moses Tryon. Upon complaint heretofore made against you by our keeper of Gretton Woods of much spoil committed upon our game by your means and practice of suffering the fences of your park of Harringworth [co. Northampton] to lie open so that our deer may enter it, and then not suffering our keepers to fetch them home again, but killing and destroying them whilst in your park. Our late dear father in a gracious respect to the maintenance of your privilege of free warren was pleased by his own royal letters to give you warning of those abuses against him, and to require reformation, either by making your fences good, or suffering the keepers to fetch the deer home. To which gracious admonition we understand you have given so little respect as you do rather increase and multiply offence than otherwise. Yet we are willing thus far to second our dear father's gracious proceeding with you as hereby to give you notice of this complaint. But withall we would have you know that in case of any further neglect from you herein, we will not forbear the most strict and severest ways for punishing such uncivil and open offences against us, whereof you are to be careful as you tender our highest displeasure. [*Draft. Amongst the Conway Papers, damaged by damp.*  $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

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July 10.

Edward, Lord Conway, to the Merchants of England, trading to the Levant Seas. His Majesty has commanded me to recommend to you Sir Thomas Phillips to be employed as Ambassador to Constantinople and to reside there in the room of Sir Thomas Roe, and if you should take any exceptions against him, you are required to present the same to the King in writing, which, if he should find material and just, he will judge thereof accordingly and make choice of some other fit person for that employment, His Majesty conceiving that the choice of ministers of that quality belongs only to himself, yet will he be graciously pleased to have care of your interest and the welfare of your trade. The former notice you have had of his pleasure herein has given you sufficient time and preparation to return a speedy answer which is accordingly expected. [*Minute of this printed under date. Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 36 VIII. Copy. ½ p.*]

July 10.  
Barrington.

100. Sir Giles Bray to Secretary Conway. This bearer, my cousin [Edmund] Chadwell, requests your Lordship to bestow upon him some preferment in the employment now in hand [for Cadiz]. He would have tendered his service to you before this, only I employed him in conducting our Oxfordshire recruits to Plymouth. He did the Queen of Bohemia some service in the Palatinate under my uncle [Sir Francis] Vere, with the loss of blood. [1 p.]

July 10.

101. Memorial from Sir John Coke for warrants to be prepared for divers provisions for the fleet [now making ready for Cadiz], viz.:

1. Sundry particulars demanded for supply of the land forces appointed to attend the fleet, which are to be imprested upon accompt to Sir William St. Leger, Knight.
2. The Privy Seal to be drawn for payment of the sums mentioned on this [first] page to Sir William St. Leger.
3. To be imprested to the 49 captains at 10*l.* apiece, 14 lieutenants at 5*l.*, and 42 ensigns at 4*l.*, according to their names in the note enclosed, 728*l.*; to buy 50 horses for cannon at 12*l.* a piece, 600*l.*; to buy 600 quarters of oats for 91 horses for six months and 100 loads of hay for six weeks, 400*l.*; to buy 10,000 shirts for poor soldiers at 2*s.* 6*d.*, 1,250*l.*; to buy 10,000 pairs of shoes at 2*s.*, 1,000*l.*; to buy 100 colours at 5*l.* a piece, and 200 drums at 40*s.* a piece. The money to be paid to the Colonels to provide for their companies and see them safely kept, 900*l.*

Total to be presently paid, 4,878*l.*

4. Warrant was given to the Clerk of the Signet for preparing a Privy Seal according to this particular.
5. Add thereto stock to supply unexpected occasions, and support of the companies before they came aboard, 20,000*l.*

Sum total is 24,878*l.*

[*These last two entries have had the pen struck through them.*]

6. The particulars to be provided in the office of the Navy, for which a Privy Seal must be obtained by order from your



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Honour, to the office of the Signet to draw it for the King's signature are all contained in the estimate enclosed.

7. Of this estimate the present payments, without which the service cannot proceed, amount to 1,013*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
8. The particulars to be provided in the office of the Ordnance, and to be warranted by Privy Seal to be in like manner procured upon the estimate enclosed, do require in present money 2,106*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* With these particulars there is sent a draft of a warrant to be signed by His Majesty for delivery of these things to the Treasurer for the wars.

Total of all sums demanded for these particular surcharges, 27,997*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

9. To retrench these demands was not in my faculty. How to supply them or shorten them? There must a speedy course be taken or else the service will suffer. For till these moneys or such part thereof as shall be allowed be received, no office will stir; and the supplies of every office will require a longer time than the season will well permit. My part was to range them into order. And if the estimates want hands it must be born with all because the infection [of the plague] hath put every man to flight.
10. Besides the above-named estimates and demands for money, these warrants following are to be drawn by the Clerks of the Council and got signed by the Lords [of the Council]: A warrant for presting 3,000 soldiers to supply the Army to be levied in the inland parts of the counties nearest Plymouth. A warrant to Robert Lewes, the Lord Marshal's drum-major, and another to Lieutenant Fourdham, to press 200 drums to be taken from the trained bands for expedition if need so require but not without. A like to press 30 miners in the tin works with the allowance of the Lord Warden of the Stannaries.
11. Your Lordships must be pleased to take into consideration what sum has been paid to Colonel Ogle for maintenance of the companies now at Plymouth, that for want of timely supply there may follow no disorder. It is also referred to your wisdom to give order for some satisfaction to be given to the chief officers for their charges before they come aboard the ships.
12. Order to be given for a Privy Seal to be drawn for payment of 20,000*l.* to such person as the Lord Admiral [Buckingham] shall appoint Treasurer for the Land Service, to be by him received as a common stock to be employed upon such extraordinary occasions as the service shall require by directions to be given by the Lord Admiral, and to be accounted for accordingly. [*This last paragraph is in Sir J. Coke's hand. Preserved amongst the Conway Papers. 4 pp.*]

July 11.  
Chel-sea.

102. E. Devensher to Lord Conway. I have once already made bold to trouble you about that unhappy business between my son Worsley and Sir Thomas Savile. Give me leave I beseech you to

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intreat a second favour, the many substantial reasons thereof I will leave to my son's relation. Sir John Saville, father to Sir Thomas Saville, hath now for the space of 11 years been thought unworthy to be of the Commission of the Peace, but I understand he hath lately used means, giving him some assurance to be re-admitted. I assure myself your power with the Lord Keeper [Dr. Williams] will keep him still off, which, if for my sake you please to do, besides the quiet of the country, you would do me such a favour as I do not know anything that would be more agreeable to my contentment. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 1 p.]

July 11.  
Tichborne.

103. Sir Benjamin Tichborne to the same. I received on the 7th instant from Mr. Read your Commission of Lieutenancy, with your letter, and a copy of one from the Lords of the Council for musters [in Hants]. The time is now dangerous to call many people together by reason of the sickness through so many parts of this country. But what your pleasure is therein shall be effected, and upon our meeting you will be further advertised of our proceedings. Prays that his eldest son Sir Richard Tichborne may be joined with him in commission, by reason he is now nearly 88, and troubled with the gout, which would be a great relief to him, who has served the late King and Queen Elizabeth upward of 50 years. I understand by my man that you desired a list of the Captains [of Militia for co. Hants], the numbers whereof I send you herewith, for foot they should be 45, and horse 3, as herein specified. Their particular names, and such as are defective, will be certified from us by Captain Conesbie [Coningsby] when we have taken a view of the Captains at the musters. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

July 11.  
Westminster.

104. Renewed grant to Sir Miles Fleetwood of 5,000*l.*, payable out of the Court of Wards and Liveries, as designed by King James. [*Copy.* 13 pp.]

July 13.

105. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Coventry. To prepare a grant of creation for Sir Horace Vere to have the dignity of Lord Vere, Baron of Tilbury. [*Minute already printed.* *Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 14.  
Rotterdam.

106. Anthony Tasker to Secretary Conway. By order from Sir Edward [Conway] I have sent you a horse by the Countess of Oxford's steward. Desiring to do my King and country service, I doubt not but you may help me to some place. We hear that there be wanting some gunners for the field. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 17.

107. Secretary Conway [as Lord Lieutenant] to the Deputy Lieutenants of Hants. I have received your letter, and thank you for your care to prevent the further spreading of the infection, which so great an assembly as a general muster might occasion. I approve your wisdom in directing such a course, as with avoiding

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the danger of infection may likewise sufficiently perform the public and great service of putting the trained bands in such complete readiness as is requisite for the peace and safety of the kingdom. I shall be exceeding glad to join with you in anything that may sort with the ease and good of the country, and do especially recommend to your care the giving of such directions to the captains, that you may be able to certify the state of those bands, their defects, and such reforms now made as may give satisfaction and answer the importance of the service. [*Draft.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

July 18.  
Rochester.

108. Lord Admiral Buckingham to Captain Pennington, in the "Vanguard." I have sent this bearer, my Secretary, to see His Majesty's pleasure, as signified by letter from Secretary Conway, put in execution, which is for the delivery over of His Majesty's and the rest of the ships into the hands of such Frenchmen as the King of France shall appoint, that they may put into them so many men as they shall think good, and dispose of them as his most Christian Majesty shall direct. I have agreed with the Ambassadors of France that they give you and the rest of the masters of the ships security for His Majesty's and the other ships, according to a full valuation for them, with all the furniture and provisions in them. The form of the obligation and security we are agreed on, to be according to the copy of what my Secretary shall show you under their hands. And because the Duke of Chevreuse and Monsieur de la Ville-aux-Clères go not along in company with the Marquis D'Effiat, they have given him a procuration under their hands to give security for himself and them jointly and severally. They are likewise to be bound to give direction to Burlamachi to give two months' pay for all the ships as soon as they are delivered. I would have you to use all diligence and discretion as you respect His Majesty's service. And so I rest. [1 p.]

July 19.

109. Secretary Conway to the Turkey or Levant Company. [*Minute of this already calendared under date. Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 19.  
Oaking  
[Woking].

110. The same to the Mayor of Rochester. His Majesty being importuned with a suit of Fredrichen Heren, a widow and a stranger, for a pardon for her son, who upon much provocation had killed a man, requires from you particular information of the manner of the fact, and what proceedings have been taken by coroner's inquest, or otherwise; that upon such a clear information from you he may give such directions as shall be meet. In the meantime His Majesty's express pleasure is that there be no proceedings at all taken against the prisoner, but that he be kept safe in the same manner as now he is. [*Minute of this printed under date. Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 19.

The Levant [or Turkey] Company to Lord Conway. Yours of the 10th instant, directed to the Governor and Company of Merchants trading to the Levant, we received, importing His

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Majesty's command to recommend Sir Thomas Phillips to be employed as Ambassador at Constantinople *vice* Sir Thomas Roe. In conformity whereunto you will please to understand that we have heretofore made our humble petition to His Majesty to vouchsafe to give us audience, which he was pleased to condescend unto; but by reason of this contagious time we have not been called, neither dare we now presume to approach his Court without license to present our answer and reasons to him, as we have by our petition humbly requested, and therefore entreat your Lordship to be a means to his sacred Majesty to grant us audience, and whensoever he shall command our attendance we hope to give such satisfaction for the present, as well for continuing of Sir Thomas Roe a longer time, who is willing to stay for the good of the Company if His Majesty shall be pleased therewith, as also that His Majesty will be pleased for the future out of his clemency and gracious favour to the Company to give us leave to make choice of a fit person for that employment, as we have hitherto enjoyed from Queen Elizabeth and King James, wherein as in all other our duties we shall ever express ourselves loyal subjects to so gracious a Sovereign. *Subscribed by* Alderman [Hugh] Hammersley, Nicholas Leate, Deputy [Henry] Garway, Jef. Kerby, John Weld, John Coachman Husband, Abraham Cartwright. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 36 ix. Copy = 1 p.*]

July 9-19. 111. Bill of the expenses of the stable, amongst the Conway Papers. Total, 10*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.* *Underwritten,*

111. 1. *Receipt by John Johnson for that amount.* [2 pp.]

July 20.  
Oaking  
[Woking].

112. William, Earl of Pembroke, Lord Chamberlain, to Captain John Pennington, in the "Vanguard." Thanks him for so freely acquainting him with all particulars that have happened this voyage. You will receive directions by this bearer from the King and Lord Admiral Buckingham, how to carry yourself in this business, which I know you will punctually obey. From me you can expect nothing but the assurance of my love, which shall never fail you on all occasions, as this bearer will particularly let you know. Pray excuse my shortness, being oppressed with extraordinary business. [1 p.]

July 21.

113. Sir John Hippisley to George, Duke of Buckingham, Lord Admiral. According to your command I have sent you the plot of Dunkirk, with the names of all places as they lie, and if you intend anything that way I think this will be the best place, and if you please to command me either in person or my care in it I shall obey. I am sorry to hear and see how much the King's service and your Honour are neglected. The King's pinnace has been in this harbour almost three weeks for want of victuals, and the Dunkirk sloops beating in our boats; witness, Mr. [Walter] Montague and others; and I fear that will not be mended without you put in a better master, for this man has been out six weeks

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and done nothing but dishonour you and talk, but I have made bold to tell him my mind, and he has given me his word to mend. I could wish that you would trust some able man in these parts to have care of such business and be ready to victual the [ships] upon all occasions. Now, my Lord, give me leave to tell you that if you help me not according to your promise I am absolutely undone, for I owe at this hour above 2,500*l.*, and pay use as much as my estate is worth ; now is the time, because I desire nothing but out of my own labours, for I have sold most of these goods here, and if you please to get the King to send me a Privy Seal to send him so much money in to his Privy Purse, then no man needs know of it but yourself, from whom I must acknowledge all, and I hope it will enable me to serve His Majesty and your Grace, which if ever I fail trust no man. Your Grace has now known me eight or nine years, and I hope I was ever faithful to you, now make me a man in my old age, and I hope God will bless you, and I shall be sure to pray for you so long as I bear the name of John Hippisley. [1 *p.*]

July 23.  
Plymouth.

114. John Appleyard to Lord Conway. I understand as well by Sir John Ogle as otherwise, that all the officers now come out of the Netherlands, together with the rest elected formerly by your Honour, and the rest of the Council of War, do not in all amount to the number of captains desired for this employment [to Cadiz]. If, therefore, a company should be destitute of a Captain I would solicit you to advance me one step higher, and so sink me many degrees lower in your Honour's debt. Sir John Ogle I perceive, by reason of his late mischance, despairs of health sufficient for this employment, but uses me very nobly and promises me his favour. *Postscript.*—My Lord, here is a noble gentleman, Mr. Nicholas Fortescue, newly arrived from out of Breda, where he was during all the siege, and came not over until the composition. He is desirous to go this journey, but by reason he has been divers times abroad he would not willingly go without a command. If you but signify your pleasure to Sir John Ogle he will be ready to attend your resolution herein at Plymouth. [*Seal with device.* 1 *p.*]

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and 23.

115. Note of the provisions of arms and ammunition arrived at Hull out of Flanders the 18th July, and of arms and saddles at London on the 23rd July. [1 *p.*]

July 24.

116. Secretary Conway to Lord Treasurer Ley. His Majesty has received such information of the present state of his household as he little thought of, having given late directions, which he conceived had been pursued accordingly. But it seems things are brought to such extreme necessity as it will be hard to avoid an accident of great dishonour to His Majesty, both in his own and the Queen's household, unless your extraordinary care and instant directions prevent it. In this, the best expedition is so requisite as that one day's delay will make the inconvenience and dishonour unavoidable. Therefore the King has commanded me to signify

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his express pleasure presently to you that instantly upon sight hereof you send order to the Cofferer, if you have not done it already, to furnish the purveyors with money that they may perform their offices in furnishing the ordinary provisions. This is the charge I have received from the King. And now as a friend and servant to your Lordship I think it my duty to give you knowledge of what I hear in this particular, which is that the purveyors' wants are such as after one day they must and will fail, and so both the King and Queen will be left unprovided, which how great a dishonour it will be you can well judge. You may not use the least delay in the remedy to be applied by you as you tender His Majesty's honour and are careful to avoid his displeasure. Now having discharged His Majesty's commandment and my respect to you I continue the offer and presentation of my service. [*Minute of this printed under date. Draft. 1½ pp.*]

July 25.

117. The same to the same. For payment of a Privy Seal for 300*l.*, the King's free gift to a Frenchman, M. Boisrobert. [*Minute already printed under date. Draft. ½ p.*]

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118. Secretary Conway to George, Duke of Buckingham. Yesternight I received a letter by Captain Franklin from your Grace's Secretary, Mr. Nicholas. The letter was directed to you, but he brought me verbal warrant in your absence to open it, and having represented it to the King to give such answer as I received. He speaks likewise of a Frenchman who has brought letters, but as he is not come here I suppose he has gone to Newhall direct, hearing that you were there. His Majesty is of opinion that, for the most part, the letters you formerly wrote have answered this last letter. He observes the honest zeal of your Secretary in that part of his letter marked in the margin, but gives no order for changing of former directions, and I must in the duty I owe your Grace, say that there is not anything so tender and [ought] to be so dear to you as the avoiding of that scandal, offence, and hazard of extreme inconstancy, as if the King's ships should fight against those of the [Protestant] religion. The King has further commanded me to let you know that by reason of the sickness coming to Windsor, he goes upon Wednesday to Woking, on Friday to Bisham, and on Saturday to Ricott [Rycote, in co. Oxford], where he assigns the Lords [of the Privy Council] to meet him, and there your servant hopes to kiss your Grace's hands with as much humbleness and more constancy than ever he did his mistress's, and with a faith not to be exceeded of. *Endorsed*: "Sent by the Postmaster's man." [*Minute of this printed under date. Draft. 1 p.*]

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119. Secretary Conway to Sir John Ogle. I could not let this bearer [Mr. Thomas Huncks], my kinsman, pass to you without some remembrance that he comes from me. He is designed for an ensign's place and so stands in the list. I received a letter lately from the Commissioners there with you [at Plymouth] directed to the Lords of the Council, giving an account how the moneys have

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been disbursed which have been sent thither, and what present supply is requisite and pressing. The furnishing whereof in due time is now in deliberation and order will be given to their satisfaction, without disappointing that great service [the preparation of the fleet]. For your own particular I can assure you that the King, the Duke, Sir Edward Cecil, and the rest of the chief officers have so great an estimation of your worth, and do so much value the assistance of your counsel and directions, that they are very desirous to continue you in the employment, but in case of your necessity or disability to undertake the voyage [to Cadiz] every care will be taken to bring you off with honour and convenience to your own contentment, which no man shall study and endeavour with more faith and affection than your humble servant. Sent by Mr. Huncks. [*Minute printed under date. Draft. ¾ p.*]

July 28. 120. William, Earl of Pembroke, to Captain John Pennington. [*Already calendared, see Vol. IV., No. 134. Seal with coronet and crest. Holograph. ½ p.*]

July 29. 121. Lord Conway to his son Sir Edward Conway. I have received your letter and in earnest do marvel that anyone who may be called reasonable would be now in London. I meant to let you have two horses, but you must come or send for them. This night [with the Court] I lie at Bisham [in Berks], to-morrow at Rycote [in co. Oxon.], Sunday all day there, and on Monday at Woodstock. I moved the Lord General [Sir Edward Cecill] for the colonels, and he was pleased to allow them 100*l.* a man, but whether he intend that for the lieutenant-colonels and sergeant-majors and all I know not. If you have fear of God's justice, or the danger you may bring to your friends, get you out of London, and God bless you beyond your desert. [1 p.]

July 29. 122. John Ellzey, Mayor and the Aldermen of Southampton, to Lord Conway. In all the times within our memories the inhabitants of this our town and county have been always mustered and trained by the Lord Lieutenant, his Deputy-Lieutenant or others appointed for that service; and when soldiers were pressed, they were delivered to such persons as were to receive them within the town and not called out of our county and liberties for any such service. By their letter of the 10th of November last the Deputy-Lieutenants of Hants commanded us to send 20 men to Winchester, there by them to be prested, and afterwards four more, which men we delivered in this town to Lieutenant Morley Allen; but subsequently represented our grievance in this matter to the Lords of the Council, our then Lord Lieutenant, the Earl of Southampton, being beyond the seas, and to our knowledge not then dead. Our statement of our ancient liberties the Lords did not at first object to, but since we perceive that they are displeased with us, condemning us for complaining upon so slight an occasion. By the Deputy-Lieutenant's letters of 17th May we were again required to send ten selected men to Winton [Winchester], being ten miles

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out of our county of Southampton, with officers to conduct them, and 4*l*. in money, which we did, and on their coming the men were there again repressed by the Deputy-Lieutenants. Now understanding that your Lordship is Lord Lieutenant of this town and county, wherein we wish you all happiness and prosperity, we have presumed to address these our letters to you, not by way of complaint but petition, beseeching you to be so favourable to us as other Lord Lieutenants have formerly been, for the enjoying of our ancient liberties. [2 *pp.*]

July 31. 123. Secretary Conway to Lord Chief Justice Crewe. There was delivered to His Majesty the enclosed petition from the prisoners in the King's Bench, and others, by which you will see their request, and he has commanded me upon their behalf to signify to you his opinion, that, as he thinks it not fit to make writs of *habeas corpus*, seeing that men may abuse them to the prejudice of their creditors or turn them to their own particular pleasures, yet he conceives it very requisite that men who are able and willing to turn their time and abilities to the satisfaction of their creditors, that taking keepers with them they may enjoy the benefit of that writ. He therefore has commanded me to signify his pleasure that you admit them to that favour of the law especially respecting this dangerous time [of the plague]. And withall he recommends to you the care of providing for the creditors, and taking more care for the lives of men than for the form and manner of payments of money, he leaves the satisfaction of this to your judicious execution. [*Minute printed under date. Draft. 1 p.*]

July. 124. Endymion Porter to Secretary Conway. Recommends the bearer, a friend of his, who desires some employment in this voyage [to Cadiz] not more for his own credit and profit than to do the King service. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

[July.] 125. Reasons presented to His Majesty by the Levant Company for and touching the election of an ambassador to Constantinople. The trade of the Levant having been some 50 years since discovered by the Levant Company, and thereby the trade of Turkey settled and of late years much enlarged both in the building and employment of many ships of great burden and strong defence, useful for your Majesty's service, your royal progenitors have been graciously pleased only at their entreaty to settle an ambassador at Constantinople for the better protection of the Company's trade, granting to them free liberty of election of such an one as they conceived fitting for that employment, with approbation of their Majesties, for that they have ever defrayed all charges of presents and ambassadors and other occasions for support of that trade, which hath cost them above 200,000*l*. It is not yet four years since Sir Thomas Roe was settled Ambassador at Constantinople, so as if any new Ambassador should now be sent thither they are no ways able to undergo the charge of a new present and



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other expenses incident thereto. Having been formerly employed as Ambassador with the Great Mogul for divers years together, Sir Thomas Roe is the better qualified to deal with those heathen princes, and also with the affairs of merchants. Since his embassy with the Grand Signor by reason of the change of three emperors, in very short time, and the rebellions in Asia and other parts of the Turks' dominions, that state has grown full of troubles, whereby the chief officers have and do practise much injustice and oppressions upon our factors and trade, and were it not by the experience, wisdom, and courage of Sir Thomas Roe our estates and the persons of our sons and servants there would be continually subject to their insolencies and exactions from which we are now reasonably well preserved, and the honour of your Majesty highly esteemed. [1 p.]

[July.] Another copy of these reasons. [See *Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 36 XIV.*]

[July.] 126. Report on the defects in the system of education and Government in the University of Cambridge, and suggestions for remedy of the same. *Endorsed by Bishop Laud*: "Drs. B. and W. about the defects in the University of Cambridge." The defects in studies comprise: The mathematics, almost neglected in all colleges, and in many the tongues. *Remedy.* In every college a mathematic lecture to be provided, with reasonable salary. A defect in philosophy by reason that Aristotle and other classic authors are pretermitted or not read in their own language and text, but epitomes and systems and the like wholly studied. *Remedy.* Everyone who takes pupils in any college to be sworn to read diligently to his pupils, and to read none but these classic authors in their own text, &c. The lectures in all colleges overmuch slighted. *Remedy.* That the lecturers be every year charged and bound *sub pœnâ non spernendâ* to read daily and diligently, &c. The disputations in colleges neglected. *Remedy.* That disputations in every order be strictly observed, and that no authors be admitted but classical, and in their own text. Talking of Latin omitted. *Remedy.* The talking of Latin to be reinforced at the tables, and upon all occasions. Great abuse in granting degrees. *Remedy.* No scholar to be presented "*ad respondendum questioni*" till he shall have continued present in the college the greater part of eleven terms. Preposterous courses taken in the study of divinity. *Remedies proposed.* Defects as touching good manners and orders. *Remedy.* That no M.A. or other scholar shall repair to any tavern, tobacco-shop, nor to the houses of any cooks, barbers, laundresses, or any other college officers, nor to any town-houses whatsoever, to eat or drink there, &c. *Margin*: The penalty upon this and the whole imposing of it must be by absolute regal authority specified or else it will never stand. The statute against receivers of such company, to be by His Majesty extended against any housekeeper whatsoever receiving M.A.'s or others contrary to the above-named cautions. A commandment to

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be directed from His Majesty to the Vice-Chancellor and Heads to inquire of all excesses in apparel. Regulations for the observation of all such orders as shall now be enforced. [5 pp.]

Aug. 3. 127. An inventory taken of the wants in the "Vanguard" at her return [by the French]. The several deficiencies in the boatswain's, carpenter's, and gunner's stores are particularized and certified by the Chevalier de Razelly, also that all her victuals was spent. [3 pp.]

[Aug. 3.] 128. Note of the remainders of the ganner's store delivered up in the "Vanguard" [on her return by the French], certified by the Marquis d'Effiat. [2½ pp.]

Aug. 4. 129. Secretary Conway to the Turkey or Levant Company. His Majesty will forbear pressing them touching the choice of an ambassador to Constantinople till, the times proving less dangerous, he may admit them to his presence and hear their reasons. [*Minute of this already calendared under date. Draft. ¾ p.*]

Aug. 8. 130. Walsingham Gresley to Richard Wyld, Secretary to Lord Sherborne. Conway. His Lordship told me he had an order from His Majesty to give answer to a letter I brought from the Earl of Bristol when I was last at the Court, but the Duke [of Buckingham] promising likewise to write, and the next day going to his house in Essex with a purpose not to return to Court before the King came to Windsor, I ceased to solicit my despatch, which, if his Lordship have effected upon your notice, I shall not fail to give my attendance if it be needful or expected; otherwise, if you please to give any letter to my Lord's son-in-law, Sir Lewes Dive, who is every day in the Parliament House, he will have a care to send it safely, *Postscript.*—If it be no secret, let me entreat you to send me a list of the chief commanders and captains of the fleet [preparing for Cadiz]. [*Seal with arms broken. Damaged by damp. 1 p.*]

Aug. 9. 131. [Secretary Conway to Sir John Ogle. I have not heard from you now a long time. There is 6,000*l.* coming to you by Burlamachi's industry. The Commissions are perfected. You will speedily have some colonels with you, and the Lord Marshal [Sir Edward Cecil] will follow as fast as is possible. There are many who will let you know the business of the Parliament who have more leisure than I. Some have taken advantage of your indisposition to pretend to the employment, but the noble General prefers his respect to you and your merit before any other consideration. There is no man shall be gladder of your health than I. [*Minute of this calendared under date. Draft. ½ p.*]

Aug. 13. George, Duke of Buckingham, to Captain Stephen Countrie. Commission appointing him to a company of foot in the expedition fitting out at Plymouth. [*Copy. See 1627, July 13, Vol. LXX.*]

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Aug. 15. 132. Account of moneys owing to Philip Burlamachi, including two sums [advanced] for the Duke of Buckingham, 6,000*l.* for His Majesty's private service, and 25,932*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* for payment of 2,000 men in the Low Countries. [*Fragment.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

Aug. 16. 133. Burnard Johnson to Sir John Oglander. I received in  
Portsmouth. your letter Lord Conway's command. I am of your opinion concerning the undermining or washing away of Sandham Castle. I have, since the Commissioners' survey, surveyed it again. If you would give his Lordship notice that I am here at Portsmouth about the works, and can as well give directions to set in hand two or three forts as one, especially those in the Isle of Wight, where I have workmen and materials. [1 *p.*]

Aug. 16. 134. Instructions for the Vice-Admirals, signed by Sir Thomas Savage, Sir John Suckling, Sir George Paul, and Sir Robert Pye. Upon the perfecting of your accompts you are to pay in the money which thereby becomes due to the Lord Admiral, according as his Commissioners shall direct. [2 *pp.*]

Aug. 20. 135. Sir Edward Denys and Sir John Oglander to Secretary  
Newport. Conway. We sent to the engineer at Portsmouth, but it appears by his letter [see 16th August, No. 133] that he will not stir without a warrant and 300*l.* besides, and these Commissioners of Portsmouth must also have the dealing in it, as if your Lordship had not men sufficient in the Isle [of Wight] to undertake a greater business than that [the repair of Sandham Castle]. We have sent for masons of our own country who were formerly employed on that service, and they join in opinion with us that 50*l.* will suffice. We desire to know your resolution whether you will employ this engineer [Burnard Johnson] or our masons in the Island, also whether you will procure a warrant for 50*l.* of the 1,500*l.* which now lies in deposit at Portsmouth, or whether, according to your letter, we shall advance the money and receive it back here at Michaelmas out of your revenues, for surplusage due to the King there will be none. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 *p.*]

Aug. 13-26. 136. Inventory of goods and merchandise by Michael Burnley found aboard the six ships at Dover, also a bark of Peole sent to Plymouth by Captain Har[man]. [= 2 *pp.*]

[Aug. 26.] 137. The Duke of Buckingham to Sir Edward Cecil, Lieutenant-General and Lord Marshal of the fleet and land forces to be employed in this intended expedition, now setting forth against Spain. For your better direction I send you annexed a copy of His Majesty's instructions given to me, which I pray and require you punctually and carefully to prosecute and observe. [1 *p.*]

Aug. 26. 138. Secretary Conway to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Hants. By the enclosed copy of His Majesty's letter to me you will see what sense he hath of the neglect used in putting in execution the rules set down for establishing a militia, and his command to have

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a strict and due account thereof as a matter of no small consequence for the strength and safety of the land. I do earnestly recommend it to your care to see these his directions put in effectual execution, so as to redeem any former neglect. So soon as harvest is got in it will be a good time to begin to practise. For places infected by the sickness you may apply your directions to restrain the inhabitants from leaving their own towns and parishes. The books mentioned in the King's letter could only be had in London, and it was not thought safe to fetch books from thence at this time, to be dispersed over all the kingdom. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

Aug. 27. 139. The same to Sir John Ogle. [*Minute already calendared under date.* *Draft.* 1 p.]

Aug. 28. 140. The Lords of the Council to Lord Conway as Lord  
Titchfield. Lieutenant of Hants. The King, contemplating upon what uncertain terms the affairs of Christendom in general now stand, and observing more particularly that the neighbouring Princes and States do for the most part put themselves in arms, and some so suspiciously as if they waited but the opportunity to attempt some part of his dominions, deems it not safe for him to rest secure and not put himself likewise upon his guard, and, being well advertised from what places the greatest hostile preparations and most to be suspected are likeliest to issue and set forward, conceives the coast of Hants to be in much danger and subject to be surprised. He hath therefore willed us to require your Lordship, in his name, to provide with all speed for the better securing that coast, not only by careful mustering of the trained bands, both of horse and foot according to the directions in his letters which you shall receive herewith, but also by putting in execution these directions following, viz., the repair and watching of beacons, the survey of what ports or places upon that coast are least defensible and likeliest to invite an enemy to land, and give order for a regiment of 1,000 men of the trained bands in the vicinity to be in readiness to march thither on the first alarm, to cause sufficient watch to be set, to secure all other military provisions that may on the sudden be had, to certify to the Council what other munitions and other provisions are wanting, also what state the magazines of gunpowder are in, and what gents. resident in that county are fittest to be chosen as officers. [*Council seal.* 3 pp.]

Aug. 29. Piers Butler to George, Duke of Buckingham. Right Noble—My love and service remembered. I have waited here ever since your Grace told me that you would send unto me, expecting your answer, and not only I but many more of my friends who wonder that you forget me. So that I would desire your Grace to send me certain answer by this bearer, and withall the broken ring as an assurance that my business will be done betwixt [this] and Thursday. And there are so many honest men of us that, if your Grace will be pleased to like of it and bestow a buck on us, we are desirous to eat him, together [with your Grace, *erased in the*

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*original*] before our departure. And if your Grace will send Captain Marsh unto me I have a pine to send you which I will trust in nobody's hands but his. So I rest your assured friend and servant to command. [*Modern copy professing to be made from the original, which is not preserved amongst the Conway Papers Written on the same paper as 27th May. Copy.  $\frac{1}{3}$  p.*]

Aug. 30.  
Southampton.

Order of the Lords [of the Council]. A petition was presented to the Board by the Mayor and Corporation of Southampton to be relieved against the Levant Company for depriving their town of the benefit of a Statute made 13 Elizabeth concerning the importation of all sweet wines of the growth of Candia [Crete] and other places by colour of a proclamation procured, as petitioners alleged, by that Company about ten years since. The Lords having considered the same, and finding that the benefit and profit thereof arising to that town out of [the duty on] the sweet wines, first granted to them by charter and after confirmed by that Statute, was to be employed for the maintenance of their walls and sea-banks, which for want thereof are grown into much decay, have thought fit and ordered to give a farther hearing of this cause upon Wednesday the 7th of September, and to that purpose do likewise order that a copy of the aforesaid petition, together with this order, shall be forthwith sent to the Clerk of that Company, who is hereby required to attend this Board at Southampton on that day, together with another person of that body to be chosen and instructed to inform the Lords touching the premises; whereupon such further order shall be given as the justice and equity of the cause shall deserve. *Endorsed*: "There is none but myself in town, as [appears] per a letter written to Mr. Meantys, Clerk of the Council." [*Certified copy.  $1\frac{1}{3}$  pp. Levant Company, Vol. L, No. 47.*]

Aug. 31.  
Portsmouth.

141. Bernard Johnson to Secretary Conway. Has received his letter of the 30th instant, and would have willingly waited on him but has been laid up with a fever these three weeks. [*Seal with arms.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.*]

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142. Secretary Conway to Sir John Coke. [*Minute of this already calendared under date. Draft.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.*]

Aug. 31.  
Dover Castle.

143. Sir John Hippisley to Secretary Conway. That Mr. [James] Hugessen was sent for to my lord, but the reason I know not. Pray do him what service you may be able, as he has shown himself forward to serve the King. If you please to send me my uncle I am ready for him, my ship and 40 men lying on my hands till he comes. Desires that his ship may serve as a volunteer in the fleet for which she is provided. [*Seal with arms broken.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.*]

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144. The Council to Buckingham as Lord Admiral. [*Duplicate of Vol. F., No. 110.*]

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145. The Merchant Strangers of the Netherlands being of the intercourse to the King. Pray the continuance of his princely favour towards them, as in the reign of His Majesty's late dear father, in vouchsafing his royal warrant of Privy Seal for discharge of the several payments of the subsidies granted by this Parliament according to the ancient treaty between this realm and the House of Burgundy. [1 p.]

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146. Petition of the Mayors, Burgesses, and inhabitants of Exeter, Plymouth, Dartmouth, Barnstaple, and other parts of the west of England, to the King. The pirates of Sallee have of late infested the western coasts, captured ships, and made slaves of their crews, demanding 50*l.*, 60*l.*, and even 300*l.* as ransom. They cruise between the Scilly Isles and Ushant to the number of 25 or 30 sail. Fears entertained that they will intercept the Newfoundland fleet. Pray that ships may be speedily appointed to guard the coast. [1 p.]

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147. Petition of Elizabeth, wife of Sir Robert Mansell, to the King. You were pleased to hear in person the differences between the English and Scottish patentees, and did not hold it fit that they should reap the benefit of petitioner's husband's labour, with your Majesty's rent of 1,000*l.* per annum and 1,800*l.* yearly to the patentees, whose interests he has dearly purchased. These with the expenses to bring the [glass] works to perfection, together with the plots and practice against him from the commencement, has run him out of purse 33,000*l.* at least. He was in hopes that, after your sacred Majesty had declared your will, and Commissioners were appointed to see he should not be oppressed, whilst he abused not his privilege, he went on with some cheer in hope to recover some part of his great losses. But, notwithstanding your express command that they should not entertain petitioner's servants, nor bring in glass except upon just complaint from your subjects to the Lords Commissioners appointed for that purpose, and upon their warrant only to import, yet Sir William Colville and others having joined with the Scotch patentees, during her husband's absence, have enticed away three of her workmen for window glass, and have dissolved one of the works at Newcastle for window glass with the object of producing a scarcity, and so occasioning a complaint in order that they might import their glass, and have put in a malicious and slanderous Bill in the Parliament against petitioner's husband, endeavouring to overthrow the patent. Prays that her husband, being now abroad in your Majesty's service, you would take this cause into your gracious protection, and see justice done on those that labour her and her husband's confusion, their whole estate being employed in bringing this manufacture to perfection. [1 p.]

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148. Reasons to move His Majesty for stay of further proceedings by course of law, for the overthrowing of a patent granted to me [Sir Robert Mansell] for the making of glass. That this grant

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being afterwards questioned in Parliament and debated at large by a Grand Committee, who heard all parties by themselves, and their Counsel who could or would object anything against it, Sir Edward Coke then sitting in the chair, was, with general consent, by a special proviso, excepted out of the Bill of Monopolies; and the overthrow thereof now will destroy the gracious intention of His Majesty and both Houses of Parliament towards me. [2 pp.]

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149. Statement of reasons in favour of the expedition against Spain, preserved amongst the Conway Papers. The first paper is headed: To consider whether the fleet of 30 or 40 sail now prepared in England shall be sent to the coast of Spain or be stayed to guard our own coast. If to go to sea, to consider what service may probably be performed by it. By sending our fleet to the sea, though the Spanish preparations be never so great and ours not exceeding 40 good ships of war, yet, if it fall upon the coast of Spain before they be united in their port of rendezvous, which in all probability must be Cales [Cadiz], Lisbon, or the Groyne, and most likely to be Cadiz, it may be we shall be able to keep them from uniting, whereby the design to invade us for this year will be frustrated. Besides, we may burn their ships in their harbours, or light upon some good purchase that may chance to be rich enough to pay our charges. The second paper is headed: To consider if it shall be thought meet to stay our fleet, now prepared, for our home defence, how and where it shall be employed. For reasons before mentioned, to the first proposition, our intelligence not being altered, I do think it fit that our fleet should go to sea, but counsels must change with occasions, and when by new intelligences it shall be thought meet to alter, we must change our counsels accordingly. If it should be thought convenient to stay this fleet the best place to lie in, to answer all occasions of service, I conceive, under correction, would be Scilly, both to protect the coast of England and Ireland. If the enemy come to get a port either in the west country or in Ireland, there is no doubt but our fleet there, having pinnaces ever on the look-out to bring intelligence, will be able to fight with them and frustrate their enterprise. If our fleet should lie at Plymouth or Falmouth, they may be wind-bound in those havens, which it can hardly be at Scilly, besides, the Spanish fleet might pass into Ireland without their knowledge. [= 3 pp.]

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150. Foulke, Lord Brooke, to Secretary Conway. Thanks for your letter. I am sorry my age and indisposition will preclude my visiting you at Ragley in Warwickshire, nor attending the "Great Commission" at Southampton. News from Italy. Of our fleet I long to know what becomes, and whether Sir Albertus Morton be yet returned. [*Seal with design.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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151. Orders ordained by John Pennington, Captain of Her Majesty's ship the "Garland," and Admiral of all the English ships employed in the Narrow Seas against the Dunkirkers and other ships belonging to the King of Spain and the Archduchess [Isabella of Flanders]. [= 2 pp.]

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152. The accompt of Sir Thomas Hyde, knight and baronet. Administrator of the goods of Sir Nicholas Hyde, his father, late of Albury, Herts. The inventory of the goods and chattels amounts in all to 1,789*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.*, whereout the sums here stated are disbursed; besides 1,778*l.* due to the Earl and Countess of Kent by agreement from Sir Nicholas. [1 *p.*]

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153. Entry book of household expenses and business accounts [of Charles Winne, a goldsmith?] from September 1623 to August 1625. Amongst the entries are:—Money owing by my cousin Barbor, by the bishop of Peterborough, for money lent, by Sir Francis Fane. Paid Sir Albertus Morton for two fruit dishes, 4*l.*; paid for a Harry sovereign, 11*s.* 6*d.*; paid for getting the King's hand to my brother Denne's, presentation, 10*l.* 10*s.*, also to the Clerk of the Signet, 1*l.* 7*s.*; for the Privy Seal and to the Clerks, 1*l.* 7*s.*; to the Presentation Office and for the Broad Seal, 2*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.* Total payments for Denne, 19*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* Owing by Lady Vane for trining of old plate, 10*s.*, also for a jewel set with diamonds, 2*l.* 15*s.*; received for Mrs. Eliza Darell for a valentine, 5*s.*; received of Lady Vane in old plate, a spout pot, a college pot, and a broken bowl, all weighing 54 ozs., besides a porringer and spoon, 4 ozs. 5 dwt. in weight, all at 5*s.* per ounce, 14*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*; also received of Lady Vane in part payment for money due, 10*l.* 10*s.* Paid for the use of the Company of Goldsmiths for the supper at the "King's Head" in Fish Street, 11th Sept. 1624, 3*l.* 18*s.* Delivered to Mr. Porter a spout pot, weight 22 ozs. 2 dwt. at 5*s.* 5*d.* per oz., 5*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.* Owing by Lady Vane for two new candlesticks, weight 41 ozs. 14 dwt., being more than the two old by 3 ozs. 14 dwt. of silver, which silver and fashion comes to 2*l.* 2*s.* 10*d.*, also for the exchange of two spoons, 1*s.* 6*d.* Owing by Mr. Denne for money laid out for Mr. Halke, 30th December 1624, for a suit of apparel and a cloak of broadcloth laced, a hat, points, stockings, boots, spurs, a shirt, a band and cuffs, besides given him in his purse, 2*s.* 6*d.*, the whole comes to 4*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.*

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154. Petition presented to the King in the name of the Parliament concerning religion, together with a statement of the dangerous consequences of the increase of Popery, the causes thereof, and what may be the remedies. The dangers appear in these particulars hereunder stated. [*This copy is imperfect only by a few lines at the end. Printed in Rushworth, Vol. I, pp. 181–186. 10 pp.*]

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Southampton.

155. Edward, Viscount Conway, to the Governor [Alderman Hugh Hamersley] and Deputies of the Company of Merchants trading to the Levant Seas. His Majesty is informed that Sir Francis Wyatt, Governor of Virginia, or some other principal person returning from thence, hath been met with or taken by the Turks, and used with so much equity and humanity, as His Majesty desires to express the sense he hath of it, and his resolution to hold the like fair proceeding with them upon all occasions, unto the Grand Signor's Ambassador if he be not already gone. And if



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he has commission and power to treat anything for confirming the amity between the Grand Signor and His Majesty, and the good correspondence between their subjects, His Majesty will appoint Commissioners to hear him and treat with him. Wherein it would be very acceptable if this Commission did extend to the including of those of Salée as well as the Turks of Algiers and Tunis. To this I pray you return a speedy answer that, if the Ambassador be still here, the business may be presently set on foot, his Majesty being well affected to it, and resolved to admit the Ambassador to his presence and use him with all due respect and honour; and herein I shall be ready to contribute all that I can for your advantage. [*Minute of this in Calendar under date. Draft. 1 p.*]

Sept. 1. Original of the preceding. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 48.*]

Sept. 1. [Mr. Meautys, Clerk of the Council], to the Governor, Alderman  
Southampton. Hugh Hamersley, the late Deputy, Mr. Richard [Ricaud], or to the Clerk of the Levant Company. According to the tenor of the enclosed Order of Council, we send you it, together with the petition mentioned in that Order, praying you to attend their Honours as is therein required. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 49.*]

Sept. 1. 156. Edward, Lord Conway, to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Hants. Since the sealing up of the King's letter which has been stayed for a time, and whereof I send you a copy enclosed in one from me herewith sent [*see 26th August, No. 138*], the Lords of the Council have taken into their serious considerations the necessity of extraordinary care, watchfulness, and provisions in this county in respect of the danger which advertisements and preparations in other [foreign] parts threaten. I send you a copy of the Lord's letter to me [*see 28th August, No. 140*], and recommend to you the speedy and effectual execution of the directions therein given, with care and diligence answerable to the doubtful condition of the present time. Give me information with what speed you can of the custom and manner of [setting] the watches and guards, keeping of beacons, what stores of gunpowder, match, and bullets, the manner of sending assistance to any part attempted, the state of the forts and places of strength, and what else may require further directions from the State for the defence and security of this coast to the end order may be taken and assistance given in what is most necessary and behoveful. [*Draft. 3 p.*]

Sept. 1. 157. The same to the Deputy-Lieutenants of the Isle of Wight. To the same effect as the preceding. The King's letters direct the settlement of a militia, as a singular and incomparable strength. I must desire that the places wherewith he has entrusted me should be so prepared as to furnish good examples to others to follow and imitate. The books mentioned in the letter cannot be had but in London from whence it is not thought safe to fetch them, but so soon as I can I will furnish you with some. The Lord's letters

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import directions presently to be acted on for the public safety, whereof your own interests and your duty require a strict execution, and the State expects a good account. I desire from you an information of the state of your preparations for defence and what else may require further directions from the State for the defence and security of the Island, that assistance may be given you. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

Sept. 2.  
Mottisfont.

158. Sir William Sandys to Secretary Conway. I am bold to become a suitor to your Lordship touching the disposition of the armour which I am charged withall in co. Southampton. Both my father before me and myself having been Captains of the City of Winchester for these 40 years have ever shown our arms there. But Sir Hampden Paulett, one of the Deputy-Lieutenants, now requires an alteration so that my arms should be used in the [trained] band of which his grandchild, Mr. Dowce, is Captain. Desires that he may have the use of his own armour for his own company. [*Seal with crest.* 1 p.]

[Sept. 3.]

159. Discourse and considerations for securing the safety of this kingdom. In the consideration of the present state of affairs, and especially in the points of defence and offence, the general rule is first to provide for the defence. But in a kingdom or state that by security or neglect is so far behind hand that a blow may fall upon them before they can be in postures of defence, then the first thing in consultation and execution is how, by an offensive diversion, to stop an enemy coming to discover us in our weakness. Suggestions for raising and training a large military force for defence of the kingdom. [5 pp.]

Sept. 3.  
Southampton.

160. George, Duke of Buckingham, to the same. I have received order from the Lords of the Council for stay of all ships whether they belong to His Majesty's subjects or strangers now in any of His Majesty's roads or harbours until further order, without special license. You are required to give order to all your deputies and officers within the precincts of your Vice-Admiralty that this order be put in full and strict execution [until the fleet now ready be gone forth]. [*Seal with coronet, arms, and motto.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Sept. 4.

161. Secretary Conway to the Deputy-Lieutenants of the Isle of Wight. Captain [Edward] Giles has a warrant to take up mariners for the King's service, and informs me that many to avoid being impressed in other places are fled to that island and lie skulking there to free themselves from the service. I pray assist him in finding and taking any such up to serve according to his warrant which he is not to execute upon any of the islanders who are to be reserved for the security of that island, nor upon such as are employed in the fishings and cannot well be spared, but only upon fugitives and those of little value. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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162. Secretary Conway to Sir John Ogle. [*Minute of this already calendared under date.* *Draft.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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163. The same to Mr. Jennings, Deputy Vice-Admiral in co. Southampton. Sends a copy of the Council's order for making stay of all ships belonging either to subjects or strangers that are or shall come into any of His Majesty's roads or harbours until further order to the contrary. You are required to give present order for the due execution thereof within my Vice-Admiralty. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Sept. 5.

The like letter to Captain [Anthony] Ersfield for the Isle of Wight. [*Minute on the same paper as the preceding.*]

Sept. 7.

Southampton.

Order of Council. Whereas the 7th instant was assigned for hearing the Levant Company in answer to the complaint of the town of Southampton concerning the proclamation by which the importation of sweet wines of the growth of the Levant is solely attributed to that company, and concerning the landing of these wines at the port of Southampton heretofore granted by Charter to that town and confirmed by Act of Parliament for the better maintenance of that port and town, through the frustrating whereof by that proclamation the town is grown into great decay and ruin; and whereas by a letter this day read from Mr. [Nicholas] Leatt, Deputy of that Company, it appears that the members of that Company being all dispersed through the present infection they could not possibly send any deputation hither at this time, it was this day ordered that the hearing should be deferred until the second Wednesday in Michaelmas Term next, after it be appointed to begin, at which time the Levant Company are peremptorily ordered to send some of their body to appear before the Board, notification of this Order being given them by the town of Southampton. [*Certified copy. Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 50. 1 p.*]

Sept. 8.

Fulham.

164. Thomas, Lord Cromwell, to Secretary Conway. In a few rude lines I tender to you my service, and pray that this enclosed [*see Vol. VI., No. 30*] you will desire his Grace [of Buckingham] to read. The world discourses much of him, and their discourse I desire he should know. I am not able to advise or counsel so great a Councillor as he is, or one bred under a judicious King in a wise state, but if I were, certainly I would deal with his Lordship as with my own soul; and because I cannot do as I would, I will leave all discourses to his wisdom to judge of, and myself ever to be commanded by him and you. In my absence I hear that my Lord of Essex not going [in the Cadiz expedition] Sir Charles Rich is placed, against whose preferment my wishes shall never go: but I hope one day, eve[n] the longest one, my Lord will think of him, who will ever bleed freely in his service. I have the luck not to be thought on when I am at home with my wife or far from Court, which to help I know not, but I will cheer my wretched unhappy self that not the less my Lord and you valued me as your servant, and that in the setting out of the ships I shall not have the unability to serve, if I have would I had never been. To conclude, shortly at Salisbury I will see you, and ever as heartily

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pray for your health as for my own. *Postscript*.—My Lord. This enclosed I send unsealed, because if you think not fit for me to write so plainly to the Duke, that then you would not deliver it, but keep it till I come. [1 p.]

Sept. 9.  
Southampton.

165. George, Duke of Buckingham, to Edward, Lord Conway, as Lord Lieutenant of Hants. Instructions for my Vice-Admiral of the county of Southampton, with respect to all passages, seizures, forfeitures, or other droits happening in his Vice-Admiralty. [*Impressed seal of the Lord Admiral*. 1 p.]

Sept. 17.

166. Invoice of the cargo of the "St. Peter" of Havre-de-Grace. [11 pp.]

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167. Further invoice of the lading of the "St. Peter" of Havre-de-Grace. Goods delivered in the "Esperance" to Monsieur Rudier of Calais for the accompt of Lewis Holbroke. [6 pp.]

Sept. 18.  
Plymouth.

168. Secretary Conway to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Hants. The enclosed copies will acquaint you with the directions I have received from His Majesty for certifying the names of such persons of wealth and ability in that county as can furnish His Majesty's present and urgent wants by way of loan upon Privy Seals, together with an estimate of the proportions that may well be required from each. I earnestly pray you to take this business into your consideration, and proceed in it according to the limitation of His Majesty's letters. Because my knowledge of the country is so little that I cannot give you any assistance in this service, I will recommend to you such a justness and equality in fixing the rates as the State may not have cause to be troubled to raise the proportions, nor to alter anything that you in your judgments shall set down. The schedule of the names and rates you are required to send to me within the time prefixed. [1½ pp.]

Sept. 18.

169. Draft of the same. [1 p.]

Sept. 19.

170. Edward Alford to Sir William Beecher. I received the Council's letters on Saturday the 17th, and being near the time for going to the herring fishing at Yarmouth, I went on Monday along this coast to Brightempston [Brighton], whereto are belonging 300 mariners at least, and found that they had left a week past for Yarmouth; so it is not possible now to furnish His Majesty's service at this time with 100 mariners; also there is scant powder and matches for two days' training. [*Seal with arms*. ⅔ p.]

Sept. 20.  
Halchys.

Sir Thomas Roe, English Ambassador at Constantinople, to the Venice Bailee and Ambassador there, giving a relation of the controversy between the Consuls at Aleppo, with offer that the business may be determined by the Ambassador and Bailee. Desires that his Excellency would dispatch a command to their Consul to desist from these courses and submit himself to their arbitrament, and in the interim to deposit the consulage in the

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hands of a neutral. At last your Consul produced an old command of seven years date, taken out privately against our capitulations, and the good correspondence between our nation freeing the Venetians of consulage upon the English ships, and by a bribe of 1,400 dollars, being more than the consulage, prevails by a sentence against all right and custom. Your Excellency knows how dangerous it is to have a private command to prejudice the Articles between Prince and Prince, the bond of peace, especially for one of us to surprise another, and how easy it is to procure such firebrands at this Port. Therefore, I suppose your Excellency will seriously take it into consideration and give some present order therein. I believe your Consul has made his own cause as fair as he can, but I hope my fair offer will prevail to move you to suspend all prejudice and to yield to this course of deposition. For this affair I am enforced to return to my house. *Endorsed by Sir Thomas Roe*: "Copy of my letter to the Venice Bayle, to offer the controversy to his own sentence. If there be occasion [this] may be showed to the Lords [of the Council] that they may see the carriage of the whole business." [*Levant Company, Vol. I, Nos. 41 and 51. = 2 pp.*]

Sept. 20. 171. Sir Francis Annesley's undertaking to pay 500*l.* to Lady Blundell, widow and executrix of Sir Francis Blundell, and to cause the statute for payment of this sum to be delivered up to Sir George Blundell in accomplishment of the Duke of Buckingham's directions. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Sept. 21. 172. William Melcom to William Weld, Secretary to Lord  
London. Conway. I am forced at this time to importune you to deliver that little money to this bearer, who will have a care to send it me with all speed, because I never had so much ado in all my life for we can get no money either to borrow or on pawn in regard of the extremity of this mortality. The sum in all is 3*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.* *Underwritten,*

172. I. *Receipt by George Bissett for 40*s.* of this reckoning, received of Mr. Weld for Mr. Melcom.* [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

Sept. [22]. 173. Foulke, Lord Brooke, to Secretary Conway. I thank you for this particular advertisement and congratulate [you on] Sir John Coke's advancement [to the Secretaryship] as good for the kingdom, and a passing safe and easy yoke fellow for yourself. In Sir Albertus [Morton's] death I lament the loss of a religious, learned, and well experienced servant to this State, which is all the interest I have in him. The conjunction between us and the Low Countries I rejoice in as a course which I have long been acquainted with, and seen the fruit of many years peace in it. Your last letter is so short and clear a story of all things both abroad and at home, with so provident security for the unquiet minds of people, as I say God bless the Governors, the invisible note shall lie by me in silence till the fruit of execution shall publish it, and I thank you for that trust. The assembling of our armies I confess doth

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please my decaying powers much better than the dissolution of them did in former times, and I am passing glad to hear that the active King of Denmark hath, like Anteus, recovered strength and honour by falling to kiss his first mother the earth. The last part of your last letter is of importance to that undertaking:—Duke of Savoy in Italy by bearding the King of Spain in that mystical Court of Pope and Conclave. [*Seal with device broken.*  $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

Sept. 26.  
Isle of Wight.

174. Sir John Oglander to Secretary Conway. Our hope is to see you here before your return, and receive further directions for the better settling of your government here amongst us. I hear there are Privy Seals coming forth for the loan, and as you have the nomination of such as are thought fit to lend in Hants. I pray hold me excused for this time, not only because I have two already unpaid, but also if there be any war betwixt us and a foreign nation, your poor officers here need no other impositions. [*Seal with arms and crest.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Sept. 28.  
Audley Eld.

175. Thomas, Earl of Suffolk, to the same. In accordance with the King's letters, I have put in hand the Privy Seals, leaving my Deputy-Lieutenants to labour in finding out the ablest and most sufficient men to lend, while I busy myself after the better sort of gentry in the country. The result I will return in a roll to the Lords of the Council. I am now busy about the levying of 100 men in Dorsetshire to go to Plymouth. I hope and pray that these great blusterings in our country about Harwich may come to a quiet, and so these parts be freed both of charge and trouble. [*Seal broken.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Sept. 28.]

176. A form of declaration for the matter of Amboyna, touching the States of Holland. In the protest made by His Majesty at Tichfield on the 8th instant, these formal words, here recited, are inserted and were accepted and approved by the Ambassadors for the States. This term being now expired and satisfaction not given, His Majesty may now justly and by their own agreement proceed to the execution of his protest, which to prevent rests now wholly in the wisdom of the States, His Majesty having fully expressed his moderation and loving affection towards his good neighbours and allies by attending their own time. [*Draft in Secretary Coke's hand.*  $1\frac{1}{3}$  pp.]

Sept. 28.

Minutes of a Council of War. Copy of Vol. VI., No. 112. [*See Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. ccxxxvii., Admiralty Collections, fol. 25.*]

Sept. 30.  
Alresford.

177. The Deputy-Lieutenants of Hants to the same. In performance of your commands, we have made selection of the names of such men of worth and ability as we know sufficient to furnish His Majesty's present and urgent occasions by way of loan upon Privy Seals, together with an estimate enclosed of the proportions

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that may well be required from each of them. [*Seal with arms broken.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.] *Enclosed,*

177. 1. *Schedule of the names of knights and gentlemen in Hunts of ability to contribute to the loan, with the rates at which they are assessed. Total, 2,235l. [2½ pp.]*

[Sept.]

178. Particulars by Secretary Coke touching the state of prize ships [now to be dealt with], viz., the "St. Claud," Isbrand Adrian-son, master ; "L'Esperance," Nicholas Brandt, master ; "St. Marie," Peter Rees, master ; "Paradise," Nicholas Burdel, master ; "Sea-venture," Richard Martin, master ; "St. Luke," of Glückstadt, Bernard Conington, master ; "St. Peter," of Holstein, Cornelius Lucas, master ; "Golden Star," John Henricks Just, master ; "Falcon," Cornelius Adrians, master ; "St. Nicholas," of Calais, Adrian Cornelison, master ; "St. Peter," of Calais, Charles Tategan, master ; "St. Jaques," of Calais, Cornelius Charles, master ; "St. Andrew," of Calais, Francis Henrick, master ; "Blue Dove," Arthur Adrianson, master ; "St. Peter," of Havre-de-Grace, Jehan Mallen, master ; "King David," of Dover, David Ricks, master ; "St. Anne," of Calais, Peter Gerets, master ; "St. George," of Calais, Peter Belinck, master ; the "Faith"; the prizes at Falmouth, Plymouth, and Weymouth ; the Hamburger in the Downs laden with corn ; the two Lubeckers in the Downs ; Thomas Irish at Wapping. [6 pp.]

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179. Mem. by Windebank of dividends for Lord Conway, viz., at the Signet Office for November 1625, 3l. 16s. ; at the Petty-bag after Trinity term, 6l. 14s. 9d. ; ditto, after Michaelmas term, 4l. 16s. 3d. ; at the Hanaper for both terms, 10s. 9d. Total, 15l. 17s. 9d. [=  $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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180. The King to Archbishop Albot of Canterbury. The Parlia-ment, out of providence that the youth of the realm be carefully educated, have petitioned that care be had in the choice of school-masters. The King recommends the Archbishop, both in his Province and See, diligently to survey all such as have the charge of scholars.

[Sept.]

181. Estimate of money required to defray the charges of the Cadiz expedition and incidental expenses of the war with Spain ; the subsidizing of the King of Denmark and Count Mansfeldt. Totals of the cost of the Cales [Cadiz] fleet and army, 313,547l. 13s. 3d. ; for the second fleet, 107,306l. 7s. Both fleets, 420,854l. 0s. 3d. Landmen upon our coast, viz., 10,000 at 10,000l. per mensem, which for eight months is 80,000l. Ireland, rein-forcements, viz., 2,000l. per mensem, and for munition 1,167l. 8s. 6d. for a year, amounts to 25,167l. 8s. 6d. Denmark, at 30,000l. per mensem for eight months, 240,000l. Mansfeldt, at 20,000l. per mensem for eight months, 160,000l. Low Countries, 8,900l. per mensem for eight months, 71,200l. Total of all charges at these rates is 1,067,221l. 8s. 9d. [1 p.]

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Notes of foreign intelligence War proclaimed in Spain, 12th May, against England, Scotland, and Ireland, yet freedom of trade to the Irish and Scottish so as they coloured not English goods. The King [of Spain] to be at Madrid, 16th May, to receive the Pope's nephew; thence to Lisbon with him to see the fleet of 200 sail. Thirty gallions to waft the West Indian fleet, which brought a double proportion. The seamen of Ireland and many English pilots and others go for Spain. Three English knights preferred to the order of St. Jago. 15,000 soldiers enrolled; 1,500 to pass upon the ships at Lisbon. The war appointed to be proclaimed at Brussels the 5th June. [*Written on the back of the same paper as the above.*]

[Sept. ?]

182. Invoice of goods laden in the "St. Jeames" the "St. Jaques," and "St. George," all of Calais. [ $5\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

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Oct. 2.  
Salisbury.

1. The Council to Secretary Conway. His Majesty and we of his Council having information of the imprudent speeches used by many Roman Catholics, declaring their dislike of the satisfaction given by the King to the Lords and Commons of Parliament in the points concerning the conservation of true and pure religion, as it is at this day by authority practised in the Church of England, and having just cause to doubt that many through the instigation of Jesuited priests may be inclined to take part with such as practise to raise stirs and tumults, promising them assistance and arms, their pretext being religion, but their ends conquest, pushed thereunto by an unlimited ambition for a general monarchy, of which we have only too large and clear proof, although we believe many of His Majesty's Roman Catholic subjects would employ their arms and lives in his service, yet, because we are not able to distinguish between the well and ill-affected, we have seconded with our advice the King's princely inclination, following the example of his wise predecessors of happy memory and government, to take out of the possession of all Romish recusants convicted or justly suspected all such martial munitions, arms, and weapons as shall be found in their houses, to be safely kept, but the property in them to be reserved to the owners according to former precedents in like cases, leaving, notwithstanding, to them such ordinary weapons as may be required for the guard of their houses. These are therefore to require you or your Deputy-Lieutenants to repair to the houses of all Romish recusants within the precincts of your Lord Lieutenancy and take possession of their arms. It is our intention that so many of these arms as were heretofore employed for the trained bands should be delivered into the custody of the Colonels or Captains of the said bands to be employed as formerly they had been. You are to certify us the names of such persons, together with a list of the arms so taken. We do require all Mayors, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, and others to be aiding and assisting in the execution of this service. For Hants, city of Winton, and town of Southampton. [*Council seal impressed.* 2 pp.]

Oct. 3.

2. Thomas Cansfield to Sir Thomas Wilson. Promises to look after the charge of his house in town. The six yards of black cloth you desired me to inquire for are at Mr. Guise's house at the "Fleur-de-lis" in Charterhouse Lane. Your man is in great need of money, which I am unable to advance, the times being so dead and no money to be had either upon bonds or pawns. [1 p.]

Oct. 6.  
Tichborne.

3. Sir Benjamin Tichborne to Secretary Conway. Represents the want of gunpowder in Hants. Every musketeer being charged to have in readiness 6 lbs. of gunpowder, 60 bullets, and convenient match, we shall be much bounded to you if the country's wants might be supplied at this present, they being very willing and

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ready to pay for the same. Captain Benson, as Captain of Netley Castle, requires 50 men to serve therein, being a larger proportion, by Sir Hampden Paulet's report, than has formerly been allowed. What number you may allow shall be delivered to him by indenture out of the hundred of Mainsbridge, from whence they have formerly been levied, without arms. Captain Parkinson, being placed in the company late Sir Thomas Flemming's, is to repair to you for his commission. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

Oct. 6.  
Yarmouth,  
Isle of Wight.

4. Certificate of the Mayor, Barnabas Leigh, and four others of Portsmouth to the Council. On behalf of Jacob Corneleson, who had recently received great losses, to his utter undoing. Our suit is about a ship given him by the Turks [*see Vol. V., No. 56*]. He went out from our town as pilot in that ship, wherein he was now taken by the Turks, but has a family dwelling in our town. Further, we know that at his own charges he hath, since the ship was arrested, removed her out of our channel, otherwise she might have been overthrown and spoiled our road. [*Corporation seal.* 1 p.]

Oct. 7. Secretary Conway to the Turkey or Levant Company. [*Minute of this already calendared under date. Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 36 XII. Copy.* 1 p.]

Oct. 8. List of ships, copy of Vol. VII., No. 47. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. ccxxvii., Admiralty Collections, fol. 21.*]

[Oct. 8.] 5. Draft of similar list. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

Oct. 9.  
Court at  
Salisbury.

6. Lords of the Council to George, Duke of Buckingham. We are informed by Sir Philip Carteret, Lieutenant-Governor of the Isle of Jersey, that those seas are commonly infested with pirates, especially in war time, so as the trade and commerce of the inhabitants to other parts of the King's dominions is for the most part cut off. He has made suit to this Board that one of the King's small ships or pinnaces may be appointed to scour the seas between the islands, and to anchor there at convenient times. In which regard the Islanders are willing to maintain a skilful pilot for the safety of the ship or pinnace. We, finding this suit to be grounded on very good reason, pray your Grace to take order accordingly. [*Council seal.* 1 p.]

Oct. 10. 7. Secretary Conway to [Anthony] Ersfield, Captain of Cowes Castle, and Deputy Vice-Admiral of the Isle of Wight. Order having been taken by the King and Council to set open the ports again, you are to suffer the ships stayed there at the Cowes, upon a former direction, to proceed on their voyages, His Majesty's fleet being now put to sea. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

Oct. 17. 8. Secretary Conway to Anthony Ersfield. Amongst the prizes lately taken by the King's ships there was one ship called the

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"Bloom Pott," taken by Captain Harvie and driven into Cowes. Directions are given for bringing about the prizes from Plymouth and other ports [to London]. On the first approach of that fleet you are to take order that the "Bloom Pott" be sent forth to meet with the fleet as they pass by, and so be convoyed to London. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Oct. 17. 9. Commission by the King appointing George, Duke of  
Salisbury. Buckingham, and Henry, Earl of Holland, in whom the King reposes implicit confidence, his especial and trusted Ambassadors and Commissioners, as well to Louis XIII. of France as to the States of the United Provinces of Holland, and to all other Princes and States our friends and confederates, with power to enter into a league with them in our name against the House of Austria and the King of Spain and their allies. [*Copy. Latin.* 2 pp.]

Oct. 19. 10. Andrew Ashley to John Macro, Scrivener on Cornhill. If  
Writtle. your house be clear from infection let your servant on the 22nd repair to the Rolls, and inquire whether George Butler, a kind of physician, has tendered to my use 5*l.* awarded to be paid me by decree in Chancery, and receive the same. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Oct. 21. 11. Receipt by Hans Van Ifferson for 5*l.* advanced by Lord  
Salisbury. Conway on the part of Mr. Hugessen, who is to repay the same. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Oct. 24. 12. Gentlemen of the Isle of Wight to Lord Conway, as Lord  
Newport, Lieutenant of Hants. We are suitors to your Honour to free us  
Isle of Wight. from the office of Sheriff, so unsuitable for us, both by reason of our situation and of our personal absence. [10 signatures. *Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

Oct. 30. Order of Council. Deferring the hearing of the dispute between  
Hampton Court. the Levant Company and the town of Southampton, touching the importation of sweet wines from the second Wednesday in Michaelmas, for which it was fixed by a previous Order of the 7th September, till the 25th of November, when both parties are required to attend the Board. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 52.*]

Oct. 30. List of Papers relating to the Turkey or Levant Company, ranging between 1615 and October 1625. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 56.*]

Oct. 31. 13. The Lords of the Council to Secretary Conway, as Lord  
Hampton Court. Lieutenant of Hants. Whereas you lately received directions from us for disarming all recusants, who are either convicted or justly suspected, according to the Acts of State heretofore expressed. Because it seems these Acts are not to be found where they should be used for light and instruction, the want whereof must needs greatly hinder the execution of that important service, we hold it

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necessary for your direction to impart to you that which was written from this Board diverse years since to the High Sheriffs and Justices of the Peace upon like occasion, wherein you find in what sense the late King James, by the advice of his then Privy Council, explained himself concerning recusants justly suspected, viz., that his meaning was to proceed not only with such as were convicted recusants, but also with such as give any overt suspicion of ill-affection in religion, of which sort he understood to be as well those who neglected to repair to the church, as also such as have not for three or four years received the communion once a year at the least, and such as have their wives or households recusants or non-communicants, or are otherwise known to be Popishly affected. These sorts of people the King and the State at this time also have the same reason to hold in jealousy. We are by His Majesty's express commandment to require you to proceed with such as by our former letters you were directed, saving that you may forbear the Nobility and Peers, if any such be within that county, the King having taken another course for disarming them. [*Council seal.* 1½ pp.]

Oct. 31.  
Newport,  
Isle of Wight.

14. Thomas Nightingale to Lord Conway. Prays to be discharged from the performance of that great charge of High Sheriff, as he will be compelled to forbear residence in Essex, where now he dwells, for the most part of this year.

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15. [Sir John Coke] to the Mayor of Plymouth. Warrant for discharge of sick men. I am informed that notwithstanding the many proclamations made for seamen and soldiers to repair aboard the ships, yet, since the departure of the fleet [for Cadiz], many of both are left behind. For the sick seamen this order was directed by me that by ordinary and lawful passes from their captains they should be discharged and licensed to go home with some imprest of money upon their passes, to bear their charges by the way, for which the Treasurer of the Fleet was directed to leave a sum in your hands upon account. For the sick landmen it is fit they should be discharged and not pester this country, which has already been overcharged, but till they be able to travel a due care must be taken for them, and what you shall reasonably disburse for that purpose the Lord Treasurer shall be moved to repay to you; and should you be put to any charge for sick mariners, till they be able to go home, the money will be reimbursed by the Commissioners and Treasurer of the Navy. [*Copy.* 2 pp.]

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16. List of officers of the Army serving in the expedition to Cadiz. Names of Captains, Lieutenants, and Ensigns. [*Copy.* 4 pp.]

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17. Two other similar lists.

[Oct.]

18. List of officers and others competent to take commands. It includes Sir Edward Cecil, Sir John Ogle, Sir John Burrows, Sir

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Edward Conway, Sir William St. Leger, and many distinguished soldiers. The four Colonels of the old troops [serving in the Low Countries]. Besides names of men suitable to be selected for Captains, Lieutenants, and Ensigns. [4 pp.]

[Oct.] 19. Similar list. [6 pp.]

[Oct.] 20. Foulke Lord Brooke to Lord Conway. If you please by the next to let me know who commands the fleet as Admiral you will do me a favour, for it is a current question in these parts. Lord Viscount Cecil [Sir Edward Cecil, afterwards Viscount Wimbleton] we hear commands the land forces; of the rest I will not trouble myself to inquire, because we all shall equally hear the sound of the first blow. The Lord Keeper's [Dr. Williams, Bishop of Lincoln's] remove, hath long been expected, and his successor, Mr. Attorney [General Sir Thomas Coventry] will be welcome to everybody; I hope well of the rest. My body finds a difference between winter weather at Warwick and at London, so I have never had two days' health together since I came down. This wisdom of Government which disarms the doubtful hath great applause, and will have more when it is really executed, and we that now provoke, have much more reason to look carefully about us than before. God make my Lord Duke [of Buckingham's] undertakings and employments prosperous to himself, for they are painful to mention. [*Seal gone.* 1 p.]

[Oct.] 21-24. Endymion Porter to his wife Olive. Four several letters of affection. The first mentions little George only, who was their eldest child, and therefore is probably earlier than this date. The second letter contains this passage: "This place [Salisbury?], " which the King hath made choice of for his pleasure, can afford " me none, because I have resolved to make myself happy only " within the limits of thy sight." The third letter says, "This little " messenger brought me a great deal more of joy with your letter " that I ever expected to have had in Salisbury." For your ease I have sent you a nag which I think is the best in England. The fourth letter has this passage: "This misfortune of my stay last " night with you hath so incensed the King and my Lord [of " Buckingham?] against me that I was forced to excuse it with " saying I went to take my leave of you, and by that means I am " now prevented of the happiness to see you till the end of the " Progress." [*Two seals with arms and crest.* 4 pp.]

Oct. 25. Articles submitted to the Lords of the Privy Council by Sir Philip Carteret, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey. It is desired that a Privy Seal for 234*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.* may be granted for repair of the castles Mountorgueil and Elizabeth according to the particulars specified in the recent survey. Sundry sorts of munition, especially gunpowder, required for these castles. These islands being commonly infested by pirates especially in time of war, it is desired that one of the King's smaller ships or pinnaces may be appointed to scour the seas betwixt the islands. [1 p.]

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Constantinople.

Sir Thomas Roe to the Lords of the Privy Council. I have now for almost four years lived in good correspondence with all the ministers and subjects of the State of Venice; and, because I understood to have so well deserved of them in many of their occasions, which the Senate hath acknowledged by particular thanks, I hoped to have finished this my service [as Ambassador to the Grand Signor] without any dispute or controversy with them. But pride and covetousness have no friends, and Lot quarrelled with Abraham for a sheep's pasture. For an insolence offered to our nation by the Venetian Consul in Aleppo, I am enforced to become the advocate of the Levant merchants and to be an humble suitor to His Majesty and your Lordships to vouchsafe them that protection that they may trade in these dominions, at least without disadvantage and upon equal terms with other nations, and that I may conclude my time with that reputation I have hitherto maintained and which I cannot lose, but by being forsaken by your Honours. I will not trouble your Lordships with long discourse unproportional to a letter, but having made ample declaration of the merits of our cause, to be presented by the Company, in this I only entreat, that you will give credit to that which therein I will aver, whereof I have taken "fede" in the chanceries of all the other residents, and sent them to Venice; presuming you will accept my own testimony in those things, the truth whereof, upon the penalty of your Lordships' censure, I am bound to approve. I am informed one Ricaut, a Dutchman, inhabiting London, is the correspondent of the family of the Spinolas in Genoa, and of whose courses I advised Lord Conway and Lord Baltimore now a year past by my letters of the 4th and 20th September 1624. The substance whereof was that the Genoese, by their factor in England were interested in divers of the best merchants' ships of the Thames, being most part owners of the "St. George" of 500 tons, of the "Benjamin and John" and the "Peter and Andrew," the ships now mentioned, and of many others, being all of great force. The accusation may be false, but in my humble opinion worthy of examination, yet the liberty to trade under the colours of other Princes will utterly eat out and destroy all the trades of His Majesty's subjects in the Levant, by ease of charges and assurance, in two or three years; ten or twelve in the hundred, in both, is an advantage that no other industry will counterpoise. I fear I have run beyond my limits in presuming to give your Honours so much trouble; but assured in your wisdoms and favours always extended towards me, referring myself to the declaration of our cause, I humbly beseech you to afford me your direct answer, whereunto I may conform myself and in all other my ways I desire to be approved. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 53. 3 pp.*]

Nov. 2. Minutes of Letters of Sir Thomas Roe. [*See Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 70.*]

Nov. 2. 26. Thomas Tracy to Lord Conway. That you would speak to my Colonel, Lord Willoughby, for me to be promoted to the post of Lieutenant under Captain Levitt, I having had the command of the  
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company this half year, my Lieutenant having gone as Captain in this voyage [to Cadiz]. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Nov. 2. The King to Buckingham. Commission authorising him to grant  
Hampton Court. letters of reprisal to persons whose ships or goods have been seized by the subjects of the King of Spain. [*See Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. cccxxvii., Admiralty Collections, fol. 45.*]

[Nov. 2]. Instructions by the Council for such merchants and owners as may obtain from the Lord Admiral letters of marque against the subjects of the King of Spain. [*See Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. cccxxvii., Admiralty Collections, fol. 45b.*]

Nov. 2. 27. Sir Thomas Mounson to Lord Conway. When I considered  
Burton. how the times have been both by reason of the sickness and your extraordinary important affairs of State, I little expected to hear of my poor business and did not think to trouble you with it. Seeing this bearer, my son, hath no other occasion in the Court nor in the south, my request is that you would further him in this business my dwelling being far distant. [*Seal with device.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.*]

Nov. 3. 28. Two Petitions of William Woad, merchant of Dover, to the Privy Council. At the time of his Majesty's late sending forth soldiers under Count Mansfeldt, he was charged with supplying provisions for them to the value of 295*l.*, yet unsatisfied. Prays a royal protection for himself and his sureties until the same be satisfied or that he can recover in his own debts. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Nov. 4.] 29. George, Duke of Buckingham, to Secretary Conway. I send enclosed a letter from Captain Pennington whereby you will be able to judge of the state the late storm hath put us in. I am making all the haste I can to prepare a fleet fit to follow and to meet them [the Dunkirkers], but am loath before I have a sufficient one to let his Majesty's ships stir from Harwich. Those directions I have hitherto given are all slowly executed by reason of want of money, wherefore I pray you to solicit the Lord Treasurer. I think the King will do well to send for the Earl of Clanrickard and send him presently into Ireland, for I believe the Dunkirkers are gone thither. I have by land sent to advertise the Lord Deputy [of Ireland]. I have sent the Earl of Warwick upon all these co[a]sts to prepare ships; I have also sent for Sir John Coke to have his advice. I have Sir Humphry May here and shall to-morrow have Trumble [William Trumbull]; I have sent to London to see what shipping can be had there, and so all along the Tems [Thames]. Some of the Dutch fleet that I stayed from going with the fleet to Spain are come, and I hope that His Majesty's ship which comes from Plymouth to guard the prizes will soon be here. I pray you send to Plymouth lest the King's ships should yet be there to hasten them away and to give them orders to bring away with them Sir Arthur Georges' ship which is upon that coast, I think at Portsmouth, and to bring the Scotch ship with her to Dover. I have sent a post to your servant in France with this new occasion

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to press the restitution of our ships. I have thought fit out of pity to spare his Majesty this time with my letters, tell him so much. Your servant will inform you of some things I have learned since my coming into these parts. As I was ending this letter in comes [Sir] Thomas Germaine with his Majesty's letter and yours. I find by the King's letter that he thinks it fitter for me to be seen in the calling home of this Ambassador than any other, but since I am to go thither [into France] it's fit I make friends rather than enemies. I did rather expect for an accusation of my own ill hand than a justifying of your one. If the Ambassador still continues his complaints of Sir John Ersle [Hippisley], answer him that we look for justice for an injury that was done to Gerbere [Belthazar Gerbier] at Bollion [Boulogne] where he, his men and all he had were taken by the directions of the Governor and carried up to him by a dozen soldiers and there, after long delays, ill used. Thus wearied with writing of letters and signing of warrants I end. [*Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers, stated to be from a holograph in the Duke's own handwriting. 1 p.*]

Nov. 4.  
Tottenham.

30. Thomas Stockdale to the Duke of Buckingham. Scarcely a house in Portsmouth was clear of the plague. Yet I had the hatches of Watson's ship nailed down, and put her into Captain Gyles' charge, and I hope by this time he has brought her to Dover. She had in her copper worth 10,000*l.* besides other merchandise worth 30,000*l.*, and yet there is still remaining in the King's storehouse 105 packs which cannot be less worth than 20,000*l.*; this I have sealed up and committed to the charge of Brookes, the key being detained by Nicholls and Wright, who claim possession of those goods; though I could and would have forced the door, if I had not feared to have spread the infection amongst the goods and mariners by the necessary concourse of people on such an occasion. Seeing the goods are yet safe and in sure keeping for your Lordship's use, and the apparent danger in removing them, I thought it better to let them rest for a time till the sickness were something assuaged. [*Seal with arms. 2 pp.*]

Nov. 5.  
Hampton Court.

31. The Lords of the Privy Council to Mr. Milles. We have determined on some alterations to be henceforth made in those schedules or certificates to be delivered to you. You are therefore to alter those received by way of increase in manner following, viz. :—Every English baronet assessed under 40*l.* to be increased to 40*l.*, every Irish baronet to 30*l.*, every knight to 20*l.*, and every sum under 10*l.* to be raised to 10*l.*, for which this shall be your sufficient warrant and discharge. [*Council's Seal. 1 p.*]

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32. Sir Edward Denys and Sir John Oglander, Deputy-Lieutenants of the Isle of Wight, to Secretary Conway. According to your directions we have sent you all the names of those knights, gentlemen, and others within our Island who are anyway fitting to



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lend His Majesty money, together with the sums, according to their worths and abilities. *Enclosed,*

32. 1. *List of names comprising three knights, two esquires, and six misters, rated at 20l. each, and seven misters at 10l. each. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*

Nov. 6.  
Falkland.

33. John, Earl of Annandale, to Secretary Conway. I will never forget your many favours to me. There are no occurrences here worthy your notice. His Majesty for his affairs will learn them from his faithful servants here to whom he trusts them. For myself, I must say my journey was wearisome, but we arrived here safe. I would gladly serve you in anything here. Let me hear of our gracious master's well-being, and if the Duke [of Buckingham] be returned or when he will, which I desire may be soon and with safety. [*Seal broken. 1 p.*]

Nov. 6.  
Brocklesby.

34. Sir William Pelham to the same. We have hitherto written by uncertain messengers without any hope of answer now the old slow foot-post is despatched upon promise to make a short return. I thank God our good [daughter] is recovered from her pains of childbirth and looks abroad; her three boys prosper well, who are no small comfort to this family, which hath ever prospered more in boys than wenches. Our news here is of the Dunkirk ships before Scarborough, which carries so fearful a name as that they dare not land any men to attempt it. They have wreaked their malice, as we hear, on the herring busses. Our county [Lincolnshire] is through our Lord Lieutenant's extraordinary pains and care in good equipage, only we want gunpowder, which these parts cannot supply. The next week the Earl of Rutland has appointed a general rendezvous of all the horse troops, and intends to take a view of them. I am not yet fit to undergo a journey, though my strength is somewhat amended. We pray heartily for the good success of the Navy, and live in hope to understand upon the return of this messenger that they have effected some great design. Thanks for the preferment of my son Thomas. It is here reported that the late Lord Treasurer has the custody of the Seal, and that yourself have charge of the Treasury, we hope the news may prove true. My son Henry was so hot upon the alarum that he would have ridden up post to have proffered his service to you, and William's hawks prosper well. *Addressed,* "To my singular good Lord and brother, Lord Conway. [*Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers. 1 p.*]

Nov. 7.  
Pera, near  
Constantinople.

Order issued by Sir Thomas Roe to all captains, pursers, and officers of any English ships and all other His Majesty's subjects serving or sailing within the Levant seas. Having been appointed by Letters Patents, dated 13th September 1621, His Majesty's Ambassador at the Ottoman Porte, I have authority not only to protect and defend the trades and privileges granted to the Levant Company, but to direct and govern all His Majesty's subjects of

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what degree soever, in the ports and dominions of the Grand Signor. Being given to understand that some captains and masters of ships and other officers have presumptuously not only borne the flags and banner of other Princes and States, but have taken protection of their Consuls and Ministers to the dishonour of His Majesty and in contempt and disobedience of his lawful magistrate whom they ought only to acknowledge and obey, and to the defrauding of the ancient rights and privileges of the Levant Company by which only such men and ships have admittance into these dominions. By virtue, therefore, of His Majesty's authority to me in that behalf granted, I do straitly charge and command all such captains and other His Majesty's subjects upon their allegiance and obedience to the laws, that from henceforth they presume not to use or bear any other flag or colours than the usual flags and Red Cross of England or St. Andrew's of Scotland neither in the Levant Sea nor in any port of the Grand Signor's dominions upon what pretence soever, and if any such captain, owner, or master shall have hired or freighted his ship to strangers, that then his ship and sailors shall remain under the command and protection only of the English Consul, Vice-Consul, or other their deputies lawfully constituted, and that they neither presume to unlade or lade a single bale, pack, or parcel of goods until they have first showed their bills of lading to the Consul or his substitutes, and have obtained his leave thereunto; that thereby may be discovered both what consulage is due upon the goods of strangers, and what unfree men or interlopers, subjects of His Majesty, do trade under such pretences to the infringing of the privileges of the Levant Company. And if the said merchant strangers shall refuse to pay such duty of consulage, that the captain or other officers presume not to take protection of their consuls, nor to obey them, nor to lade and unlade their goods, nor to depart out of the port or road without license first obtained of the English Consul. *Endorsed*: "Sir Thos. Roe. An order to the captains and masters of ships to be published in Aleppo. For the [Levant] Company. 7 Nov. 1625. Registered." [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 54.*]

Nov. 7. 35. The King to James Lord [Ley, Lord Treasurer]. Whereas Hampton Court. amongst other things contained in a petition presented by the Commons lately assembled in Parliament, it was propounded that there might be strict provision against transporting English children to the seminaries abroad, we then gave answer that the law in that case should be put in execution, and further, that letters should be written for strict search to be made in all ports, their members, and creeks. You are therefore required to give special order to the officers of our ports that they make diligent search so that no person be suffered to pass to that purpose. No persons under 21 years of age to be suffered to pass over the seas, except such as shall be licensed by warrant, from ourself, our Privy Council, or one of our principal Secretaries, or otherwise are well known to be merchants or merchants' factors. All other persons to be stayed, and notice given thereof to our Council or principal

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Secretary who will give order how to dispose of them. [*Copy countersigned by Windebank. Damaged by damp. 1 p.*]

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36. Warrant to the Lord Admiral [Buckingham]. To the same effect as the above. By the transportation of English children to the seminaries beyond seas, the Houses conceived that besides the danger to the security of our people, great sums are yearly expended for this purpose to the impoverishing of this kingdom. Knowing no better means for the effecting thereof than setting a strict watch upon our ports that children be not suffered to pass, we have given order to that effect, and recommend the same to your special care, requiring you to address your letters to the officers and ministers of the several ports and harbours that they suffer no child under 21 years upon any pretence to have passage beyond the seas. [*Draft. 1 p.*]

Nov. 8.  
Hampton Court.

37. Secretary Conway to the King. May it please you to cast your eye upon the three papers herewith sent, one being the effect of what [Henry] de Vic has negotiated with the most Christian King upon your last letters of credence. Another, a relation of the present condition of affairs in that kingdom. The third being the humble remonstrance and necessitous suit of Monsieur Soubize, whose poor 1,500 men are like to fall into extreme misery and ruin except you give present order to the Lord Treasurer by bills of exchange to pay them a month's more pay which is but a small matter to do so great a work. If into France or concerning Soubize your Majesty be pleased to direct me anything, I shall gladly obey.

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The King's reply to the above. "The 'tymes you know ar  
" scarce of monie yet if the Tresorer can fynd meanes to relive  
" Soubize's men he shall doe verre well and I will willinglie allow of  
" it; if this can be done it will be the best answer I can make to  
" Soubize's letter that he sent me; if not, he must be ansured with the  
" necessetie of the tymes. As for letters of mart, I have no mynd to  
" sett out Pyrats, for so I know they will be, what caution soever  
" they give; the rest of the French business I will order when I  
" come. Charles R." [*Holograph. Written on the same paper as the above.*]

Nov. 8.  
Ilford.

38. Jane Westmorland to [Sir Robert Pye]. Her great extremity by reason of her pension having remained unpaid three and a half years. Entreats him that if, upon the signifying of the King's pleasure, the Lord Treasurer have not already given you order to pay, that then you would move him to give order that she may be relieved. So remembering my best love to your worthy self, my Lady Pye, and all your pretty young birds, I rest. [*1 p.*]

Nov. 8.  
Hampton Court.

39. Certificate by James Levingstone, a Groom of the Bed-chamber. Specifying the parcels of jewels belonging to His Majesty delivered by him to Secretary Conway. Amongst these the collar of balass rubies containing 20 pieces of gold, ten being set with great balass rubies and ten with 16 round pearls in each piece. [*½ p.*]

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- Nov. 8. 40. John Lee to Secretary Conway. Returns thanks for three  
Close of Sarum. pieces so generously bestowed upon his two children. Was gratified  
by Conway's acceptance of the use of his poor house every way  
unworthy of so noble a personage. Were I worthy but of this  
testimony to my Lord of Pembroke from you as to say upon any  
fit occasion—I think Lee, your Lordship's Chaplain, to be a scholar  
and an honest man—it would grace me with my Lord. [1½ pp.]
- Nov. 11. 41. Sir Henry Marten to Secretary Conway, as Vice-Admiral of  
Maidenhead. Hants and the Isle of Wright. Has lately received from His  
Majesty mandatory letters for shutting the ports and restraining  
the passage of any persons going abroad to live in seminaries. I  
pray you according to his Highness' charge therein given to take  
order that the King's pleasure may be duly executed. [*Seal with  
arms and crest. Damaged by damp. ½ p.*]
- Nov. 16. 42. William Pelham to his assured loving father Lord Conway.  
Lincoln. Was sorry to hear of his indisposition from the Earl of Rutland's  
servant. I would gladly hear of your recovery sooner than I fear  
I shall do by the lingering post. Had I not so opportunely met  
with this messenger of Sir Christopher May's, who is hastening  
southwards with the joyful news of his lady's safe delivery of a  
son, I should have sent my own servant to have attended on you.  
I am now attending on the Earl of Rutland who is so zealous to  
have the King's letters punctually executed, that, though the forces  
of this country have been lately trained, yet yesterday he viewed  
every particular defect of the horsemen of the four troops of this  
county to have them repaired and some men to be newly armed  
according to the last commands from the Council Board. His  
Lordship and Sir George Manners desire their love and service to  
you. I left all well at Brocklesby and have received further  
assurance of it in a letter from my father since my coming hither.
- Nov. 17. 43. Secretary Conway to Lord Keeper Coventry. I received  
your letters and the three names submitted for Oxfordshire, viz.,  
Sir Richard Blunt, Sir Gyles Bray, and Sir Henry Poole, of whom  
His Majesty has pricked Blunt. [*Minute of this already calendared  
under date. Draft. 1 p.*]
- [Nov. 18.] 44. Lord Conway as Vice-Admiral for Hants to [Owen Jennings,  
one of his deputy Vice-Admirals]. The enclosed copy of the King's  
letter to the Lord Admiral, or, in his absence, to the Judge of the  
Admiralty, from whom it comes to me, will show you his pleasure  
and direction touching the well keeping of the ports, and restraining  
the passing over of children or others sent to live in seminaries  
beyond the seas. You will see the strictness of His Majesty's  
command, and I assure you there will be a strict account taken of  
the execution. I therefore recommend it to your care to be dis-  
charged with that exactness as it ought in all the ports, members,  
and creeks in my Vice-Admiralty. I received your letter concerning  
the prize ship come into that harbour [Portsmouth], and approve  
and thank you for making stay of her and giving me advertisement

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of it. Continue her still under restraint till you receive further directions which I will hasten to you so soon as I hear from the Judge of the Admiralty to whom I have written concerning her. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

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45. The same to Captain Ersfield, Deputy Vice-Admiral of the Isle of Wight. To the same effect as the preceding, but instead of the last paragraph about the prize ship this clause was added:— I have received yours of the 8th concerning the shipwreck at Chalebay, and thank you for upholding the privileges belonging to my office of Vice-Admiral which I will not quit in any part, you are therefore to keep safe those things you have seized for me, and either take the usual course against those who presumed to buy the goods without warrant and disobeyed your Deputy, or else certify me what accompt it is meet to call them unto and in what way. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

Nov. 20.  
Polesworth.

46. Sir Henry Goodere to George, Duke of Buckingham. As in the late change of government there is no change in your power, so I am confident I shall find no change in your favour to me. You know my pretences in Court, and King James's promises to me. I beseech you to reserve that favour for me in mediation to His Majesty, who I see to my comfort in your person intends to pursue all his father's purposes. Meantime I pray procure for me and my sureties His Majesty's royal protection for 12 months so that I may have time to sell my land, which I have endeavoured to do these three years past. I offered your Grace a little before our old master's death the reversion of my land, to procure for me the creation of a baron of England, which you promised earnestly to move for me or else to mediate for the creation of an Irish Viscount, and though the late King's sickness prevented you then, yet I beseech you let me find the same disposition in your noble heart now to help me. [2 pp.]

Nov. 24.  
Fowey.

47. The Deputy Lieutenants [of Cornwall] to Monsieur de Menti. We have lately been advertised that you intended with your fleet now at Falmouth to come to this port of Fowey to commit some hostile act on those French ships and company lately come in there under His Majesty's protection, we cannot therefore do less than acquaint you both of the inability of this harbour to relieve and receive two such fleets, besides the inconveniences that may grow thereby as well for want of victuals, as fit places to harbour so many great ships, and the sickness is now here amongst them, and as we hear it is also in your ships. If your design be to attempt anything against them in the King's port till his pleasure be further known, to his dishonour and the prejudice of his subjects, we must also entreat you to know that as all His Majesty's ports are free and open to the French as the subjects of his dear brother and ally, so, if anything be unfitly attempted to the hurt of the State, it is and must be our duties to withstand it to the uttermost with the power of our country. We therefore wish that you will be pleased to accept of our desires rather to stay at Falmouth, that good

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harbour, till some fitter course may be taken for the avoiding of any further danger. [*Copy.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Nov. 25.  
Reading.

Order of the Lords of the Council touching the matter in difference between the Levant Company and the Corporation of Southampton. The Lords having fully heard whatsoever could be materially alleged by the parties interested on either side then present, were pleased, on behalf of the town of Southampton, to make some proposition to those representing the Levant Company, which the latter, wishing to communicate to the rest of the Company before giving any direct answer, the Lords deferred the final hearing till the first Star-Chamber day of the next term. Two letters having been produced on the part of Southampton, the one from Lord Brooke, then Chancellor of the Exchequer, and others to whom this business had been referred, addressed to the Levant Company, and the other from the then Governor and others of that Company to the town of Southampton, the Lords ordered that copies of these letters should be given to the persons soliciting for the Levant Company, in order to remind that Company what former passages and agitation this business hath had, and how far themselves have heretofore condescended to the demands and claims now insisted on by the town of Southampton. [*Certified copy.* 2 pp. *Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 55.*]

[Nov. 25.] List of letters and other papers bearing on the matter in dispute between the Levant Company and the Corporation of Southampton. [*Ibid., No. 56.*]

[Nov. 25.] Note of arguments adduced before the Privy Council on the hearing of the matter in dispute between the Levant Company and the Corporation of Southampton. The Company did heretofore appear before the Lords [of the Council] and other Commissioners to make answer to a complaint and petition against them by the town of Southampton; and upon the hearing of the cause they gave such full satisfaction to the Committees that their opinion then was, and so delivered by Mr. Attorney-[General] (he being one of them), openly at the Council Board, that the general and public good was to be preferred before a particular, therefore [he] advised the Southampton men to rest content. The Company are ready to clear their direct dealing in the procuring of that Proclamation [complained of], it being grounded upon a petition of the Trinity House to His Majesty for repair of great ships and of the general trade then much decayed. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 57.*]

Nov. 25. The Council to the Lord Treasurer. To send directions to the officers of the several ports to take bonds of the merchants to the King's use not to alienate or sell any of the ordnance, tackle, or furniture of their ships to foreigners. [*See Correspondence of Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 59.*]

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Nov. 28. 48. Statement of the case upon the office found at Chichester, in Sussex, the 29th April last, after the death of John Gunter, Esq., by virtue of a commission in nature of a writ of mandamus. It is found that Sir George Gunter, knight, father of John, was seized in demesne as of fee amongst other lands of one messuage, 60 acres of land, 20 acres of pasture, and 10 of wood in Funtington, co. Sussex, called Chamber Place, *alias* Knights. Further particulars as to these lands. The question is whether George, the son of John Gunter, ought to be in ward to the King, either for body or lands. [1 p.]

[Nov.] 49. George, Duke of Buckingham, to Secretary Conway. My dear friend,—To-morrow, Wednesday morning, I shall go for Holland. As you love Kate [Lady Katherine Conway?], and as she goes with [me?] keep it secret, and esteem me your faithful friend. *Postscript*.—To dissemble the business with my wife, I have directed my Lady Conway to meet me at the Court so that I think she will be there, and I need say no more in her business than this, that if it were dispatched, my wife, my mother, myself, nay, all my family, would be much eased, and the country better satisfied, for her being at Bushey makes us all suspected. [*Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Nov.] 50. The Duke of Buckingham's instructions to Sackville Crow from the Hague, touching two parcels of the King's jewels and one of gold plate set with stones to be transported from the Hague to Amsterdam, and there to be disposed of in accordance with these instructions. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

[Nov.] 51. *Mem.*—Because I [Secretary Conway] have not heard of any order given for disarming the Lords [who are] Recusants, I doubt whether the intention has been pursued, and that the stay may be upon this, that it has not been resolved [by the Council] who the Lords shall be who are to disarm them. His Majesty may be pleased to appoint such Lords in the several counties for receiving those arms as he shall think fit. And in counties where no Lord is to receive them, then the Bishop of the diocese with some Deputy-Lieutenants or Lords from another county. *Underwritten in the King's handwriting,*

51. 1. *Let the names of the noblemen be sent me, and I will appoint those that shall be disarmed.* Charles R.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[Nov.] 52. Mr. [Thomas] Ogle's information against Recusants. Disturbances committed by them. Danger to the parts of the country in their possession or intrusted to their direction. Number of the Recusants in Northumberland and Hexham. Notes touching two weeds in Northumberland, recusancy and theft. [9 pp.]

[Nov.] 53. Notes relative to letters sent by [way of] the port of Antwerp and opened in Flanders. The particulars of the contents of which

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are here given and relate chiefly to mercantile transactions.  
*Annexed,*

53. I. *Six certificates of Jungen Huckfeldt of Hamburg.* [German. 6½ pp.]

Dec. 2.  
London.

54. Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty to Secretary Conway. In answer to the first point in yours of the 30th November, concerning a warrant to apprise and sell certain prize goods, the same might have been done long since if your officers would have returned the commission which was received out of the office many months ago. Your officers in the Isle of Wight do wrong to the office, and no right to you in not making due returns of such commissions. Now, again, direction is given for this particular. To the second point. This bearer carries with him a satisfactory commission. To the third, which was a question, I answer thus. That if a Holland man-of-war will voluntarily break bulk and here sell his prize, he ought first to pass a judgment in the Admiralty Court that his prize was lawful; otherwise in suffering him to sell and the subjects to buy without such judgment, were to be partakers of his piracy, if the prize should prove unlawful. Now the Court of Admiralty will secure my Lord Admiral his tenths, if the prize be adjudged lawful, or confiscate the whole if it be found unlawful. But if a man-of-war having a lawful commission sell upon present necessity some part of his prize, I cannot conceive it reasonable to require tenths of him, neither for the whole nor the part that upon such necessity was sold, and, if I mistake not, there is some provision made to this purpose by the last Articles between the King and the States [of the Low Countries], whereupon I would observe how convenient it were that a copy of all Articles of that kind between his Majesty and Foreign States should remain with the Judge of the Admiralty that he might be able always to frame his judgments and his answers in accordance with the same. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

Dec. 2.  
Brocklesby.

55. Sir William Pelham to the same. Was rejoiced to hear of Conway's perfect recovery to health. Our good daughter is up and strong again, but her youngest child has the small-pox. Recommends the bearer, Dr. Hooke, who was once chaplain to King James and much respected in Court, but a sermon made before the King against non-residents lost him the favour of the Bishops, yet he is no "Novelist." He desires only to be known to you, and I to understand the continuance of your health. I doubt not but some good news will shortly arrive to gladden all our hearts. Our Recusants are yet free from fear of any disaster to befall them, though I verily think they have been disappointed of their greatest hopes. I wish the Oath of Supremacy might be tendered generally to all the King's subjects, and then it would soon appear, who are entire and who divided [in their allegiance], for whosoever refuseth that oath, or takes it unwillingly, is but a heartless subject, well



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may he in his outward man profess allegiance, but his inward man surely worshipeth another sovereign. If the Papists of England did bear the same allegiance to their King, which the Protestants of France do to theirs, *i.e.*, to acknowledge no other sovereign on earth, then the peril were small, though they enjoyed freedom of conscience in all matters which do not derogate from the honour of God as idolatry. I hope you will pardon my boldness for touching a matter of such a nature, which cannot be expressed in few lines; but my zeal to God's cause, and my service to my gracious King, hath let it fall from my pen unpremeditated. I gather from the news you imparted to me that in all likelihood the quarrel for religion will soon break out through Christendom, which if it were once proclaimed then do I make no doubt but God would please to protect and defend that truth of his, which lay obscured for near 1,000 years, and hath entered into light little above 100; yet will it appear that the effects thereof have been so miraculous as that it hath multiplied beyond belief, through faith and manifesting God's word. [*Seal with device.* 2½ pp.]

Dec. 3.  
Brocklesby.

56. Sir William Pelham to Secretary Conway. Thanks for his letter, which was delayed by the wandering post, who in his return journey met with an ague. Takes this opportunity offered by a good neighbour and worthy preacher, to inform you of the health of your friends and servants, and how your pleasures in these parts under my charge do prosper. Was much joyed when I received the assurance of your recovery of health by Willingham. Particulars relating to the health of his own family, and how he had trained and disposed of the falcons. The almanacks make observations of good days and bad days, it may be the day you chose was not fortunate for that sport. I hear the Earl of Rutland has been at Court, from whom I doubt not but you have heard full particulars of the state of this country. His order was to have the watch diligently kept at the beacons, which causes much repining amongst the watchmen these long and cold winter nights. What service his Lordship did at his last being at Lincoln will appear if there should be occasion to make use of the horse troops. Has sent him a little box with medicine of good effect for the rheum. [*Seal with device.* 3 pp.]

Dec. 4.

57. Petition of the Merchants of England trading to the Levant Seas to the King. That they have delivered several petitions beseeching the continuance of Sir Thomas Roe as ambassador at Constantinople for one year longer, but by reason of the late great contagion [of the plague] in the city of London they have not had opportunity to pursue the same. And now, having lately received a letter from Secretary Conway intimating your royal pleasure that petitioners should accord with Sir Thomas Phillips to succeed Sir Thomas Roe, or otherwise some of them to attend your Majesty with their reasons, petitioners beseech your Majesty to give them audience and hear their reasons, doubting not to give you satis-

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faction for the continuance of Sir Thomas Roe in that employment.  
[1 p.]

Dec. 4. Another copy of same. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 36 XIII.*]

Dec. 4. Petition of the Merchants of England to the Privy Council. That Sir Thomas Roe's time as ambassador at Constantinople being well near finished, they petitioned His Majesty for his continuance there one year longer, or that he would vouchsafe the liberty for their free election of a fit person to succeed him, with submission to His Majesty's approbation, as ever heretofore they have enjoyed; yet nevertheless there is propounded to us Sir Thomas Phillips for that employment, a gentleman to us unknown, and altogether inexperienced and unfit as we conceive to manage so great a business, we have often been suitors to His Majesty for audience, and to hear the reasons of our humble request, which hitherto we could not obtain by reason of the long continuance of the contagion in the city. The troubles of the state of Turkey daily give occasion to the Ministers of the Grand Signor to oppress the people and trade by insufferable injuries and exactions, which by the courage and discretion of Sir Thomas Roe are withstood, and we much eased beyond other nations, and that the peace with those carsaries [corsairs] of Algiers and Tunis is not yet so perfectly settled, but that if he be removed much danger and discouragement will redound to our trade and people trafficking into those parts. We therefore beseech your Honours to assist us in our suit to His Majesty that we may have audience, and our reasons heard both for discharge of our duties in a business of so great importance, for prevention of many inconveniences, and encouragement of us in our declining trade. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 36 xv.*]

Dec. 5. 58. Edward Nicholas to W. Chesterman, Secretary to Lord Winterborne. Conway. I have received yours, desiring to see the original, or a copy, of Lord Zouch's warrant to give license to Frenchmen to fish on the English coast. I have never seen this warrant, which was mislaid so that Lord Zouch could not find it amongst his papers. He told me that it was only a letter from the King to him to grant license to nine French fishermen of Dieppe to fish for the French King's provision, and four of Treport to fish for the Duchess of Guise's provision. So as if the warrant be only for the granting of 13 licenses to Frenchmen to fish on the English coast in such manner as Lord Zouch hath granted them heretofore, it will be sufficient, only you will do well to antedate the warrant about the middle of October last. Has been sick of a burning fever, but hopes to be at Court on Saturday come seven-night. His service to Lord Conway. *Endorsed*: "Touching a warrant for the Duke [of Buckingham] to give license to French fishermen." [*Seal with crest. 1 p.*]

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[Dec. 6.]

59. Report of the Commissioners of the Navy. Having received directions from Secretary Coke to consider the expediency of dissolving or continuing the contract with Mr. Evelyn for making of gunpowder, we are all of opinion that the breaking of that contract will be a means to disfurnish both the King and realm of powder for the reason here stated. We have spoken with Mr. Evelyn, and he assures us that he is able with the works he already has yearly to convert all this proportion of saltpetre into powder, and, according to his contract to deliver into the King's stores or to sell to the subject for the provision of the realm, 20 lasts of powder monthly, for present payment either from the King or his subjects. Concerning the weight of iron ordnance, we have conferred with John Browne, the King's founder, who hopes and partly assures us [that he is able] to cast the same to be serviceable, and to endure the King's proof, and yet to be as light as brass ordnance. For a time he will go down and cast two culverins, two demi-culverins, and two sakers, so soon as possibly he may. [2 pp.]

Dec. 8.  
Ragley.

60. Foulke Reed to Secretary Conway. I am very sorry for the loss of the bay mare, and if it had been signified to me how greatly you respected her I presume that accident might have been avoided. Particulars about the condition of the other horses. All the Michaelmas rents which I can yet get in are already disbursed; my Lady [Conway] doth often call for money, and the servants for provision for the stables, both here and at Luddington. Particulars concerning the sheep and farm produce. The tenants at Luddington do all hold, but think some of their livings too high rated. The survey you wrote for is as exact as Mr. Banks could then take it at his being at Luddington. [2½ pp.]

Dec. 9.

61. Certificate of the Bailiffs and Burgesses of the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon, that Sir Richard Verney and Sir Robert Lee had paid to them, for Lord Conway, 210*l.*, being the consideration which Lord Conway was to pay them for the close half yard land and privy tithes of Luddington and Dodwell [co. Warwick], conveyed by indenture bearing date the day of these presents, reserving the yearly rent or sum of 53*s.* 4*d.* [Copy. ¾ p.]

Dec. 12.  
Jersey.

62. Sir Philip Carteret to Lord Conway. I have received a letter of favour and credence from a Baron in Normandy in behalf of a gentleman now going over to M. de Soubise. He brings intelligence that 500 gentlemen of Normandy who are associated have sent to Rochelle to know what assistance they can afford to that place. If Soubise should be able to land some small forces in Normandy they would make there a strong party. At the return of those from England and Rochelle they purpose to hold a synod, under colour of their ordinary Church affairs, and there resolve for war if peace be not granted. They intend to make use of this Island [Jersey], and of myself in particular for to convey and receive their intelligences. I have given this gentleman all

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respectful speeches, but how far I may proceed in a business of such consequence, or what service I may do His Majesty therein, I am in duty bound to refer to your wisdom and commands, which I will endeavour to execute with all diligence and faithfulness. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.] *Encloses,*

62. 1. *Magneville to M. de St. Ouen. Recommending the bearer to his favour*  $\frac{4}{11}$  December, 1625. [*French.* 1 p.]

Dec. 13.  
Hackness.

63. Sir Thomas P. Hoby to Lord Conway. Understanding by your letter of 24th November that you had an inclination to rent my house at Twickenham, I desire to state that I never intended to let the house for a rent, but to sell the whole lease, there being 50 years to run, so soon as the new house at Isleworth were finished, which I fear will not be sooner than a year, because of the delay caused by the sickness in that town. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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14 and 15.

64. Certificates of corn and malt laden by William Chillenden on board the "Jonas" of Faversham for Faversham, and by Richard Stroud on board the "Blessing," of Sandwich, for London.

Dec. 14.

65. Journal of the expedition to Cadiz. Giving particulars of their daily performances from 1st October when the fleet sailed from Plymouth till 14th December, when the writer with part of the fleet arrived back at Plymouth. [*Duplicate already calendared.* See Vol. XI., No. 66.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

Dec. 15.  
Windsor Castle.

66. The King to [Archbishop Abbot of Canterbury]. We lately awarded our commission under the Great Seal for the due and effectual putting in execution of the several laws and statutes remaining in force against Popish Recusants, and caused the same to be read in our several courts holden the last term at Reading. We now do charge you and all others having ecclesiastical jurisdiction under us that no good means be neglected on your part for discovering and apprehending Jesuits, Seminary Priests, and other seducers of our people to the Romish religion, or for repressing Recusants and delinquents of that sort, against whom you are to proceed by excommunication and other censures of the Church, not omitting any other lawful means to bring them to public justice. And as our pleasure is that due and strict proceeding be used against such as are open and professed Papists, of whom our temporal laws will more easily take hold, so we do recommend to your vigilant care, and to the rest of the clergy, the repressing of those who, being ill-affected to the true religion here established, do keep more close and secret their ill and dangerous affections that way. You are therefore not to extend to such any manner of cover or countenance, but use all possible diligence as well to unmask the false shadows and pretences of those that are obstinate, as by all good means to reclaim those who may possibly be won to conformity. Let all men know that we cannot think well of any that having place and authority in the Church do permit such persons to pass with impunity, and because we understand that the number of Recusants

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is much more increased in some dioceses than in others, we shall impute the same to the negligence of the bishops who have the same means and power of restraint unless they can show us some particular reason by which that contagion is become greater under them than others and not by their defaults. You are hereby required to send transcripts of these our letters to all the bishops and ordinaries within your Province for the present execution of this our general direction, and also to the Archbishop of York that he may take the like course. [*Copy.* 1½ p.]

[Dec. 15.] Circular letter of Archbishop Abbot to his suffragans transmitting a copy of the King's letter to him. By this you see the Royal and Christian care which His Majesty hath for the advancing of true religion and suppressing the contrary. I doubt not but your Lordship will take it into serious consideration, and by your officers and ministers give execution thereunto, so that presentments be duly made, and excommunications against the obstinate be issued forth as some few years passed was accustomed. The King expects that to show your diligence and zeal herein you do soon after Easter return to me the list and number of Recusants within your diocese which without fail I do expect. [*Copy written on the same paper as the preceding.* ½ p.]

Dec. 16. 67. William Turnbull to Secretary Conway. I received your commands on Wednesday last and ever since have laboured to put them in execution, but as yet I have not met with the party [Robert Abercromby, Secretary to the Earl of Kellie]. I heard at his lodging that he was at the French Ambassador's on Wednesday until midnight, but whether it were for devotion or some other design I could not learn. This morning I repaired very early to Hampton Court and there was told by one of the King's servants that he was gone to Windsor and would be back this evening. If this information prove true I pray you cause the party to be detained there and directions sent me, what I am to do further for the accomplishing of this His Majesty's service. The messenger hath not been made acquainted with the party's name, quality, or place of abode. *Postscript.*—I dare not adventure to meddle with his papers before he be seized unless you command the same. [2 pp.]

Dec. 17. 68. Sir Philip Carteret to the same. You enquired of me what Jersey. number of ships there might be in St. Malo. I have accordingly procured this particular note of them. This town hath more ships of burden than any other in France. Olonne [Oleron?] hath more in number but the greatest exceed not 80 tons. Some few there are of burden in Nieuhaven, Barfleur, and Dieppe, all the shipping else of France, Marseilles excepted, are not considerable. *Postscript.*—Begg pardon for not having yet sent your canvas, the bloody flux having been so generally spread in these parts of Normandy. There are 14 ships gone out of St. Malo for Spain, they had leave at first to carry only fish, but they laded other commodities, and there

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are now 22 more going for Spain with wheat and canvas. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

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69. Instructions of the town of Rochelle for their deputies Messrs. des Herbiere, J. P. Salbert and T. Goyer, commissioned to negotiate with the King of Great Britain. [*French.* 4½ pp.]

Dec. 22.  
Middle Temple.

70. James Howell to Lord Conway. Since I last attended on you I have called my thoughts to counsel and canvassed to and fro within myself the business you pleased to impart unto me. 1st. I considered therein many particulars, first the weight and consequence of the employment, and what ripeness of experience, and parts are required in him that would personate such a man. 2nd. Next, the difficulties of the performance, for one must send light out of darkness, and like the bee suck honey out of bad [as well] as out of good flowers. 3rd. Lastly, the danger which the undertaker must converse with all and both there and after his return home, when he is called to account, may incur by indiscreet carriage. For the two last I set little by them; touching the first I will not be my own judge, but had rather your Lordship should be informed by others whether my abilities may quadrate with the service, only, far be it from arrogance, I will be bold to affirm that, besides the knowledge of the arts I employed my time for in the University, I am practically versed in the vulgar languages of Europe. Amongst other places I know Rome well and the stile of that Court. I know the forge is there where all projects that tend to the supplanting of our Church and State are hammered, and who do chiefly blow the bellows; I know it is the quiver out of which so many poisoned arrows are drawn out and shot over into England. My Lord, the height of my ambition is to expend that poor talent I have to merit something of my country, which challengeth the greatest part in me, and after conference with those gentlemen I made instance in. I hope your lordship shall find there is no wrong election made of your most humble devoted servant. [*Printed in the collection of Howell's letters, but with many variations, p. 193. Seal with arms.* 2 pp.]

Dec. 23.  
Mitton.

71. Edward Reed to the same. Excuses his not having acknowledged the receipt of Conway's letter by reason of his determination to have waited on him before this. Has recovered from his bruise and despatched the greater part of his business and consequently purposes to attend his Lordship the next week after Christmas. [*Seal with arms and crest.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Dec. 24.

72. Certificate of corn, beans, and malt, belonging to Joshua Gogar on board the "Gift of God," of Sandwich, William Jewett, master. [=  $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Dec. 24.

73. Secretary Conway to [Sir Robert Naunton] Master of the Wards. I am informed that Sir John Packington of co. Worcester lies dangerously sick, and am advised to enquire after the wardship of his grandchild, and if it may be to get an interest in him. It is

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true it might be convenient for me in respect of some grand children of mine amongst whom I should hope to have a fit match for him. But what means to use and whether it be a thing fit for me to move and seek I come to you for counsel, advice, and direction. I should perform honestly the part of an honest guardian with as much advantage to the ward as any other. [*Minute of this calendared under date. Draft.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.*]

Dec. 24. 74. The King in Council to Lord Conway, as Lord Lieutenant of Hampton Court. Hants. We are advised that the companies of Colonel Bruce and Captain Scott are arrived at Portsmouth. His Majesty has resolved by all means to preserve and maintain the land forces sent in the late fleet from Plymouth for such use and employment as he shall shortly have for them. You are required to give direction to your Deputy-Lieutenants and the Mayor of Southampton to take order for lodging and providing these two companies in Southampton or thereabouts according to the instructions following. For a beginning of these charges we have ordered 1,000 marks to be delivered out of the money sent to the King upon Privy Seals in co. Southampton, and we will take order with the Lord Treasurer and the Chancellor of the Exchequer to furnish such further sums as may be necessary. As you have heretofore always given us a good account of the endeavours of your Deputy-Lieutenants so in this service, so much importing his Majesty, and so near his thoughts, we make no doubt but that they together with the Mayor will continue their wonted industry and good affection. [*Eight signatures and Council Seal. 2 pp.*]

Dec. 25. 75. A note of new year's gifts and rewards for new year's gifts at Christmas, 1625, apparently presented by Secretary Conway. Totals, 66*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.* and 1*l.* 15*s.* Amongst other entries 10*l.* to the King, to the household officers 35*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*, sent to Luddington 13*l.*, to the Secretary of the Turkey Company 15*s.*, and to the person who brought a cup from the Muscovy Company 10*s.* [*Amongst the Conway Papers. 1 p.*]

Dec. 25. 76. Secretary Conway to Captain Cheek. This bearer brings with him directions to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Hants and the Mayor of Southampton for billeting the soldiers in your ship in the most convenient places upon the coast. [*Minute of this calendared under date. Draft.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.*]

Dec 26. 77. Thomas Jennings to Secretary Coke. I am not unmindful of your requests, and send what information I have collected, and will shortly advise of the rest. The contractors at Lix [Lisbon] with the King for gunpowder, cordage, and other necessaries, with those of Hamburg, are those here named. At Antwerp these trade for Lisbon, and also are factors here named. At Calles [Cadiz] Jaques de Mastres is factor for most of the Portuguese. *Post-script.*—Diego Dias, of Amsterdam, did freight the Scotchman who had the licenses, named Andrew Baxter. [*Seal broken. 1 p.*]

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Dec. 28. Windsor. 78. John Pulford to Francis Galle, Esq., Signet Office, at Hampton Court. Is distressed to hear that obstacles have prevented the passing of his Bill, which, though not drawn up by the King's learned counsel, yet, through Lord Conway's motion to the now Lord Keeper, a way is given for the passing thereof. Prays that out of friendship he would overlook these defects. [*Seal with device.* 1½ pp.]
- Dec. 28. 79. Secretary Conway to Archbishop Abbot. For the release of two priests, they being almoners of the French Ambassador. [*Minute of this calendared under date, 29th December. Draft.* ½ p.]
- Dec. 29. 80. Sir William St. Leger to Secretary Conway. Concerning the state of the Army returned to Plymouth. [*Already calendared. See Vol. XII., No. 81.*]
- Dec. 30. [Hampton Court.] 81. Secretary Conway to Lord Keeper Coventry. I represented your letter to the King, who liked well of your care, and your reminding him touching the custom that has been usual for Kings to make knights at their coronation, but says he is prevented, there being more knights already than are necessary, and therefore he is resolved not to make any, and this he has commanded me to signify to you. [*Minute of this calendared under date. Draft.* ½ p.]
- Dec. 30. Hampton Court. 82. The same to Mr. Wray. [*Minute of this already calendared under date. Draft.* ½ p.]
- Dec. 31. Hampton Court. 83. The Lords of the Council to Secretary Conway as Lord Lieutenant of Hants. Upon the certificates of musters returned from several counties, we find a general complaint that divers principal mansion houses and lands of value which have hitherto found horse and foot, and showed arms towards furnishing the troopers and trained bands of the county, are lately possessed either by mean tenants or new purchasers who do not now find those arms as formerly, which consequently tends to the weakening of those counties and of the whole kingdom. This being grown so general an inconvenience we recommend its removal to your care, as we shall do to the Lords Lieutenants of all other counties, and desire you to take special care that the trained bands both of horse and foot be kept up to the full number they have hitherto been at. If you find that any manors, mansion houses, or lands within that county, through sale of lands, division of estates, non-residence, &c., do not furnish your musters with such arms as formerly they did, you are to take order that the same be supplied either by the owners or tenants. Owing to our frequent direction to have the trained bands exercised after the modern forms and according to certain directions sent, many of the counties have written to have books sent them. We have now taken order to have two books sent for every county. [*Council seal.* 2 pp.]



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84. Notes of business by Henry, Viscount Mandeville, Lord President of the Council. Touching the army employed in the expedition against Spain. The ten regiments reduced to four, viz., the Duke [of Buckingham's], the Lord Marshal's, Sir Edw. Cecil's, the Viscount Valentia's, and Sir William St. Leger's, each regiment to consist of ten companies. These four regiments to be completed, every one to consist of 1,000 men and officers to each, to be named. These four regiments to be placed in Kent, Sussex, Hants, and Dorset, which officers to be continued, which to be cashiered, and which to have pensions. For four months' pay to all the officers. The four regiments to be made of twelve companies, so every regiment to consist of 1,200 men, which is an addition of 800 men more. The regiment [to] forbear till the money of the loan comes in, and in the meantime the sums of money to be provided for the Captains. 500*l.* to be presently assigned for the officers, being a remainder of 2,000*l.* that was assigned to them. Notes relative to the disposal of the stores and formation of a magazine. The books of instructions [for exercising the trained bands] to be signed by the King. That order may be taken to satisfy the mariners out of the same money which the Lord Treasurer desired. In the second place the new bonds in Ireland, and in the third the soldiers here remaining in the counties. The state of the office of Ordnance reported. [3 *pp.*]

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Minutes by the Lord President of proceedings at the Council. The Lords, weighing the necessity of the times, and yet caring for the necessary provision of ammunitions of this kind, resolved only to represent these three things for the present. That provision of money might be made—first, to clear the arrears which are much mounted up; second, to have provision of gunpowder and shot, both which will require 35,000*l.* The second to have an assignation settled of 6,000*l.* certain, though they require 10,000*l.* Now to spare killing you with the rest of the particulars, whereof they have given in books, for constant store in that office. Of these three things they desire your Lordships would give your resolution—arrears, assignations, and provision of powder. [*Written on same paper as preceding.*  $\frac{1}{3}$  *p.*]

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85. Lord Conway's information to the Council Board relative to the disposal of the soldiers returning from the Cadiz expedition. Precautions to be taken on their first arrival, and for distributing them amongst certain garrisons and towns. Money to be provided. They will return very poor in clothes. The soldier has been accustomed to be allowed two suits of apparel apiece, one valued at 3*s.* 4*d.*, and the other at seven nobles, and the gentlemen's suits at four marks and 3*l.* A summer and a winter suit both for gents and soldiers. There was much inconvenience found in this. The money employed in one good suit of clothes would do them more service and the King more honour, and a great deal of husbandry may be done in it for the King. It would be well to contract with

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merchants, which may be done on credit, to prepare the clothes against the soldiers' return. [2½ pp.]

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86. A list of the companies which already are arrived in Cornwall and Devon of the several regiments returned from the Cadiz expedition. [3½ pp.]

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87. Eliza Lady Lenthall to Secretary Conway. My husband and Sir Anthony Buggs are now in the country, and have sent my Lady Buggs and me these pheasants and partridges to be presented to your Lordship, whose sworn servants we are.

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88. [Sir Fulke Greville to Secretary Conway.] I received yours of the 20th, and till then had not the least thought of being in London this next sessions of Parliament, but, since it is your pleasure, I will wait upon your Lordship the 3rd of February, and, when I have shown you that you have an absolute command of me above my own resolutions, I intend returning hither [Isle of Wight] again the beginning of March. Having an opportunity of discoursing with Mr. Eedes, a counsellor-at-law, a very ingenious man, and one of whom Sir H. Puckering can give you an account, I asked him what was the reason Mr. Hopkins, member for Coventry, was always so cross and violent in Parliament against the King's affairs and what was the way to take him off, he told me that he was chosen by a faction in that town, who had engaged him to be so, in opposition to several others who stood in competition with him. That there was no way to alter him but by his father, Sir Richard Hopkins, with whom he would discourse, and give me a further account. This week he told me that Sir Richard said he had no reason to concern himself in that matter, for there were two puisne sergeants to him already put over his head and called up to the Bench before him, but if, upon the death of any of the ancient judges, he might be preferred to be a judge in any of the King's Courts, he would not only make his son go right in the King's business, but several others of his friends who went in the House of Commons as peevishly as his son did. I thought it fit to acquaint you with this, and to send an express messenger rather than to hazard it by the post, and because he will expect an answer from me at the sessions at Warwick, which sit on the 9th of January. Your Lordship may easily be informed of Sir Richard Hopkins, because he is a sergeant-at-law and hath ever been reputed a very able man and well affected to the King. My cousin [Sir Edw. ?] Greville and Sir John Knightley will be here with me next week, and then I shall pursue your commands in relation to them, and about my Lord Brooke's proxy, to whom my cousin is going either at Bath or some other place in the West. I don't doubt of my cousin Greville's going very well in the King's business; the greatest difficulty will be to get him thither, having a great deal of work upon his hands by being left sole executor to his mother. [Draft. 1¼ pp.]

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89. [Lords of the Council] to the Commissioners at Plymouth. We understand that ships belonging to the fleet [returned from Cadiz] do daily arrive at Plymouth and neighbouring ports. We have thought fit for reasons known to us importing His Majesty's service to require you to give direction that all merchants' ships and Newcastle men belonging to the fleet, so soon as they have landed their soldiers, do presently come away for the Downs with the remains of all their victuals and provisions, except six of the best merchants' ships, which we would have you make stay of at Plymouth, with their men and provisions, for three months' service, wherein the King will have occasion to employ them accordingly as you shall receive direction either from us, the Lord Admiral, or the Commissioners of the Navy. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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90. List of the ships here [at Portsmouth?] and their Captains, viz., four of the King's ships, 11 merchants' ships, and 15 Newcastle. [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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91. Roll of the names of 17 sea captains. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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92. Grant to Sir [Robert Douglas, knight, of a pension for 21 years of 800*l.* per annum to be paid out of the Customs and duties on smalt, zaffer, and potashes. [*Countersigned by Sir Robert Heath.* *Parchment.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  skin.]

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93. Fulke Lord Brooke to Secretary Conway. I read a gazette of the brave King of Denmark's business. These four articles of that great treaty between His Majesty and the States [of the Low Countries]. I thank you for [these] especially for three of them, viz., the restitution of our King and Queen of Bohemia, the sincere and active union in religion, and the blocking up of this den of pirates in Dunkirk. May it please you to acquaint me with the progress and good success of these three. My Lord Duke [of Buckingham's] return all the world knows. I am bound to be curious of these, so am I to know what becomes of my Sovereign's princely fleet, which has gone out and by fame hath already done bravely in many places; thus you see neither age nor indisposition can keep me from playing a little with the love of so dear a kinsman. [*Damaged by damp.* 1 p.]

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94. Observations upon the expedition against Spain. Informations that much general disquiet prevails at the dishonourable return of the fleet which was set out at so much expense by which trade is much injured, the result is attributed to the inexperience of the Duke, the insufficiency of Lord C. [Viscount Wimbleton], and the long talk beforehand of their undertaking, which gave the enemy time to strengthen themselves. Also, that there is much notice taken of the refusal of the States to lend money on the King's jewels carried over by the Duke, and the offer to pawn them is thought dishonourable. That the English Recusants are anxious about Rochelle which, if once lost, the Dunkirkers will soon be at Dover. Also, that the

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States' Ambassador in France hopes to produce terms for Rochelle before the great English Ambassador [Duke of Buckingham] should come thither. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 1½ pp.]

95. Suggestions for levying money by way of Privy Seal [which were acted on]. The cause of the discontent given by the two benevolences demanded by the late King [James] after the dissolution of two Parliaments, and the voluntary one given to Elizabeth, Queen of Bohemia, was mainly owing to the inequality of the gifts in respect that many wealthy men being refractory and perhaps ill-affected either gave nothing at all or so little, as rather to lessen than augment the total sum, by reason of their ill-example. This can only be avoided by an intimation in those letters of the proportion desired from such of his loving subjects as are able to lend. The Lords of the Council to send into every county a schedule of the last subsidy, and to select two gentlemen to be collectors of such sums as shall be voluntarily given. Letters to be written to the Sheriff, Deputy-Lieutenants, and Justices of the Peace in each county signifying the King's urgent occasions, and his royal intention of calling Parliaments and levying money hereafter in a Parliamentary way, at the same time requiring them to call all subsidy men before them and to treat with them apart in a loving and courteous manner to give a free and voluntary contribution by way of subsidy, which course His Majesty intends not as a precedent, but as likely to prove the easiest and most acceptable way unto the subject, and to assure them that these moneys shall wholly be employed for the defence of the King and commonwealth. Requiring the collectors to receive no less of any man than the specified proportion, according as he was rated at the last assessment of subsidies, and to return the names of all such as shall refuse. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 1¼ pp.]

96. Circular letters suggested to be written by the King to the Justices of Assize in their several circuits about the keeping of the records in every county. [*Duplicate of Vol. XIII., No. 37.*]

97. Reasons annexed to the Lords' petition against subjects of this kingdom being suffered to accept titles of honour in other kingdoms where they have small or no estates of abode. [*See Lords' Journals. Copy.* 2½ pp.]

98. Petition to the King by those nobility of Scotland and Ireland now petitioned against by the Lords of the Higher House of this Parliament. We, your most devoted servants and subjects having done no act deserving to be deprived of that place, and honour which by your Great Seal is made our inheritance, do in all humility beseech your Majesty to be as sensible of the[ir] suffering in your prerogative herein as your father of happy memory was. [*Second Paper 1625 or 1626. Copy.* 1 p.]

99. Petition of Robert Abercromby to the King. That he served your "Majesty's most princely sister," [the Queen of Bohemia], in

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the wars of the Palatinate as Quarter-master and was there wounded. She recommended him to Count Mansfeldt then ready to come over into England for supply of new forces, but the pinnace in which he and his associates were through extreme tempest was driven back into Flushing and detained for want of wind six or seven weeks, while all the companies were disposed of to other captains. In consideration of his services and losses, prays your Majesty to give order for some present payment to relieve him in this hard time and dangerous visitation. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

100. The like petition of Robert Abercromby and four others. Coming over to do further service with their colonels, they left their regiments in Scotland. They were promised by Count Mansfeldt that they should have their pay the same as if they were serving in the field, but had not received any, and further, being commanded by proclamation not to depart this country, they had attended your Majesty's pleasure therein. Now being wholly destitute they beseech you to consider their present state this hard and dead time, being ever ready to do your Grace service [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

101. Petition of Sir George Douglas to the King. That he had served King James above 36 years, but had never had the opportunity to obtain anything for his advancement, so his resources were now exhausted. By your declaration you signified your pleasure that the forfeitures by Popish Recusants should be hereafter required according to the laws, and employed only for the public uses of the commonwealth. For carrying out this declaration some one will be required to give you a faithful account thereof. Prays that he may be constituted such officer and remembrancer to your Majesty. [1 p.]

102. Petition of Thomas Watson, Roger Ryley, and six others, master mariners, to the King. Represent the great losses they had sustained at sea, especially that of the "Mary," [of] Margate, taken by pirates, and the "True Love," of Selby, with her crew, seized by Ostenders and Dunkirkers, which they were now unable to redeem, this being the fourth time she had been so detained. Pray that this business may be referred to the Committee of Trade or some other authority, so that order may be taking for redeeming this ship, and that for the better encouragement of trade His Majesty would be pleased to consider of some fit means for defending of our coasts from such present and future inconveniences. [1 p.]

103. Certificate by certain inhabitants of Kent to the Council. That at the sessions held at Boughton Monchelsea on 3rd May 1622, by virtue of His late Majesty's Commission for the Common Sewers, it was ordered that there should be made a "powle bay" of timber in a river called the Twist which goes to Garford Bridge. Complaints against Thomas Rode and Thomas Keene for com-

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bining to thwart the intentions of the Commissioners and cut down and deface the said bay so newly made. By reason of the overflow of the river both the profits of the lands adjoining will be lost, and the mills and grindstones, for want of water in the mill river, cannot be employed. Subscribed by seven names of those who want the water for the mills and grindstones, and by 10 of those whose lands are overflowed. [1 p.]

104. Petition of John de Quetteville to the Council. That the suit which had depended divers years before your Lordships between petitioner and John Blanch of Guernsey was, by an order of the 17th May last, referred to Lords Carew and Danvers, but Blanch would not abide by it, and has withdrawn from town to that island. Prays a warrant to compel Blanch to answer the contempt, and that your order may take place. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

105. Petition of Captain John Gunter to the Council. That he presented to the Council-of-war a proposition for exercising the horse and training them in the use of their arms, which had been approved of. Offers to undertake that work by residing in any shire where it shall be first thought most fit to be practised. Will for his own honour take more particular pains with the captains and officers until perfectly instructed, that they may be able to instruct others. It would be more for the honour and safety of the kingdom, by improving the quality of the horses and arms, if the owners were bound to appear upon their horses themselves, or a son or kinsman of quality in their behalf, whereas now they be for the most part slightly set forth with a servant without ornament, and no way so capable of instruction. He will always keep two great horses by him for the exercise of such gentlemen of quality as take pleasure in horsemanship and who desire to learn, so as for his countenance and grace he may be qualified His Majesty's servant for this purpose by Patent, with a fee of only two horse liveries. [1 p.]

106. The same to the Council-of-war. To the same effect as the preceding. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

107. Robert Tirwhitt to George, Duke of Buckingham. It pleased your Grace, out of your nobleness, to be the only cause of my now being with my master [the King], so now I am humbly to entreat you to add one favour more to those already received, and procure for me to be of His Majesty's Bedchamber, that being the height and sum of my desires. [*Seal with crest broken.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

108. G. Rivers to Buckingham. Application for 100 jacobuses to defray the expense of a business in which the writer had been engaged for eight months before and since the death of King James. [1 p.]

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co. Devon.

109. Robert Oland to Buckingham. Whereas the King is at this time furnished with money from the country, these are to let

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your Grace understand of the great abuse herein against the King's Majesty and against a multitude of poor men, I mean 1*l.* land men ; for men of 10*l.* or 12*l.* yearly are upon the King's book [entered] 1*l.* in land. Many of these poor men have no living except this to maintain their families, and many are in debt, some 10*l.*, others 20*l.* or 30*l.* Your suppliant being of the same rank is indebted 30*l.* I speak not to be put out of the King's book, but to show you the difference between the poor men and the wealthy ; for most of the rich men are but [rated at] 1*l.* out of 20*l.*, 25*l.*, or 30*l.* yearly. Those wealthy men and women are not in their place upon the King's book, some by 1*l.*, some by 2*l.*, and others by 3*l.*, and the reason is, when the subsidy is granted and the letters come to the Commissioners to cause a tax for the same, their manner is to send their warrant to the constables of every hundred to warn eight, six, or four of the substantiallest men in every parish to tax the inhabitants there ; and if one of these 1*l.* men happen to be of the number of taxers, he shall stand but as a cipher to make up the number, but he can bear no rule with them. So these rich men lay the burden upon poor men and will not bear their due burden, but thus they say : Do favour me this time, "chill" [I will ?] do the same favour for the next. But if it should please the King that from henceforth there might be no other taxers or raters for the subsidy but those 1*l.* men, and what they did herein should be without controlment of the Commissioners, the King's book would amount to another reckoning ; but if it happen one of these rich men be raised a pound he complains, and is abated, because he is such a gentleman's man, or is such a great man's tenant, or he grindeth his corn at master's mills, and therefore must be abated, and as in this so in all other rates and taxes whatsoever. Likewise, for Privy Seals, we have but two [charged] in our parish, whereas there are at least ten with sums ranging from 200*l.* to 700*l.* out upon usury, and so it is in every parish. There is another matter wherein poor men are more wronged than before ; that is, at our assizes [in times] passed our Grand Jury have been esquires and gentlemen of quality, and the best farmers and yeomen to serve at sessions, and none but freeholders in both ; but now the case is altered. If there be three or four gents. at the assizes the rest are yeomen. Gentlemen count themselves too high for that service, and farmers, [being] the best yeoman-men of 100*l.* a year, think it base to attend at sessions, for they say, a clerk of the peace will record their appearance for all the year, and at the assizes the clerk will record their appearance for 5*s.* yearly. So this service at sessions now is done by poor men of [mere necessity], who have no freehold at all, and at the assizes many of these poor and ignorant men are returned at *nisi prius*, which, if they should be demanded between whom they be returned, and who is Plaintiff and who Defendant, they cannot answer. Your humble suppliant having great cause of complaint, he having been returned these seven years wrongfully, having no freehold, he has paid 20*s.* amercement and [5*s.*] yearly to the Clerk of the Assizes to record his appearance, but can by no means be discharged thereof.

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It is lamentable to hear the complaints of poor men herein at our assizes and sessions. Also, there is another great abuse in Constables, for that they continue some seven, eight, or ten years in office. Examples Bartholomew Rawlings, one of the constables of Uffculme. What I have written herein I am ready to answer for before any, even if it be before our sovereign the King and his Privy Council. [*Seal with device broken. Damaged by damp.* 1 p.]

110. Modern copy of the above. [1 p.]

111. Memorial of armour, munition, victuals, &c., wanting in Jersey, and payment of the arrears for 200 soldiers in garrison which Sir P. Carteret has made good, partly from monies destined to fortifications, but chiefly out of his own means, but his bills of exchange are protested against. He will lose his credit unless helped with money. The engineer is returning, and the soldiers and inhabitants quarrelling for want of payment. The sum due is 2,539*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* [1 p.]

112. Application to the Duke of Buckingham. That the Trinity House takes of the Flemish ships and other strangers which come in 14*d.* upon every last of two tuns and 8*d.* a foot upon every foot of water they draw. For examination of the truth of this information it is desired that you would send the Marshal of the Admiralty on board some of these Flemings, in order to be certified what their masters and owners do pay to Trinity House in every particular. Likewise, to submit a copy of their Charter to the Attorney-General, to be certified by him whether their taking of the 14*d.* and 8*d.* be warrantable. Should it be found that the Trinity House assumes to itself these things beyond the extent of their Charter, the informer prays his Grace to procure a grant of the same for him from the King at a yearly rent of 500*l.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

113. Sir Allen Apsley to Lord Conway. Having waited on you at your lodging yesterday I understood your intention shortly to make Petworth happy with your presence. I desire to know whether you intend to keep your lodgings [in town], for I do so much prefer your judgment in all things, that I cannot choose but believe the places you have chosen to be the most healthful, convenient and safest in the town. If you are resolved to leave your lodgings I pray give me directions to Hartshorn Lane, which, though I never saw, I apprehend to be very private. There I shall be at leisure to transcribe those recipes you have marked in my book, which are yet not digested into any form, and many of them writ in characters [cipher], or else I had now sent you the book; when I come to the other I will send you all I have there that are worth your perusal. [1 p.]

114. Petition of John Twilly, Postmaster for Winchester, to Secretary Conway. Having been made postmaster for this place since the King's last coming to Holbury [near Southampton], I



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was employed for 42 days with six horses night and day in his Majesty's service from Winchester to Southampton and Basingstoke, for which 4*l.* 4*s.* was owing to me. Prays order for present payment of this sum, as the postmaster who set him on work refuses payment, saying he is already 100*l.* out of pocket. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  *p.*]

115. Memorandum relative to the Commission under the Great Seal for taking "a remain" of the jewels in the Tower, dated 12th November 1621, with the names of the Commissioners. There was no "remain" taken upon this Commission, and the old King [James] being dead the same is now determined. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  *p.*]

116. Eliza, Viscountess Falkland, to Lord Conway. My brother [Sir Edward] Barrett told me to-night that you said the King and Buckingham desired to know how my Lord [Henry Viscount Falkland] had been damnified in the place he holds that he should sue for recompense. If my Lord had done never so much service or were indeed much hindered in the place he holds, yet his suit should be for grace and not for reward or recompense. I know that, in a pressing necessity, is a suit fit, for a prince to grant and for an honest servant to ask; for gracious kings as ours is will not let their servants perish, without they can be proved to have committed faults or to have omitted duties. My reasons are nine children not unhelpful, all designed to His Majesty's service, either by serving him themselves or to bring forth servants for him; my Lord himself hath before his birth, both in his father and mother, served the King's predecessors, and in his own person been a follower to three princes, and if in all that time he have either committed fault or omitted duty I will not plead for him; to say this may befit me though it would not suit with modesty if it came from himself. I could wish and shall sue that the fitness of such a grant might be referred to your Lordship's considerations and my Lord Treasurer's, for I could yield good reasons why his Majesty may in this favour not do a thing that will misbecome either his goodness or his discretion, considering that I desire nothing that can yield money to any but my Lord. I beseech you to do what you may to illustrate this suit, as I may send comfort to my Lord's sad heart, who, if I be not a very partial censor, is such a servant as His Majesty shall never find wanting either in his valour, discretion, or honesty for any employment that he shall please to put upon him. I do conceive that a letter may be less troublesome to your Lordship than my presence, because it will less disturb your business. I fear this epistle will be more difficult to read than ever your Lordship's hand was to any, for it is written in such haste as it scarce gives me leave to say myself what I truly am, your Lordship's most humble servant. *Postscript.*—The best answer to my letter is to perform the contents of it. [*Holograph.* 2 *pp.*]

117. Eliza, Viscountess Falkland, to [Susan Fielding] Countess of Denbigh. I am much perplexed with many worldly accidents, as you know I have cause. I intend within these two days, for ought

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I yet know, to go down to Aldham [Aldingham?] where, though there be no stuff for my children, there is a bed for myself. I beseech you let me know whether together with your friendship to me you have cast off all your care of what belongs to me. I have sent you the gentlewoman Mrs. Waterhouse who is to attend your daughter. I desire to know whether Victoria may wait upon you or no for she grieves so here. I thank you and my lord your brother for your care of me, though I wish it had been in another kind, but I must think myself bound to Mr. Cosens while I live for the pains he takes though I wish any man else had been employed rather. Secretary Coke was with me even now, and brought me a most gracious message from the King and showed a great deal of care to persuade me himself; but to whom shall I go to learn which of the two to believe, for Mr. Cosens taught me one doctrine and he another; but, madam, if the question were between those two, I could well tell what to believe, for he says I must only be guided by illumination, and not believe the Church of England as it is the Church of England, but as I am instructed out of the scripture. [*Seal with arms broken.* 1 p.]

118. [William Weld, Secretary to Lord Conway, to Sir Edward Cecil, Viscount Wimbeldon?]. I received yours from the Downs, and I hope those sent you to Plymouth have found you by this time. I was this day to have waited on my Lord Deputy [of Ireland, Viscount Falkland] at my coming away, who inquired when I heard from you. He stays here till the pro[gress is] begun; he is graciously received by the King and all the Lords. My Lady Amy C[onway] has been with him and was very angry with Mr. Little before his Lordship, who, she said, denied her a copy of my Lord Deputy's order. Mr. Little pressed me for it, but I told him you had the original and I doubted whether I had ever a copy in England. I gave him one just at my coming away [for] their is no danger that she can do anything. There is a rumour all about the town and Court that you have been abused by intelligence of an Irishman sent of purpose to that end, and that you should have taken him along to the Downs and have punished him; some speak of it as if the two old knights, Captains Mervyn and Mainwaring, were of that opinion. Mr. Edward Reed [Secretary to Lord Conway] lies in your Lordship's lodgings. Mr. O'Malley goes away for the Low Countries in three or four days time. The last bill of the sickness was not great but it spreads much, two houses, one at Charing Cross and another in St. Martin's Lane over against the Church, shut up. There is a great stir in Italy, where the French have beaten the Spaniards. Your coach will be ready at London as you send directions. I have assigned money for my lady's payments as herein stated. The Church business stands thus, two ways to throw out the priest by the King's title and by your own. If you go by your own, you must do it by law and by long suit, the other to take the King's presentation by lapse had presently put in another [minister]. Opinions of Sir George Ratcliffe and other

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lawyers as to the points involved. [*Draft without names or date 4 pp.*]

119. Lord Basil Fielding to his father William Viscount Fielding, Master of the Wardrobe. Please let the bearer hereof, Mr. Woodford, receive from you 315*l.* for the redeeming of certain jewels of mine in pawn. Endorsed by Dr. Lambe. [*Probably earlier. ½ p.*]

120. List of persons in Essex to be warned to appear before the Lords of the Privy Council with what convenient speed they may. *Signed by* Secretary Morton and endorsed. Persons warned out of Essex by Thomas Wright. This list includes Lord Maynard, Sir Edward Bellingham, Sir Robert Wiseman, Sir Francis Barrington, Sir Harbottle Grimstone, Sir William Massam, Sir Thomas Wiseman, Sir William Fitch, Sir Arthur Harris, Sir Edward Altham, and 12 others. [*1 p.*]

121. Memorial by Sir Philip Carteret, proffering advice concerning the depredations on English commerce committed by ships putting out from Dunkirk, Ostend, and other neighbouring ports, and how the same may be guarded against. Their strength by sea increases divers ways as here specified. The King of Spain hath in Dunkirk 18 ships, in Ostend 12; the particulars and freebooters are 14 besides 5 ships lately taken from the English coming from the East country [Hanse Towns] which are now in Ostend and are fitted for men-of-war. The greatest of their ships in Dunkirk are between 200 and 300 tons, those of Ostend are lesser; the greatest carry 22 or 24 pieces of ordnance, whereof some 15 are brass, the rest iron; the lesser ships carry 14 or 16 brass and iron. They are victualled only for a month or six weeks, in which time they return home with their prizes. To prevent their depredations there is no better remedy than in having a continual fleet at sea, consisting of 24 ships, viz., 8 English and 16 Dutch. [*2½ pp.*]

122. Suggestions for more effectually arming and exercising the trained bands. [*Copy of a paper calendared in Vol. XIII., No. 43. 3½ pp.*]

123. Observations on the advantages and training of a militia for defence of the kingdom. For the defensive part, it may be observed, by the exceeding profit which is daily acknowledged from every county to have arisen from the industry of those sergeants that the Duke of Buckingham brought out of the Low Countries, what advancement and preparation of a militia would soon be made if care and diligence be prescribed and an account required. Letters to be written by the King to the Council, and from them to the Lords Lieutenants. [*Imperfect. 2 pp.*]

124. Note of goods in certain ships, with the names of the factors to whom consigned, and their marks. The ships mentioned are the "Hope," "St. Claude," "St. Ann," "St. Marie," and the "Paradise." [*Imperfect. 2 pp.*]

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125. List of names returned by Lord Russell of men fit to be chosen as Commissioners, with the distance of their residence from Plymouth. The list includes Sir Francis Drake, Sir Thomas Wyse, Sir Ferdinando Gorges, Sir Warwick Hele, and ten others, besides four in Cornwall. [1 p.]

126. Relation of the wrongs done by the great Dutch pirate Campaine, or Campaan, as well upon English ships as others. He possessed two ships, the "Admiral," of 400 tons, with 35 pieces of ordnance and a crew of 80 men, and the "Vice-Admiral," of 220 tons, with 26 pieces of ordnance and 40 men, whereof two-thirds are Hollanders and Germans, and the other one-third are English and Irish. His rendezvous is in Ireland, between the Long Island and the mainland, where he is greatly favoured by Sir William Hull. [1 p.]

Note of six English ships [to be prepared for sea], viz., the "Friendship," 311 tons, 100 men; "Great Sapphire," 430 tons, 120 men; "Little Sapphire," 303 tons, 100 men; "Assurance," of Dover, 300 tons, 90 men; "St. Claude," 250 tons, 80 men; and the "Aletheia," 250 tons, 80 men; total crews, 570. These men will be victualled for three months at 1,710*l.*, for four months at 2,280*l.* [*Written on fly-leaf of the above.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

127. Remonstrance of Sir Guilford Slingsby, complaining that his services were not adequately rewarded in comparison with others herein specified. Desires to have the patent for Master of the Ordnance of the ships, having been commended by the late Lord Admiral, or else Mr. Burrell's place in the Commission, he having much abused the trust reposed in him, as confessed by Sir John Coke. [1 p.]

128. List of the names and fees of the several Customs' officers in all the out ports. John Alington and Abraham Dawes, surveyors of the customs, for themselves, the customers and controllers, according to the schedule annexed to their patent and signed by the King, receive in total 366*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Besides which fees paid quarterly to the customers and controllers for sending up their accompts to the surveyor's office in London amount in total to 67*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for the customers, and 45*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* for controllers, per annum. [4 pp.]

129. The names of all the [out] ports with their creeks and members which have parchment books out of the Exchequer. [ $3\frac{1}{3}$  pp.]

130. Report by Abraham Dawes one of His Majesty's surveyors for the out ports, giving reasons concerning the trade and imperfections in each of the several ports. Some interesting particulars are given as to the general character and amount of the trade in each. [8 pp.]

131. Note of arrearages of annuities demised by John, Earl of Holderness to Nicholas Ramsey, and others, plaintiffs, and due to

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them from Robert Ramsey, Esq., defendant. Total, 2,600*l.*  
[ $\frac{3}{4}$  *p.*]

132. Notes by Attorney-General Heath of the contents of the pleadings, and of his own argument for the Crown, in a case of *Quo warranto* against Sir Edmund Bacon, for the exercise of certain *jura regalia* within the town of Bury St. Edmund's and certain hundreds in co. Suffolk. [15 *pp.*]

133. A particular of the demesne lands of the manor of Tunbridge in Kent. Total of annual rents, 1,777*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* This land is held in free soccage and free from incumbrances. If the purchaser upon survey shall value any part of these lands at a lower rate, the tenants will give seven years purchase for a lease for 21 years. There is demanded for this land 17 years purchase ready money, 30,104*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* [*This seems to have been made preparatory to the purchase of the manor by Sir Peter Vanlore. See State Papers, Car. I., Vol. II., No. 8. 1 p.*]

134.—*Mem.* Lord Mandeville passes a book of 500*l.* rent, the one half of Duchy, and the other half of [Ex]chequer lands. Peter Bradshaw, a woollen draper in Watling Street, goes about to pass Edale [in co. Derby], and the demesnes of Castleton and Bradwall, and some other things in this book, about 70*l.* rent. It is reported that Bradshaw should give 27 years rent; and if it be no more, then will Bradshaw gain 1,000*l.* at the least at the tenants' hands. I think Gilbert Ward is privy to Bradshaw's proceeding in the passing of these things. [1 *p.*]

135. Note of interrogatories to be administered to a witness in a suit touching lands adjoining the high way called Agmond Street way. [=  $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

136. Notes by Sir John Coke headed, "The state of the cause of the Muscovia Company concerning the Greenland fishing." The Company employs yearly 600 men, whereof 200 are sailors, the rest men of able bodies who after the first year's service are fit for any sea or land service. They go hence in May and return about Michaelmas. The two orders made by the Council upon complaint of the Hollanders were in June 1613 and April 1614. Query of Mr. Trumbull. In 1553 the English having discovered Greenland, took possession thereof for the King of England. In 1613 the Hollanders taking notice of our fishing for whales there began to intrude to fish with them, notwithstanding the charter and privileges granted by His Majesty [11 Jac. 1.] to the Muscovia Company, as in his right; who in maintenance of their interest repelled these Hollanders, and took from them such blubber, oil, and whale fins as they had then taken, by virtue of His Majesty's public Warrant under the Great Seal. In 1618 the Company fishing peaceably in their own harbours there were surprised by the Hollanders, who then returned with greater strength and by force took ships and goods. In 1619 King James, after a full hearing of

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the Company as plaintiffs and the States' [of Holland] Commissioners as defendants, declared 15th July to the effect here stated to the said Commissioners by Lord Digby and others his Commissioners for this cause at Merchant Taylors' Hall, when they took their leaves. Upon this declaration the Hollanders were permitted peaceably to fish upon that coast, but [this] gave no satisfaction to our people, upon whose second complaint a second declaration was made by an Order at the Council Board in January 1622-23. [2 pp.]

137. Notes by Sir John Coke concerning the trade of Flemish and Dutch merchants. Certain factors in Spain, chiefly at Lisbon, have agreed to serve the King of Spain with gunpowder, cordage, and some iron for his ports in Africa, receiving payment in Brazil wood. These merchants undertakers have their factors at Hamburgh, Amsterdam, Antwerp, and London, and for the Straits at Venice and Leghorn. Their factor in London is Derick Host, who has now about 50 tons in hand of theirs, which is sold here at 4*l.* a ton. The ships which came from [Leghorn] brought it to him from thence. The "Great Sapphire" was the last. Derick Host knows the names of their factors in all places. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

138. Brief biographical and other particulars by Secretary Coke relative to certain Dunkirk and Flemish merchants, whose names are given. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

139. Bills of lading and other particulars by Secretary Coke of certain prize vessels, named in a list prefixed. The "St. Andrew," of Calis [Cadiz] not in the list. The list comprises, 1. "St. Claude," master, Isbrandt Adrianson; 2. "St. Anne," master, Peter Geretzen; 3. "Paradise," of Calis [Cadiz], master, Nicholas Burdel; 4. "Esperance," of Cadiz, master, Nicholas Brandt; 5. "Blue Dove," of Rotterdam, master, Art. Arienson; 6. "St. Marie," master, Peter Raes; 7. "Peter," of Lubeck, master, Cornelius Lukeson or Lucassen; 8. "James," of Dover, belonging to Dover men, master, John Woodgreen; 9. "Sea Venture," master, Richard Barton; 10. "Bloom Pott," master's name not given. Note of letters but no bill of lading. The list also contains: 11. "St. Andrew," of Amsterdam; 12. "St. Peter," of Havre-de-Grace, master, Jehan Maillien; 13. "St. Luke," of Lubeck, master, Bernard Coming; 14. "St. George," of Horn, master, Giles Beltinck; 15. "St. James," of Cadiz, but no particulars or bills of lading are here given. [27 pp.]

140. Notes relative to these ships, viz., "the Flea" (La Puce), master, Nicolass le Roy, coming from St. Malo to Dover; the "Golden Cat" ("Le Chat d'Or"), master, Jacques Roueille, coming from St. Malo for Rotterdam, goods claimed by Jacob Borell, junior. [*French.* 1 p.]

141. A general note of such things as were taken out of the "Humphry and John," of London, Henry Gayning, master. [2 pp.]

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Jan. 1.

1. Note showing how the New Year's gifts of Secretary Conway were distributed amongst the Household officers and others. Total, 35*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.* [3 *pp.*]

Jan. 2.

Herriard.

2. Sir Thomas Jervoise to Secretary Conway, as Lord Lieutenant of Hants. Gives an account of the measures taken by himself and the other Deputy-Lieutenants for putting in execution the directions given in your last letter for the marshaling and exercising of the trained bands. For our horse I am ashamed to speak of them, and until you make some exemplary punishment of the offenders at the musters, they will not amend. I desire you to take notice of the gentlemen whose names are subscribed, being in the troop of Captain Kingsmill. Having acquainted you with the state of our foot and horse, I will now particularize some things which concern the safety of this county as much as its forces. The castles upon the sea coast are in very ill case, wanting for ammunition and arms. It has been hitherto disputable whether they belong to the Lieutenancy or Admiralty, but I will not meddle with that. Netley Castle being in the custody of the Marquis of Winchester is to be armed by him with all except ordnance. Importance of these castles, viz., Sowsia [Southsea], Netley, St. Andrew's, and Calshot, for the defence of Portsmouth and Southampton. These places being always in readiness there is no fear of any dangerous attempts being made upon the mainland of Hants, and therefore the forces of this shire have been ever appointed for guarding the Isle of Wight and Portsmouth, and the adjacent counties, Berks., Surrey, and Sussex are appointed to second us upon occasion. The beacons of this county have been both repaired and watched, but they consume a great deal of wood this winter time, so I would be a suitor that we may have order for discharging of the watchers until the extremity of winter be passed. My desire is to advance your noble disposition towards this country so far as no predecessor should have a greater share in the country's affections than yourself. *Seal with device.* [2½ *pp.*]

Jan. 2.

3. Fulke Lord Brooke to Secretary Conway. In yours of this date you desire a burgess-ship of Warwick for my noble cousin your son [Sir Edward Conway]. I am heartily sorry that your letter came so late, for hearing many days since of a Parliament I entreated the first voice here of the bailiffs and burgesses, which they lovingly yielded unto me, for a very worthy gentleman, who is alike allied unto us both, and well able to do His Majesty and country good service, so that now I am so far engaged for him as I know not how to alter this choice. I hope without much trouble you will be able by your power and credit to provide for my cousin in many other places. If it should please you to stand for one of the knight-ships of the shire, the Lord Lieutenant is

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passing dear to you, besides you have many other friends in this country upon whom I will wait with all the voices of my freeholders, friends, and whatsoever else is in my power to that end. John Norton was my agent to the Bailiff of this town, who will not lie for me, therefore hold me excused in this. [*Damaged by damp.* 1 p.]

Jan. 2. 4. Katherine Lady Conway to her husband, Lord Conway. My  
Luddington. servant Elizabeth desired me to write to you to favour the suit of her father John Wyatt, dwelling at Newmarket, to the King, for a renewal of the Statute of Henry VIII., requiring practice in the use of bows and arrows, for which he prays a patent for the lives of himself and son. He would see this done once or twice a year in cos. Suffolk, Essex, Hunts, and Cambridge. [1 p.]

Jan. 2. 5. The same to the same. I thank you for my New Year's gift,  
Luddington. and for the piece of holland. I am glad to hear the King will be to-morrow at Whitehall. I hope to come up to London the beginning of February, when the days will be longer and the ways better. I will send somebody before to fetch my goods from Greenwich, and bring them to Little Britain, for I think you cannot get any house in the country. Directions about the beer, claret wine, and sea-coals. Mr. Sutton I hope will satisfy you about the business of Stratford, and Sir Robert Lee and Sir Edward Peto. I thank you for your kindness that you would send your coach 30 miles to meet us, that we might come to London, but I know not yet which way we may come. [*Seal with arms broken.* 2 pp.]

Jan. 3. 6. Herbert Pelham to the same. Thanks for his New Year's  
Luddington. gift. I should think myself happy if I may do you any good service in my care of your son [Ralph Conway], whose return to Oxford had been before this, if the sickness had not affrighted us with its increase there now of late; but diligence and industry will make Luddington as good a seat for the Muses as Oxford. [1 p.]

Jan. 3. 7. Ralph Conway to his father, Lord Conway. The same cause  
Luddington. that hath thus long held my hand might now take my pen from the paper, but that I think it better to be troublesome than ungrateful. [*Seal with a stag.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Jan. 4.] 8. Petition of John Pulford to the Council. For weighty reasons your Lordships obtained for him a protection for one whole year. In defiance of His Majesty's prerogative one Watkins, a woodmonger and his attorney have commenced a suit against him for a pretended debt of 200*l*. Prays their protection against Watkins so as to make him withdraw the suit, and further to deal with their disloyal contempt of the Great Seal as shall seem fit. [1 p.]



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Jan. 7. 9. Warrant of Secretary Conway to Messrs. Wainwright, Griffin, Whitehall. and [John] Gray, for apprehending priests. [*Already calendared. Draft.* 1 p.]

Jan. 7. 10. Stable bill for Lord Conway for the week ending this date. Total, 8*l.* 18*s.* *Underwritten*,  
10. i. *Receipt for same.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Jan. 8. 11. Sir Benjamin Tichborne to Secretary Conway. Laments Tichborne. that owing to infirmity of age he is no longer able to travel, but is ready with his best assistance to further His Majesty's service. Since the receipt of your letter for billeting the soldiers lately arrived at Portsmouth, I have written to the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainting them with what money I have in hand, which will be ready to be disposed of according to their directions. [*Seal with arms.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[Jan. 10.] 12. Petition of Thomas Bowde, Deputy Aulnager and Collector of the Subsidy and Aulnage in the county of Norfolk under the Dowager Duchess of Richmond and Lenox, to the Lords of the Council. That on the 26th of August last, coming to the house of John Durrant, a seller of new draperies in Aylsham, to collect Her Majesty's subsidy thereon due, he was violently resisted by Durrant and Edw. Coffe, a counsellor at law, the former saying that he would not pay him one penny, but turn him off like a knave. Prays a warrant to one of the messengers of the Chamber for bringing up Durrant before your Lordships to answer for his several contempts as well to the Council's letters as to the deputation of the Duchess and the writer's office. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Jan 12. 13. Philip Flemyng to William Weld, Secretary to Lord Conway. Hampden. Give me leave to make use of your friendship to present my desires to my Lord [Conway] if you can make them fitting. I can make it appear that I have been injuriously dealt with by those who have had the trust to certify names of those competent to lend on Privy Seals. I desire likewise that my Lord should know that the poor town of Newport, which is most observed of him, is more charged with Privy Seals than either Hampton or Salisbury. The letters lately received [for choice of Burgesses] have been delivered to the several corporations. It would be well to send down forthwith [instructions] for the writs are now in the county. More might be granted were forcible and pressing reasons seasonably urged. [*Damaged by damp. Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

Jan. 16. 14. William Weld to Philip Flemyng. I communicated your Whitehall. letter to Lord [Conway] who gave me commission to assure you that you may with all freedom come to him in anything wherein you find oppression or wrong done to you. And for the great and disproportionate charge laid upon Newport and the suspicion of a reputation hunted after more than is either for his Lordship's honour or the good of the country [he would have redressed.] The power

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he hath from the [Council] he can apply for rectifying anything that shall be amiss in that Government. If you shall think good for your own particular or the interest of the public to show yourself in presenting and making good the grievances you mention, [you may rely upon redress]. My Lord hath now written to the three corporations of the Isle of Wight, and hath recommended Sir John Suckling to Newport, Sir Edward Conway to Yarmouth, and Mr. Mallett to Newtown. My Lord makes no question of their accepting his recommendations for one in each town and desires it fairly as a courtesy, pleasing to himself best in that way, so long as he finds an answerable respect; but if they should neglect him in that fair way of asking, he knows how to make use of his authority in such manner as his predecessors have done. But to prevent that he hath written to his Deputy-[Lieutenants] to employ their assistance, and prays you pass [by what you] can. My Lord would have me remind you that though divers pay days [have passed] since he had the Government, yet he hath had but one receipt and that a slender one, and herein he would be glad to receive some account. [*Damaged by damp. Copy. 1 p.*]

Jan. 16.  
Lichfield.

15. Notification by Thomas Thacker and Simon Jasson, Bailiffs of the city of Lichfield, into the Chancery Court. That on the 25th July last Richard Newbold was elected sheriff of Lichfield and Michael Noble, coroner, and that Thomas Thacker is escheator according to the Charter granted by the late King James to the bailiffs and citizens of that city, and that they have duly taken the oaths of office respectively. [*Latin. Strip of parchment.*]

Jan. 18.  
Shorwell in  
Hants.

16. Sir John Leigh to Secretary Conway. In October last there was cast away and split in pieces on the coast of the Isle of Wight a ship of Lisbon taken by Hollanders. That certain of his neighbours, Robert Urrey, John Horden, William Orchard, and Edward Blieth, dwelling near the place, having assisted the crew and helped to save such goods as would have been carried away by the sea, were invited by the captain and master of the ship to purchase the same as by their bills of sale appeareth. I understand these parties are now arrested by order of your Deputy Vice-Admiral, Captain Ersfield, and are to appear in the High Court of Admiralty to answer the premises. They have requested me to write to you in their behalf; and I can say that they are men of very good and honest repute in the country, and being ignorant in these causes would not have dealt in this had not the poor sailors in their necessity cast it on them. [*Seal with devise. 1 p.*]

Jan. 18.

17. George, Duke of Buckingham, to Sackville Crow. I received your letter concerning the jewels, and am to return you this answer, that there is no exputation of any collateral assurance for their redemption at the times contracted for from particular merchants. Only Mr. Burlamachi writes to Mr. Calandrini and Sir Peter Vanlore to his brother and correspondents on that side to give all the satisfaction they can, and to engage themselves for the clearing of these

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scruples. And besides this His Majesty has made a declaration under his own hand and Privy Signet directed to you and Mr. Calandrini to approve, ratify, and confirm as his own acts, what you have done or shall do by directions from me; and that declaration comes to you by an address from Mr. Secretary Conway. What offices have been passed by the States' Ambassador, here you will see by the enclosed paper which was presented to him, and he promised to move his superiors effectually in the points therein contained, which may serve you as a rule to guide your solicitations by as there shall be occasion; and these you must press home to let the States see that His Majesty finds these difficulties strange, that if encouragement had not been given to leave the jewels there, but that they were now on this side, he might be furnished with money from his own subjects upon as good conditions and with less charge, less hazard, and less ado. But things standing as they do you must assure the States that it is to their interest equally with His Majesty to apply themselves effectually to the removing of the present difficulties, and providing the money lest those important affairs to which these moneys are designed do fall into any hazard by the delay. If you find means to procure the money I do then hereby authorise you according to His Majesty's directions to me, whereof I send you copies, to accept bills of exchange from Mr. Burlamachi to the value of 23,000*l.* and pay the money according as he shall direct. You are also to pay 30,000*l.* for one month's entertainment due to the King of Denmark, together with the interest due for money furnished by the States to Count Mansfeldt on His Majesty's behalf, and 5,000*l.* of the principal of those moneys. This being agreeable to His Majesty's directions, together with the due acquittances to be taken by you for these payments, shall be your sufficient warrant and discharge. *Postscript.*—There can be no certain rate set down here for the interest, but you and Mr. Calandrini are to deal with the States to regulate the same, and you are to use your best endeavours to draw it down as low as can be. [*Draft.* 1½ *pp.*]

Jan. 20. 18. The King to John, Earl of Bristol. We have read your letter addressed to us by Buckingham, and we cannot but wonder that you should, through neglectfulness, make such a request to us of favour, as if you stood evenly capable of it, when you know what your behaviour in Spain deserved of us, which you are to examine by the observations we made; and [we] know you will remember how at our first coming into Spain, taking upon you to be so wise as to foresee our intentions to change our religion, you were so far from dissuading us that you offered your service and secrecy to concur in it, and in manie other open conferences pressing to show how convenient it was for us to be a Roman Catholike, it being impossible in your opinion to doe anie greate actions otherwise. How much wrong disadvantage and disservice you did to the treaty, and to the right and interest of our dear brother and sister [King and Queen of Bohemia] and their children; what disadvantage, inconvenience, and hazard you entangled us in by your

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artifices, putting off and delaying *our return* home. [Originally written in this draft "putting off and delaying that lady's coming home with us, the better to cover the frauds of that Court, or that you might have the honour to conduct her."] The great estimation you made of that State, and the vile price you set this kingdom at, *still maintaining that we under culler of frendship to Spain did what was in our power against them which you said they knew verrie well.* [Originally written "as if it were impossible for us to do any great and notable thing without change of our religion, in confirmation of which you easily yielded to advise that the eldest son of our dear brother and sister should be brought up in the Roman Catholic religion."] *And last of all your approving of those conditions that our nephew should be brought up in the Emperor's Court to which Sir Wa. Ailon then said he durst not give his consent to for fear of his hed, you replying to him that without som such great action nether Mariag nor peace could be had.* *Endorsed:* Copy of His Majesty's letter to the Earl of Bristol as it was corrected with His Majesty's own hand. [This draft preservea amongst the Conway Papers, being interlined and corrected in the King's own handwriting, as indicated by the passages in italics, is given here in its entirety. Calendared under date. 1½ pp.]

Jan 21.  
Weymouth.

19. Andrew Kellway to Mrs. Ward, at Sir Henry Fanshaw's Office in Warwick Lane, London. This late dangerous time of sickness having prevented him from coming to town to pass the account of Robert Naper, collector of the last three subsidies granted to King James, he has sent by messenger the certificates which he desires Ward to examine, so that he may the sooner go through his account when he comes to London at the end of the week. [½ p.]

Jan. 21.

20. Stable bill for Lord Conway for the week ending this date; total, 8*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.* Receipt for same. [½ p.]

Jan. 24.  
Whitehall.

21. The Council to Lord Conway as Lord Lieutenant of Hants. To take order for instructing and exercising the trained bands of that county. [*Minute of this circular letter to the Lords Lieutenants already calendared under date. Signed by the Lords and sealed. 1 p.*]

Jan. 24.

22. [Sackville Crow and Philip Calandrini] to Philip Burlamachi. The credit given us by the Lord Treasurer and yourself at our coming away for the 2,000*l.* is already exhausted, we being forced in this business to employ much money here for his Majesty's service, as represented in our letter to the Lord Treasurer, which we pray you to deliver into the Lord Treasurer's own hands and to move him to see us provided accordingly. We send copies likewise to the Duke of Buckingham and the Earl of Carlisle, entreating them so to deal with the King and the Lord Treasurer that neither in his honour nor service he suffer by our wants. [*Probably translated from Italian. ½ p.*]

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Jan. 24.  
Whitehall.

23. The Council to Lord Conway. We sent you a list of the companies of Sir Edward Conway's regiment which are to be lodged in the maritime towns of Hants to be ready upon all occasions for present defence, as also for such employments abroad as his Majesty may resolve on. You are required to take order for their billeting in a fit manner according to their several distributions. It being thought requisite that they should keep military watch as well for exercise as for preventing a sudden surprise, they are to be supplied with firing while upon their guards during the sharpness of this winter, the charge whereof shall be repaid, it being His Majesty's pleasure that the country shall not be burdened with any expense in that kind. [1 p.]

[Jan. 27.] 24. The King to William, Earl of Pembroke, Chancellor of Oxford University. For reformation in the government of the University. [*Docquet of this already calendared. Draft. 1 p.*]

Jan. 30.  
Cophthall.

25. Lionel, Earl of Middlesex, to Lord Conway. Desires him to get Buckingham to move the King for leave to come to London, but for three or four days having a suit in Chancery concerning his lands at Wiston. My stay there will not be long, for I am so far from desiring to converse with the world that I would not be in it if by the rules of christianity I could go out of it. [*Seal with coronet and crest. 1 p.*]

[Jan. 30.] 26. Statement of the cause between Lord Brooke and Sir Hatton Fermor touching their respective claims to [the manor of] Pebworth, co. Gloucester. There is a sleeping patent lately set on foot by Sir Hatton Fermor made to his ancestors in 36 Henry VIII., and a suit commenced in the Common Pleas to try his title. Against Sir Hatton we do allege as here stated. This matter was heretofore put to compromise, but now again this term Sir Hatton hath moved to have the cause proceed, and the 4th February is appointed for hearing. Arguments to move Mr. Justice Y[elverton] to grant a delay, and fix a convenient time for hearing; and to justify their now proceeding in the Exchequer. The title being set afoot for the King's benefit we do hope Mr. Justice will have the more respect to it, and to this purpose your Lordship may please to move him. [*1½ pp.*]

Jan. 30. Report by Sir Thomas Roe, English Ambassador at Constantinople, of the certificates of consulage paid to the French Ambassador [there] for Englishmen's goods laden or reladen upon French ships. These certificates extend from 1621 to January 1625-26. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 42. = 4 pp.*]

Jan. 30. Report by Sir Thomas Roe on the state of the controversy between the English and Venetian Consuls in Aleppo. [*Ibid, Vol. I., No. 43.*]

[Jan.] 27. Philip Flemyng to William Weld, Secretary to Lord Conway. At my coming to London shortly I will justify the charge which I have made, but must leave to Lord Conway to take

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notice of such abuses or misgovernment as may be feared [in the Isle of Wight]. I am sorry that my neighbours of Newport have so little respect to my Lord as to proceed so hastily to an election [for the next Parliament] without expecting a particular nomination. This precipitation was ventured on during my absence; but rather than that it should frustrate my Lord's desires, that interest which I have shall be rendered back, and I will gladly sit down if a new election may be made. The other corporations will conform to my Lord's letters, as I am informed. Mr. Stiant, a lawyer of the Inner Temple, is receiver and paymaster here in the Island, and from him my lord is to be paid and to receive accompt. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

[Jan.] 28. Note of means by which an augmentation of the King's revenue may be secured, and a majority be obtained for the King in the Lower House of Parliament. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 1 p.]

Feb. 1. 29. List of Dutch and Flemish masters of ships and factors for merchants warned to attend before the Council on the last of January and first of February. [*1½ pp.*]

Feb. 1. 30. Certificate by John Bradshaw, Windsor Herald, that Sir Edward Hungerford, of Cosham, co. Wilts, was made K.B. at the coronation of King Charles, being the day before the coronation *Underwritten*,

30. I. *This gentleman, as appears, was knighted at the coronation, therefore let further process stay against him. R. Heath. Dorso,*

30. II. *Mr. Attorney-General's note to discharge Sir John Hungerford, being a K.B., from further process. Wilts, Trinity Term, 1630. [Damaged. ½ p.]*

Feb. 4. 31. Sir Edward Tyrrell to Sir Thomas Denton at Hilsdon. I wrote my last to Sir Edmond Verney and yourself on purpose that the Duke of Buckingham might be acquainted, in order that speedy course might be taken for sending a messenger for John Greene of Stukeley, who greatly hinders the service of the loan [in Bucks] by his obstinate refusal to contribute which is used as a precedent. As for Mr. Moores, I find by the subsidy roll that he paid by a certificate last time, and expect no other answer from him dwelling out of the shire at Laiton [Leighton]. Communicate the contents of this to the Duke. *Postscript.*—I pray remember my service to the noble Knight Marshal and his lady. [*Wrongly dated 4th February 1624.* 1 p.]

Feb. 7. 32. Captain Edward Yates to E. Nicholas, Secretary to Lord Fermoy in Ireland. Conway. Was forced with his company to land in Ireland where he was detained by sickness, but had sent his company to England under the Lieutenant. Being now recovered, entreats Nicholas to remember him that he may be preferred either into a foot company

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or a ship as occasion shall serve upon the next employment, for we suppose our old companies will be cashiered upon their arrival in England. Your uncle Fisher is now at the Earl of Cork's. If any more forces are to come for Ireland I could wish that I had a command here rather than in any other place. [*Seal with device.* 1 p.]

Feb. 7.

33. Extracts from the records in the receipt of Exchequer, viz., the Book of Forests beyond Trent, 30 Henry VIII., concerning Galtres Forest, co. York. *Endorsed*: Sir John Bruncker's claim. Also the claim of the master and brethren of the Hospital of St. Leonard's at York taken before the Justices of the Forests. 7th February, 1 Car. I. [*Copies.* 1 p.]

Feb. 12.  
Brooklesby.

34. Sir William Pelham, senior, to his good brother Lord Conway. I thank you for your last advertisements and wish from my heart that the good intentions for peace betwixt the King of France and his Protestant subjects may prosper and advance, else it will strangely divert all other enterprises for the peace of the empire. We have here lately received letters by the Low Countries' sergeants for the well disciplining and training of the foot regiments which shall be proceeded with speedily, only there are many references in the King's letter to the printed book [of instructions], whereas none have been sent down, and the sergeants have never seen or heard of them. My son [William] had one by chance, and I think there is one more in these parts. Our money is ready to be disbursed for a magazine of gunpowder and match when any can be had, but as yet neither our own country nor Hull can furnish us with any quantity. There are only two sergeants for training the eight companies. All yours here are in perfect health. [*Seal with device.* 1 p.]

Feb. 13.  
Burford.

35. Nicholas Burle to his cousin Richard Gammon without Temple Bar. If Mr. Ambrose Fryer will release and mortgage his estate in the premises joining with this poor woman, Gooddy Fryer, then I pray deliver her 32*l.* for me, taking a security for three months for redeeming of her land. *Postscript.*—Send me word whether you will have the 100*l.* paid to John Rofe here or at London. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Feb. 13.  
Tichborne.

36. Sir Benjamin Tichborne to Lord Conway. Having occasion to render my account to the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer of my proceedings in the service of Privy Seals, I thought it a fitting opportunity to return you thanks for the many honourable courtesies I have received from you. I am happy to acquaint you with what good approbation those experienced officers sent hither for instructing and exercising the trained bands are received in Hants. I feel satisfied that the careful continuance of this course will produce that good effect in establishing such an orderly and well settled military discipline amongst us as hath not been known in the memory of man. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

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- Feb. 13. 37. Petition of William James, a musician, to Buckingham. Has by your Grace's command continued many days in charge of a messenger upon Captain Wilbraham's information unto whom he hath conformed himself. Humbly acknowledges his error and prays to be enlarged. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Feb. 14. 38. Docquet of a warrant granting to Queen Henrietta the mansion called Denmark House, &c. [*Already calendared under date. See Domestic Calendar, Car. I., Vol. I., p. 561.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.*]
- Feb. 15. 39. Sir Thomas Wilson to Secretary Conway. Has been  
Durham Yard. prevented by the ague from waiting on his Lordship. If you have occasion to use any [of the papers] in my custody, and would let me know what it is, I will have it found and brought to you. [*Seal with arms and crest. 1 p.*]
- Feb. 15. Order of the Lords [of the Council] confirming a former Order made 5th January 1624-25, to the effect that no stranger or foreigner shall have any part in any English ship. The Lords holding it fit, for the better securing and safety of the State and preservation of the shipping for the service of our own kingdom, that no English ship of great burden or service be alienated or suffered to pass into the hands of any foreigner, do order that from henceforth no English ship of above 50 tons, able to bear ordnance and fit to be used for a ship of war, shall be suffered to go or be employed in any voyage until the owners shall have first given security by bonds with sureties before the Judge of the Admiralty that the ship shall not be alienated, sold, or engaged in whole or in part to any stranger born, nor to be alienated at all in any parts beyond the seas. With this clause added that his Majesty's Customs be not employed [impaired?] by this nor anything concerning this Order. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 44.*]
- Feb. 28. Order of the Lords of the Council concerning the claim of  
Whitehall. Southampton to the importation of sweet wines. This day a petition was preferred to the Board by John Elsey on behalf of the Mayor and Corporation of the town of Southampton, praying a grant to the Mayor and Corporation of the benefit of a statute made 13 Elizabeth, to the effect that all sweet wines of the growth of Candia [Crete], or other places within the Straits of Gibraltar, if imported by strangers into the kingdom, should be discharged at the port of Southampton, or if at any other port then to pay to the Mayor, &c., 20s. per ton, which is 10s. per butt, this duty being wholly intended for the reparations of the walls, sea banks, and fences of the said town, and if any strangers prove refractory then petitioners to have the benefit of the law according to the said statute. And whereas it was represented, on the part of Southampton, that a great part of the benefit of this statute was lost by reason of some privileges claimed by the Company of Turkey merchants, and the words of a proclamation, dated 17th April 1615, prohibiting the importation of any wines of Candia, except such as



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may be brought in by merchants free of the Turkey Company, the Lords do hold it fit, and so order and the Turkey Company do consent that Southampton shall have the benefit of the Act of Elizabeth as before expressed, saving so much as concerns the Turkey Company and is contained in the proclamation, to which arrangement John Elsey agreed on behalf of the town of Southampton, the duty to be solely devoted to the fortifying and repairing of the walls and sea banks of the town, and reimbursement to the Mayor and others of sums already expended for that service. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 45.*]

Feb. 40. List of seaport towns to be charged with furnishing ships. Total, 18 ships. These to be victualled for three months from the 15th of June. The rendezvous at Portsmouth. Likewise Ipswich, Harwich, and Woodbridge to furnish one ship for three months. Yarmouth one ship. In 1588 it was charged with one ship, which came to 460*l.* Weymouth, Poole, and Lyme Regis to be joined, and the country to contribute for supply of two ships. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Feb. 41. The Council to the Governor of Jersey. Precautions to be taken for securing that island. Danger not only from ships of Spain or Dunkirk, but even from pirates and other desperate persons who may attempt the castles and island, if not for conquest and to hold, yet for spoil and booty. To prevent which the King has commanded us to signify his pleasure that you take care and watchfulness for securing the castles and island; and not only dispose yourself with all the officers and soldiers of the garrisons of the castles to attend this service, but provide to the best of your power that the inhabitants be both well furnished and ordered to attend to their own defence. For a more particular declaration of His Majesty's pleasure we refer you to the Ordinances set down by this Board, 15th June 1618, and confirmed by the late King. Intimation being now given of your failing in some points, you are required now to put the same in execution. Further instructions for the better defence and government of the island. [*Draft.* 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

[Feb.] 42. Directions as to how the part companies which are returned broken [from the Cadiz expedition] are to be disposed of. Captain George Heigham assigned Captain *vice* Captain [Thomas] Porter, and Captain Hone *vice* Captain [Robert] Gore. [= 2 pp.]

March 3. 43. Lady Brilliana Harley to Edward Viscount Conway. Hopes to hear from Mr. Harley that Conway has quite recovered from his recent indisposition. Her duty and affection. Begs his blessing for little Ned, who by the sign of lifting up his hands desires it for himself. *Postscript.*—My father-in-law presents his service to your Lordship. [*Two seals with arms.* 1 p.]

March 3. 44. The Council to Edward, Earl of Worcester. We desire you to cause the Privy Seals, each for 10*l.*, one directed to Henry Sommer of co. Devon, and the other to Giles Greene of co. Dorset,

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to be taken in whereby they may be discharged from contribution to the loan, not being of sufficient estate. [1 p.]

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Whitehall.

45. The same to the same. For the discharge of William Whiteway and others of co. Dorset from their Privy Seals, likewise for the discharge of one person in co. Lincoln, and the abatement of another. An addition to the amounts charged on others. [1 p.]

March 3.  
Brocklesby.

46. William Pelham, junior, to his father-in-law, Lord Conway. Was rejoiced to hear of his restoration to health. His wife [Frances] had suffered last week from fits of the tertian ague. Is obliged to leave home to attend the assizes, but leaves with his wife, besides Mr. Fairfax, his brother, Ralph Conway, in whose good company she takes much comfort. I received a letter from Sir Thomas Metham, whereby I perceive he is still distrustful of me, thinking he hath some interest in the hulk I took up. [*Damaged by damp.* 1½ pp.]

March 4.  
Leyden.

47. Sir John Dinley [Dingley] to Buckingham. When I was commanded by [Elizabeth], queen of Bohemia, to undertake this charge of attending the eldest Prince [Rupert], my master, I felt myself bound to seek instructions both of his late Majesty and his present at Newmarket, where by the address of Sir Henry Wotton, your Grace was pleased to bring me to King James. I then told him that I had come not only to beg his royal assent but also his directions, how I might guide and behave myself in this service according to his good liking and pleasure. He asked me in what condition I went. I answered I knew none better than as a plain Englishman and his most faithful subject. He was pleased to say that I spake like an honest man; and withal well then, said he, I will tell thee no more but this: Be careful to breed him up in the love of English and of my people, for that must be his best lining. And, above all things, take heed he prove not a Puritan, which is incompatible with princes, who live by order, but they by confusion. I most humbly kissed his hands, and have hitherto sailed by that compass. Now since he is gone to God, leaving his prudence with his present Majesty, who hath the same power and interest both in my young master and over me his vassal, I most earnestly beseech your Grace to present the same suit and my most humble desires unto His Majesty, that if, in his royal wisdom, he shall find it fitting to approve the former instructions or add new to them, or set me any other course whereby something may reflect upon his Majesty's service from me who am his subject, your Grace would be pleased to signify his will unto me. [2 pp.]

March 5.

48. Secretary Conway to Buckingham. While you were at the Hague there was a request brought to me to be presented to the King on behalf of an ancient and well-deserving servant, Lord Moore, for leave to surrender a company of horse he hath in Ireland to his eldest son, Sir Charles Moore. I moved His Majesty accordingly, and he wrote to the Lord Deputy to accept the sur-

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render and confer the company on the son. The Lord Deputy suspended the execution, and writes to me that he conceives this would cross some former directions procured by your Grace for two of the first companies falling void in that kingdom to be conferred on Lord Chichester's son and Sir Roger Jones, but withal gives a very noble testimony of Sir Charles Moore, that he is a proper subject for a greater favour from His Majesty, and a fit person to execute such a charge. I may confess truly that neither in this, nor anything else, could it ever enter into my heart to move anything to cross any intention or interest of your Grace's. If I had known of your intention to favour others I would not have thought it a service to your Grace to have crossed the suit of so worthy and well-deserving a party as Lord Moore, especially in this time when His Majesty's service requires to give all contentment to those of power and affection to serve him. Besides this was not a company fallen into the King's gift, nor to be disposed of presently, but by the free surrender of the father to the son. I have ever observed that, when the son was a person of great merit and fitness, or the lieutenant of a company of great merit, such have ever been preferred before the reversions given of the next companies to fall void. [*Draft. 2 pp.*]

March 5.  
Brocklesby.

49. Sir William Pelham, senior, to Secretary Conway. I have stayed the last hour of this messenger's departure to let you understand of our best daughter's [Frances Conway, wife of William Pelham] recovery from the fit of a tertian ague. We are glad of the company of my cousin Ralph [Conway] who is here together with my son Herbert. I hear that last week, in Oxford, five died of the plague, so that until the spring be advanced there will be no safe abiding there. I shall be glad to understand of such designs as may advance God's glory by banishing idolatry and superstition. But that you were pleased to impart unto us some news of comfort, the report from Hull of merchants lately returned out of France would have bred a doubt that the [French] King intended us no great good. The stoutness of our ambassador they much commend, but are fearful the merchants' goods will not be speedily restored. Our son is at Lincoln assizes about His Majesty's service. His good hawk is much envied. *Postscript.*—I hope the Lord Marshal [Sir Edward Cecil] is before this returned from the coast of Ireland, where I am sorry it was my son Thomas' destiny to attend him. I hope he will partake with none of his blemishes. If he may do you service in the north of Ireland I shall most willingly condescend unto it. [*Seal with device. 2 pp.*]

March 6.

50. Notes of business to be brought before the Committee of the Upper House of Parliament. His Majesty consulteth with the Lords concerning the defence [of the English coasts from an anticipated attack by the Spaniards]. Not subsidies, [but] diversions, and preparations [for war] in Spain, Flanders, England, Ireland, Scotland. Sea forces in Spain and at Dunkirk. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

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March 7. 51. The Council to Edward, Earl of Worcester, Lord Privy Seal.  
Whitehall. You are to take order that the two Privy Seals, one to Robert Alsager, of Cheshire, and the other to Elizabeth Monck, of Surrey, be called in and cancelled, whereby they may be discharged from payment. [1 p.]

March 7. 52. Letter of Attorney by Robert Randolph, Esq., of London, constituting Mrs. Margery Baylye, of St. Clement's Danes, his lawful attorney to receive of Sir Owen Smith the sum of 20*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* owing to him. [1 p.]

March 8. 53. Edward Visct. Conway, to George, Duke of Buckingham. The Lower House of Parliament hath this evening sent a summons to the Council-of-War to appear before them at 9 o'clock to-morrow, the words of the summons being the very same we had before. Their messenger will carry their commandments to every one of the Council-of-War. And as I am informed, the order they will hold with us is to call us in apart and so to question us. My health will not permit me to be there, and I have consequently sent to the rest to intreat their coming to my lodging, about 8 o'clock [on their] way to the House. I am confident that, except it be Sir Robert Mansell, we shall all make the same answer as we formerly did, and if Sir Robert come hither we will inform him sufficiently to keep him from flying out, or to leave him inexcusable if he do. My request to your Grace is that you would let the King know of this summons, and should he direct us anything that you would communicate it to us. [*Seal with arms and crest. Minute of this already calendared. Damaged by damp.* 1 p.]

March 8. 54. Sir Dudley Carleton to Secretary Conway. Offers his condolence and hopes soon to be comforted with news of his recovery.  
Paris. [*Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers.* ½ p.]

March 10. 55. The Council to Edward, Earl of Worcester, Lord Privy Seal.  
Whitehall. You are to take order for calling in the Privy Seal for 10*l.*, whereby Hugh Plott, of co. Herts, may be discharged. [1 p.]

[March 11.] 56. Mottoes and examples drawn from ancient history warning Buckingham of his danger, grounded on public fame, probably in connection with Dr. Turner's queries, being addressed "Doctissime Doctor pauca sapienti." [*Latin.* ½ p.]

March 12. 57. Lord Conway to Buckingham. With that wretch Turner's speech to the Committee [in the Lower House] I lost all patience, and was grieved to think what you suffered, but when I had examined my own knowledge of those heads that slave proposed I knew the issue would be honourable to you, and that His Majesty was tied to resent the affront done to him, and to clear and vindicate your uprightness and innocence. For the other consequences that are now in hand I hope it will not come to that, but the House will be so wise as to question the libel and punish the

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libeller. Advocates forbearance in contempt of the person and his baseness, and to expect the justice of the Lower House; but if no remedy be given in the Lower House on Tuesday I will, all respects set apart, be in the Upper House on Wednesday and see through whose eyes honour looks, and in whose faces envy and unworthiness have fixed the clouds of unsensibleness and mixture of base thoughts with honourable titles. [*Minute already calendared. Draft. 2½ pp.*]

March 12. 58. Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers. [*1½ pp.*]

March 12. 59. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway. M. Herault de St. Jersey. Sauveur, Bailiff of Jersey, is deceased. Sir John Peyton, the Lieutenant-Governor, has applied to your Lordship to move the King to grant him (Sir Philip Carteret) the above office, of which he had a promise from the late King. Requests Lord Conway's influence in his favour.

March 12. 60. William Pelham to his father-in-law, Lord Conway. His Brocklesby. wife Frances' recovery. All ours here enjoy the great blessing of health except my father, who has been much hobbled with his flux of rheum. We are much comforted in Ralph [Conway's] good company. Description of their family life and field sports, especially at Broughton. For hawking at the partridge I cannot brag of the excellency of the flight, for the hawk failed of her part, yet there were many passages in it which made amends; the great disaster was happily escaped, which was that Mr. Anderson, with violent running, had almost burst himself. In the morning I intend to begin a journey into Yorkshire to wait on the two noble Lords Cumberland and Clifford, where, if I do such doubtful deeds as I think I shall, your honour shall hear of me after my return. At the assizes I met with Sir Clement Cotterell, and thank you for the introduction. The Sergeants sent down to exercise the trained bands are still at their employment, they are now with Sir Ralph Maddison and Sir Henry Radley. I intend to visit Sir Ralph's company in the morning on my way into Yorkshire. I pray God they may prove able soldiers, for the Dunkirkers have such good success at sea on these coasts that if they fear not a stronger resistance on land, it may invite them to make further attempts, for this last week they have taken divers Hull ships laden with corn and lead, some say seven but others eleven. Enlarges on his love of hawking, and advises Conway to try brook hawking, being confident that exercise is the best physic his Lordship can take. [*Seal with device. 2 pp.*]

March 12. 61. Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers. [*2 pp.*]

March 12. 62. Sir John Peyton and Sir Philip Carteret to Lord Conway. Jersey. They thank him for favours to the Island of Jersey and themselves. We beg to present the bearer, the King's Advocate for this Isle, to your Lordship and the Privy Council, who can communicate such particulars as we suppose necessary for His Majesty's service [*Seal with Castle. 1 p.*]

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 March 13. Jersey. 63. Sir John Peyton to Lord Conway. By virtue of the authority committed to him by the Governor, is bold, in his absence, to recommend Sir Philip Carteret as a person highly qualified to succeed the late M. Jean Herault de St. Sauveur as Bailiff of Jersey. [*Seal with Castle.* 1 p.]
- [March 14.] 64. Philip Carteret, Lieutenant of the Trinity in Jersey, to William Chesterman. Begs him to use his influence with Secretary Conway on behalf of his father Sir Philip Carteret, for the office of Bailiff of Jersey. [*French.* 1 p.]
- [March 14.] 65. Sir Benjamin Tichborne to Secretary Conway. Longs to hear of Conway's recovery. I have thought good to acquaint you with the ruinous state of the store-house [at Winchester] for the county. Sends a list of such munition as is there remaining. Fears that the iron pieces being so cankered with rust are utterly unserviceable; likewise much of the match by reason it hath taken up wet, having lain there ever since before [15]88, will be of little use. General want of gunpowder in Hants interferes with the practising of the trained bands. Sergeant Rymes who is with me instructing these companies desires to understand when his time is expired that he incur no detriment beyond sea. *Seal with arms.* 1½ pp.]
- March 16. 66. Memorial by Edward Elrington [to Secretary Conway]. Represents that on Monday last, whilst going in the street on his necessary affairs, he was stayed by John Cooke, servant to Newton the pursuivant, and threatened that if he would not supply him with money he would call Newton; so that for present quiet he was forced to give him 9s. 6d. being all the money he had about him, and to borrow 5s. more to be left for him at the chandler White's in Holborn. I have formerly been molested two several times by Cooke, then servant to [Richard] Wainwright and [John] Gray, and forced to give above 6l. besides apparel, whereas themselves have confessed that they know nothing against me, but that I am a Catholic. Offers to attest the truth of this statement upon oath. [1 p.]
- March 16. Jersey. 67. Sir John Peyton to Lord Conway. That he has held an assembly of the estates of the Island. They have chosen Sir Philip Carteret to be Judge Delegate until a new Bailiff should be appointed. They greatly desire he should succeed to the Bailiff's office. [*Seal with Castle.* 1 p.]
- March 19. Jersey. 68. Sir John Peyton and Sir Philip Carteret to the Privy Council. Sir John Peyton as Lieutenant-Governor and Sir Philip Carteret as Judge Delegate, represent to their Lordships the inefficient administration of justice in the Island by reason of the defect of the complete number of the jurats. The Seigneur de Samaresque, long since under a guardian, M. Clement Dumaresque, 94 years of age, and M. Philip Lempriere obstinately absents himself. Refer to their

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Lordships for remedy, the people here being possessed with an inveterate punctilious maxim, "once a jurat and so to the grave."  
[*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

March 20.  
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Articles submitted to Lord Conway by Sir John Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, and Sir Philip Carteret, Juge Délegué. That letters be written to the Governor or his Lieutenant to command the inhabitants of the Isle to arm for their own defence. That a pinnace may be sent to secure the road and the trade of the Island. That order be given prohibiting the conversion of arable ground into orchards. [*See* 27th August 1626.]

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St. Ouen.

Sir John Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, and Sir Philip Carteret, to Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Duke of Buckingham, Lord High Admiral. We make bold to address the bearer, Edward Meservy, the King's Advocate here to you, and pray you to further his delivering the Council's letters to the Duke importing the sending of one of His Majesty's pinnaces to serve this Isle and secure its trade. The letters could not, when issued, be conveniently delivered to the Duke, as he was then going upon his voyage into the Low Countries and you were then at Plymouth; since then the season of the year has sufficiently served to guard us, but now summer is coming we are suitors to be provided with a small vessel. The "Seven Stars," the "Charles," or any pinnace of a burden between those, will thoroughly suffice. [*Copy. See* 27th August 1626.]

March 23.

Directions and commands by Sir John Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to Jasper Chapman, gentleman porter, Nicholas North, master-gunner, and the garrison of His Majesty's castle, Elizabeth—for the master-gunner—for the garrison soldiers. [*See* 27th August 1626.]

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69. Paper of Docquets of commissions, grants, patents, &c., extending from this date till 26th March 1628, which will be found noticed under their several dates. The earliest entry is a grant to John Hackett and Octavio de Strada, of a free license for making of sea coal and pit coal as useful as charcoal for burning in houses without smell or smoke, for term of 14 years.

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70. The Council to Thomas, Earl of Arundel and Surrey, Earl Marshal. Both by your relation and certificate and by the petition of the borough of Yarmouth, we understand in what peril that town is in during these dangerous times, through want of being well fortified and furnished for defence. For this purpose the inhabitants of Yarmouth having expressed their willingness to expend such sum as their abilities may bear, so we conceive it to be very consonant to reason and equity that the adjacent counties which are immediately interested in its security should contribute. We desire you, as Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk to take this business into your serious consideration. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

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71. Order of Council for the release of all ships and vessels and all persons belonging to the Island of Guernsey that have been

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pressed in the different ports of the kingdom contrary to custom and to the great prejudice of the said Island. This is to be understood of the press of the said men and their ships and barks, but not of the stay lately made of them to which this is not understood to be in anywise derogatory. [Draft.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[March.] 72. Fragment of a speech in the House of Commons on the necessity for the speedy granting of supplies. The great actions which are now in hand did sufficiently inform us before we entered into this House upon what urgent necessities His Majesty hath been forced so speedily again to assemble this great Court. [1 p.]

[March.] 73. Portion of another speech to the like effect. As there can be no charge found of corruption or falsehood, no more will it bear any reproof for supine negligence, but contrarywise there is a clear proof and evidence that the public ends have been pursued and advanced with all the care, industry, and pains that might be. [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

[March ?] 74. Minute of Petition of Captain Richard Gyffard to [the House of Commons?] for an Act to impose a duty of 10 per cent. upon all ships of the Hollander or any others fishing in the Narrow Seas. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March. 75. The eight propositions:—1. The King's just necessity must be relieved by his people. 2. The King is the Governor of his subjects and is not absolutely to depend upon the will of the people in point of subsistence. 3. The King hath prerogatives as great as any Christian King hath by the law of nations if it be not restrained by the municipal laws of the realm. 4. The scale of the prerogative in matter of taxes is not so bound up but that the weal of the public is the measure of it. 5. When Princes extend their prerogative so far as not to the good but the grief of the subject they clip their own greatness, and if in their time [in] the frequency or the proportion there be excess the Parliament is a fit time for complaint and subjects may be bold to dispute against the prerogative, yet so as not to strike *in radice*, for such roots may not be pulled up. Illustrated by the philosophical similitude. 6. Rather an advise than a proposition if we flatter ourselves in our private opinion when cases are judged in a Court proper to determine them by judges not upon a motion made to them sitting on horseback or walking in a garden and upon sight of precedents and Acts of Parliament we should but bark against the moon. Spend no time in it. I know we never shall obtain it, reason crosses it though desire would further it. When Princes do ask taxes more than the subject can bear, they must bear with benignity and may be refused. 8. If subjects desire not only "*da pacem in diebus nostris*" but a benefit fixed which must descend unto their posterity for that they must pay. [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

[March.] 76. Instructions for Robert, Earl of Warwick, for ordering the militia of Essex, Herts, &c. You being upon a present occasion



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made choice of to go into Essex to put in order the trained bauds, are if occasion require to make use of the assistance of cos. Suffolk, Herts, and Norfolk next adjacent, for opposing such enterprises as we are well informed are projected and in hand against those counties. Fortifications necessary as well as force of hands. The forces appointed by our Privy Council to draw thither we expect to come provided with gunpowder, match, and bullet for defence and offence. You are to view the most fortifiable places and set men to work upon that design. You must avail yourself of the services of the best engineer you can find and we have directed Secretary Conway to send into the Low Countries to provide one for you. Although we cannot doubt of the zeal and forwardness of our people to defend themselves, their religion, liberty, and our honour, yet because the happy peace which this kingdom hath long been blessed with hath taken away the memory of those duties and actions which belong to such defence, you are as occasion shall offer to mingle with the remonstrance of the law and their duties our assurance that if the law and practice hath not been such, the present time and necessity supplied by them, they shall be reimbursed out of the Exchequer such sums as they shall expend over and above the ordinary payments and charges they are bound to bear. You shall be furnished out of the stores with such things as are necessary upon reasonable demand. Likewise with commissions for taking up carts, carriages, and horses, and to enjoin the country to bring in [provisions to] market. [*Copy. Sheet of paper.*]

[March.]

77. Sir James Bagg to George, Duke of Buckingham. Sir, taking the end of the Oxford Parliament and the beginning of this into consideration, you will find that this hath for beginning the end of that, maliciously without cause intending your ruin, a way to bring you to which was laid and that in your faithful servant's opinion thus. The Earl of Pembroke, trusting to the assent of the public, doth appear rather by strangers than by Sir Benjamin Ryther [Rudyard], Sir William Herbert and others of his, and therefore your own ministers and your known enemies. For first know by power of his Lordship's Wardenship of the Stanneries in Cornwall he hath means of placing divers burgesses; and that most readily by the solicitation of William Corrington [Coryton], his vice-warden, Deputy-Lieutenant and Custos rotulorum, by whose hand, as he [Coryton] hath acknowledged to me, he delivered to his Lordship the burgess-ship of Lostwithiel for Sir Robert Mansfeild [Mansell] which indenture I have seen, and find that the body of it is written by one hand and "Sir Robert Mansfeild [Mansell], knight, Vice-Admiral of England, by another." That Coryton acknowledged to him that [Mansell] was made by the Earl, who sending for [Mansell] to the Countess of Bedford's house, told him that he [the Earl] was questioned for placing him, and required him, if it were ever demanded of him, to deny that the Earl had either written for him or placed him. With all which Coryton acquainted me, with this much more, that he never told any man of

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of it but me; and if I had acquainted your Grace therewith, by what means the Earl was questioned, he were undone. At this time of conference Lord Cromwell came to enquire for me, and found me at Coryton's chamber, which took us off from further discourse. Before the writs which summon the Parliament were out, it will be made to appear that Coryton endeavoured to get places; and a letter was directed to him from Mr. Thoroughgood in the Earl's name for his placing five members. You may notice that Dr. Turnor is for Shaftesbury, a place for which Mr. Thoroughgood, the Earl's Secretary, as I have heard, was chosen, but who being elected for Derby town, relinquished that and Turnor admitted. Further, be pleased to know that Sir James Fullerton is burgess for Portsmouth; the Earl's power in the government there makes me conceive he [Fullerton] was made by him. I observe that Fullerton speaks nothing, but with that, that Lord Cav[en]dish whilst he was of that house, was the abettor of all that faction; his nearness to Fullerton you know. And Currington [Coryton] with that family is well esteemed, for Lord Bruce's wife is Currington's wife's niece, and to that house he often resorts, and but a word of direction from a person so near in attendance on His Majesty will give much encouragement to their ill intendments. The elder Sir Thomas Lake doth not weakly assist this faction, and he is thought to be an inward man with the Earl of Kelly; for Sir Dudley Digges being privately more dangerous than publicly, is thought to be wholly my Lord of Canterbury's. Sir Maurice Abbott, chief of the East India Company, may be thought the plotter of that accusation. Sir Walter Erle is not so great with any as the Lord Sea [Viscount Saye]; know the instruments [who are] your enemies, and [you can] judge whether the principals be your friends. For [Nicholas] Shervill of Salisbury and his son-in-law Long. For Sir John Eliot, your officer, I wonder not at his ways when I consider he can neither pay you your dues nor deserve your past favours. Sir Richard Edgecombe and Eliot's doings. And that with so much compliment, as Eliot told Sir Edward Seymour, he was in a distraction how to divide himself between your Grace and the Earl of Pembroke, but to whom he hath wholly given himself you can judge. Of Eliot's proceedings I could observe somewhat, which I hope is discovered to you more perfectly by others, and, indeed, if I be not by my judgment deceived, his carriage as much tends to the depraving of the present Government, and crossing his most sacred Majesty's princely and just demands, commands, and desires, as your Lordship's ruin. I could name more of their party, and if I were not conceited more able servants of yours gave it to you at full, I would now borrow time and trouble you with more longer lines which I forbear to do lest I should offend you, which if I have done, I [have] only, in my own behalf, this help to clear me from any misprision, that next my Sovereign, I am altogether living or to die, which I will ever publicly or privately profess, your ever true servant. *Endorsed*: "For your Grace." [*Damaged*. 3 pp.]

[March.] 78. Secretary Conway [to his kinsman John Digby], Earl of Bristol. I have received yours in answer to mine of the 7th

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instant. I intend not to make a paper process between us. What I said of my faith and duty to His Majesty and the Prince was a true relation without calling for a comparison from you. If you seek a trial rather than other mediation, [circumstances] have deceived me. I have sufficiently promised to give you no impediment but rather aid to the passage, where the examination and judgment will declare the work; and for that which passed the other day, I understood you sent me a message by Mr. Clarke out of Spain, to which I took no exceptions. To that and the other message I gave answer in their due time. As to the effects you call me now to answer for, to lay the charge rightly you must place them upon His Majesty's construction of your proceedings and not as effects of mine. If you were misinterpreted, and that all you said tended only to accommodation and the gaining of favour, if you find it good and through the same delivery and expression will change the construction and take away the offence, it is in your power. You conceive rightly that I will neither pursue you nor seek advantage of your mismanagement; the question arose from you, and I pray no [other] expiation nor justice than you find it good for yourself. I give way to your trial, which I dare assure [you] will be equal and just and tending [to] your own justification. I make no consideration of what may reflect upon me, no more than I shall direct my opposition to your person from your acts. I have no personal exceptions to you, as I have formerly expressed; and if I had, I do believe like ideas in you to your own satisfaction, as would be in me to another for it, made in the like assertions; and I receive your offer of goodwill and so I commit you to God. [*Modern copy somewhat imperfect amongst the Conway Papers.* 1 p.]

- [March ?] 79. John Bartholomeo Aventroot to the King. As a means of breaking the power of Spain, proposes a plan for fostering sedition in Peru by a change of religion, for which an opportunity presented itself, "no country being more given to sedition than Peru." For then will the Indians who work in the silver mines run away, and the cessation of the production of silver there must needs cause to cease in Spain the exchange of [silver for] brass. The epistle as here subjoined might be sent by three means. 1. If sent with a fleet of 1,600 men, the King of Spain could be deprived of the silver for three years, owing to which Spain itself would be ready to fall into a great sedition, because this year no silver has come from Peru; the exchange of the brass money in Spain has risen 80 instead, as usual, eight in the hundred. 2. It might be sent with a small fleet of 500 men, and so spread through the whole country, kindling a fire which the King of Spain could not quench, "for the greater force he shall bestow for the suppressing of the word of God, the more it shall kindle the hearts of the believers." 3. It might be sent with a small ship of 30 men only, and so casting the same at diverse places on the shore; it would not lie idle without giving some fruits and bringing to pass some effect. But for the sending forth of a fleet of 1,600 men the time is past for this year,

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Moreover, this matter promises also no small profit in regard of the free trade for merchants; wherefore the Lords of the United States would have seconded it this year if they had not been compassed round with so heavy wars. Nevertheless, if I had remembered to tell them that it could be performed by 500 men, or only 30, they would have done that very willingly. But because now, by order of the Duke of Buckingham, I have already communicated the matter to three Lords, who have found it to be good, I would not depart hence, before I should have given this epistle into your Majesty's own hands in order to accomplish my duty towards God whose case it is, and towards your Majesty to whom it belongeth to put this matter into execution. [3½ pp.] *Annexed,*

79. I. *An epistle to those of Peru wherein is comprehended a covenant with the King of Great Britain.* [11 pp.]

79. II. *Also a catechism of the true Christian faith, both profitable and necessary to every good Christian.* [6 pp.]

March.

80. A list signed by the Council of such persons as are to be discharged of their Privy Seals in Suffolk, followed by a note of the names of such as are conceived to be able to lend 10*l.* each within the same county. [1 p.]

April 2.  
Whitehall.

81. Secretary Conway to Sir William Fleetwood and four other Justices of Peace for Bucks. Reminding them of a letter from His Majesty written to them in May last, and urging them to proceed speedily in the business of compensation to the widow Lancaster. [*Minute calendared under date. Copy. 1 p.*]

April 3.  
Cropthorne,  
co. Worcester.

82. Henry Smyth to Lady Katherine Conway, at her house in Little Britain. I have procured a servant for you to serve as chambermaid; she for some time served Mrs. Tracy who went into Virginia. I must not forget my many obligations to his Lordship for his letter to the Lord Keeper. [*Seal with arms. 1 p.*]

April 3.

83. Note of money received and paid by S.E. for the account of Lord Conway between 10th September 1625 and 3rd April 1626, principally at Southampton, Paris, and Bordeaux. [1 p.]

April 4.

84. Secretary Conway to Sir Francis Gofton. [*Minute of this already calendared. Copy. ¾ p.*]

April 7.

85. Verses headed, "My Good Friday's Morning Meditation," anno 1626, April 7. They comprise 120 lines, commencing thus:—

"Hence drowsy sleep, hence thoughts unpure, away,  
This blessed morn may not admit your stay;  
My soul must be disburdened from your vain  
Oppressing clog, before 't can entertain  
The sweetest contemplation of that rich,  
That perfect, and most sovereign comfort, which  
As on this day was purchased for the good  
Of all mankind by the most precious blood  
Of our Redeemer" &c.

[Amongst the Conway Papers, much worn and damaged. 3 pp.]

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Court at  
Whitehall.

86. William, Earl of Pembroke, as Chancellor of Oxford University, to the Vice-Chancellor, [Dr. John Prideaux]. Whereas I am informed that the right of election or nomination of the Principal of St. Edmund's Hall, whensoever vacant, belongs to the Provost and Scholars of Queen's college; and being herein fully satisfied by viewing both the composition between the University and that College to that purpose, as also the letters of Lord Buckhurst, one of my predecessors, in whose time their title being questioned and debated was fully cleared by the consenting judgment of men learned in the civil and common laws, and by him accordingly confirmed, I thought good to give you notice hereof and to require you whensoever they have occasion to assist their claim, and to approve their free election, which hitherto, as I am informed, they have constantly enjoyed without interruption, and therefore I desire it may be continued. *Endorsed by Bishop Laud: "Queen's College case for St. Edmund's Hall," &c. Prefixed,*

86. i. *Extracts out of the Register of [Queen's] College, and also in the Public Acts of the University, as certified by Christopher Potter. [Imperfect. 4 pp.]*

April 12. 87. The Lord Treasurer Marlborough to Mr. West. I pray certify me the names of the sureties of William Darby, late Collector of St. Mary's, near the City of York, because I understand from the auditor that there is about 236*l.* collected by him and, as yet, unanswered to His Majesty. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

April 15. 88. Sir John Peyton and Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary  
Castle Elizabeth. Conway. We hope you have received long since by His Majesty's Advocate of this Island [Edw. Meservy] our relation of the then state of the Isle. We now desire license from you and the Council Board for the transporting of the arms here specified into the Island of Jersey, which have been levied on the inhabitants for its defence, in the doubtful times, and bad quarter with our neighbours who arrest our merchant's goods, notwithstanding that we have informed them of our privileges in point of commerce. The isle is likely to be greatly impoverished for want of trade, having none left but with England, and that so ill assured that the merchants are loath to venture. [*Seal with crest. 1 p.*]

April 15. Copy of the above. [*See 27th August 1626.*]

April 15. The same to George, Lord Carew, Master-General of the Ordnance.  
Castle Elizabeth. That the proportion of gunpowder granted by the King and for which the Council wrote to you, may be sent over expeditiously, both the castles and Island of Jersey standing in great need of it for their present security. There were four lasts granted for the castles, which now have not two lasts remaining, and one for the Island, which the inhabitants are to pay for at the King's price. We cannot assure ourselves of the like good quarter with our neighbours as we formerly enjoyed; our merchants' goods being arrested and themselves ill-used both in St. Marlo and other places,

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notwithstanding the magistracy there have been made acquainted with our privileges in point of commerce. Desire license to transport such corselets and arms as have been lately raised in this Island. [*Copy. See 27th August 1626.*]

April 17. Sir J. Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey to the Lieutenant-Castle Elizabeth. Colonels. We have hitherto advised with you and directed what was thought fitting and necessary to be done for the safety of this Isle. You are now required according as was resolved in a full meeting held at St. Helier on Thursday to notify to those named in the note, that they provide the arms stated, viz., muskets furnished, or corslets and pikes appointed them, for which the money to be presently levied by distress, unless those who are not already furnished give you sufficient caution that they will provide themselves within the time to be limited them. You are to reduce all the calivers to muskets, and the halberds and batoons into pikes and gorgets, as you shall find convenient according to each man's ability. [*Copy. See 27th August 1626.*]

April 19. 89. Depositions of witnesses taken at Newport, Isle of Wight, by virtue of a Commission to Sir William Lisle and others directed out of the Court of Admiralty. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*

89. 1. *Depositions of Richard Jolyff of Newport delivered to the above-named Commissioners relative to Admiralty matters between 1st January and 15th February 1622-23. At the first date it is noted that Captain [Anthony] Earsfield received of Captain Burley 20l. as a bribe to let a ship go which was under arrest at Yarmouth, Isle of Wight. [3 pp.]*

April 19. Grant to William Cook of the office of one of the our principal Masters of the Navy. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

April 21. 90. Henry Raleigh to William Weld at Lord Conway's lodgings at Whitehall. Thanks for 6l. received by the carrier. I had the perusal of a letter written from my Lord [Conway] to Sir Richard Verney about money to be bestowed on me at Ragley. [*Seal broken. 1 p.*]

April 21. 91. Account showing the receipts and issues of the four auditors of the receipt of Exchequer from 8th April to the 21st April. Last general remain, 526l. 1s. 11d. Received since, 70,788l. 10s. 5½d. Total, 71,314l. 12s. 4½d., whereof issued, 70,793l. 5s. 10d., thence fees, 125l. And so remains this 21st of April 1626, 521l. 6s. 6½d., thence recusants' money 2l. 17s. 0½d. [4 pp.]

April 22. 92. Note of papers delivered from Secretary Conway to Attorney General Heath, being copies of letters from the Earl of Bristol to the King or Conway, letters from and to the Earl and Sir Walter Astcn, in all 19, bearing on the trial of the Earl. *Underwritten,*  
92 1. *Receipt by Sir R. Heath for same. [1 p.]*

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Breviate of letters from James Fizell about the business of Algiers between January 1623[-4] and April 1626. 4th January 1623[-4].—Letter to Sir Thomas Roe, little hope of the peace so long as the Bashaw takes custom of the corsairs' prizes. Letters of 7th June, 2nd August, and 8th October 1625.—1. Of many wrongs done our [English] nation by the pirates of Sallee. 2. That the "Bashaw and Duan," of Algiers, are sending one thither for reformation thereof. 3. Of his release of divers captives, &c. 18th November 1625.—1. Want of means to redeem those captives that remain, for that the collection money is not currently paid. 2. Of 1,075 reals of eight presented to Jaffa Aga and his followers by order from Mr. Leate. 8th January 1625[-6].—1. Of the "avenia" made upon the goods at Algiers. 2. Desire that the former bill of exchange may be paid. 22nd April 1626.—1. A particular account sent of all money disbursed in the confirmation of the peace. 2. That the Lords may be solicited for release of those captives that remain, and that another may be sent thither in his stead. 3. That order might be taken for his reimbursement of such money as he hath laid out for the general business. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 61.*]

April 24.  
Jersey.

93. Thomas Olivier to [William] Chesterman, Secretary to Lord Conway. It is true that M. de St. Sauveur, your worshipful master, late deceased, appointed me to be his executor to his will, but his brother, the Denonciateur, has not only taken possession by order from the Juge Delegate, the Seigneur de St. Ouen, of all his goods, but goes about to disannul the will. Endeavour to get a letter from Lord Conway to the Seigneur de St. Ouen for him to give way to the execution of the will. Certify us whether the canonical law of England requires that the heir of the deceased should be present at the making of the inventory of his goods that he may lawfully dispose of. [1 p.]

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94. Dr. John Prideaux, Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University, and Richard Astley, Custos of All Souls' College, to the Lord Treasurer, the Barons of Exchequer, and others, His Majesty's officers and ministers. Whereas in the Act of this last Parliament for granting of three entire subsidies and three fifteenths and tenths granted by the Temporality to the late King James it is provided that the Act shall not extend to the goods of any privileged persons of Oxford and Cambridge Universities, these are to certify you that William Hobbs is a privileged person of Oxford, and there resident for these seven years, and so exempt from taxation. The Commissioners have, nevertheless, taxed him for land, of which he has none, to the prejudice of the said University and to his own great prejudice. We desire your Honours that, with your lawful favour, Hobbs may be discharged from the payment now imposed on him for the last subsidy. [*Seal broken. 1 p.*]

April 25.  
Brocklesby.

95. Sir William Pelham to Lord Conway. My son being desirous to attend you, I have given him my willing consent, and leave him to your disposing until his return. I was able to walk to

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the church yesterday from which I never had been so long absent. I thank you for the papers you sent me and do much rejoice to hear of so many predominant virtues in our gracious young king. I should be glad to hear that the noble Duke [of Buckingham] had recovered his health so perfectly as "to brook the seas," and that my old friend Edmund, Lord Sheffield, should be his Vice-Admiral. [1 p.]

April 28. 96. Account showing the receipts and issues of the four auditors of the receipt of Exchequer from the 21st to 28th April. Last general remain, 521*l.* 6*s.* 6½*d.* Received since, 6,694*l.* 6*s.* Total, 7,215*l.* 12*s.* 6½*d.*, whereof issued, 6,648*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* And so remains this 28th instant: recusants', 18*l.* 5*s.* 8½*d.*; other moneys, 549*l.*; total, 567*l.* 5*s.* 8½*d.* [4 pp.]

April 29. 97. Secretary Conway to John, Earl of Bristol. [*Minute of this already calendared. Copy. ½ p.*]

April 29. 98. Secretary Conway to Captain John Bond, Captain of  
Whitehall. Portland Castle, Isle of Wight. I send you a petition that has been given me in the name of William Blythe and others of that island, complaining against the fraudulent practices of William Darneford who is protected by his service in that castle, which they inform me he has procured purposely to defraud them. If that information be true, I doubt not but you will think him unworthy of protection and put him forth of that service, that his creditors and those who stand engaged for him may have their just and lawful remedy. You know the obligation I have to favour the poor islanders in their just grievances. [*Copy. 1 p.*]

April 30. 99. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway. John Durell, of  
Castle Elizabeth. Jersey, returning from London, brought me the intelligence that it had pleased His Majesty to bestow the office of Bailiff of Jersey upon me, which I acknowledge to have been by your mediation and honourable favour to me. Since I understand of Philip Maret's competition and of the friends he hath made to the Duke [of Buckingham], it has pleased the Governor [of Jersey] to put an office of more consequence and far greater trust upon me; and the Governor having attained to great years, I have thought that this place might the better enable me hereafter to do His Majesty service and keep myself in some reputation. [*Seal with crest. 1 p.*]

April. 100. Memorial about the Roman Catholic priests entertained in the Queen's household. Suppose that the King of Great Britain, for avoidance of greater inconveniences, condescends to the reception of some French in the Queen's House at the instance of the King of France or choice of the Queen of England, some conditions are necessarily to be observed. 1st. That, albeit the choice be with the Queen, yet the confirmation is in the King, according to the last clause of the 11th Article of the Treaty. 2ndly. That, concerning the French bishop and priests sent into England by the



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Pope's authority, two things are to be considered,—in the first place, the spiritual power, Catholic religion and jurisdiction as well in the head as members, and, secondly, the exaltation of the Pope's temporal power in prejudice of the King's sovereign authority, under pretext of Catholic religion by obtruding as matter of faith the Pope's power for deposition of princes. Howbeit, then, the King permitteth the free exercise of the Catholic religion and spiritual power to the Queen's clergy and Catholic domestics, notwithstanding the laws and statutes made to the contrary in this realm since Henry VIII. So is it necessary for the preservation of his sovereign authority and peace of his State that he prevents the intrusion of the Pope's temporal power under pretext of religion in prejudice of his own, which he may, in this occurrence, most conveniently do by using the same remedies against those French Catholics and domestics which the State of France, but particularly the Parliament and University of Paris assembled in the College of Sorbonne, practised against the Jesuits this same year 1626, the one by arrest of the 17th of March this year 1626, the other by censure of 1st April 1626 in condemning the pernicious doctrine of Santarelli Jesuits for deposition of princes, as false, erroneous, new, contrary to the word of God, derogatory from the authority of princes, provoking to factions, &c., and constraining 16 principal jesuits, as Mercure relates, to subscribe to the said arrest of the 17th March 1626, with promise to subscribe to the censure of the Sorbonne which should afterwards be made, &c. According to which [precedent] may it please the King to compel all these Catholics of the Queen's House to subscribe to the arrest and censure, which, if they refuse to do, it is most evident that it is not the preservation of the Queen in the Catholic religion, nor the exercise of spiritual power and true piety that they intend; but under this pretext the introduction of Papal domination in prejudice of our King's authority. And why should they refuse the doctrine and practice of their own State? Whereby the King will effect two principal objects, the assertion of his sovereign authority to the exclusion of the Pope's pretended power in temporals intended in the Oath of Allegiance, and the frustrating of his usurped influence by means of the Queen's House, which was intended, as is manifest by the doctrine and practice of the bishops and English priests since the marriage. By the subscription and disavowal of this damnable doctrine by these ecclesiastics the clear contrary will follow. After the example of the Queen's household all English Catholics will conform themselves in doctrine and practice, and in this point the King shall receive full duty and obedience of his Catholic subjects, and the Pope shall be content with his spiritual power limited as in France for the Queen's House so long as it shall please the King to permit it. That the Bishop of Mende and all bishops sent into England from the Pope have their *Bulles Papales*, expressly prohibited by the laws and rights of this realm, it is manifest. *Dorso,—*

100. I. *Trollope, Vicar in the North for the Bishop [of Mende?], chief repressor of the oath of allegiance. [Imperfect at end. 2½ pp]*

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101. Comments on the conduct of the Earl of Bristol in Spain, forming the charge to be preferred against the Earl in Parliament. Part of the charge will arise out of these grounds or heads. That it would not be unknown to the Earl that the King of Spain pretended a monarchy, and his chief instruments to that were the Jesuits, who laboured the propagation of the Catholic faith which had restitution, dependence, and support to and from the Catholic king. He saw by the experience of the match handled for Prince Henry, that their aim was the changing of religion in England and the King's dominions, or no match. He could not be ignorant that the change of religion would hazard the kingdom. In this treaty for a match he suffered the King of Spain and his ministers to draw on a treaty of marriage in general terms. He trained on the restitution of the Palatinate with such hopes and assurances as drew His Majesty to a great cost in ambassadors, to public scorn and derision, and with the triumph and advantage of Spain and the House of Austria. When the Prince was there [at the Spanish Court], the Earl saw the delays, the averseness, the ill-usage, their worse resolutions. He discovered his own affection and partiality to the Spanish party by words which inclined to prize the Roman Catholic religion, and the great accesses that might come to the Crown of England by it, and invited the Prince to take that way to give expedition to that match. So, as for this carriage the Earl of Bristol is before His Majesty's justice or mercy for there hath never reason of his proceedings appeared as yet. [*For some clauses of this paper, see Vol. XXVI., No. 9. Found amongst the Conway Papers. 4 pp.*]

[April.]

Articles showing the advantages derived from the offices of Lord High Admiral and Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports being filled by the same person, with special reference to the complaint of Parliament against the same being held by the Duke of Buckingham. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Admiralty Collections, Vol. 237, fol. 12.*]

[April.]

102. Petition of David Thieuvin and others, merchants of Roan [Rouen], to the Council. That the ship "Edward John," of Colchester, laden with merchandise, coming from the isles of Madeira, was driven by stress of weather into Colchester, and there arrested by the Vice-Admiral of His Majesty's fleet and sent up to London; and Payo Rodrigo de Pas, a naturalised Frenchman, of Rouen, coming in the said ship to conduct the merchandise, was imprisoned at Plymouth four months since, and a jewel taken from him by the Mayor. These merchandises do properly belong to the said naturalised Frenchmen at Rouen, and the bills of lading, letters, &c., in the ship were seized by the Mayor and sent up to this city [of London]. May it please your Honours to ordain that speedy justice may be done, and the merchandise, jewels, bills of lading, &c., be restored to your suppliants; and Payo Rodrigo de Pas be released from his long imprisonment [1 p.]

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[April.] 103. Copy of the above. [1 p.]
- [April.] 104. Speech in Parliament, urging perseverance and unity of action in our military endeavours against the general enemy of the country. [3 pp.]
- [April.] 105. Mr. Wolfen and another [to Lord Treasurer Marlborough]. Agreement made with Sir Donald Mackay in the name of Count Mansfeldt for the levy of a regiment of 3,000 for His Majesty's service in Germany. Have undertaken to procure the execution of our master's agreement with Sir Donald. The taxation of Scotland, intended for this service, is employed by his Majesty's direction to the defence of the country, so that we stand in need of present money for the transportation of the regiment, which we beseech your Lordship to give order for. Also for the strengthening of His Excellency's guards of Scots under the charge of Sir James Leslie, who has a warrant from the King to levy 800 men in Scotland for the same use. *Endorsed*: "Propositions for monies for sending away the regiments out of Scotland." [Draft. 1½ pp.]
- May 1.  
Tichborne. 106. Sir Benjamin Tichborne to Lord Conway. According to His Majesty's commandment and your directions, this bearer, Sergeant Rymes being one of four [Sergeants from the Low Countries], sent to us for instructing the trained forces of this county, Hants, is now desirous to repair to his charge in the Low Countries, having very honestly and diligently discharged his duty in the careful and exact disciplining of those seven companies committed to his charge. He has given the country great contentment by making them so perfect and expert in the modern use of their arms. I have given strict charge to every captain for the careful continuance of this course, and that their officers shall instruct their several files every holiday and Sunday in the afternoon after divine service, and that the captains themselves call their several companies together once every month at the least, and I make no doubt but those whom you shall appoint to take the care and charge thereof will see the same performed. I must now crave a favourable pardon of your Lordship, being no longer able to perform the office and duty you entrusted me withall, by reason of my age, 88 years, and the infirmities incident thereto. The greater part of my life has been spent in the service of the State, for which I have laboured with all integrity and honesty, as Queen Elizabeth and King James would testify if still living. Nevertheless, the irreconcilable malice of some, even lately in Parliament, taxes me to be a notorious Papist and a great supporter and maintainer of that sect, wherein they have greatly wronged me, without any other ground than envy, for I never refused or neglected the Church of England or the receiving of the blessed Communion. I must confess, my wife, who is now nearly 80, has of late forborne to attend the Church. We have lived as man and wife together 56 years, and it is only within the last twelve months she has refused the Church, in which doctrine all my children have been

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educated and continually professed the same whilst they were under my tuition. But the malice of my enemies against myself and house, which has continued ever since the Conquest, could be no longer restrained, for if they could hitherto have blemished me in my carriage and reputation I should have been sure to have heard of it. I am much bounden to your Honour, and although I am not able to do you or my country such service as formerly I have done, yet I desire that I and mine may always stand gracious in your favour, as [being of] those who will never deserve the contrary. [*Seal with arms.* 2 pp.]

May 1. 107. J. Vavaseur, fils Michell, *alias* John Durell, to Wm. Chesterman, Secretary to Lord Conway. Prays him to exert his influence with Secretary Conway that M. Philip de Carteret, Deputy Judge, may be written to, in order that he may lend a hand in facilitating the execution of the will [of the late Bailiff of Jersey, M. Herault de St. Sauveur], whose enemies are making use of the "brother of the deceased, the Denonciateur," to get the said will revoked. Various proofs given that this poor country had never thriven since the removal of M. de St. Sauveur; and, among the rest, it is instanced, that in consequence of a contagion that had appeared among the islanders, the markets of Normandy, St. Malo, and Guernsey were closed against them. [*French.* 2 pp.]

May 1. 108. Articles exhibited in Parliament by the Earl of Bristol against George, Duke of Buckingham. [*Printed in Rushworth, Vol. I., pp. 264-6, and in Frankland's Annals. Other copies in Vol. XXVI., Nos. 3-5. 3½ pp.*]

[May 2.] 109. List of names of the Council-of-War. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[May 2?] 110. Warrant to Attorney-General Heath to be assisting to the Duke of Buckingham in framing his answers to the Articles preferred against him by the Commons' House of Parliament to the Lords. To free you from any scruple in this case, and to secure you against ourselves and all others, you are to do nothing herein contrary to the duty of your place and fidelity to us, but to perform our pleasure therein in such sort as we have before directed. [*Copy.* 1 p.]

[May 2.] Notes by Secretary Coke for a speech in the House of Commons in defence of the Government's demand for supplies. For what important occasions help is demanded [of the Parliament]. What proportion of help for those occasions. For the first insist, not on ordinaries or debts, but ambassadors, building ships or forts, or ought but the war. No defence but by offending [the enemy]. Consider the enemies forces, in extent, in present forces. *Mem.*—That three subsidies, three fifteenths last given did amount scarcely to 240,000*l.* [The King of] Denmark's the only army of diversion in the field. Preparations greater than ever in Spain and Flanders. All diversions removed in Turkey, Italy, and France. War pro-

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claimed at Madrid and Brussels. Our pilots, masters [of ships], and mariners drawn thither. [*Written on the same paper as March 6.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.*]

May 5.

111. Secretary Conway to Horatio, Lord Vere, whom he addresses as "my noble brother." I send you His Majesty's dispensation for your absence from the Parliament, and I must not conceal from you the great favour he did you in expressing his sorrow that you were sick and giving you his leave to attend to your health, so that you make use of it no longer than you have necessity and that you send your proxy. I am to notify that upon a new direction you are appointed a councillor for the war, and that your presence will be importunately required. [*Minute already calendared. Copy.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.*]

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112. Henry Chaloner to Mr. Capper, in Wanstead. Signifies the result of his interview with his aunt at Sutton about the 250*l.* he had contracted with her for the care of his sisters. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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113. Account of receipts and issues of the Exchequer from 28th April till 5th May. Last general remain, 567*l.* 5*s.* 8½*d.*; received since, 26,337*l.* 3*s.* 11½*d.*; total, 26,904*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*, whereof issued, 25,724*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* And so remains this 5th May—Recusants' revenues, 753*l.* 18*s.* 9½*d.*; of other natures, 425*l.* 19*s.* 4½*d.*; total, 1,179*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.* Fees, 1,813*l.* [4 pp.]

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114. Edward Nicholas to John Pennington, Captain of Her Majesty's ship the "Lion" at Plymouth. Albeit this enclosure will hasten you hither that I may more freely discourse with you, yet I cannot let this packet pass. The Officers of the Ordnance complain much that you not only transferred the ordnance out of one ship into another at Plymouth but all other the munition, whereby they know not what ordnance to require or remains to expect from the fleet. I pray you keep a perfect book of all ordnance, powder, and ammunition that you have taken out of the fleet, distinguishing which ship. The Officers of the Ordnance find most fault with you for not having sent up for them such a book. The "Vanguard" and six merchants' ships are come into Stokes Bay [near Gosport], but you are to satisfy the Parliament by whose and what warrant you delivered them to the French. The masters of the merchants' ships report that it was by my Lord [Buckingham's] command and by reason of threatening speeches which I used to them by order from my Lord, but this will be, I doubt, disproved by many witnesses and by some upon oath. It is true that, before the ambassador or his people, I did often charge them aloud to deliver them over according to Lord Conway's letter and the King's pleasure, but I fell from that language when we were [in] private with the masters, and you may remember how often I told you I had no warrant or order from my Lord for delivering over of those ships [to the French, which were afterwards employed against Rochelle], and though I did not wish you

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to go over into England, yet I think you may well remember I told you that you had not warrant nor could I give you any to deliver them; but I pray keep it to yourself until you shall be called on oath, and have leave from the King to declare that I told you I came over rather to hinder than further the delivery or loan of those ships. For when I shall have leave from the King, and shall speak on my oath, I must swear my Lord commanded me to carry myself with all due respect to the ambassador, and to apply myself to give him contentment, but to cross and hinder the delivery of the ships. I leave the rest of the passages of this business till we meet, but there be some who would fain have it proved that my Lord was the cause and principal agent for the lending of these ships, which I must on my oath swear to the contrary. I rest in haste, desiring you to have a care to dispose of all the ships and leave them in charge with the most discreet men with you. [*Three seals of the Admiralty.* 2 pp.]

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115. Petition of William Gore to Sir Robert Naunton, Master of the Court of Wards. His father, aged 80, was too infirm, both in body and mind, to take care of his own affairs, which had been for the ten years past managed by petitioner. Prays that he may have a writ *de lunatico inquirendo*, so that the custody of his father and his small estate may not be transferred to any other person. *Underwritten*,

115. I. Writ granted as desired, 8th May.

115. II. Mr. Allen, of the Middle Temple, at Sir John Stroud's chamber, [*re ?*]quited. [1 p.]

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116. Amount of moneys negotiated upon the jewels of the King and Duke of Buckingham, and paid at Amsterdam. [*Duplicate of Vol. XXVI., No. 59.* 2½ pp.]

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117. Suggestions for the employment of a land army in war time [against Spain]. The most profitable diversion by a land army will be by putting it into Flanders if it shall be feasible, or else into Brabant, either of which places will turn all the forces of those parts to attend the actions of that army. The way by France, I fear, is not to be thought upon. By Sluys the passages are stopped by forts, by strong towns, and incommodity of the ground, and it is a most dangerous thing to land an army upon a sand without any bay, except the instruments of flat bottomed boats with oars were ready prepared. Into Brabant the States [of Holland] may give free access, but they must also give secure passage for victuals to come to the army, &c. The greatest difficulty for accomplishing of this land army will be provision of horse. [7 pp.]

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118. Another copy of the above. [*Imperfect.* 2 pp.]

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119. Information by John Griffin to Secretary Conway of the apprehension in Clerkenwell of Valentine, a Benedictine priest, and one Roper, suspected to be a Jesuit. [½ p.]

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- [May 8.] 120. Speech of John Glanville on the impeachment of George Duke of Buckingham. The burden of his speech was the 10,000*l.* by the Duke unlawfully exacted from the East India Company by colour of his office of Lord High Admiral, and the ships lent to serve against the Protestants of Rochelle. [*Printed in Rushworth, Vol. I., p. 315, et seq. Copy. 18 pp.*]
- [May 8.] 121. Speech of Mr. Shelden [John Selden] on the impeachment of George Duke of Buckingham. It is chiefly grounded on these heads—That the [narrow] seas have not been guarded; that he, as Lord High Admiral, ought to have guarded them; particulars of neglect of his duty; the nature of his office; detention of the “St. Peter,” of Havre de Grace. [*Printed in Rushworth, Vol. I., p. 310, et seq. Copy. 12 pp.*]
- [May 8.] 122. Signification of the King’s pleasure to the Lower House of Parliament in answer to their petition concerning the rectifying and augmenting his revenue and their care for his estate. He allows of their proceeding, but with this caution, that they will make a choice and select Committee of such as may be trusted not to lay open the weakness of his estate. His pleasure is that his officers shall acquaint them with what is necessary for their knowledge. [*See Commons’ Journals, Vol. I., p. 857. 1 p.*]
- May 10. 123. Thomas Harris to Lord Conway at Lavington. The Ragley. waggon came to Ragley last night with the goods and servants. Here are three foxes. I desire to know whether you would have them sent to Lavington on the next return of the waggon. [1 p.]
- [May 10.] 124. Speeches delivered on the second day of the Duke of Buckingham’s impeachment by Sherland, Pym, Wandesford, and Eliot. [*They are printed in Rushworth, Vol. I., p. 335 et seq, but with considerable alterations, and the last, by Sir John Eliot, is already calendared from another copy. See Vol. XXVI., No. 71. Copies. 49 pp.*]
- May 10. 125. Bond of Jeffery Brooman, citizen and merchant taylor, for payment of 20*l.* to Peter Leonarts and William Paggen, brewers, on the 10th of November next. [1 p.]
- May 12. 126. Bishop Neyle, of Durham, to Secretary Conway. This Durham House. bearer is the party who incurred his Majesty’s just displeasure by his error of performing the clandestine marriage betwixt the young lord and lady. Yet upon my brother of Norwich’s commending the man to me as an honest learned man and a good preacher, I adventuring to move his Majesty for him, he bade me send him to you, which I now do, recommending him to your Lordship’s goodness. [*Seal with arms. ½ p.*]
- May 12. 127. Account showing the receipts and issues of the receipt of Exchequer from the 5th to 12th May. Remaining on 5th May, 1,179*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.*; received since, 11,357*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.*; total, 12,537*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

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Issued, 11,430*l.* 0*s.* 9½*d.* So remains this day from recusants' revenues, 767*l.* 5*s.* 5½*d.*; of other natures, 339*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.*; total, 1,107*l.* 2*s.* 0½*d.* [4 *pp.*]

May 15.

128. Petition of John Blanche, of Guernsey, to the Privy Council, concerning a bargain for land to be let in fee farm to him by one John Gardner, who died before the said bargain could be carried into effect. Prays that the cause may be referred to the consideration of the Attorney and Solicitor-General, Gardner's widow having sued him for her husband's bargain, though never concluded. *Dorso*,

128. *i.* *Ordered as desired, and to certify the Board the true state of the matter that further order may be taken.* Whitehall, 15th May 1626. [1½ *pp.*]

May 17.

129. Statement of accounts by Simon van Cranvell in the behalf of his son, John van Cranvell, deceased, showing what moneys had been expended by him as courier in the public service. Total, 298*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.* *Subjoined*,

129. *i.* *Mem.—The said Cranvell had promise of a pension of 300*l.* per annum, for which his patent was not yet sealed, but was to begin at Christmas last, and he died 20th February, for which it is desired some reasonable consideration may be allowed.* [2½ *pp.*]



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- May 19. 1. Account showing the receipts and issues of the Exchequer from the 12th to 19th May. Remaining on the 12th May, 1,107*l.* 2*s.* 6½*d.*; received since, 35,200*l.* 6*s.* 5*d.*; total, 36,307*l.* 8*s.* 11½*d.*; issued, 35,545*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.*; so remains this day from recusants, 121*l.* 2*s.* 3½*d.*; from others sources, 640*l.* 19*s.* 1*d.* Total, 762*l.* 1*s.* 4½*d.* [4 *pp.*]
- May 19. 2. Certificate by Bishop Morton of Lichfield and Coventry. That John Wilson, innkeeper and Alderman, of Stafford, within my diocese, hath ever frequented his parish church, and has never been presented for matter of recusancy. [*Signed and sealed.* ½ *p.*]
- May 20. 3. Gabriel Browne [to a priest in Spain]. [*Already calendared from a more perfect copy. See Vol. XXVII., No. 36. Original, but much destroyed by rats.* 4½ *pp.*]
- May 21. 4. The Council to Lord Conway, as Lord Lieutenant of Hants. Whitehall. Direct a general view and muster to be taken of the trained bands within that county, both horse and foot. You are to take order that all defects both in men and arms be made good, and give directions for the ordering and exercising of the trained bands. The maritime towns to be guarded. *Postscript.*—We hold it very requisite that the musters for showing of horses be fixed on the same day as in the adjacent counties. The certificate to give a particular description of the colour and stature of every horse. [*Signed and sealed.* 2 *pp.*]
- May 21. Patent creating Olive St. John, Viscount Grandison, to the dignity of Baron Tregoz of Highworth, co. Wilts, to him and his heirs males. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]
- May 25. 5. Secretary Conway to Sir Ferdinando Gorges. [*Minute of this already calendared. Copy.* ½ *p.*]
- May 26. 6. Account furnished by the four Tellers of the Exchequer, viz., John Brook, Edward Carne, Arthur Squibb, and Edward Pitt. Showing the receipts and issues of the Exchequer from the 19th to 26th May. General remain on the 19th May, 762*l.* 1*s.* 4½*d.*; received since, 17,202*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* Total, 17,964*l.* 9*s.* 10½*d.* Issued, 17,323*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.*; so remains this 26th of May, 640*l.* 15*s.* 0½*d.*; fees, 7,635*l.* 15*s.* 1½*d.* Thence recusants, 190*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.* [4 *pp.*]
- May 29. 7. The Council to Lord Conway, as Lord Lieutenant of Hants. Whitehall. By our letter of 15th February we prayed the Bishop of Winchester to spare such part of Wolvesey House at Winchester, for which he had no necessary use, to be employed for the safe keeping of the ordnance, powder, and arms belonging to the

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Marquis of Winchester, and which were taken thither from Basing House, including four barrels of gunpowder. Let these four barrels be delivered to the Captain of Netley Castle. [1 p.]

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Whitehall.

8. Lord Conway to the Deputy Lieutenants of Hants. Commends to their consideration Captain [Francis] Coningsby, who was coming down as Muster-master to attend the musters to be presently held for that county. [*Copy.* ½ p.]

May 29.  
From my house.

9. Edmund Bolton to George, Duke of Buckingham. Your Lordship has great cause to be most circumspect. I dare assure you upon my certain knowledge that whatsoever [William de] Valence, Earl of Pembroke [*temp.* Henry III.], underwent, is at least-wise wished, I will not say designed, to be practised after that pattern upon your Lordship. As for the proxies which the Earl of Arundel hath, if they be freed, one or more will be at your disposal, for I have the Earl's promise for that purpose. My other friend, whose preparation for a speech I showed you, meditates answers also after a parliamentary way to every parliamentary charge. Endeavours to get his friends to appear on the Duke's defence. The verses against that villain [Dr. George] Eglesham are spread in another's name, who is a Catholic, and ambitious of the service; you are well known to contend with your adversaries at great disadvantage; they are not only armed with most popular pretences, but with all sorts of wit and weapons, both natural and acquired, to all which you oppose your conscience only and the King. They have fresh orators, they have smart poets, they have wise historians, they have searching antiquaries, they have specious philosophers, they have observant travellers, &c., briefly, what is it which they have not? You want the like, nothing is surer than that in this great duel, wherein you are the single defendant against a multitude, all the choice of a nation, your Lordship fights with fewer weapons. By your favour, I would say there is scarcely any greater cause of your loss of favour with the gentry and better bred sort, who universally delight in books, than that of late your Lordship hath not seemed to value the generously and soberly well learned, famous for free studies and liberal cyclopædie. To meet with that evil you had an offer made timely enough for the use of style and studies, such as I know is needful; for no sort of people under heaven are finally masters over fame and report, but the able writer only. Cherish it, my Lord, as you would cherish a second life; I know you too wise and too noble to credit or run any course to the contrary. In this high kind what is done and meditated to be done you shall not fail to see at my next attendance. [2 pp.]

May.

10. Discourse [probably by Secretary Conway], illustrative of the charges against the Earl of Bristol. The writer's design is to show that he "neither hates nor wishes ill to the Earl for his own private," but that he hath given disturbance to the King's affairs and voluntarily brought his cause before the Parliament. In this

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discourse some observations and arguments will be found conducive of better counsels on His Majesty's behalf, and to show the weakness of the Earl's answer to His Majesty's charge. The ground of the charge is acknowledged to grow from the employment of an ambassador who was trusted by the late King [James] in several treaties and negotiations, as the Earl himself affirmeth, by the space of 14 years, and it consists chiefly of the issues and effects of that employment, and of other consequences and accidents resulting from the same. These grounds being laid by way of preface and precognition, before I come to consider the Earl's answer to the King's charge, I hold it fitting to make answer to certain particulars not mentioned in his said answer, but delivered by him to the Lords on the 6th of this present May by word of mouth. The Earl first labouring to plant an opinion in that House, that there was much art and some labour used by His Majesty, then Prince, but most especially by the Duke of Buckingham, to keep him, the Earl, from the presence of the late King after his return from Spain, intimating also thereby his own earnest desire to have come to a speedy trial, but their unwillingness he should do so, and making it consequently an argument of his innocence. To which the answer is plain, it being acknowledged that both His Majesty, then Prince, and the Duke of Buckingham, were desirous to keep the Earl from the presence of King James; but not for the reasons or ends pretended by the Earl, and framed by him, both in this and sundry other particulars according to his own imagination and overweening conceit of himself, which hath made him to overvalue and think himself of more consideration to them than indeed he was, as will in due time appear. But the true end wherefore they desired to keep him from the King was that his now Majesty's former belief touching the intentions of Spain being strongly confirmed by his experience, and his heart totally alienated from the ways of Spain by the many indignities and neglects which were put upon him being there in person, but well knowing that the heart of the King his father was still bent that way, [King James], having by the Earl's insinuations, and upon certain seeming fair motives, been induced to promise to himself peace and plenty, and sundry conveniences by that match, so his present Majesty after his return found it no easy task to disenchant, and withdrew his father's affection from the same; but having gotten ground upon his judgment, and at length prevailed in a good measure, he feared nevertheless to admit the Earl to confer with him, lest thereupon he should relapse unto his former affections, and therefore resolved and accordingly used the means to keep the Earl from him, though with some difficulty on both sides, by reason of his blessed father's inclination as aforesaid, and of the Earl's continual fetches and pressing importunities, only to kiss the King's hands as he pretended. And whereas the Earl's importunity is now by himself interpreted for a forwardness to come to trial and made an argument of his integrity, it is probable the true state of that particular before set down that his aim and

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end reached not then so far, but if it did, I conceive there might be good cause why they should not then be forward to bring him to trial. Why the Earl was not brought to a trial. In what state the Earl was when he petitioned the Parliament. The motives which probably incited the Earl to bring his cause to the Parliament. [*Copy amongst the Conway Papers. Imperfect at end. 8 pp.*]

May.

11. Theophilus, Earl of Suffolk, to George, Duke of Buckingham. Were it not that I am tied by duty and nature to perform the rites and ceremonies of a son to a dear father [Thomas Howard, who died 28th May 1626], I had not failed long ere this to have waited on you and returned thanks for favours as to the person now living to whom I owe most love and respect. *Postscript.*—At the next meeting of Parliament, as I conceive, it will be the time for all your friends and servants to show themselves worthy of that title, therefore, let me not be absent my noble Lord, but handle the matter so as either the Lord Keeper [Coventry] shall call for me, or His Majesty command my attendance notwithstanding my mournful occasion. [*Seal with crest. 1 p.*]

[May.]

12. Memorandum touching the suit of Thomas Meautys, Clerk of the Council, to His Majesty [for presentation by the Duke of Buckingham], [see Vol. XXVII., No. 100]. This suit consists of two parts: first, that Edmund Trench, the present possessor of the office of making all processes, &c., issuing out of the Star Chamber, may transfer his interest therein to Mr. Meautys, upon valuable consideration agreed on between them; and, secondly, that Mr. Meautys' brother John may be granted the reversion in lieu of Thomas Cotton, one of the former patentees, who is newly dead. This last would be no increase of lives, yet it is a suit of grace and bounty from His Majesty, and must be the work of your Grace's accustomed noble favour and mediation on Mr. Meautys' behalf. [*Amongst the Conway Papers. 1 p.*]

[May.]

13. Petition of John Hall, His Majesty's servant, to the Council. For examination of a charge brought against him by Sir Charles Wilson three years before for using threatening language, Wilson having injured him much by false accusations and by detaining his due from him. [*1 p.*]

[May.]

14. Petition of Warwick Fowness of London, merchant, to the Council. That in December last he shipped 25 pigs of lead in a bark of London, then bound for Calais, which, going to Dover to look for convoy, she was stayed there by order from the Duke of Buckingham. Forasmuch as due entries were made, and the King's Customs paid in the time of the Old Farmers of the Customs, he prays warrant to Sir John Hipposley to suffer the lead to be conveyed to Calais or some other ports in France. [*½ p.*]

[May?]

15. Petition of the Mariners of the "Constant Reformation" to the Council. Petitioners, being 160 in number, having 22 months'

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pay due unto them, were constrained, being ready to starve, to repair to London for their pay, where they have lain four or five days in great distress. Their ship having lost her masts put into Ireland. The Council sent by warrant for two of their number, but not only those two, but all the rest were forced to repair for their pay as is aforesaid. Pray that their pay may be satisfied. [1 p.]

May. 16. Invoice of the lading of the ship "Faith," Robert Watson, master. In her voyage from Venice to Lisbon they touched at Carthagen and stayed there four days. Notes by Secretary Coke of her bills of lading with the merchants' marks. [2 pp.]

May. 17. Justices of the Peace for co. Southampton to the Council. About fortifying the Isle of Wight. In accordance with your directions of 18th March we have viewed the castles and forts with their artillery, munition, and stores, the particulars whereof are enclosed. The repair of the late breach in the platform at Sandham Castle is estimated at 900*l*. Brading Haven we take to be the most dangerous landing-place for an enemy in all the Isle, by reason it lies in a flat. We conceive it would be not only a great charge for the King to erect two forts for the defence of that place, but a perpetual charge in retaining soldiers in pay. So that in our opinions it is far safer that the sea be let in again, no fortifications being so defensive for the country as it was before the taking in thereof. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

[May.] 18. Petition of Francis Bassett, Vice-Admiral of North Cornwall, on behalf of himself and the inhabitants of St. Ives, to the Council. Last year these parts received much damage, and divers of the inhabitants were carried away captives by Turkish pirates from Sallee. This year 30 of these Turkish pirates have been brought into St. Ives as prisoners, and are maintained at great charge to petitioner, while the inhabitants are fearful lest they should effect their escape, and having got a knowledge of that coast return to their further annoyance. Desires that they may be sent to the common gaol at Launceston, to be kept until further order. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[May?] 19. Note of a speech made or intended to be made in the House of Commons, recommending caution in the examination of alleged errors committed in the management of recent enterprises. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[May.] 20. Note of a similar speech made or intended to be made in the House of Lords in the Committee appointed to consider evils, causes and remedies. [1 p.]

[May?] 21. Notes of a speech or personal declaration made or intended to be made in the House of Lords. I shall now for the present apply myself only to the clearing of my reputation, and for the future to those actions and endeavours which may repossess me of that I have

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accounted one of my greatest losses their good opinions. I would not speak nor profess this before their Lordships, if reason and my own disposition did not counsel and warrant the performance of it. For first, who accused me? Common Fame. Who gave me up to your Lordships? The House of Commons! The one is too subtle a body, if a body; the other too great for me to contest with. [*Amongst the Conway Papers. Imperfect. 2 pp.*]

June 2. 22. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Heath. [*Already calendared under date.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.*]

June 2. 23. Account showing the receipts and issues of the receipt of Exchequer from 26th May till 2nd June. Remaining on 26th May, 640*l.* 15*s.* 0*½d.*; received since, 8,903*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*; total, 9,543*l.* 19*s.* 8*½d.* Whereof issued since in warrants, 7,629*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*; in fees and annuities, 1,270*l.* 4*s.* 7*d.*; total, 8,899*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.* So remains, 2nd June, 644*l.* 6*s.* 9*½d.* [4 pp.]

June 3. 24. John Croo to John Sutton, in Grub Street. Applies for a short loan till Monday seven-night, without which I am utterly spoiled. *Underwritten,*

24. I. *Mem.—Borrowed of Mr. Sutton 40*l.*, for which I hereby promise to give him security by bond. Edward Conway. Endorsed: "Lent to Sir Edw. Conway, 42*l.*" [Damaged. 1 p.]*

June 5. 25. Secretary Conway to Thomas, Earl of Arundel. [*Already calendared under date. Copy. 1 p.*]

June 7. 26. Sir John Killigrew to Sir John Butler, baronet. That  
Arwenack. Captain Hipplesley being at Conquet [in France] was advertised of two ships lying in the road, laden with Spanish goods, and sent in his boat, but was unable to command them. His boat finding a French ship derelict, has brought her in here and left her in my possession till the Duke of Buckingham's pleasure be known; meanwhile Captain Hipplesley is most careful that no distaste be given to the French. [*Seal broken. 1 p.*]

June 9. Grant to Sir Thomas Reynell, of all the issues and profits of the Forest of Dartmoor and other things in co. Devon, for 31 years. [*Docquet, see 29th March 1626.*]

June 9. 27. Account showing the receipts and issues of the receipt of Exchequer from 2nd till 9th June. Remaining on 2nd June, 644*l.* 6*s.* 9*½d.*; received since, 19,419*l.* 16*s.* 7*½d.*; total, 20,064*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.* Whereof issued since, in warrants, 19,307*l.* 9*s.* 5*d.*, in fees, 419*l.* 7*s.* 11*d.*; total, 19,726*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* So remains, 9th June, 337*l.* 6*s.* 1*d.* [4 pp.]

[June 13.] 28. [Attorney-General Heath? to George, Duke of Buckingham.] I have heard from assured intelligence that the Commons' House have prepared and fully concluded upon a remonstrance, as they call it, which, to-morrow, His Majesty giving leave, they propose to present unto him. I hear and believe it wholly concerns your

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Lordship in laying upon you all the supposed crimes before and now again objected against you. Your patience and wisdom and moderation must, by God's guidance of you, overcome these difficulties. I come now of purpose to have waited upon your Grace to have offered my humble but faithful advice; not that I will take upon me in a case of this great weight to counsel His Majesty, when he hath so many of much more ability, but because I dare not be silent where I owe so much faith and real duty. And, now missing of you, I beseech you give me leave to recommend this to the care and trust of your faithful servant, Mr. Crow, to convey it to you. When the Commons' House shall present this to His Majesty, and shall publicly read it in his hearing, as I presume they will, I conceive that if His Majesty will vouchsafe to return unto them an answer at the present to this effect, it will much further his service, or if that fail, as I dare not be confident of the success, it will justly cast the blame of the breach upon them. Proposed answer by the King, commencing, "Gentlemen.—You have offered unto us this remonstrance wherein you express your apprehension of many errors and misdemeanours of high natures committed by the Duke of Buckingham, &c.," and ending, "I have no more to say unto you now, but desire you to believe me that in every title of what I have now said unto you I will really perform, and be the master of my word." [*Copy amongst the Conway Papers, without signature, date, or superscription. 1½ pp.*]

[June 14.] 29. Declaration or remonstrance of the House of Commons to the King. [*Already calendared, see Vol. XXIX., No. 86. Copy amongst the Conway Papers. 8 pp.*]

[June 15.] 30. Petition of Thomas Wright, late Collector of Customs in the port of Chester, and Isaac Wright, his brother, to the Privy Council. That Isaac having become bounden for his brother to King James, the Farmers of General Customs have extended into the Exchequer for the King's use all Thomas' goods, as appears by the annexed certificate, and there is now owing by petitioners to King Charles 464*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.*, for which all the goods, cattle, lands, and tenements of Isaac have lately been extended into the same Court by the assignee of Mr. Garway for the King's use. These being undervalued by the Sheriff [of Surrey] where Isaac resides, he is become utterly impoverished, and so not able to satisfy the King, and Thomas is unable to maintain his wife and family. Pray a protection for one year, to enable petitioners to follow their callings, and so be able to satisfy the King first, and then their other creditors by whom they are in danger to be imprisoned. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

30. 1. *Certificate by Sir John Wolstenholme and Abraham Jacobs to the above effect. [½ p.]*

June 16. 31. Secretary Conway to Sir Allen Apsley, Lieutenant of the Tower. [*Minute of this already calendared under date. Copy. ½ p.*]

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 June 16. 32. Obligation of Ambrose Blight and Nicholas Ematt in 30*l.* to the King, for the faithful landing of 300 bushels of wheat, laden in the "Andrew" at London, or other place within this kingdom. [*Latin and English.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 16. 33. Account showing the receipts and issues of the receipt of Exchequer from the 9th till 16th June. Remaining on 9th June, 337*l.* 6*s.* 1*d.*; received since, 23,458*l.* 0*s.* 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; total, 23,795*l.* 6*s.* 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* Issued since, in warrants, 22,281*l.* 8*s.* 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; in fees, 797*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.*; total, 23,078*s.* 11*s.* 7*d.* So remains this 16th June, 716*l.* 14*s.* 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* [4 pp.]
- June 17. 34. Note by the Council of War of such monies as are already provided or to be forthwith provided for His Majesty's service by the Lord Treasurer. For victualling and furnishing of the fleet now preparing, 22,500*l.*; for ordnance, 4,500*l.*; to the Treasurer of the Navy for mariners' wages, tonnage, &c., 25,000*l.*; for fire-works, 2,500*l.*; for victuals and wages of 100 men added to the former proportion, 700*l.*; total, 55,200*l.*; more due to Mr. John Evelyn for gunpowder, 3,200*l.*; and for payment of mariners and tonnage at the return of the fleet, 28,000*l.*; total, 86,400*l.* [1 p.]
- June 19. 35. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Heath. [*Minute of this already calendared under date.* Copy.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 21. 36. John le Vavas seur, son of Michael le Vavas seur, to William St. Helier's in Jersey. Chesterman, Secretary to [Secretary Conway]. We await patiently your favourable reply to letters about Mr. [Thomas] Olivier and the Greffier. The Denonciateur continues to embroil the estate of the late Bailiff of Jersey. Recommends his nephew for some employment. Prays that they may have a good judge as Bailiff. [*French.* Damaged by damp. 1 p.]
- June 22. 37. Nicolas Effard to the same. My son-in-law the Sieur Richard Dumaresque, the bearer, brings his only son for to place him in London, and seeks means for his advancement. Regrets the death of Monsieur Herault de St. Sauveur, whose loss will be much felt in the Island of Jersey. [*French.* 1 p.]
- June 22. 38. Mem. of business to be moved at the Council Board. Much lead and rice sent from England to Calais, and thence probably conveyed into the Archduchess' country for the use of the enemy. To receive the Lords' order whether such merchandise should be permitted to pass into France. That the Council would give warrant for the Duke of Buckingham to cause all mariners and seamen to be mustered and enrolled. [*Amongst the Conway Papers, damaged by damp.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- June 23. 39. Account showing the receipts and issues of the receipt of Exchequer from 16th till 23rd June. Remaining on 16th June, 716*l.* 4*s.* 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; received since, 13,980*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.*; total, 14,697*l.* 2*s.* 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*



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Issued since, by warrants, 11,886*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*, by fees, 2,197*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.* ; total, 14,083*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.* So remains this 23rd, 613*l.* 2*s.* 9½*d.* [4 *pp.*]

June 24. 40. A letter found with the priests in Newgate from Friar  
 July 4. Matthia di St. Fran[cisca] to Giovanni Battista Griman. [*Italian.*  
 Rome. 1 *p.*]

June 25. 41. Thomas Merrye to Edward, Earl of Worcester, Lord Privy  
 Seal. Praying a warrant to the Sheriffs of Surrey and Sussex for  
 payment of the wages and keep of the hunt of the King's buck-  
 hounds. [*French. Piece of parchment.*]

June 27. 42. [Captain William Hals] to the Duke of Buckingham. Since  
 it was your Grace's pleasure to appoint me to the command of the  
 "Bonaventure," I desire such ample commission as others shall  
 have that I may prepare myself to go aboard and see how she is  
 provided, and in what state all things are, that when service is to  
 be done there may be no want of the needful. I hope you will  
 give me leave to do so, because it may much concern His Majesty's  
 service, your Grace's honour, and my own reputation. Yet I do  
 not speak this to disparage the judgment of any man to whom the  
 charge hereof has been hitherto committed, but out of a care which  
 I and all commanders ought to have in this and such like employ-  
 ments. I have ever bent my thoughts to do you service, so now,  
 considering that the time passes away and no opportunity in regard  
 of your great business for me to deliver by word what I desire, I  
 have thought good by writing to remind you of my former design,  
 with eight or ten ships and four tartanes as your Grace had once  
 determined with me. The time requires that some good service be  
 done to recover the unfortunate success of what is past, and to gain  
 for yourself so much honour as may quell and choak the disgrace-  
 ful rumours of envious enemies. And had I been so happy as to  
 have gone forth as you first determined with me, I might have  
 performed that service before this time, which would have brought  
 both honour and treasure sufficient to have supplied all occasions ;  
 and because money was then scarce and hard to get I proffered by  
 another course with one ship and a pinnace, which would have  
 been no great charge, to effect that great design, and I am ready  
 still at your commandment to put the same in execution and by God's  
 assistance will perform it for you. I presented to your Grace at  
 Hampton Court a paper book containing some especial, secret, and  
 important services, which I doubt you had leisure to peruse,  
 because I find they have been read by others, who I fear will avail  
 themselves of my labours ; howsoever, if you may be thereby well  
 served, I shall then think my labours well bestowed. For this  
 present employment in which your Honour, as I conceive, will be  
 much engaged, and the eyes of all enemies gazing after the event  
 thereof, it is desirable that you be well advised by men of trust  
 and secrecy. [*Damaged by damp. 1 p.*]

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- June 29. 43. Statement concerning the French ship taken out of Conquet Road on the coast of Brittany by Captain Richard Hippeley, holding his Majesty's commission. Being brought into Falmouth it remains in the hands of John Randall, Marshal of the Admiralty. Therefore it is necessary that a commission be sent to some honest man in Falmouth to take charge of the merchandise until it may appear to whom it appertains. *Dorso*,  
 43. i. *The Mayor of Falmouth, Sampson Bloys, and Anthony Mundy*. [French. 1 p.]
- June 30. 44. Attorney-General Heath to Mr. [John] West [of the Exchequer]. I send back to you the commission and inquisition you sent to me for divers houses found to be parcel of the manor of East Smithfield. If a particular of the houses as parcel of the manor be desired, I conceive you have warrant enough by this to make it; what further use they will make of it I know not. But for your warrant to make out this particular, that I leave to the Lord Treasurer. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- June 30. 45. Account showing the receipts and issues of the receipt of Exchequer from 23rd till 30th June. Remaining on 23rd June, 613*l.* 2*s.* 9½*d.*; received since, 24,262*l.* 0*s.* 7*d.*; total, 24,875*l.* 3*s.* 4½*d.* Issued in warrants, 20,721*l.* 0*s.* 8½*d.*; in fees, 2,841*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.*; total, 23,562*l.* 19*s.* 1½*d.* So remains this 30th June, 1,312*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.* [4 pp.]
- [June.] 46. Mem. of business to be submitted to the Council. Captain Thomas Porter having been six years employed in very chargeable sea service desires to have a lease in reversion of the manor and castle of Carew in Pembrokeshire. Francis Tunstead hath a pension of 50*l.* per annum as bow-bearer in the High Peak and keeper of the moor game, but being behind a whole year prays the King's order for payment and continuance of the pension. Norton, the waymaker's widow, prays that His Majesty would recommend her son for Sutton's Hospital. George Verney, having discovered the concealed wardship [of the now Countess of Castlehaven], had a gift of the fine thereby accruing to the King, but desires a Privy Seal for the better discharge of himself and the Court of Wards. To know the King's pleasure touching the pension offered to Mons. Rustorff from the French King, as also touching the coming home of Sir Robert Anstruther. Whether Sir Thomas Roe may not join in expense with the rest of the ambassadors for opposing the Spanish treaty. Mr. Gourdon prays that his uncle's pension of 150*l.* as agent for Poland may be transferred to him and the arrearages paid. That he may have allowance for intelligence, and that His Majesty would write to Poland in favour of the merchants. [1 p.]
- [June ?] 47. Grant of the reversion of a Prebend's place in Worcester Cathedral to Henry Hackett, M.A. [Countersigned by Theophilus Field, Bishop of Llandaff, ready for the King's signature. Parchment].

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[June ?]. 48. Sir Edmond Skory to George, Duke of Buckingham. I have made many journeys to wait upon you since the beginning of this Parliament, but could not get so much as a turn of your eye. All that I had to say was that for all these storms I am and will still be your Grace's immovable servant. [*Seal, with device.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[June.] 49. Petition of Henry Meolls [one of the Sergeants from the Low Countries, sent for to train the Militia]. Petitioner was appointed by your Honours for Surrey, with entertainment and 6s. a week, which the Deputy-Lieutenants exchanged for 16s. a week, and he to bear his own charges. Has received but 9l. for all his service since the 30th of January. Having done his best endeavour to instruct the officers of militia in co. Surrey, prays order for payment of such sum as you shall think meet. [1 p.]

[June.] 50. Application to the King on behalf of [Henry Nevill], Lord Abergavenny, for the grant of a royal protection for two years for himself and his sureties to enable him to treat with his creditors, the Bill preferred in the last Parliament for enabling him to make sale of his lands, though it passed both Houses, having been rendered of no effect owing to the dissolution of the Parliament. Or else that Commissioners may be appointed to treat with his creditors to accept of some reasonable satisfaction. *Underwritten,*

50. 1. *Names of the Commissioners proposed.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[June.] 51. Advices concerning the encroachments and dangers likely to arise from the exorbitant pretensions of the Roman Catholic Church, and the sufferance of priests and Jesuits about the Queen's person and Court, with proposed remedies. Evils arising from the excessive extension of the Pope's authority, this so being, the Queen's clergy, including her Almoner, who is also head of her Council and her confessor, receiving their directions from the Court of Rome, must by necessary consequence govern the Queen and themselves as well inwardly in conscience as outwardly in matrimonial behaviour and service towards the King, according to the maxims and instructions of that Court, a thing as well suspicious and prejudicial to matrimonial affection and civil conversation as dangerous to the King's own person and State. Testify the accidents fresh in memory upon the kings and crowns of France and Navarre. The Queen's clergy receive their directions wholly from the Court of Rome, making little account of the canons and practice of the Gallican Church and State of France. Witness their briefs and bulls thence derived. Remedies proposed. May it please His Majesty, while leaving the Queen in free exercise of her religion, so far to declare his will and royal authority, as thereby notwithstanding to receive from her conformity of will, affection, and external conversation, from all of her family true obedience and fidelity. By the 11th Article of the Treaty it is specified not to permit any in another's default to be admitted into the Queen's family without the King's own consent; but those

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so admitted to be such as of whose fidelity and sound opinions in laws he is first well assured. Contrary to which 11th Article Friar Gilles of the Order of St. Francis, a native of Avignon, is admitted Almoner without the King's consent, notwithstanding he publicly professes himself, even in the King's Court, a maintainer of those dangerous positions, upon which Friar Jacques, Jean Chatelle, Barriere, and Ravalliac were moved either to attempt or indeed impiously to effect the abominable parricide of Henry the 3rd and 4th, last kings of France. Whereby it is manifest how necessary it is for all princes and sovereign magistrates severely to punish as well the professors, teachers, and maintainers of such false positions and impious paradoxies, as their receivers, harbourers, and relievers. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 1½ pp.]

52. Another copy of the above. [2½ pp.]

[June ?] 53. Bishop Laud of St. David's to the Duke of Buckingham. [*Already calendared. See Vol. I., p. 363. Holograph.* 1 p.]

[June.] 54. Opinion relative to informations and grievances lately presented to the Council Board by Hugh Hue and John de Rues against the Dean of Jersey and his son James Bandinell. [2½ pp.]

[June.] 55. *Mem.*—That George Verney, having discovered the concealed wardship of the now Lady Castlehaven, wife of the Earl of Castlehaven, had a grant of the fine imposed to His Majesty, and obtained a Privy Seal dated 27th June 1626, but having hitherto received no benefit is a suitor for the accomplishment of His Majesty's gracious bounty. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[June.] 56. Roger Vaughan to Sir Edward Conway. Unsatisfactory interview with Mr. Sutton. If your Worship please that I should appear for you I desire a warrant under your hand. I refer it to you to give me what content you may think me worthy of. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Encloses,*

56. i. Copy of the writ. [*Five lines.*]

[June ?] 57. Notes by Edward Nicholas, probably for the use of the Duke of Buckingham. A fourth part of the trained men of every county, as well horse as foot, may be well required and levied for the defence of the kingdom at this time of so great appearance of danger, and because so many soldiers are already in pay upon the western coasts the proportion for money must hold, and a far less proportion of men be sent out of most counties, which will give great content to those counties, being near the time of harvest. The number of trained foot in this kingdom are about 8,700, and the horse near 10,000. London and the cities and towns upon the sea coasts might contribute 30,000*l.*, and the recusants and usurers may give extraordinary supply. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

57. i. Copy of same. [1 p.]

July 2. 58. The King to Archbishop Abbot as one of the Governors of  
Westminster. Sutton's Hospital. To secure for Robert Norton, an orphan son of the late Surveyor of Ways, the next scholar's room in Sutton's Hospital. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

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 July 3. 59. The like, recommending Rowland Man, whose father perished  
 Westminster. in one of the royal ships cast away on the coast of Holland, for a  
 scholar's place in the Charterhouse. [*Draft. 1 p.*]
- [July 4.] 60. Grant and confirmation of a Charter for Liverpool. [*Already  
 calendared. See Vol. I., p. 367. 2½ pp.*]
- July 9. Warrant of Secretary Conway to all Mayors, Sheriffs, and others.  
 Whitehall. To furnish his servant, William Welde, with two nags for himself  
 and a guide at the accustomed rates, as he is to pass over into  
 Ireland, and after some stay there to return. [*Written on the same  
 paper as 25th November 1626. Copy. ½ p.*]
- July 11. Order by the King constituting Sir William Russell to be Trea-  
 surer of the Navy and Receiver-General of all money paid upon  
 the sale [of stores]. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]
- July 12. 61. The true state of the cause of George Rooke. [*Already  
 calendared. See Vol. I., p. 373.*]
- July 15. 62. Petition of James Williams to Sir Robert Naunton, Master  
 of the Court of Wards. For leave to take out a writ of mandamus  
 and a melins inquirendo to find an office and so entitle the King to  
 certain lands in the Holmes, co. Lancaster, part of the inheritance  
 of the heir of Robert Hodgson, and afterwards petitioner to be  
 admitted to compound for the concealed wardship. *Subjoined,*  
 62. i. Order as desired. [=1 p.]
- July 15. 63. Note of such manors and lands as I [John Digby, Earl  
 of Bristol] have sold towards the discharge of my debts since  
 my coming out of Spain in March 1625. Total of sum realised,  
 15,446*l.* Disbursed in payment of debts and uses since my coming  
 out of Spain, 14,966*l.* I remain still indebted this 15th July 1626,  
 13,028*l.* [*Amongst the Conway Papers. ¾ p.*]
- July 17. 64. [Robert Maxwell] Earl of Nithsdale to George, Duke of  
 Walton. Buckingham. Requests him to procure that the Earl of Angus  
 may be added to the Council and Commissioners of the Exchequer  
 and Grievances, as it would tend to the furtherance of the King's  
 designs. I can assure you he is both stout and kind, and will be  
 found very serviceable. I durst not so much as entreat you to  
 witness that promise made to me by His Majesty's father, of worthy  
 but sad memory, while I was sick in Italy. If that intelligence  
 had been continued you might have had more certain knowledge  
 that way than from your ambassadors abroad, but give me leave  
 to say it is a little of the Puritan humour not to take what may be  
 for our advantage though from thence. My trust is that our master  
 [the King] will not suffer his servants to perish. [*Modern copy  
 from original amongst the Conway Papers. 1 p.*]
- July 19. 65. Robert Carr, Earl of Somerset, to the same. I was an  
 humble suitor by your Lordship to the King before this last Par-  
 liament to have had the honour to kiss His Majesty's hands

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wherein I hear you both moved him then and now again of late, for which I am much bounden to you. But, howsoever, it pleased not him at this time to do me so great a favour, yet I hear he favours justice and right, which, since I am like to fail of other helps, I must rely upon. You may remember that not long before King [James's] decease I took occasion to remind him that of his former gift some part remained untaken up by me. Besides that, if my carriage had seemed strange herein, as well it might to those who considered thereof by what they would have done themselves in the like case, yet it would be found but to suit with the rest of what I had done, for, until after that dangerous sickness King [James] had at Royston, I had taken no part of my estate, though I had order for it by the King's warrant for a year and a half before that. Besides, I neglected even safety, and neither took pardon nor liberty, but made myself my own prisoner for many years after; hereupon it is that I am to ground my suit to King [Charles] now, and wherein I shall do you no wrong to entreat your assistance. Because if this were a matter only [of right] to me by gift or by any title to which other men may claim, yet the time being improper for such motions I might find it fit to press it now as sparingly as I have done heretofore; but I conceive that I shall deserve better of His Majesty to desire that an end may be made of it than that it should rest as it hath done, for if princes be bound by their words, and that when they have promised they have given, their great seals being but as witnesses thereto and to bind their successors, then that grant, which I hold by, hath a surer seal affixed to it and will bind them more. Wherefore, and that I may be understood herein the better, I have sent you a brief relation of this business as it was proceeded in both of the King's part and by myself, and with it another paper whereof Mr. Parker, your servant, has still a copy which he had to give you in the late King's time, in the latter end or close whereof you will find words that agree with the same I write now to you. In this you will find the substance of what I have to say touching this particular, wherein I must truly confess that my own part hath spoken least for me, for although it be by right that I claim that which I have asked, yet I cannot complain that I have had wrong done me by any but myself; and whereof I have much cause to be asbamed, in that I am not only now to ask for my own, but that to strengthen my right thereto I am enforced to make known my weakness, and to what hazards I had exposed both myself and all the little fortune I have. Of this I write the more freely to you, because I conceive that you will have some sense of my oversights, and find out rather reasons of excuse for me, such as may cover my errors, than to lay them open by giving me cause to plead for myself, for you know who must be a party thereto, and that it concerns him unto whom we were both of us of all men most bound, and who is bound herein by no ordinary engagements, nor shall I need hereunto to add what I understand myself to be in reference to you, and how much the bonds betwixt those that are of one profession, or society, hold more firmly than those do that

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are held the nearest, nor will I pretend any expectations I have had of a better usage and confidence in King [Charles], his son, and in yourself, to whom I confess I could not conceive that I should ever need to make other suit, than only to make known what I had to desire. But I will ever nakedly, and as it is [plain], commend it to your Lordship, for it is nothing to the credit of a cause good in itself to be insisted on and laboured with many reasons. [*Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers. 3 pp.*]

July 20.

66. Lord Conway to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Hants. How careful and how tender His Majesty is of the safety and well-being of his people, and how providently and wisely he provides for the same, you shall find by the enclosed several copies of letters directed to me by the Lords of the Council. I have full confidence in your care and diligence in carrying out these instructions, so that we may not fail in the certificates required. The Isle of Wight is my particular care; in the rest I will rely upon you. Upon receipt of the Council's letters I wrote to the Lords Lieutenants of the several counties which are to send assistance to that county if it should be attempted, desiring them to inform both me and you of the condition and arms of the men to be sent and of the commanders, so that, upon firing of the beacons or by letter when warned they may repair to such places as may be fittest for the common defence. Touching the Provost Marshal, I leave it to you to make choice of a sufficient man and to give him all necessary instructions. [*Copy. 1 p.*]

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67. The same to the Deputy-Lieutenants of the Isle of Wight. His Majesty and the Council have been so careful to provide for the safety of the subject that little remains to be done but follow their directions, which you will understand by their letters enclosed to me. I trust to your care in well ordering all things conducive to the defence of that Island, of which you are to return an account for the Lords' satisfaction. If you have any further propositions for the defence of that isle, when I shall understand them, I will recommend them either to the King or Council as may be requisite. [*Copy. 1 p.*]

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68. The same to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Hants. You are not unacquainted with the general weakness and defects of the horse troops of this kingdom, and the many inconveniences that may thence arise to His Majesty's service and their safety for want of exercising and disciplining, the well ordering of which in these dangerous times is of the utmost importance, yet has been most neglected, so that these troops are grown wonderous weak and almost un-serviceable. To assist you to a reformation in this point I have sent for this gentleman, Mr. Morley, out of the Low Countries, being of long experience and good abilities, to instruct in all military points, that he may be employed for instructing the officers and others as you shall think fit. You will by this means

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- July 21. 69. The same to Attorney-General Heath. To examine Sir Whitehall. Henry Bedingfield's requests. [*Already calendared under date.* *Copy.* ½ p.]
- July 21. 70. Account showing the receipts and issues of the receipt of Exchequer from 14th till 21st July:—Remaining on the 14th, 2,693*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.*; received since, 11,341*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.*; total, 14,035*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* Issued since, 9,414*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.*; and so remains this 21st July, 4,620*l.* 18*s.* 7*d.* [4 pp.]
- July 23. 71. Note of ships stayed by His Majesty's fleet, and of the judgments that have been passed upon them in the Admiralty Court. These ships were the "St. George," "St. Mary," "Esperance," "St. Claud," "Paradise," "St. James," "St. Peter," "Seaventure," "St. Peter," "St. James" of Dover, "St. Andrew" of Amsterdam, "St. Andrew" of Calais, "St. Peter" of Havre-de-Grace, "King David" of Dover, "St. Nicholas" of Calais, "St. Luke," and "Red Hart." [1½ pp.]
- July 24. Sir John Peyton, junr., Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to Lord Montorgueil. Treasurer [Marlborough]. The addresses of the Governor, and Castle. myself as his Lieutenant when absent, have ever been made by suit to the Lord Treasurer, especially on occasion of restraint or during the interim of the renewing of the Patent of Privileges. Wherefore, whilst waiting for the renewal of our privileges, I, on behalf of the generality of the isle and in particular of the castles, in the absence of my father, am a humble suitor to you for letters to the customers at London and the western ports that the inhabitants may be allowed to transport such quantities of wool, leather, merceries, and other necessary provisions of victual and coal as their patents allow, and without which neither the garrisons nor the islanders can well subsist. [*Copy.* 1 p. See 27th August 1626, No. 107.]
- July 25. Grant to Thomas Ravenscroft of the office and place of Filer of all bills, answers, processes, and all other pleadings in the Court of Exchequer of Chester in the County Palatine of Cheshire. [*Docquet.* See 29th March 1626.]
- July 27. 72. The Council to the Lord Treasurer, Lord President, and Lord Chamberlain of the Household. To call before them the Earls of Ormond and Desmond, and to hear and determine the difference between them. By order of Lord Conway, and by him procured. [*Docquet.* ¼ p.]
- July 28. 73. Account of moneys received and issued in the receipt of Exchequer from 21st July until the 28th, viz.: Remaining on the 21st, 4,620*l.* 18*s.* 7*d.*; received since, 11,513*l.* 8*s.*; total, 16,134*l.* 6*s.* 7*d.* Issued, 6,530*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.*; so remains, 9,603*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* [4 pp.]



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- [July 31.] 74. Note of merchants' names who by virtue of a Privy Seal granted by His Majesty are to withdraw their bonds given concerning [the payment of the extinct duty on foreign] hops. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- [July.] 75. Notes by [Captain Joshua] Downing, of boatswains and gunners fit to be preferred when places become void in the Royal Navy, of disabled boatswains now in place, and of some in merchants' ships who are able men and willing to serve as boatswains in His Majesty's ships. Divers of the pursers are men very sufficient and fitting for their places. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]
- [July.] 76. Order of Council touching the ship "St. Jacob" at Portsmouth. In accordance with the recommendation of the Mayor and others of Dartmouth, the Lords do hereby order that none of the prize goods remaining in the "St. Jacob" shall be removed and those landed be re-shipped in her and so brought to London, where the Master should receive his freight. [*Draft.* 2 pp.]
- [July.] 77. Notes by Lord Conway, probably to be submitted to the King and Council, respecting the order to be pursued in dismissing the French attendants of Queen Henrietta Maria. In case there should be more violent passion found than can be well conceived, it were good that the Captain of the Guard gave order for an officer and some men to be in attendance, to obey the directions of someone to be named; barges to be provided to convey them to Somerset House. Whether those remaining at St. James shall be presently called to Denmark House? How long time shall be given them for their preparation to depart? with several other queries. [*Holograph.*  $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]
- [July?] 78. Objections addressed to "His Lordship" [the Lord Treasurer] against the pretended grievances of Hugh Hue, Constable of St. Mary's Parish, Jersey, and John de Rues, showing that they are turbulent, and the authors of all the differences now in question between the Dean, their Minister, and themselves. I. During the last sickness in the Island, under pretext of their office, they made us the object of their malevolence, and used all partiality with divers vexations, viz., in presuming, on the morning of the second Sunday in July 1626, and without any warrant or warning, to command him, in the King's name, not to preach that day, expelling the clerks, and causing the church to be shut up the whole day, to the great scandal of the whole Isle, although it was known by all that the writer and his family were enjoying perfect health. Their partiality and not the fear of the contagion may appear by these instances: 1. That without any scruple, they, with two other men, entered the writer's house that very morning, and freely talked with him on divers subjects. 2. That before and since they have all freely conversed with the parishioners, and resorted to the writer's house. 3. That John de Rues lodged in his own house Edmund Deane and a part of his family, who had left the rest at St. Aubin the place then

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most infected, and had liberty for the church, notwithstanding Edmund Deane often went to the same place. 4. That in hatred of the writer, we, the two advocates of the Ecclesiastical Court, were shut up in their houses by their means, and only for having spoken to the writer's son, their Minister, but all the rest of that company left at liberty. 5. They forbade the miller to grind any corn, notwithstanding the parishioners had liberty to grind theirs, which they fetched from the writer's house, to their knowledge. II. They have on a Sunday thrust the writer's wife out of the church with a halberd, although she was resident in their parish, a violence done in the face of her son, newly instituted in the said parish, and a provocation able to move the patience of the most temperate man. III. They have aggravated the words of some part of a sermon of his, reporting at first that he should have said that these times were worse than the times of Queen Mary, and three months after adding maliciously that we were under a worse reign, which word (under), implying more consequence for their own ends, they have not been able to prove, and the word reign or time, doubtfully reported, mutilating the period, and omitting the said fact of expulsion of his wife and impeachment done to the service of God, which their Minister then reprehended as a fact rather beseeeming the Papists of those days than to Protestants one towards the other. IV. Hugh Hue presumes that all is lawful unto him, because he is Constable, as lately the profaning of the church or the communion table with the blood of a dog, which he stabbed with a knife while the Minister was preaching, a fact requiring exemplary satisfaction. V. John de Rues still continues his slanderous courses, having lately defamed the writer before three men in the town, by calling him a liar and sower of lies. As for their petition to the Lords, the grounds thereof are erroneous and untrue, for when they allege that their Minister convented them in the Ecclesiastical Court, to be revenged, as they had informed the magistrate, of certain speeches of his, above rehearsed, their recrimination to the contrary appears by the acts of both Courts, the Ecclesiastical hearing and their appearance being 11th December 1626, and their information to the Bailiffs and Jurats the 23rd, where they allege that for not submitting themselves and the trial of the whole business of their information they were excommunicated, it is answered that their frequent defamation, disrespect of their Minister, by distractions and railing speeches against him in all company was the ground of this action against them, for if they had informed the magistrate, as officers, to cease thereupon, and not to stir up contentions and slanders about their Minister in all companies, and thereby knowing themselves guilty, they would not enter into contention, but refusing to answer, with contumacious words, in lieu of some terms of satisfaction or reconciliation, for their stubbornness and contempt, they have incurred the censure. All the premises duly weighed, viz., their palpable abuse of their office, their injurious carriage, and violent provocations, with their old wrangling disposition with all their pastors from time to time, your Lordship may be pleased to

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consider and for their satisfaction, what your grave wisdom may conceive to be most fitting for God's glory, the public edification, and the good of all the parties thereunto, I submit to your determination. [1½ pp.]

[July.] 79. Certificate addressed to the King. Recommending the choice of Sir Philip Carteret to discharge the place of Bailiff of Jersey, now vacant by the death of M. de St. Sauveur. [Draft. 1 p.]

[July.] 80. List showing the number of ships appointed by the Council of War to be manned and victualed for three months by the several port towns; the ships not to be less than 150 tons, with 10 or 12 pieces of ordnance. Ports which are to find and furnish their own ships. Total, 21 ships. Ports to which the ships are to be sent from London. Total, 16. [1 p.]

[July?] 81. A letter from some foreigner, who asserts that he has intelligence to communicate secretly to the Duke of Buckingham from France of circumstances which will bring about his ruin as Lord High Admiral of England. [*Without date or signature, but a notice that the writer may be found at the "Swan," opposite Somerset House. Amongst the Conway Papers. ½ p.*]

[July.] 82. Petition of Nicholas Pratis, of Vitré, in France, merchant, to G., Duke of Bucks. Represent that the "Hope," of Calais, departed with goods for Spain 24th April last, but being arrived at St. Lucar the crew were not suffered to enter the port or land their merchandise, the Duke of Medina asserting that the contagious sickness was in Calais, and if they should attempt to harbour in any of the King of Spain's dominions both ship and goods would be burned. They were in consequence constrained for 40 days to beat about outside the harbour, exposed to foul weather and Turks' and pirates' men-of-war. On their return voyage to Calais, having come as far as the Isle of Wight, on Saturday, 8th July, they were met by the King's ships under Admiral Sir Francis Steward, who commanded them to strike their sails, which obeying, they were then boarded and the master and part of his men made prisoners, though the crew were wholly French, and the ship brought into Portsmouth. After being detained prisoners for eight days they were released and the ship delivered over to the Deputy Vice-Admiral at Portsmouth, who seized the letters and bills of lading, by which it appears the goods belonged to the French merchants. Petitioner prays his Grace to give order that the ship and goods may be re-delivered up to him, the rather for that the sickness is now very hot at Portsmouth and may endanger all his men now in her there. [1½ pp.]

Aug. 3. 83. R. Chartier [one of the household of Queen Henrietta Maria?] to Mons. Mauer [Theodore Mayern?], Physician to [Mary], Countess of Buckingham. Complaining of the recompense he has received for his services, and entreating the good offices of the Duke. [*French. 1 p.*]

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84. Account of moneys received and issued out of the receipt of Exchequer from 28th July until 4th August, viz.: Remaining on the 28th, 9,603*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*; received since, 8,399*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*; total, 18,003*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* Issued by warrants, 16,414*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.*; and so remains, 1,588*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* [4 *pp.*]

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85. Bond of Abraham and John Jacob of London in 220*l.* to Gilbert Keate, grocer, and others for the due performance of this agreement. [*Strip of parchment.*]

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86. List of indulgencies found with the priests in Newgate, viz., the indulgencies of the habit or scapulary of our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel. Confirmed for ever, A.D. 1609, by Pope Paul V. [1 *p.*]

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87. John Prust to [his cousin Sir Edward Denys]. For your business at the Assizes I have done my best. I could not write to you sooner, because I could not speak with my brother Prust and Mr. Orchard together. As yet there is nothing done in it, only the trial is past by default against you, so you have saved all charge, and Orchard is content to stand to all charges for the trial, and assure yourself there is no danger for that nor for further proceedings until I come to you. [1 *p.*]

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88. Report signed by Lord Treasurer Marlborough, Viscount Grandison, and Sir Richard Weston, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to the King concerning the defences of the Isle of Wight. In obedience to your letters of 11th June 1625 we have informed ourselves of the defects of your castles in this Island, especially of Sandham Castle, being the only strength and fortification upon the south side of the Island. By the last survey the repairs were estimated at 800*l.*, and since then a great part of the castle is fallen into the sea. Defects in the rest of the castles. It is most necessary that Caries Sconce, which is just opposite to Hurst Castle, should be remedied for guard of the Channel. We would suggest that 1,500*l.* imprest should be delivered to Sir John Leigh, Sir Edward Denys, and Sir John Oglander, Deputy-Lieutenants of the Isle, for the present setting forward those works especially for Sandham Castle. We have also examined what instructions have been given to former captains and what may be fit for the present times, and do find that the wisdom of former times hath so providently provided and made it the whole scope of their counsels and directions to have the Island well peopled and the inhabitants constantly resident well armed and ordered for defence, as we cannot but approve all that hath been offered to our consideration herein, and wish a good improvement of so good purposes for your Majesty's service. The warrant for the money to be issued, the form of instructions to be given to Lord Conway, and the grant for enlarging the jurisdiction of the Knighton Court, we have, according to your commission to us, given order for preparing for your Majesty's signature if it should so be approved by you. [1½ *pp.*]

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- Aug. 10. 89. Copy of the same with alterations. [2 pp.]
- Aug. 10. 90. Drafts of the preceding. [= 2 pp.]
- [Aug. 10.] 91. Instructions for Edward, Lord Conway, one of the Principal Secretaries of State and Captain of the Isle of Wight. [Draft. 5 pp.]
- Aug. 11. 92. Account of moneys received and issued out of the receipt of Exchequer, from 4th August until 11th August, viz.:—Remaining on the 4th, 1,588*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*; received since, 568*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; total, 2,156*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* Issued by warrants, 1,960*l.* 16*s.* 0*d.*, and so remains this 11th August, 195*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.* [4 pp.]
- Aug. 14. 93. Lord Treasurer Marlborough and Sir Richard Weston, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to George, Duke of Buckingham. Since our last conference with you we have entered into serious consideration of the great want of present money for His Majesty's important affairs, viz, payment of wages of mariners of the fleet lately returned and others returning, payment of the soldiers upon the coast, payment of the soldiers in Ireland and in the Low Countries, and payment and securing of Burlamachi to whom His Majesty is indebted towards 30,000*l.*, and whose further assistance for want thereof we are like to lose, and whose estate is ready to be ruined by the taking away of those moneys, for the French, which were formerly assigned to him, for redress whereof, although there have been great pains taken by the Commissioners to provide supply, yet the same requires longer time than the necessity of service will now permit; whereof, as your Grace is a witness by your often being present at our meetings, so we hold it our duties for our discharge to entreat you to acquaint His Majesty therewithal. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- Aug. 15. 94. Captain Nathaniel Darell [Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, Castle Cornet. to the Governor Henry Lord Danvers]. Having intelligence by letter of the 12th, from Mr. Legge, a merchant of St. Malo, I am in duty bound to let you know that about 60 sail of Biscayans are ready to put to sea well provided for an attempt upon these parts, either the Isles of Guernsey and Jersey or for England; but the number of land soldiers being but 6,000, I conclude in probability it is rather for these Isles. The people of St. Malo have apprised Mr. Legge of this news, who has offered to send us any munition wanted for Guernsey. [1 p.]
- Aug. 15. Complaint made by Stephen Piccot and five others to Sir John Montorgueil Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, about the time of the Castle. rumour of the Biscayans intended coming to the Channel Islands. That they are kept in so narrowly and strictly night and day that they are not able to keep themselves at the garrison of the castle, all things being now so dear, unless they might have liberty to ply their trades and labour as before. [Copy. See 27th August 1626.]
- Aug. 16. Certificate by Sir J. Peyton notifying the discharge of the six Montorgueil soldiers of the garrison who petitioned by way of complaint as Castle. above. [Copy. See 27th August 1626.]

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The Tower.

95. John, Earl of Bristol, to the King. Upon my first commitment to the Tower I presumed to be a humble suitor to your Majesty that it might not displease you, that I laid before you, a gracious promise that you have been pleased often to make to me. That I should never be condemned by you so much as in your opinion, until you should first have heard me speak for myself, the performance of which promise I can no ways despair of in your own due time, both for justice sake and for your princely words' sake. And in the interim for that I understand both by the Attorney-General's new addition in his information in the Star Chamber, as likewise by other means, that besides the faults I stood charged with to have committed in Spain, my late proceedings have been so represented to you, that thereby your heavy displeasure hath been much increased towards me; I therefore beseech your Majesty that in the meantime, until I may be further heard by you, I may have leave truly to set down for you my proceedings, the which, as they now stand represented to you, I cannot but most justly expect all rigour; but when the truth of them shall be laid before you, I cannot but hope that your just and royal heart will judge my case not only capable of your grace but in some measure deserving commiseration. He then enters upon a review of the proceedings against him since the King's coming to the throne, and details the unrelenting persecution he has suffered. Confesses he was moved to some passion in his answer to the charges against him in the House of Lords, but is not ashamed of that passion when it was produced by his being branded as a traitor and feeling as he did the integrity of a loyal and true subject and servant. He says that, in his answer, "he kept silent many things highly important to his defence, because he judged the divulging of them might be to "His Majesty's displeasure," and of this he is confident Mr. Attorney [Heath] will bear witness. Protests that he was ever most faithful both to his late Majesty and yourself. In my defence in Parliament I was enforced unto all I said, having omitted nothing that was possible for me to do, for the keeping of things from those extremities. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 7 pp.]

Aug. 17.  
Guernsey.

96. Amice de Carteret, Thomas Beauvoir, and eight others, inhabitants of Guernsey, to Lord Conway. Intelligence received from [Mr. Legge], a merchant of St. Malo in Brittany, that a fleet of 60 sail with patches and long boats and having on board 5,000 soldiers were ready at passages in Biscay to make an attempt on Guernsey and Jersey, and have procured pilots at St. Malo and Granville. Request that order may be taken to succour the islanders in this imminent danger. Represent the unprovided state of Castle Cornet. Information sent by Mr. Darell to the Governor of Guernsey. [*French.* 1 p.]

Aug. 18. Patent creating William Viscount Wallingford, Earl of Banbury, co. Oxon, heirs males. [*Docquet.* See 27th March 1626.]

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Aug. 20.  
Montorgueil  
Castle  
in Jersey,

97. Sir John Peyton to Edward, Viscount Conway. According to the Council's letters to the Lord Admiral I have, ever since the spring, been expecting the arrival of a small ship or pinnace of His Majesty's, as well for securing our poor trade as for encouraging the inhabitants to undertake their own defence. We have much need of gunpowder and lead for supply of the castles and country. I send intelligence we have received, which takes no further with me than rumour ought from such persons and places being resolved and prepared against all events for the securing and satisfaction of the country. [1 p.] *Encloses,*

97. I. *Advertisement received from Mr. Legge, a merchant in St. Malo, touching a fleet of 60 sail of Biscayans ready to depart thence for invasion of these islands.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Aug. 20. Copy of the preceding. [See 27th August 1626, No. 107.]

Aug. 20.  
Montorgueil  
Castle.

Sir J. Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to Mr. Elie de Carteret, the King's Procurer in Jersey and Captain of the Parish of St. Peter's, Jersey. I desire you to have always in readiness under your command as Captain 50 or 60 able men for defence of the tower of St. Alban's [St. Aubin.] I will give direction to Edmund Deanes, the keeper, for employing the cannon there for the safeguard of the island and defence of the harbour. Let your men be well armed with muskets or pikes, for that place is of greater consequence than any other in the island. [*Copy. See 27th August 1626, No. 107.*]

Aug. 20.  
Montorgueil  
Castle.

The same to Edmund Deanes, keeper of the fort at St. Aubin. I would have you make present repair to the tower at St. Aubin, and having viewed the state of the Ordnance there, to report to me how you are furnished with gunpowder and bullets. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 20.  
Court at  
Nonsuch.

98. Warrant signed by the King, and addressed to the Judges, Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Vice-Admirals, and others. It having been our pleasure to set at liberty Fray Beda, a friar of the order of Carmelites, now in the New prison of London, and to allow him 30 days to depart this kingdom, you are to suffer him quietly to go about his private business and arriving at any port to pass without molestation out of this kingdom. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Aug. 22.  
St. Helier.

99. John Vavasour, fils Michell, to William Chesterman, Secretary to Lord Conway. Informing him that they are menaced with total ruin by the Spaniards who have ready to sail a fleet of 60 row-vessels of 50 or 60 tons each, having on board 6,000 soldiers and an English pilot engaged at St. Malo. For such invasion we are wholly unprepared, our own soldiers having been discharged. The corn due at Michaelmas is still on the ground, but has been ordered by the authorities to be paid in and housed within eight days. [*French.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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Aug. 23.  
Easton.

100. Sir William Maynard to George, Duke of Buckingham. I am sorry that I cannot give you so good an account of my service in advancing the free gift to his Majesty in this county of Essex as I verily expected, for I find all men for the most part obstinately resolute against it and impatient of any reasons which might persuade them to the better, yet I have had the happiness so far to prevail with my neighbours in this hundred [Dunmow] that the greater part have agreed to give to the proportion of two subsidies. I am forced to pray your Grace to be a mediator for me to His Majesty that, unless the rest in this county shall follow their example, he would remit the free gift of my neighbours which of itself amounts to so little that it would not be worth his acceptance. [*Damaged.* 1 p.]

Aug. 23.  
"Vanguard," at  
Portsmouth.

101. Captain John Pennington to George, Duke of Buckingham. Since my coming hither I have called all the captains and masters of ships together and examined into all their wants, and note of these is sent to the Commissioners [of the Navy], being only provisions which may be readily supplied as carpenters' and boatswains' stores, if order be given for their furnishing. Our munitions, emptions, and all other provisions from the office of Ordnance are here, or will be speedily. We are taking in our victuals as fast as we can and I hope we shall have sufficient of all kinds, with the 100 tuns of wine which are come and the other provisions that Mr. Lieutenant [of the Ordnance] hath shipped from thence, and which are not yet arrived. I pray your Grace to give order for the sending of 300 or 400 good men more to us, for I fear that will prove our greatest want, and it may very well be done out of those ships which are called in and discharged. Let the "Esperance" and "Abraham" be speeded away, for till they come I cannot stir, I having no sails to bring [the ships] to the yard except what is in them, besides, they bring the necessaries and emptions for the greater part of the fleet. If I had men and these ships were come I could put to sea with three or four ships within two days. By reason of some disorder that has been in the fleet, the ships are not so forward as otherwise they might have been, but I hope to set all things in order. [*Portsmouth, this 23rd of August at 9 a.m., Alton at 2 p.m., and Staines past 9 a.m. Three seals with arms.* 1 p.]

Aug. 24.  
Whitehall.

102. Lord Treasurer Marlborough to Mr. West. I am informed by Mr. Treswell, His Majesty's Surveyor, that he has not been able to procure such commissions or writs as the present service requires, therefore you are to take order with such of the attorneys in your office as it may concern for these to be delivered to him. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

Aug. 25.

103. Sir Edward Denys and Sir John Oglander, Deputy-Lieutenants of the Isle of Wight, to Lord Conway. We received your letter on the 19th present, desiring to be informed of the jurisdiction, form, and customs of our Knighton Court, as also whether it be held by custom or patent. In the first place, for answer, we thank you for your love and the great care you have of us, and for satisfaction of



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your demands, wanting records, we enclose a note of as much as by intelligence we can learn, adding our opinions on some points, but refer it to your better wisdom. Concerning Sandham Castle we hold it our duties to inform you of the weakness thereof, and pray you to procure us a small part of the 1,500*l.* for the repairs before winter. [*At Portsmouth, 5 p.m., at East Meon, 7½ p.m., and at Alton, 10 p.m. Seal, with arms and crest. 1 p.*]

Aug. 26,

104. John Shotbolt and Adam Moore to George, Duke of Buckingham. Not having been successful in obtaining access to you personally, we take this means to convey to you the suggestions which upon appointment of an interview we will explain more fully. His Majesty having granted to your Grace and others his commission for advancement of his revenue and supply of his high designs, we have thought it our bounden duties, having nine years' experience in such matters, to offer to you these few general suggestions:—1. That the improvement of His Majesty's unnecessary forests and other waste lands is the most substantial means for raising a powerful treasury. 2. The names and quantities of above 30 particular grounds in one county which would yield His Majesty near 200,000*l.* 3. In what manner the King's profit shall arise. 4. How the borderers may be satisfied. 5. What agents to be used and on what terms. 6. Observations. 7. The way and means to begin and proceed in the work so as to obtain a general consent. Some of these particulars we have already imparted to Sir Robert Pye, who has well accepted them. But, as we began the affair of King's Sedgmoor, co. Somerset, and have run ourselves to wreck therein, we make tender to you of our now larger relations. [*Seal with spread eagle. 1 p.*]

Aug. 26.  
Whitehall.

105. [Edw., Lord Conway], to the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey. The Council approved of the measures they had adopted for their safety and for opposing the attempts of an enemy. Informs them that the King is now setting forth a brave and gallant fleet for the defence of his dominions and coasts which seem to be threatened by the preparations now making on the coast of Spain. Assures them of the disapprobation of the Council with Captain Darell's bold and unwarrantable act in stopping their messenger and letters. For His Majesty so graciously esteems of his people as he will not have any particular person debarred from access to him by humble petition and information in any grievance or business. Sir Peter Osborne had given assurance that the Governor would reprove Captain Darell for that fault. [*2 pp.*]

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106. Certificate of Sir John Wolstenholme and others. [Commissioners for prize goods] to the Lords [of the Council]. We have according to your order, examined the petition of Trinon Jacobson, John de Swane, and Andrew Verspeiten, and do certify that by order from the High Court of Admiralty we did sell the perishable goods laded in the "St. Andrew" of Calais brought in as prize, but since cleared as no prize in the Admiralty Court. The proceeds

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amounted to 2,688*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, which was paid into the Registrar of that Court, besides 66*l.* for the bastard wines. [*Copy.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  *p.*]

Aug. 27. 107. Relation made by Sir John Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to the Lords of the Privy Council. Comprising instructions, directions, and correspondence of various dates from 5th August 1621 to the above date, relating to regulations and provisions for defence of Jersey. The letters are noticed under their several dates. The first entry is a list of the officers and soldiers of the castles Montorgueil and Elizabeth in the Isle of Jersey; and the second, instructions and directions given to the lieutenant-colonels, anno 1621, by Sir John Peyton, junr., Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey. [*Copies.* 18 *pp.*]

Aug. 27.  
Montorgueil  
Castle.

Sir J. Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to Captain Darell, Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey. I returned you notice of the receipt of yours with thanks by Thomas Chevalier, and took present order for defence of the castles and isle to the great content of our people, whose cheerfulness and forwardness to obey I cannot but commend. I forgot not to lay in the necessary stores of provisions. I adventured a letter to Lord Conway for munition and men, if the Lords should consider this necessary. There are thousands of mouths to hundreds of able men, but had we pikes and muskets, I durst undertake to find 2,000 able and apt bodies to use them, besides the companies which I have reserved for the defence of the lower and out-works of both castles and the fort of St. Alban's [St. Aubin] upon the Haven. I sent to St. Malo, and received intelligence that there neither is, nor hath been this month, speech of any Spanish or Biscayan fleet of such bottoms [as reported], but a runour spread some five weeks since that such a kind of fleet was to be sent to expel the English out of Virginia; yet this I keep to myself here, holding on our people to their continued practising [of arms] and general care, as if the first fair wind should bring the enemy within ken. Exorbitant price of gunpowder at St. Malo. [*Copy.* See 27th August 1626, No. 107.]

[Aug. 27.] Sir J. Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to [the Privy Council]. I can add no further expression of the Governor's care or mine in his absence for the country than by sending you a copy of the Jurats' own acknowledgment under the seal of the Isle, and the copy of the Dean David Bandinel's certificate under his seal of office for the church, both which are here subjoined in French. [*Copy.* See 27th August above, No. 107.]

Aug. 27. 108. John Digby, Earl of Bristol, to the King. I have by my  
From the Tower. former letters of the 16th August, presumed to offer to your gracious consideration my great unhappiness in having my proceedings so represented unto [your] Majesty, as thereby to have your heavy displeasure increased towards me. But I hope that your Majesty having seen that, that unhappiness hath neither befallen me through disloyalty nor through wilfulness, your Majesty will not

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be displeased that I presume to cast myself at your feet, most humbly beseeching you to make the putting of an end to my long and unfortunate troubles a pious act of your Majesty's grace and goodness, and to that purpose I humbly crave leave, on the one side, to lay before your Majesty (not as merits, but as humble motives), to induce your royal heart thereunto, the many eminent employments I have had under your Majesty's royal and blessed father [King James], and the industry and fidelity wherewith I served him, by the space of more than 20 years, as likewise the zeal and true affection [with which] I have faithfully endeavoured to serve your Majesty's person. On the other side, may your Majesty be graciously pleased to cast down an eye of commiseration upon my sufferings by the space of almost three years wherein I have been restrained and confined, ruined in my estate by the detention of my annuity out of the Court of Wards, and of a great sum of money due unto me from your Majesty, for which I have paid the interest divers years, and by the great expense caused by these suits and troubles. Impeached in mine honour and reputation, questioned for my life as a traitor, and still remain a prisoner in the Tower, and, lastly, informed against by your Majesty's Attorney-[General] in the Star Chamber, the which I represent not unto your Majesty by way of complaint or repining, but like sacrificees of expiation and attonement towards the allaying and assuaging of your Majesty's displeasure, whereunto I most willingly add that oblution, which of all others is most pleasing to God, whose person your Majesty doth here represent, viz., *sacrificium humiliationis et cordis contriti*—a sacrifice of submission and hearty sorrow ever to have been so unfortunate as to have fallen into your Majesty's displeasure. And I shall wholly attribute the stay of any further prosecution in the Star Chamber, as likewise the permitting of me to pass the remnant of my life in freedom and liberty in a private and retired course, to your Majesty's grace and goodness; and shall there daily pray to God for the increase of your Majesty's happiness, and be ready with all true zeal and affection, even to the loss of my life and fortunes to serve your Majesty in all things which shall be in my power, and shall be most confident in the whole course of my life never to give unto your Majesty the least cause of displeasure, and so I recommend you to God's holy protection, most humbly beseeching that hereunto I may receive your gracious answer and ever remain your Majesty's most humble and most faithful servant and subject. [*Amongst the Conway Papers. 3 pp.*]

Aug. 28. 109. Certificate that John Varndell, of Bramshott, Hants, a defaulter, for whom a warrant of apprehension has been issued, is an infirm old man of 86, unable to travel. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Aug. 29. 110. Piers Butler to George, Duke of Buckingham. I have waited here ever since you told me you would send to me, expecting your answer, and not only I but many more of my friends, who wonder that you forget me. So I would desire your Grace to send

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me certain answer by this bearer, and withal the broken ring as an assurance that my business will be done betwixt [this] and Thursday. There are so many of us that if you would bestow a buck on us we are desirous to eat him before our departure. If you would send Captain Marsh to me I have a pine to send you. [*Seal with crest.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Aug. 30.

111. [Secretary Conway, as Lord Lieutenant of Hants], to the Deputy Lieutenants. That Mr. Preston's excuse for not showing arms at the musters is that they were taken from him in respect of his wife's recusancy. If they have been so taken from him it will be good satisfaction if he presently furnish himself with new arms of modern pattern. [*Copy.*  $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

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112. Proposals submitted by Thomas Proctor to the Duke of Buckingham. The way to obtain advantage over the enemy is "to find out advantage of arms." Suggestions for alterations in the mode of attack and the employment of instruments invented by the writer. The author's petition: that he may obtain 200*l.* on loan at 8*l.* per cent. for carrying out these experiments; that His Majesty would bestow on him the command and leading of such men as should be armed with and use the kind of weapon invented by him. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 3 pp.]

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113. A project for the defence of the Isle of Wight if attempted by an enemy. Propositions appertaining to the matter alleged, advisedly considered and answered. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.*  $2\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

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114. Suggestions for measures to be taken by the Lords of the Council, excluding all members of Parliament who have opposed the granting of supplies in the House from commissions of the peace and lieutenantancy for two years. Measures for equalising military contributions and raising soldiers in prospect of war. [2 pp.]

[Aug.]

115. Sir Henry Goodere to Lord Conway. I will not importune you with an enumeration of my miseries. Since I had my last protection I have sold as much land as I possibly could, but cannot yet get a purchaser for the whole. Unless I can obtain again the same favour upon the same reasons I shall be irrecoverably undone. Pray deliver this letter to the Duke of Buckingham and prevail with him for the delivery of my letter and petition to His Majesty, unless he thinks it fitter that it should pass through your hands, in whom I place full confidence. [2 pp.]

[Aug.]

116. Sir John Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey to the Privy Council. Has received their letters of 17th December. Particulars relative to the fortifications in Jersey. Conduct of Mr. Joshua Carteret, whom he had appointed a Lieutenant-Colonel. The demi-culverin is useless as placed at Bowley [Boulay] Hill. Requests to have one of the King's pinnaces sent for guard of the island [4 pp.]

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117. An abstract of the whole charge of His Majesty's house, and of the Queen's [household], viz. :—

	£	s.	d.
Wheat, 3,070 qrs., value not stated - -	—	—	—
Beer, 2,145 tun, cost - - -	2,330	12	6
Gascoign wine, 180 tun 1 hh. 10 srs., value not stated - -	—	—	—
Sweet wine, 40 butts, value not stated -	—	—	—
Beofes or oxen, 647, value not stated - -	—	—	—
Muttons or sheep, 7,497, value -	522	5	8
Veals, porks, and stirks, 31,646, s. value -	708	3	4
Lambs, 7,386, with poultry, fowls, &c., value -	9,802	17	0
Boars, bacon, and lard, value - - -	159	16	8
Neats' tongues, value - - -	29	4	0
Fish of all sorts, value - - -	5,500	0	0
Increase of diet at festival times - - -	200	0	0
Increase of French bread daily served to the Queen, value - -	230	0	0
The feast of St. George - - -	760	0	0
The charge of incidents - - -	14,892	8	0
Wages of the house[hold], chapel, and chamber -	4,173	14	10
Wages of the Privy Chamber - - -	280	4	8
Board wages of the house, chapel, and chamber	8,568	5	10
Wages and board wages of the Queen's household servants - -	689	4	3½
Robes and liveries for His Majesty's servants -	497	0	10
His Majesty's daily alms and offerings at festival times - - -	84	9	8
Provision of sumpter horses - - -	110	0	0
Fees for passing the accompt of the house -	25	0	0
The charge of the stable estimated to be	16,000	0	0
Sum total ( <i>sic</i> ) - - -	£65,567	10	8½
<i>Inde.</i> —To deduct the benefit of His Majesty's composition wheat - - -	32	13	4
The like for composition oxen - - -	498	4	0
For the gain by some diets put to board wages	5,011	3	11½
Remains - - -	£60,029	9	5

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118. Matthew Brooke, Clerk of the Check at Portsmouth [to Nicholas]. Has endeavoured the departure of the ships and could not understand the cause of delay, the wind being very fair; finds it to have been owing to the want of victuals, which was under the charge of the Mayor [of Portsmouth], who had deceived him by stating that they were fully victualed until the 8th of November. I desire that you will excuse me to the Duke of Buckingham if there be cause. There were three French men-of-war lying near

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to Selsey, very fully manned, so that the country people adjoining were much afraid of their landing. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

[Aug.] 119. Petition of the Mayor and Burgesses of the borough of Boston in Lincolnshire to the Privy Council. By yours of the last of June we are required to furnish a ship of 200 tons for His Majesty's present service, the adjacent county being assigned to furnish only a third part of the men and a portion of victual, much under their accustomed proportion in all similar charges. Our port being differently situated from other ports we are unable to bear any charge in this kind and therefore pray to be released from this service. Our port is so poor that we might rather pray for some relief and succour, as it is in imminent danger to be utterly lost. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*

119. 1. *Reasons for which the Mayor and Burgesses of Boston pray to be released from furnishing forth a ship.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Aug.] 120. Minutes of business by Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Duke of Buckingham, of matters to be moved at the Council Board. Allowance for repair of the forts in the Cinque Ports; increase of pay for the sea captains who went the last voyage; revision of list of captains appointed for the fleet now preparing. There are 50 ships in the Thames of 150 tons and upwards. Provisions to be made for sick men in the ships which the surgeons are not tied to provide without extra money. [1 p.]

[Aug.] 121. Further notes of business by Nicholas to be submitted to the Council Board. Piers Butler's business: Offer made by him to victual two ships and a pinnace in Ireland and go himself with them towards the Bramothoes [Bermudas ?] on some present design against the enemy. The state of the Narrow Seas. Three Dunkirk ships are gone northward where they do great spoil. Two barks of Dover and one of Rye recently taken by them. When the fleet is gone from Portsmouth and the Hollanders that lie before Dunkirk shall go from thence to join with the King's fleet for the southwards, there will be no ships of any strength to oppose the enemy in the Narrow Seas, for the day assigned for the Londoners' ships to be ready is in September, and it is not possible for them to be ready sooner than the beginning of October to be at sea. There is nothing that hath more disheartened the subject, encouraged the enemy, or dishonoured His Majesty, than the damage and spoil made by the Dunkirkers in the Narrow Seas. At Chatham the "Entrance," "Repulse," "Warspite," "Mary Rose" and "Adventure" are prepared for service, and in the river the prize ships the "St. George" and "St. Claude." If the Londoners will presently victual these ships as part of the number they are to furnish, they will save the charge of freight, and the Narrow Seas may be presently guarded. That there may be a Proclamation issued ordering that all captains, masters, and other officers and mariners belonging to the fleet, do instantly hasten away to Portsmouth, [2 pp.]

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[Aug.] 122. Particular of articles and arms taken out of the two Flemish ships "Starre" and "Falcon," otherwise called now the "Golden Star" and "Hawk," in charge of the master gunner of the "Lion," who is and will be accountable for them. [1 p.]
- [Aug.] 123. The like of other things taken out of these ships and now aboard the "Lion," besides the gunners' stores, including a surgeon's chest, two hour glasses, two compasses, flags, &c. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- [Aug.] 124. Minute of a request to be preferred to His Majesty on behalf of Mr. James Maxwell, who had a grant for 21 years in the 14th year of King James for the sole transporting of calf-skins from all ports in England and Wales, except Chester and Liverpool, which were reserved by reason of a former lease to the City of Chester, that lease expiring in September next. Letters are desired from the King to the officers of those ports requiring them to take notice of Mr. Maxwell's grant which will then be in force as well in those ports as elsewhere. [*Damaged by damp.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Sept. 1. 125. Deputation by Edward, Lord Conway, as Vice-Admiral of co. Southampton, nominating Owen Jennings and William Tower-son to be his deputies for the due execution of that office. [*Sheet of paper.*]
- Sept. 1. 126. Note by William Skipwith reporting the cause of his imprisonment to be on a pretended debt payable in Ireland. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- Sept. 1. 127. Account of money received and issued out of the receipt of Exchequer from 11th August until 1st September, viz. :—Remaining on the 11th, 195*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.*; received since, 33,178*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*; total, 33,374*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.* Issued, 32,899*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.* [*Damaged.* 4 pp.]
- Sept. 5.  
Westminster. The King to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London. Has thought fit once again to assail the enemy on his own coast. Requires the City as heretofore on like occasion they had done to set out and furnish with complete equipage 20 ships, for the taking up of which the Lord Admiral would grant his warrant. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII. Admiralty Collections, fol. 28.*]
- Sept. 7.  
Castle Cornet. 128. Captain Nathaniel Darell, Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, to Lord Conway. Answers a complaint made against him by the bailiff and jurats of Guernsey. Gives particulars of the measures which he thought it expedient to take on receiving news from St. Malo of the attempt likely to be made on the Channel Islands. Complains of disregard to his orders that none should depart from Guernsey. Upon receipt of this intelligence I dispatched a messenger to the Governor, Lord Danby. Explains the reason of his action in stopping an officer about to be dispatched with this same intelligence by the jurates. [3 pp.]

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129. List of merchant ships, part of Lord Willoughby's fleet, with account of the men they ought to have and of how many they were sure. The number of the former are 2,535 and of the latter 1,711. [1 p.]

Sept. 8.  
Wimbledon.

130. Sir Edward Cecil, Viscount Wimbledon, to George, Duke of Buckingham. When I was a suitor to you in Parliament time to be joined as Lieutenant in Surrey with the Earl of Nottingham you said you would [agree to it] but you would not distemper a vote in Parliament upon such an occasion, whereupon I desired that no one else should come over my head for that then I was Deputy-Lieutenant, to which you replied aye. But since I find two other noblemen in your Grace's consideration before me, but I know none before me in my true affection to your service or who will venture life and fortune before me, having shown it not only in word but in deed in my unfortunate journey which I undertook for your Grace's sake against my own judgment [the expedition to Cadiz]. So that I know not the reason that those who are not afore me in birth nor rank, as your Grace hath made me, should have so many dignities and honours; whilst I, who have served in the same county as Deputy-Lieutenant for divers years and have had the honour to have commanded in chief armies, the one under King James and the other under His Majesty, should have other persons put over my head; and in our profession we hold that as great a disgrace as may be. And now, my Lord, I must confess that I have made it known to all men upon occasion that I have given myself and all my endeavours to your Lordship for your favours. Now what will they say? And what shall I think when they and my country where I dwell shall see so great a disgrace put upon me? That now that your Grace hath made me capable of being Lieutenant, shall neither be Lieutenant nor Deputy-Lieutenant for the one I cannot keep with my honour. It is not the place I so much stand on if I had not served and do serve, and that when I was a suitor to your Grace I knew of none who was. But now that the country hath taken notice, for the most part, we are (*sic*) [they were?] the first that persuaded me to become a suitor to your Grace for the place, I cannot choose but with these reasons [to] become again a suitor to you, that if I cannot have it otherwise, that you would be pleased to let us join together in the commission, so may both of us be satisfied and both obliged to pray for your long and happy days [*Seal with arms and coronet.* 2 pp.]

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131. Modern copy of the preceding. [2 pp.]

Sept. 10.  
Portsmouth.

132. Robert [Lord] Willoughby to George, Duke of Buckingham. At my coming to Portsmouth I found all the ships now here, both of my Vice-Admiral's and Rear-Admiral's squadrons, victualled and ready to put to sea; most of my own squadron are yet unfurnished, but the Lieutenant of the Tower promises speedily to supply them, so as all things will be presently ready if the ships and provisions were come from London. I have given warrants to those captains



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that want men to press for supplies ; I doubt they will hardly get such as will be fitting for service. If you would give order that 500 of those musketeers in the Western parts might be taken in at Falmouth aboard us, and divided among the fleet, it would add much hope to the good success of our enterprise. I beseech your Grace that Captain [Richard] Gyffard, who is Vice-Admiral to my squadron, may be added to the Council of war, since of all the officers of the fleet he only is left out. You were pleased to speak with me concerning the pirate and prisoners at Sallee. I desire you would send such directions for these particulars as you will have me observe. [*Seal with arms and crest. 2 pp.*]

Sept. 10.  
Court at  
Whitehall.

133. The King to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the rest of the Commissioners for the Hospital of the Charter House. For the admission of John Andrewes, son of Mary Andrewes, widow and ancient servant of Queen Elizabeth and King James, at the next election to a scholar's place on the foundation of the above hospital. [*Draft. 1 pp.*]

Sept. 12.

134. Edward Morgan to John Griffith. I have had much speech of Sir John Conway, and of his great acknowledgment to Lord Conway for many late favours. I hope His Lordship will find them well placed, and that we shall find them seasonable and co-operative to the purpose in hand. I would gladly, in a sister's behalf, engage you, as a dear kinsman and friend, to impart the matter itself to his Honour. [*2 pp.*]

Sept. 14.

135. Petition of Thomas Forster to George, Duke of Buckingham. That Captain George Alleyne, being indebted to Samuel Blunt, your petitioner's predecessor, in 50*l.*, for entertainment of soldiers levied by him for the expedition into Poland, which is now about five years past, and having been often entreated to make satisfaction, not only neglects payment, but refuseth to give reasonable security, alleging that your Grace hath not given order for his pay, which amounts to a very great sum ; and that, being Captain of one of His Majesty's ships in pay, he is not liable to an arrest ; so that, unless you be pleased to give order herein, the poor orphans are like to lose a great part of their estate. Prays order for the speedy payment or well securing of the money, or else that you would give leave to petitioner to take his legal course against him, as against others out of protection. *Dorso.*

135. i. *Let Captain George Alleyne see this petition and satisfy petitioner within one month, or else he to have leave without further delay to take his course at law. [1½ pp.]*

[Sept.] 17.

136. Sir William Heydon to Edward Nicholas. This morning Mr. Flemming, affrighted with a company of mutineers at last pay, besought a putting off of our meeting, as not to be held with safety without a guard. I conferred with Sir William Russell about Sir John Watts' papers. He says very great sums are due upon Privy Seals already, and such as will easily bear so small supplies

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if money may be got; that more is due upon the sea-wages than the clothes will come to; and, if the rest might not be borne upon former estimates, it were easy to account them hereafter by way of surcharge, only money is wanting for despatch, &c. I have sent your papers to Sir John Wolstenholme, whom I shall see to-morrow. [*Sir William Heydon was killed at Rhé.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Sept. 17. Commission to Dudley Carleton and Philip Calandrini to continue the jewels in the hands of those to whom they were pawned, or else to redeem them and pawn them again to others. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

Sept. 18. 137. The King's warrant to Mr. Deire. For the greater safety  
Theobalds. of our kingdoms in these dangerous times, and for other considerations, we have, with the advice of our Privy Council, thought fit to call home certain of our subjects' ships now being abroad. These are to command you to repair to Bourdeaux, and to command the merchants and factors trading in those parts in our name to return and send home their ships, and to forbear all manner of trading and traffic in those parts until our further pleasure be made known. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Sept. 19. Sir Henry Marten to Edward Nicholas. Concerning the claim  
Kensington. of the Lord Admiral to two prize ships. [*Already calendared under date. Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII.; Admiralty Collections, fol. 14.*]

Sept. 20. 138. Edward Lord Conway to the Deputy Vice-Admirals of  
Hants and the Isle of Wight. In conformity to the directions of the Lord High Admiral enclosed, you are required to make stay of all ships belonging to any of His Majesty's subjects in the ports of your jurisdiction, and not to permit any to depart without special license from the Lord Admiral, and to continue this restraint until you receive further order. [*Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Sept. 22. Grant to Captain Edward Cheeke of the residue of a fine of 600*l.*  
set upon Gervase Sandford and Lady Markham remaining yet unpaid. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

Sept. 27. 139. Henry, Earl of Danby, to Edward, Lord Conway. This  
Cornbury Park. letter by Captain Darell has been kept thus long from you to find me, and therefore I have requested Sir Peter Osborne to forward such intelligence as he can procure relative to these poor Islands [Jersey and Guernsey] immediately to your Lordship. [*1 p.*]

Sept. 28. 140. Account of moneys received and issued out of the receipt  
of Exchequer from 1st September until 28th September, viz.: Remaining of the 1st September, 474*l.* 17*s.* 2*d.*; received since, 10,120*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.*; issued since, 10,490*l.*; and so remains, 105*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* [*4 pp.*]

Sept. 30. 141. Secretary Conway to Bishop Laud of Bath and Wells.  
According to the direction given by you and directed to my Lord

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Duke [of Buckingham], I wrote to the Archbishop of Canterbury, and late last night his answer came to me, a copy of which I send enclosed, keeping the original to show His Majesty and the Duke, if need should require. Your Lordship, seeing the Archbishop's opinion, if you should think fit that any answer be given, can in two or three words deliver me your opinion, and I will give it expedition and address to the Archbishop. [*Draft.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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142. Francis Phillips to the King. It is not for myself I thus implore your Majesty, but for one that is far more worthy, and in whom all that I am consists, my dear and only brother, who, I know not by what misfortune, hath fallen, or rather being pushed into by your high displeasure, not in dark and crooked ways, such as corrupt and ill-affected subjects use to walk, and were wont to break their necks in, but even in the great road, which both himself and all good Englishmen that know not the privy path of the Court would have sworn had led most safely and most directly to your Majesty's service. For your Majesty's displeasure hath issued and derived upon him a whole torrent of exemplary punishment, wherein his reputation, his person, and estate have grievously suffered. For having upon the last recess of Parliament retired himself to his poor home in the country, with hope to have breathed awhile after the troublesome affairs, and still breathing nothing but your service, he was sent for ere he had finished his Christmas by a Sergeant-at-Arms, who arrested him in his own house, with as much outward terror as belongs to the apprehending of treason itself. But, thanks be to God, his conscience never started; and for his obedience, he will show it was not in the power of any authority to surprise it, for at the instant, without so much as asking a minute's time of resolution, he rendered himself unto the officer's discretion, who according to his directions brought him up a captive and presented him at the Council Table as a delinquent, from whence he was soon committed to the Tower, where he hath ever since been kept close prisoner, and that with so strict a hand, as his dearly beloved wife and myself, having sometimes since an urgent occasion to speak with him, were refused the favour of access by the Lords of the Council, by reason, as they declared, that he had not fully satisfied your Majesty in some points, which *is* so far from being his fault, as, I daresay, it is the greatest part of his affliction that he sees himself debarred from the means of doing it. The Lords Commissioners who were appointed by your Majesty to examine his offence, since the first week of his imprisonment, have not done him the honour to be with him; by which means not only his body, but the best part of his mind, his humble intentions towards you, are kept in restraint. May it therefore please your most Excellent Majesty now at length, after three months extreme endurance, to ordain some such course of expedition in his cause as may stand with your justice, and yet not avert your mercy, either of them will serve our turn, but that which is most agreeable to your royal and gracious inclination, will best accomplish our desire. To live still in close prison alone is

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to be buried alive, and for a man that hath any hope of salvation, it were better to pray for the day of judgment than to lie languishing in such weakening misery ; yet not our but your Majesty's will be done. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 6 pp.]

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143. Petition of the owners of the ships "Star" and "Falcon" to Lord Admiral Buckingham. Your suppliants let to freight these vessels for a voyage to Villa-Franca, a haven within the jurisdiction of the Duke of Savoy, but when at sea they became very leaky, so that they were constrained to run in at Plymouth. When they were come in the road Sir Francis Stewart, the Vice-Admiral there, caused them to be seized as pirates or Turks, and will not suffer them to depart. Pray a warrant or letters of command to the Vice-Admiral and others for the release of their ships. [1 p.]

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144. Legal notes exemplifying the practice of the Courts under the Lord Keeper. [*Imperfect at beginning and end.* 4 pp.]

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145. Complaint of Sir John Lambe, of Rothwell, in co. Northampton, addressed to Lord Keeper Coventry, setting forth certain charges against Thomas Courthope, whom, about 1615, he engaged as his factor to negotiate the sale of such wood as he should send to be sold in Kent, being fully persuaded of Courthope's truth and honest dealing. Desires a writ of subpoena to be directed to Thomas Courthope, Jeremy Cardam and wife, and Arthur Beswick, commanding their personal appearance on a certain day to be fixed before your Lordship in the High Court of Chancery, there to answer the premises, and to declare upon oath what quantity of wood Courthope hath received and sold, and what money he has received for the same, and what sums still remain unpaid by purchasers of the wood. [13 pp.]

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146. Note of the strength of Sir Edward Conway's regiment, consisting of ten companies, before its departure for Cadiz. How much the numbers have since been diminished will appear by the note of the muster, which is to be taken when they are to march towards that county [Hants, where they are to be billeted]. *Underwritten,*

146. I. *Lord Conway, Southampton.* [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

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147. Petition of the Turkey or Levant merchants to the Council. We have heretofore been suitors to your Lordships for your mediation to His Majesty for the continuance of Sir Thomas Roe as Ambassador with the Grand Signor, yet Sir Thomas Phillips, a man as we conceive unfit for our employment, was designed to succeed in that embassy, to our great discouragement, which fear being now removed by his late decease, we again pray you to be a means to His Majesty for the continuance of Sir Thomas Roe for

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such further time as he shall be willing to stay there, and that upon his removal, according to precedents, the King would permit us to present such an able person as may be fit for the management of affairs in those parts with reference to His Majesty's approbation.  
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- Oct. 1.  
Bristol. 1. John Barker, late Mayor of Bristol, to Secretary Conway. Sending some letters which were taken aboard a French ship bound from Lisbon to Havre-de-Grace which have some reference to affairs of State. If they may in any sort conduce to give you satisfaction for the good of my dear country I shall rejoice to be the meanest instrument thereof. [*Seal with arms. 1 p.*]
- Oct. 2.  
Newport. 2. Deputy-Lieutenants of the Isle of Wight to the same. We have lately received a potent from Sir George Blundell, Quarter-master-General of the Army, for removing the soldiers billeted in the Island to Chichester, others of Sir Edward Conway's regiment being appointed to be sent over in their place. Pray that the inhabitants may be spared the charge and trouble of supporting any more soldiers, but that they may be disposed of in the shire at large, which hitherto has borne no part of this burden. That a supply of money may be sent to satisfy the clamour of the country for payment of the money due for billeting the soldiers. [*Seal with arms and crest. 1 p.*]
- Oct. 4.  
Nottingham. 3. Certificate of Robert Parker, Mayor of Nottingham. That William Stancey and Robert Eggintor had been sworn to execute the office of sheriff in the town of Nottingham. [*Latin. Parchment.*]
- Oct. 6. 4. Sir Thomas Fanshaw to Secretary Conway. Sending a list of the parks, forests, and chases, which His Majesty hath, as well those which he intends to keep as those which are to be sold or improved. [*Seal with crest. ½ p.*] *Enclosed,*  
4. 1. *Lists of forests, parks, and chases within the survey of the Exchequer and of those within the survey of the Duchy of Lancaster. [6½ pp.]*
- Oct. 6. 5. Modern copy of the preceding. [*½ p.*]
- Oct. 7.  
London. Report to the Council upon the evidence of the Governor of the Levant Company and Mr. [Nicholas] Leatt concerning the Bills of Exchange charged upon the Company by James Frizell, Consul at Algiers. [*Correspondence of Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 58.*]
- Oct. 9. 6. Secretary Conway to Archbishop Abbot. Recommending Mr. Laphorne, a minister. [*Minute of this already calendared under date 8th October. Draft. 1 p.*]
- Oct. 11. 7. Secretary Conway to his cousin Mr. Foulke Reede. I have received yours concerning Luddington [in co. Warwick]. It seems the tenants are willing to see the partitions made, and I like well that it be gone forward withall. Particulars concerning the division of this property. Refers to the valuable aid of Sir Robert Lee in arranging this business. [*Draft, 1½ pp.*]

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8. The same to the same. I received your letter and the papers concerning a ship of Hamborow [Hamburg] stayed by you at the Cowes, and thank you both for your care in getting her into your power, and your diligence in giving me so timely advertisement. There is complaint already made in the Court of Admiralty here of the arrest of that ship, and instant order that she may be enlarged, under pretence that both ship and goods belong to Hamburgers. Captain Ersfield summoned to show cause wherefore the ship was stayed. Order of proceedings to be taken in this business. Weld is returned from Ireland, and has brought some things he communicated with my sister Conway, which business I fear will not be brought to any effect without your mediation. I would be glad to have you here when there may be a convenience for it. You are not acquainted with the cause now in hand for the sale of the King's lands, and though the price be so excessive as gives little invitation [to purchase], yet if there be anything there [in the Isle of Wight?] fit to be dealt in I would be glad to receive the information from you that I might keep my eye upon it. Let me hear from you, and especially concerning the prize. [*Damaged by damp. Draft. 1½ pp.*]

Oct. 12. Algier's accompt from 23rd October 1623 to 12th October 1626. Money paid by James Frizell to Nicholas Leatt. [*Correspondence of Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 62.*]

Oct. 13. 9. Secretary Conway to Attorney-General Heath. In behalf of a poor French watchmaker refuged here for the free exercise of his conscience and religion. You said if I would recommend him you would give some order for his security. I entreat you earnestly to do that charitable work. [*Draft. ½ p.*]

Oct. 18. Grant to Sir Richard Weston of all the deer in Mortlake Park, and discharging Edward, Viscount Wimbledon, and Sir Charles Howard from the office of Keeper of that Park. [*Docquet, cancelled. See 29th March 1626.*]

Oct. 20. 10. Form of a warrant from the Council to the Collectors for His Majesty's Loan in the City of Westminster. The King, by his commission dated 11th October, having commanded us to require from all his loving subjects, who were assessed at the last subsidy, certain sums by way of loan towards the supply of his great, extraordinary, and sudden occasions, according to the rates at which they were assessed to that subsidy, *i.e.*, those assessed at 10*l.* in lands to lend 10*l.*, and those in goods at 10*l.* to lend 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and so after that rate for a greater or less sum. These are to require you to collect such sums from the persons who have subscribed or consented as abovesaid according to the schedule for that division to be delivered to you. [*Draft with alterations so as to make it apply to the county of Southampton. 2 pp.*]

[Oct. 20.] 11. Paragraph to be inserted in the warrants to the Collectors of Loan in co. Southampton. We have received warrant from the

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Lords of the Council for payment out of the monies to be raised by this loan of all sums disbursed by the county for payment of the soldiers quartered upon it, and for the growing entertainment of those soldiers. You are therefore to pay over to the Deputy-Lieutenants all money received by you within that division over and above the discharge of the Privy Seals and certificates as aforesaid, and to make your accounts to them for the whole. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

Oct. 24. Patent for creating Edward Baron Denny to the dignity of Earl of Norwich to him and his heirs males. [*Docquet.* See 29th March 1626.]

Oct. 26. ' 12. J. Vavasour, fils Michell, to Mr. Chesterman, Secretary to St. Helier. Secretary Conway. Expresses surprise at the neglect which he has manifested to his requests, and informing him, with respect to the affairs of [the late] bailiff [Jean Herault], Monsieur de St. Sauveur, that if "le Siateur" should join with the executor of the will he and the others would be paid. All persons of station desire that Monsieur de la Trinité may be bailiff with the same authority as the last. [*French.* 1 p.]

Oct. 30. 13. Bernard Smyth, Mayor, and eight others of the Corporation Kingston-upon- of Hull, to the Privy Council. By your letters we were commanded to set out two ships from this port in warlike manner for His Majesty's service, the charge being proportioned one-third part to be borne by the county of York and two-third parts by this port and its members, together with the assistance of the traders and venders of cloth in this port within the parishes of Halifax, Leeds, and Wakefield, being clothing towns. To this end you were pleased to write to Lord Scrope, Lord Lieutenant of the North, and to the said clothing towns, but yet we receive no moneys either from them or co. York, so that His Majesty's service in this particular is at a stay. In discharge of our duties we pressed two ships, and bespoke victuals and all other provisions and furniture fitting for them, which are promised to be ready upon payment, but by ourselves alone we are not able to do it, as you have well conceived. We, therefore, pray you either altogether to discharge us of the burden, or else to take some speedy course that we may receive the promised contributions to the charge. [1 p.]

[Oct.] 14. Petition of Martin James and Wilfrid Brand to the Council. That certain trunks being left by the Lady Roper of Eltham in her house at Camberwell, which the petitioner Brand farmed of her ladyship, report was circulated that these should contain great store of money and plate, which ought to be confiscated to His Majesty. A warrant was accordingly directed to Sir Thomas Grayham [Grymes] and other justices for a search to be made, and these trunks, together with some books, including Tornello's Annals and 39l. in money belonging to Brand, were taken to Sir Thomas's house, in whose custody they still remain. Pray that



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- 1626, order may be given to Sir Thomas to restore the money, writings, and books severally belonging to petitioners. [1 p.]
- [Oct.] 15. Certificate by John Griffin that he did search the house of Wilfrid Brand in Camberwell, and found certain trunks sealed up by the provost-marshal, reported to belong to Lady Roper, and a little trunk full of money belonging to a person said to be a collector for priests and Jesuits, or to send children beyond sea. Desires a warrant to empower him to open these trunks, and he will bring the money and popish stuff to your Honour. *Dorso*,  
 15. i. *Note of the things found supposed to be a collection for fugitives. Pretended to be the Lady Roper's, who is said to be convicted with Mrs. Milberie.* [1 p.]
- Oct. 16. A list of the names of such gentlemen as find no horses in the Basingstoke and Kingsclere divisions of Hants, but are fit to be charged for the same within the county under the command of George Kingsmill, Esq. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Nov. 1. Patent creating Sir Nicholas Tufton Baron Tufton of Tufton, co. Sussex, to him and his heirs males. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]
- Nov. 1. 17. Report of Attorney-General Heath to the Privy Council on the case between Nicholas Davit, of Guernsey, and John Blanch. Thinks Davit should be dismissed from further attendance, and Blanch should pay his costs. *Underwritten*,  
 17. i. *Let it be ordered according to this report, and Mr. Attorney to order the costs. Signed by Lord President Manchester 14th November 1626.*
- Nov. 1. List of ships set forth by the City of London, with names of the captains, burdens, and number of men. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 29.*]
- Nov. 4. 18. Stable bill for Lord Conway for the week ended 4th November, total, 9*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* Receipted. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Nov. 4. Patent creating Thomas Lord Darcy Viscount Colchester to the dignity of Earl Rivers to him and his heirs males, with reversion of the title to Sir Thomas Savage in the event of Thomas Viscount Colchester's decease without heirs males. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]
- Nov. 5. 19. The King to Lord Willoughby, Earl of Essex, Sir John Palace of Westminster. Borlase, and Sir James Leveston [Levingston], Colonels of the four regiments in the service of the States-General of Holland. Having intention to send to our dear uncle, the King of Denmark, the regiments under your command, we require you not only to prepare yourselves for this employment, but also to give present order to the captains of the several companies and their officers in

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each of the regiments to be in like readiness. Having made their companies as complete as possible they are to hold themselves in readiness to embark, as at this season any delay may prevent and stop your passage. We have done all things belonging to us in furnishing money by M. Calandrini. [*Draft. 1 p.*]

Nov. 6.  
Jersey.

20. Sir Philip Carteret to William Chesterman, Secretary to Secretary Conway. Hearing that the office of bailiff may fall on him entreats his assistance to the same. [*Seal with arms. French. 1 p.*]

[Nov. 6-16.] 21. Memorial of business to be submitted to the King. State Papers to be signed by His Majesty, viz.:—1. A warrant for 2,000*l.* for the captains out of the temporalities of the bishopric of Winchester. 2. Sir John Burgh's pension of 200*l.* a year. 3. Warrant for the tennis-court keeper at St. James' for 798*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.* 4. Grant of denization for Bonaventure Browne, born beyond seas but of English parents; the King's pleasure signified by Mr. Aylesbury. 5. Two letters to the States-[General of Holland]. 6. A letter to the colonels. 7. A letter to Mr. Carleton and [Philip] Calandrini. Matters to move His Majesty for, viz.:—Dr. Hall [for] Ely or Bath and Wells. That Sir Christopher Brooke, having a grant in reversion of a counsellor's place at York, may execute the duties of that office for Sir Thomas Tildesley. That His Majesty would renew the mandate of protection granted by King James in 1616 to all courts of justice to permit all strangers, being handicraftsmen of the French and Dutch churches, to work at their handicrafts without suits or molestation. That Mr. [William] Lewis may have allowance of 165*l.*, being after the rate of 20*s.* a day, and 99*l.* for transportation [into France] and for extraordinaries. That consideration may be had of the distresses of the army so often represented by the Lord Deputy [of Ireland], most of the new companies mutinying for want of pay, and that their absent captains may be sent over to keep them in obedience or he may have order to appoint others. [*1 p.*]

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Declaration by the King that his intention is that the Commissioners by him appointed shall make sale of divers manors, castles, forests, and parks, notwithstanding the indenture of annexation. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

Nov. 7.  
Jersey.

22. John Darell, Greffier of Jersey, to Mr. William Chesterman, Secretary to Secretary Conway, respecting the affairs of the late bailiff [Jean Herault], whose reputation he hopes will be maintained, and that the vindictive conduct of his brother and heir and others in hindering the execution of his will, and retaining the arrears of his pension, may be frustrated. Also recommending Mons. de la Trinité, [Philip Lemprière], Lieutenant of the late Bailiff, to succeed him in that office. [*Seal with crest. French. 1 p.*]

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[Nov. 8-16.] 23. Memorial of business to be submitted to the King. Documents to be signed:—Warrant for 100*l.* to Mons. [Pierre de] Sancé. An instalment of the Bishop of Bath and Wells' first fruits to be paid [as] in former years. Privy Seal for 380*l.* 16*s.* for the King's upholsterer. Matters to move His Majesty for, viz.:—The same as calendared above under date November 6—16, to which are added the following: Order for continuance of the payment of a pension of 200*l.* a year to Sir Francis Biondi and [Mary] his wife out of the Court of Wards, notwithstanding the late restraint. Resumption of a grant of Waltham Leigh made to Henry Gibb, and in lieu thereof to give him lands in Durham. Request of the inn-holders of London for a renewal of their charter, with some additions. Request of Edmond Mason, Chaplain to the King, that he may succeed Dr. Hall in the archdeaconry of Nottingham upon the Doctor's remove. Sir John Burgh's regiment. [1½ pp.]

Nov. 8. Declaration by the King for disafforesting the forest of Barnwood. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

Nov. 13. 24. Answer of John Edward to the bill of complaint of Lewis Hughes and others, touching money settled by Anne Hughes, late wife of John Smith, before her marriage, on her son John Jackson, and Frances Jackson, late wife of the defendant John Edward. [*Imperfect. 4 pp.*]

Nov. 16. 25. Abstract of a letter from Captain [John] Bonython to Lord Conway from Pendennis. [*Already calendared under date 26th November. 1 p.*]

Nov. 16. 26. Secretary Conway to Sir William Doddington. [*Minute of this already calendared under date 9th November. Copy. 1 p.*]

Nov. 19. 27. Secretary Conway to his cousin Foulke Reed. Commends the bearer as a good woodman. My intention is to employ him to keep my conies in Oaken Heath, and to look after the timber and game. I have put into his hands a Polish hound to try what good he can do with it. Let me hear what becomes of my hawks, and what Neighbor's goshawk and tassell do; also what Robert's hawks do, especially the falcon. [*Draft. 1 p.*]

Nov. 20. 28. Beatrice, Countess of Bristol, to George, Duke of Buckingham. Harrington. The unhappy condition my Lord lives in gives me occasion of being thus troublesome, for he, having been visited with sickness whilst in the country, His Majesty was pleased, at his coming to town, to permit him to take physic at his own lodging, but before he was recovered the Lords remitted him again to the Tower, which order he humbly obeyed. Now for that I see his indisposition to continue, and that place denying him those helps which are requisite for the recovery of his health, my suit to you is that you would be pleased to mediate with His Majesty that he may be permitted to enjoy the benefit of his own house as he formerly had. If I may attain this favour by your Grace's means, it will be an act of humanity and much nobleness in your Grace. [*Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers. ¾ p.*]

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Breviate of Sir Thomas Roe's letters about the business of Algiers between May 1622 and November 1626. 2nd May 1622.—1. Obtaining confirmation of the new capitulations with the particular contents of them. 2. Commands obtained for peace to be observed at sea and in the ports. 3. Agreement with Mahomet Aga for 1,000 dollars if the peace were settled. 4. The whole charge may amount to 1,000*l*. 25th January 1622–23.—Letter to the Lords [of the Privy Council] discoursing large of his proceedings in procuring the peace with Algiers and Tunis. *Note*.—That he had taken this business upon himself without order of the Levant Company, who allege it is not their interest alone more than the Spanish merchants' and Western men, and, therefore, desires that their Lordships will call the Spanish merchants and others interested and settle a course therein. 5th April 1623.—1. That the peace with Algiers and Tunis is concluded. 2. Of his writing to the Lords to the effect above stated. 3. Directions for perfecting the peace. 20th March 1623[–4].—Advice from Mr. Frizell of his reception in peace at Algiers, &c., but no public conclusion. 27th November 1624.—1. Of settling the peace with Algiers and Tunis and arrival of the new Bashaw, who has written a letter of discourse to the Vizier of his actions. 2. To procure letters of thanks from his Majesty to Mahumet Bassa, and to complain against the customers. 10th August 1625.—Of Mr. Frizell's expense of 6,000 dollars done without his [Roe's] authority, concerning which he refers them to his letter to Mr. Leate of 16th July 1625. 3rd November 1625. *Note*.—If Mr. Frizell have laid any extraordinary charge upon the Company, it is without his consent who advised him not to spend. Notice from the Lord President that there was a collection made for redeeming captives. 2nd December 1625.—Letter from Mr. Frizell of 10th June 1625 that the peace is well kept; expecting the gratification promised the Bashaw; that they would become earnest suitors to his Majesty and the Lords for some allowance to Mr. Frizell for his disbursements. 2nd November 1626.—He [Roe] undertook the business of Algiers by direction from the King [Charles]. His promise to the Bashaw was conditional and not engaged. He directed the charge to be borne by a general purse or pirate money. 20th November 1646. He hopes to recover Mr. Leate's money or the most part thereof. Letters to the Lords [of the Council] from Sir Thomas Roe. The charge is to be borne by a public purse. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 60.*]

Nov. 22.

Patent creating Robert, Lord Willoughby de Eresby, Earl of Lindsey, co. Lincoln, heirs males. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

Nov. 22.

29. John and Griffith Lloyd to the Lord Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer. That they had taken the oath of Griffith Lloyd of the Forest for performance of the office of sheriff in co. Carmarthen, with two sureties in 300*l*. apiece for due execution of that office. Forward the commission, recognisance, and condition so taken. [1 p.]

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Nov. [23]. 30. Secretary Conway to Buckingham. Lord Willoughby  
Whitehall. discharged from the expedition to Denmark. [*Minute of this  
already calendared under date. Draft in Conway's hand. 1 p.*]
- Nov. 25. 31. Secretary Conway to Charles, Lord Stanhope. About the  
postmaster's place at Royston. [*Copy. 1 p.*]
- Nov. 25. 32. The same to the same. Further particulars of the respective  
claims of Thomas Haggard and one Hall to the postmaster's place at  
Royston. [*Minute of this already calendared under date. Draft.  
1½ pp.*]
- Nov. 26. 33. John Poulett to Secretary Conway. I understand from Sir  
Week. Edw. Hawley, that the Attorney-General is drawing up a patent  
from the King to me and my son [of the keepership] of the forest  
of Roche [in co. Somerset], which I esteem as a mark of your  
favour. [*Seal with arms. 1 p.*]
- Nov. 28. 34. Sir John Hippesley to Edw. Nicholas, Secretary to the Duke  
Dover Castle. of Bucks. The Dutchman [John Adrianson] has made complaint  
of me to the Council, saying that Lord Willoughby had not his  
ship this last service, which I think you will answer for me that  
he had. Now he offers me the ship for 300*l.* which I am unwilling  
to agree to without some encouragement from you that I shall have  
her restored to me and pay for the time she has been forth. I  
pray take order that I may have the "John" and "Fortune" sent  
hither. The French Ambassador is here still, and cannot go until  
to-morrow. *Postscript.*—I pray speak with Mr. [Thomas] Meautys  
and do your best for me in this business. [*Seal with arms. 1 p.*]
- Nov. 28. 35. Mr. Downes to [the same?] Touching the business of  
Mr. Dalton, the writer's kinsman. Informations received concerning  
recusants. [*Fragment. ½ p.*]
- Nov. 29. 36. The Lords of the Council to Secretary Conway and the rest  
Whitehall. of the Commissioners for the Loan in Winchester. We have been  
informed from some of the Commissioners for the Loan in several  
counties that they meet with some persons who make scruple of  
subscribing their names and yet offer to lay down the sums  
demanded of them; and that they meet with others, who, being  
appointed collectors for the loan, refuse to take upon them the  
execution thereof. We having made his Majesty acquainted  
therewithal and received his royal pleasure therein, do, in pursuance  
thereof, hereby require you that with regard to the former you do  
accept the money, the form of subscribing being to no other end  
than that the collectors might the more readily know what to  
demand and from whom; with regard to the latter, it being for a  
public service, which in duty they ought not to refuse, you are to  
bind them over to answer their contempt before this Board.  
[*Council Seal. 2 pp.*]
- Nov. 30. 37. Secretary Conway to Mr. [John] Wilkinson at Venice. I  
Whitehall. send enclosed a pattern of such drinking glasses as his Majesty  
himself useth; and because the officers [of the household] cannot be

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furnished here, they entreated me to write to the Lord Ambassador ; but not knowing whether he yet arrived at Venice, I send you the pattern in order that you may cause 40 dozen of glasses of the purest mettle, the one moiety to be pints for beer and the other half pints for wine, to be made exactly according to pattern, the ring on the top of the cover to be large enough for a man's finger. If to these you add ten dozen more of the best and neatest fashions it will be well taken, and I will make it known whose care and pains have been used in it. Send me an estimate of the cost and I will remit the amount by bills of exchange. Let me hear from you by the next when the glasses may be expected. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

[Nov. ?] 38. An advice brought by a ship of Dartmouth coming from St. Martin's Island, near Rochelle. There she found two English ships, one of London laden with wines, another of Bristol with Malaga fruit, and a Scotch ship with salt, all taken by the French king's ships of war as prize. She was pursued by a French Admiral of 40 pieces, but, being warned, escaped into Falmouth. The occasion of the taking of these ships was believed to be because three French ships are arrested at Falmouth, in which it is reported there are 2,500,000*l.* in coin. The Governor of St. Martin's is informed that the 20 ships prepared by the Londoners are designed to bring M. de Soubize into that Island, whereupon 500 horse are to be brought into it. [*Extract.* 1 p.]

[Nov.] 39. Military squib on the return of Robert Bertie, Lord Willoughby of Eresby, from his expedition to Spain. "God bless you and make "you thankful with constancy and integrity for your safe return, "for He is merciful that He may be feared." It is a joy to see the unexampled unanimity of your whole Council [-of-War] to agree upon one question. Whether to go home or to the Isles to fetch cold water? And so many to resolve magnanimously for home, where is good wine and excellent sauce to it, capons and white bread, clean sheets and good wood fires. And you have done like a wise council to keep your own counsel why there was no thought to attempt the enemy. If your instructions were for defence only? If you have brought all safe home you have done as well as any could do, who resolved neither to do nor take harm. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Nov.] 40. Edward Clarke, [Groom of the Bedchamber], to George, Duke of Buckingham. Though the complaints of the French have had the credit to bring me under the unspeakable misfortune of his Majesty's displeasure and render me suspected of your Grace, yet I trust it hath not so absolutely removed the opinion your Grace formerly had of my fidelity, but that at a fit time you may regard me with your wonted confidence and be my gracious mediator to His Majesty. [*Modern copy amongst the Conway papers.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Nov.] 41. Note of such money as I, Edward Clarke, have disbursed in a journey from London to Paris and from Paris back to London for His Majesty's service. Total, 40*l.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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42. Sir William Sandys to Secretary Conway. Excuses himself from appearing before the Commissioners for the Loan at Winchester on the 6th present by reason of his ill-health. Has already subscribed to the loan in these parts [Hampton, co. Middlesex], where I mostly inhabit. I have already acquainted the Lord Treasurer with this, who holds my suit reasonable, which I pray you to consent unto. [*Seal with crest.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.] *Enclosed,*

42. 1. *Certificate that Sir William Sandys, of Hampton, who was assessed to the last subsidy at 20l. in lands, had subscribed after the rate of 20l. to the loan, 1st December.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Dec. 3.

43. *Mem.*—Amongst the Conway Papers of [business mentioned at the Council table], viz.:—Promotions to peerages and bishoprics, between 20th June 1626 and 3rd December 1626. The subjects of Ireland to maintain 5,000 foot and 1,600 horse upon conditions. Enterprises at sea. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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44. Secretary Conway to the Commissioners for the Sale of the King's lands. To forbear the sale of lands in the Isle of Wight. [*Minute of this already calendared under date.* *Draft.* 1 p.]

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45. Taxation, by Attorney-General Heath, of the bill of costs sustained by Nicholas Davit, at the prosecution of John Blanch, certified under the seal of the Island of Guernsey. Sum claimed, 29l. 5s. 6d. *Underwritten,*

45. 1. *Award by Sir Robert Heath.* Upon consideration of the bill of charge I think fit to allow 20l., neither Mr. Blanch nor any for him having appeared before me. [1 p.]

Dec. 8.

Patent creating Sir Thomas Somerset to the dignity of Viscount Somerset de Castle in co. Tipperary, Ireland, to him and his heirs males. [*Docquet.* *See 29th March 1626.*]

Dec. 10.

Jersey.

46. John Herault to William Chesterman. Brother having died he is unable to obtain the property from the "greffier," or the legacy left to his son Thomas; makes bold to entreat his assistance in the matter. Is anxious to hear of the new bailiff. Mons. de St. Ouen has received a hurt by falling into the fire. [*French.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Dec. 11.

Southampton.

47. Secretary Conway to the Deputy-Lieutenants of the Isle of Wight. I do with much contentment understand the successful beginning you have made in the business of the loan. This will testify to His Majesty the dutiful thankfulness of the inhabitants for his gracious favour in calling away the soldiers. By order of the Council the moneys are to be paid to certain of the Deputy-Lieutenants for payment of arrears due for billeting of soldiers, to which end I have sent instructions to the collectors, and will endeavour on my return to Court to obtain a warrant that the surplusage may be employed towards the reparation of the castles. For the scruple made touching the Privy Seals I conceive the

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words are plain, and I am sure the intention is that only those Privy Seals are to be paid out of this loan which were issued since the dissolution of the last session of Parliament, and the like for free gifts. I hear there are some ships going from Portsmouth to the Downs, which I expect will take the Spanish prisoners [to Dover], but if this fail take care for putting them in safe custody until some other opportunity be offered. [*Draft.* 1½ pp.]

Dec. 11. Secretary Conway to Sir John Watts, Captain of the "Red Lion." Southamton. I have received directions from the Council concerning the Spaniards who were taken in the patache, and are now in the Isle of Wight. It would be well if you were to give order for some of the ships now called away from hence to take those prisoners, being about 30 men, aboard and carry them to Dover, in readiness to be exchanged. I will procure order for allowance of victuals for the prisoners, and all other necessary charges. [*Written on the same paper as the preceding.* *Draft.* ⅔ p.]

Dec. 12. 48. George Montaigne, Bishop of London, to Buckingham. I have stayed the longer [in replying] because I would be sure of any information I give your Grace. There is a rumour of a private fast that was kept on St. Andrew's Day last, and I verily believe that it was so; but having used the best means I can by examination I find it was kept by the meaner sort of the people, the better,—I mean the richer sort,—were belike content they should break the ice. This only is confessed,—that the Earl of Warwick did desire Mr. Peters, one of the preachers, to preach that day out of his own charge in Christ Church, which he did, and, besides, Peters confesses that Sir Robert Harley, [Master] of the Mint, told him that there were divers who would take the opportunity of the many sermons preached that day to humble themselves to Almighty God in a holy fast. That which I have done I think doth startle them all, but if, in your wisdom, you will be pleased to give me any further order, I shall see it duly executed. I have the parties in safe custody for some undutiful and bold speeches they used in their prayers, concerning both the King and Queen. For the King, he prayed God would commune with his heart in secret and reveal unto him those things which were necessary for the government of the kingdom; and he prayed for the Queen that God would remove from her the idols of her father's house, and that she would forsake the idolatry and superstition wherein she was and must needs perish if she continued in the same. Good your Excellency give me leave in all humility of a devoted heart to remember your Grace of an honest vow I made to God and signified to you in my first letters upon your safe arrival; my Lord, God granted my request. Oh! my good Lord, do not hinder the performance of the same. *Postscript.*—My Lord, though I be too bold, yet I could not choose but humbly rejoice at the greatest favour that ever you did me, namely, for that you were pleased to a good friend of mine to say that you knew I did truly love you. My Lord, this is worth all the favours that ever you did me. [*Modern copy amongst the Conway Papers.* 1¼ pp.]



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Dec. 15. 49. Warrant to Jonas Day, Shipwright, to make his repair to  
Star Chamber. Chatham, so as to be there on Monday next in the forenoon and  
address himself to Captain Phineas Pett, one of the Commissioners  
for the Navy, who will give him further directions. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

Dec. 16. 50. Butcher's bill delivered to Mr. Pollard [for provisions supplied  
to the Special Commissioners for the Navy, sitting at Chatham  
Hill ?] Total cost, 5*l.* 9*s.* 11½*d.*, abated 11*s.* 8*d.*, making 4*l.* 18*s.* 3½*d.*  
paid; receipted by John Attewell. [= ½ p.]

Dec. 16. Commission to mayors, sheriffs, and justices of the peace to  
deliver out of the New prison, for the High Commission Court,  
Robert Wading, *alias* Walden, and other papists and priests  
remaining there. [*Docquet.* See 29th March 1626.]

Dec. 20. Commission to William Crichton, Viscount Ayr, to treat and  
compound with the owners, farmers, and commoners of lands in  
Hatfield Chase, for their rights and interests therein. [*Docquet.*  
See 29th March 1626.]

Dec. 22. Grant to Sir Henry Fane, knight, of all the deer in the Great  
Park of Merewood, *alias* Barnard Castle Parks, in the Bishopric of  
Durham, and that the same park is now disparked. [*Docquet.* See  
29th March 1626.]

Dec. 26. 51. Edward Reed to Secretary Conway [Lord Lieutenant of Hants].  
Newport, I cannot advertise you about the sea affairs of the Isle of Wight,  
Isle of Wight. neither from any foreign parts, more than I wrote in my last.  
The loan money is now in gathering and the payments are willingly  
made, but as yet not much is received. Encloses a letter to  
Mr. Biger, it is for to pay to your use 800*l.* upon sight. Progress  
made by the Commissioners in the disposal of the prize ships and  
goods and what sums have been realised as yet by the sale. When  
I come up you shall have an account of all, the baser stones and  
those called diamonds I will bring with me, as also a little East  
Indian table. [*Two seals with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

Dec. 29. 52. Secretary Conway to Frances, Duchess of Richmond. [*Minute*  
*of this already calendared under date.* *Draft.* ⅔ p.]

Dec. 29. Opinion of Sir Thomas Love and Captain John Mason, being a  
copy of Vol. XLII., No. 103. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol.*  
*CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 20.*]

Dec. 31. 53. Warrant from Sir Richard Weston, Chancellor of the Ex-  
chequer to Mr. West. To deliver the rolls for the last subsidy in co.  
Warwick and city of Coventry to Lord Brooke, taking his note of  
receipt for them. [½ p.]

Dec. Declaration of his Majesty's clear intention in requiring the aid  
of his loving subjects by way of loan, which is now intended.  
[*Docquet.* See 29th March 1626.]

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54. Warrant by the King to the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer. We have been much importuned by divers tradesmen of London as goldsmiths, mercers, silkmen and others mentioned in a note herewith sent for your satisfaction, for commodities delivered and work done by them for the Queen's use, who has also earnestly desired us to give some present order for payment, because her promise being engaged to them she is continually troubled with their pressing importunities for money. Our will therefore is that you, causing the several bills to be examined first, do give order for payment out of the first money paid into our receipt for the present loan. [*Draft.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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55. Petition of John Godwyn, on behalf of John Meredith and Joan his wife, to the Privy Council. That on the 2nd of this month petitioner was arrested within the liberties of Great St. Bartholomew's belonging to Henry, Earl of Holland, at 11 p.m., by Sergeant Robert Swallow and John Jackson his yeoman. On his demanding whether they had any authority for this act from the Earl of Holland the parties answered that they did not respect the Earl nor his liberty, for he had mortgaged it to the citizens of London and could not redeem it again but had forfeited it, adding many scandalous speeches about the Earl's person, whereupon petitioner resisted and made an escape. Out of sheer malice Swallow and Jackson have since preferred a bill of indictment against John Meredith and his wife Joan, in whose house petitioner was arrested, and got Meredith fined 20*l.* to His Majesty and 20*l.* to the officers; but it being since found that their arrest was made at an unreasonable time in the night and within the Earl of Holland's liberty, it was remitted to 10*s.* for non-payment, whereof and for no other course Meredith and his wife were committed to prison, where they have remained a week. Prays order for their enlargement gratis and for satisfaction for their wrongful imprisonment, or else that they may be enlarged until Swallow and Jackson have answered their contempt before your Honours. [1 p.]

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56. Francis White, Bishop of Carlisle, to George, Duke of Buckingham. Your precedent favours towards me, most noble patron, do embolden me once more to entreat your mediation to his sacred Majesty in my behalf, that whereas he hath conferred on me the bishopric of Carlisle before Michaelmas last, he would together with the honour of the place grant me the profits during the vacancy from my predecessor's death. King James did the like favour to my predecessor, and the means to support the bishopric are but small, and I have parted with all my other living, so have nothing to support my estate but what must arise from this place. If your Excellency will speak a favourable word to my lord the King you will do a work of charity for a poor churchman. [*Bishop White was consecrated on 3rd December 1626. Modern Copy among the Conway Papers.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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57. [Katherine, Duchess of Buckingham], to the same. I would entreat you in behalf of Mr. Wraten's brother, who, in defence of

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his friend drew his sword, and though not himself so unfortunate as to kill the man who died in that fray, the coroner's inquest finding it only manslaughter, yet the malice of a violent Recorder of Salisbury, where this act was done, will endanger this young gentleman unless your Grace out of your goodness prevent it; he who is thus malicious to him was, I hear, likewise so to you in the Parliament. My Lord, pardon me if by this I put a trouble upon you, but I know your heart [to be] of so sweet a composition as mercy at the least goes side by side, if not a little before, rigid justice; therefore I presume to recommend it unto you, and myself to the greatest blessing of my fortune, your Grace's favour. [*Seal broken.* 3 pp.]

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58. Edward Bale to the same. Offers to give information of divers rich men living in the country very obscurely, many of them being citizens and such as have lately been fined for [not accepting office as] aldermen. They are dispersed into several shires and have seated themselves in so private and penurious a manner that they are rated very low, if at all, as by the subsidy books appear, yet are of marvellous great ability and wealth, most of their substance consisting of money. These men are undoubtedly well able to furnish and pleasure His Majesty with good sums in case they were sent to or called up, their neighbours much longing to see them called on to perform such a service, and themselves so timorous to be discovered, that rather than be sent for or stir from their habitation they would be ready to lend or pay any Privy Seal imposed upon them by His Majesty. If herein my service may be pleasurable to your Grace, I will forthwith present the names and abode of some which I have already collected. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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59. List of the old Commissioners of the Navy, followed by a list of the names of Commissioners to be added. *Mem.*—To consider who are fit to be Assistants in the new Commission, followed by these names,—Sir Allen Apsley, Sir William Russell, Mr. Burrell, Mr. Joshua Downing, Keeper of the Stores at Chatham, and Mr. Wells, Keeper of the Stores at Deptford. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

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60. List of the Commissioners of the Navy, similar to the preceding, with some of the additional names, besides Lords Wimbledon and Hervey inserted. [1 p.]

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61. Stephen Monius to Sir John Hipposley, Lieutenant of Dover Castle. Good fortune attends you; Captain Stephens and Captain Tailor have been to sea and brought in two prizes. If I can do you any service I am readily yours. I enclose letters from [Hugh] Ross, of Denmark, in order that you may give me directions how to proceed, and not to send away the King of Spain's subjects, now our prisoners, on a letter from so mere a stranger. [Maximilian] Dancey, [Keeper of the Prison at Dover], came to me last night for warrants for apprehension of two prisoners who have escaped, the two mischievous Jesuits who have been so long in prison with

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Nethersole, Thomson, and Wright. Let the Duke [of Buckingham] be made thoroughly acquainted with our grievances, and, if need be, the King might be petitioned in our behalf that we may have redress; our grievances here are intolerable, the King's army wholly neglected. If your ears were so filled with the complaints for want of proceeding in the course of law in the King's Court in Dover where we are magistrates and must hear them, but have no power to reform them, you would account us miserable and have pity on those that complain. [2½ pp.]

62. Grant to Richard Hubbert of the office of Groom Porter of all our houses within this realm with the usual fees and allowances. [11 pp.]

63. Warrant to Attorney-General Heath to prepare a bill containing a commission to Henry, Earl of Manchester, and Oliver, Earl of Bolingbroke, to be Lieutenants of co. Huntingdon. [*Signed, but not dated or sealed.* ½ p.]

64. [John Gasper] Woulffen, [Gentleman of the Privy Chamber, to the late King James], to the King. He had been detained so long on account of the affairs of Count Mansfeldt that he was in need of some means to maintain himself. He intended to see if he could not make some profit out of "vieille affaire" given him by his late Majesty five years ago. [*French.* 1 p.] *Annexed,*—

64. 1. *Docquet for a grant dated at Oatlands, 1st July 1621. King James in favour of the petitioner, his servant, is pleased to grant to him the fine of 5,000*l.* imposed upon Edward Floyd [the lawyer], and the Attorney or Solicitor General are to draft it ready for signature. [Copy, five lines.]*

65. Petition to the King. That whereas there are divers ports in the western parts and in Wales to which foreigners resort with small and large ships, and will presume to come in of themselves and sound the bars and harbours, and by their often use do know them as well as your subjects, to the great prejudice of many old seamen, who, though unable to travel on far voyages are most able to perform this service, as also dangerous for the whole state of this kingdom if any foreign wars should happen; in most countries this is carefully prevented by not suffering strangers to be so bold, but to take pilots of those places where they trade. Pray letters patents for a term of years with power to place pilots in all such ports and harbours and to receive from foreigners so much for their services as to the Commissioners of the Navy shall seem fit, together with such forfeitures as the commissioners shall think convenient to impose on transgressors of this order. One-third part of all such fines and forfeitures to be paid to your Majesty: [*Draft.* 1½ pp.]

66. Memorial endorsed—Means to settle the business of making Tapestry. If His Majesty desire to settle the tapestries in England it may be done by the means herein stated. If the King shall like

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of this course, he will, by the laying out of 2,000*l.* only, gain 1,000*l.* a year in tapestries for supply of his Wardrobe; and will besides settle the noblest manufacture that any King of England hath brought in these many hundred years. The example may likewise prove of very great advantage to the commonwealth by showing men a better way of charity than that of hospitals, which only provides for poor but this that there may be no poor at all; and that none should live but with some advantage to the country wherein they dwell. [1 p.]

67. Petition of David Powell, the King's fletcher, to his Majesty. Has held the post of master fletcher by letters patents dated in the second year of King James, by which certain fees, together with a livery and other perquisites, including a house in the Tower, were granted. In consideration of his long and faithful service to the late King, and that he is behind in arrears for his fee and wages, as also for work done; prays that he may continue in your service on which he will wait. [1 p.]

68. Note of public business. That the Archbishop in the Peculiars and the Bishops in their dioceses may charge clergymen valued at 40*l.* per annum to find musket. That Captains of Pioneers, Lieutenants, and Ensigns of foot companies may not be discharged of finding their horses. That when the Lords discharge any, to signify so much to their deputies. To signify some causes in their letters that the billeting money cannot be paid yet. Also to continue the watching of the beacons. In regard the French lie so near on the coast, that a convoy is desired to bring about the King's provision of wheat [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

69. Petition of Robert Lindsay to the Council of War. That he served in the late fleet [returned from Cadiz] under Captain [Thomas] Lindsay, as Lieutenant of a company of soldiers for 18 weeks for which he received his pay. Having been wrongly set down in the list of officers for that service as an ancient, he was displaced by the Lord Marshal on his coming into Plymouth, and one Jones appointed in his stead, who has since been dismissed by the Commissioners at Plymouth. In regard he had served for four years as Lieutenant under Colonel Gray both in Bohemia and the Palatinate, prays that he may be reinstated as Lieutenant under Captain Lindsay in place of Jones. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

70. Petition of William Heldersham, Quartermaster to the Earl of Essex, to the Council of War. After having served 22 years under the States General with Captain Thomas Huncks, petitioner was sent for out of the Low Countries to serve in the late employment to Cadiz. On his return he was commanded to come from Plymouth to attend the Council of War, and is now prostrated by sickness and like to perish without he speedily receives his money so that he may obtain the advise of some good physician. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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71. Petition of Sackville Crow to the Council. Understanding that John Browne intends complaining to your Honours of a patent granted him by the King for the sole making of iron ordnance to supply the merchants of this kingdom, prays that you will so far favour him as to hear his answer to such objections as may be urged, before you any way proceed in this matter. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

72. Petition of Thomas and John Browne, the King's founder for iron ordnance and shot, to the Council. About two years past the King appointed commissioners to examine the complaints of unlawful transportation of iron ordnance, and to settle a course for prevention of the like in future. To effect this the Commissioners thought fit that but two furnaces should be allowed of which theirs should be one, as by a certificate will appear. Contrary to this order of the Commissioners a gentleman named Sackville Crow had since procured a patent for the sole supply of the subject, thereby restricting petitioners to His Majesty's service. They have not had employment for one month in a year for these many years in casting iron ordnance for His Majesty's particular service, besides it is impossible for them or any one else to cast such pieces, viz., culverins and demi-culverins, without casting many smaller pieces first, which are fitted for the use of the subject; so if they should be restrained as intended by the new patent the service both of His Majesty and the subject will receive great prejudice. This will appear by the certificate of the Officers of the Ordnance and by the order of the Commons' House. Seeing that petitioners have never offended His Majesty nor the State by any unlawful transportation, and are now enforced to become suitors to the Parliament, for that their former petition exhibited to the King is now in the hands of Mr. Crow; pray that for the upholding of their furnace and mine which supplies the best ordnance in the Kingdom, they may cast ordnance as heretofore for the use of the subject as well as the King. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

73. Offer submitted by Mr. John Browne, the maker of iron ordnance, to the Council. Upon the matter of difference between him and Mr. Sackville Crow, you were pleased to command on Thursday last that we should make several and respective propositions therein. I submit to you this offer. For me to undertake the making of 250 tons of ordnance and half the shot yearly for merchants, and Mr. Crow the residue of the ordnance with half the shot required by the merchants. Or the converse, or else an equal division both of ordnance and shot which the subject shall have occasion to use annually. To which purpose it would be desirable that a time and place of meeting between us should be fixed that once a year we may examine what the kingdom will require. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

74. Copy of the preceding offer. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

75. Offer of Sackville Crow for the composing of the difference between Mr. John Browne and himself in the matter of casting

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iron ordnance. If Mr. Browne will so be content I will join with him in all, stock his furnace, allow him a third of the profit, he allowing 10% per cent. for the third of the stock employed. The pieces Browne has already made to be delivered in by him at Tower Hill at reasonable rates, and I to deliver in the like at the same prices. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

76. Reasons why Mr. Crow refuses to join in partnership or divide the supply of iron ordnance required by the merchants with John Browne. The service of the merchants appears not to be above 300 tons per annum. If I do not make and sell above 200 tons I cannot be a gainer by the patent, observing those conditions to which I am bound in 2,000% bonds to perform. [1 p.]

77. Statement of John Browne to the Council in the matter pending between him and Mr. Crow relative to the manufacture of iron ordnance. Offers made by Crow and his objections to their acceptance. For if he should fail in performance of payments, and by that means impair and take away my credit, which now I have with the gents. in the country, then he undoeth me for ever, and I shall be rendered unable to serve either the King or country as hitherto I have done. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

78. Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of York to the Council. Are required by Lord Scrope, Lord Lieutenant of the North, to make provision of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  last of gunpowder for use of that city. Pray order for that proportion out of His Majesty's stores, at the accustomed rates. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

79. Petition of Joshua Gosselin, Deputy for John de Quiteville and others of Guernsey, to the Council. By a late order you referred the examination of the business in dispute between petitioner and John Blanch of that island to the Lord Privy Seal and the Earl of Denbigh, who appointed a day for the parties to appear before them, which petitioner accordingly signified to Blanch. In order to elude this order Blanch has petitioned for the release of his father now in prison, that he may be sent for, he not being sufficiently authorised or instructed in the business, and this only for the sake of delay and to weary out petitioner. Prays your Honours will cause the above-mentioned order to take its effect, according to the referees' appointment. [1 p.]

80. Petition of Sir Gilbert Houghton, Sir John Bradshaw, and four other gentlemen of co. Lancaster, to the Council. Many gents. of good rank and quality, using hawking and hunting for their recreation, are much prejudiced by persons of mean quality, who destroy much game of partridge and hare with greyhounds, setting dogs and nets. And though some of them are not inhibited by the statute to keep a greyhound, they ought not to destroy the game, some by storing their houses in unreasonable measure, and others by making common sale of the game to inns and alehouses. Pray that

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warrant may be given to Mr. Ralph Robinson, one of the messengers of His Majesty's chamber who knows the country, for suppressing of these abuses. [1 p.]

81. Petition of 14 merchants whose names are underwritten to the Council. That two months past they laded aboard the "Marane Clarantine," of Calais, certain goods and merchandise to be exported to Calais, for which they paid His Majesty's customs and duties, yet the ship has ever since been stayed, but is now released. In respect the goods were laden and the duties paid before any stay was made of English goods in France, and are like to perish; pray warrant to export the same as they intended, and they are willing to bear the hazard of their several goods. [1 p.]

82. Petition of Nathaniel Downes, merchant, to the Council. That his factor at Rouen, Charles de Sabris, who has had in his hands much merchandise during all the time of the embargoes on English goods, but has not been able to dispose of the same by reason of the troublesome times. His factor has 60 tuns of French wines laden aboard the "Sacrifice of Abraham," and consigned for his accompt from Rochelle to Rouen, but which ship was seized by one of the City of London ships in His Majesty's service and brought into Portsmouth, where it has remained above a month. If petitioner could obtain the enlargement of the said goods, his factor is content that he should make the best thereof he can towards satisfaction of such debts as are owing to him. Prays order for the wines to be delivered up to him, he paying the customs and duties, this he presses for the more earnestly having endured much loss by the stoppage of goods at Bourdeaux and elsewhere in France. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

83. Petition of Sir John Hewett, Bart., to the Council. That Sir Robert Osborne, knt., having made complaint that petitioner used some speeches tending to his disgrace, and the distaste of the Bench at the last Epiphany Sessions, your Honours gave order that petitioner's name should be left out of the Commission of the Peace, he being then in the country and ignorant of these proceedings. Prays that he and Sir Robert may be commanded to attend before your Board for the discovery of the truth of the complaint against him, or else that he may be replaced on the Commission of Peace for recovery of his credit and repute. *Underwritten,*

83. 1. "Nil." [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

84. Application on behalf of Mrs. Milbury, a widow, for the restoration of a trunk and iron chest, containing money, deeds, and a few controversial books left at Mr. Neighbour's dwelling in Long Acre about six weeks past. These having been seized by pursuivants were opened by Secretary Coke, in whose possession they still are, while the man in whose care they were is committed to the Gatehouse. This being all the gentlewoman's estate, if it be not restored to her she is undone. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]



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85. Petition of the priests and laity of Scotland to Pope Urban VIII. Pray that Mr. John Tramble may be created Archbishop of St. Andrews and Primate of all Scotland. [*Copy already calendared under date, see Vol. XLIV., No. 84. 3 pp.*]

86. List of the names of Roman Catholic prisoners in London and throughout the several counties of England, distinguishing those in prison, out upon bonds, or escaped. [= 2 pp.]

87. Sketch of the history of Philip Maret, as bearing on his fitness to hold the office of bailie in the Isle of Jersey. Mr. Maret, in Queen Elizabeth's time, was bred up as a scholar at Oxford, from whence he came to Sir Walter Raleigh for a while, and then went into Spain. Upon his return the Governor of Jersey took him under his protection against the clergy of the isle and others, made him the King's Receiver there, then Advocate, and lastly Procureur. Upon the return of Lord Conway and Sir William Bird, sent by King James into Jersey, Maret was, for his contemptuous behaviour towards the Bench of Justices, there fettered and imprisoned. Afterwards, having come over hither, he was ordered by the King to repair thither and make his public submission. It is now ordered that this order be put in execution or else he be banished out of the isle. By obtaining the dignity of bailie, which is the second officer in that isle, he thinks tacitly to hide his former offence without obtaining His Majesty's pardon for it. Some scandal it will be to the officers and people of Jersey, whose ill-will he has generally incurred, should he be appointed to that office; it being against the privileges and practice of that isle to admit any banished man into office there, without His Majesty's special grace and pardon first obtained for the same offence for which he is *misericordia*. [*Amongst the Conway Papers. 2 pp.*]

88. Note by Sir William Heydon of books, papers, and writings taken from Mr. Burrell and belonging to Captain Norrice. *Underwritten,*

88. 1. *Admiralty, viewed.* [*Fragment. ¼ p.*]

Confirmation of Sir John Borough, Norroy, to Elias Micklethwait, of certain arms certified by Leonard Besson, Lord Mayor of York, as stated to belong to the family of the Micklethwaites, in an old MS. in the possession of Edward Binckes. [*See Domestic, James I., Vol. CLIX., No. 34.*]

89. Note of money disbursed for Sir Walter Long, knight, about the land purchased by Mr. Pescod. Law charges in several suits. [= 2 p.]

90. Appraisement of such goods, wares, and merchandise as are here particularised, some out of the "Little Neptune." Total value, 1565*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* [4 pp.]

91. Portion of a sermon or discourse enforcing obedience and submission, supported by the examples from history of the conduct

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of St. Thomas à Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, of David's forbearance in sparing Saul, of the Christian legion submitting to the punishment inflicted by order of Maximianus. These and many other examples might be brought out of scripture and histories to prove that subjects ought patiently to suffer persecution laid on them by the authority of their princes and not seek to revenge themselves. [*Amongst the Conway Papers. Imperfect and damaged. 4 pp.*]

92. Paper in Secretary Coke's hand, comprising a copy of the Articles set down by the Lords of the Council in the reign of Queen Elizabeth [9th July 1585] for the regulation of merchants and owners of ships applying for letters of marque and reprisal. This is followed by a series of Articles headed, "Means propounded by the French ambassador and accepted by the Lords for prevention of depredations at sea, 1598," with annotations in the margin by Coke, who has added at the end these additional Articles: All ships set out by the King's order or employed for public service by the commanders of the King's ships and in his pay shall be accounted to be the King's ships; and the King is to be answerable for whatsoever wrong or offence shall be committed by them. No pirate declared or proscribed by either Prince shall be permitted to come into the ports and havens of either Prince nor be therein succoured, victualled, or received. Demand abolition for all prizes made at sea before the present King's coming to the crown. *Endorsed*, "Notes out of Sir Henry Martin's book concerning a reglement of sea matters." [3 pp.] *Subjoined*,

92. I. *Additional Articles by Dr. Reeves, copied by Secretary Coke. That none but the King's men-of-war may visit ships of strangers for prohibited goods. That not only the captain and master in prize men[*-of-war*] shall enter bond for their bearing towards the King's subjects and friends, but also the owner and principal victualers. Bond to be of the double value of the ship and furniture. Those who offer wrong to subjects or allies, besides other legal punishments, by loss of goods to be made incapable of bearing office in any ship. [Written on the same paper as the preceding.]*

93. Notes in the form of Articles, probably by Sir Robert Heath, relative to the means for augmentation of revenue. That members of the House of Commons who have obstinately crossed and laboured against a Parliamentary and usual way of supply, be put out of all Commissions of Peace and Lieutenantship in every county at this next sessions, and by no future entreaty to be admitted again for the space of two years. That every Lord Lieutenant be spoken to by a Privy Councillor to settle such commissions for raising money as shall be thought fit for the safety of the kingdom both by sea and land. That some knight or gentlemen in each county be desired to inform the Lieutenants by their own experience, with the help of the subsidy books, of the ablest men

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of estate, whereby the money and men to be raised for defence of this kingdom both by sea and land may be truly known and levied accordingly, and yet the poor towns very reasonably charged. For that the attendance of soldiers upon the sea coast may be long and chargeable, it would be well that the charge for apparel, arms, and conduct money should be rated at 10*l.* or 12*l.* for every man, besides the money to be levied for the charges of setting forth the navy both for defence and offence. That London especially and all maritime cities and towns, which chiefly receive the benefit of trade by their defence, be set at a round proportion of money over and above the charges of soldiers as before stated. That every commission and direction on this behalf do plainly intimate and express these just allegations of the necessity of the State. For Wales, the Lord President alone can furnish these estimates. [*Copy. 1½ pp.*]

94. Petition of William Charnells, prisoner in the Fleet, to Sir Laurence Tanfield, Chief Baron, and other the Barons of the Court of Exchequer. Sheweth, whereas petitioner about the 33rd year of the late Queen Elizabeth at the request of William Kilborne became bound as surety for his debt in the Exchequer in 20*l.* for the payment of 13*l.* at a day then to come, being a former debt due to [Thomas], late Lord Paget, which sum by reason of his attainder becoming due to the Queen was paid into the Exchequer. For that petitioner gave 4*l.* to Robert Pepper, an Attorney, to procure his discharge for the same and never hearing further thereof until 12 months ago while he was imprisoned at Leicester for other debts, the then sheriff there charged the petitioner by writ out of the Exchequer for the 20*l.*, whereupon he was removed to the Fleet, where he remains for the same. By reason of his long imprisonment he has become so impoverished that he cannot make present payment thereof. Prays that he may not be charged with more than the 13*l.* and that to be paid by two instalments. Desires order may be given to the warden of the Fleet for his restoration to liberty or else to go abroad with his keeper to procure sureties for the performance thereof. *Underwritten,*

94. 1. *Order by the Chief Baron for payment of the 13*l.* debt on the days here specified; sureties being bound in 26*l.* [1 p.]*

95. Mem. [by Sir William Smyth, junr., for the Duke of Buckingham]. His present Majesty and your Grace promised my father-in-law [Lord Conway] to procure me a pension of 300*l.* per annum upon my marriage, which you performed accordingly. This sum being assigned me for 21 years, out of the project then on foot for tobacco, but the grant fell through upon the collapse of that abortive business. My suit now is that you would assign me the like sum upon the late design of anise and other things, which was ordered by the Council Board. [*½ p.*]

96. Secretary Conway to [Lord Treasurer Marlborough?]. Touching the soundness of the coach horse, a bay gelding, which His Lordship had purchased out of Conway's stable. [*Draft. 2 pp.*]

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97. Congratulatory lines in Latin verse, forming an acrostic with the name Edward Conway, then Baron. *Signed*, "Tuscanus le Marchant, Advocatus Armoricus."

98. Note of ammunition and stores desired to be issued forth out of the Tower of London for supply of the Isle of Wight. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

99. Plot of [Conway Castle?], showing its position with regard to the town; the second sketch shows the Great Hall, Prince's Hall, lodgings, &c. The rooms within the gate are two stories, ruinous, but covered with lead. The walls are 10 yards high and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  thick; the least tower is 5 yards and  $\frac{1}{2}$  foot in diameter, and of two stories, the whole length of the castle within the walls is 90 yards; 127 steps to the top of the tower. [*Four leaves.*]

100. Memorandum relative to East-Bear forest in co. Hants. In the entrance upon the survey of the forest it would appear that much of the land is very barren, and the woods exceedingly destroyed by late sales of wood; but within the circuit of the forest there is much good ground and some woods, belonging to the see of Winchester, called Hambleton Chase, which have been a charge to former Bishops and yielded little profit to them. Suggested that during the vacancy of the see the King might convert this chase to a good revenue, yielding to succeeding bishops some bucks and does or such other profits as former bishops have ever received. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

101. John Bowyer to [the Privy Council?]. States the divers services in which he has been employed by land and sea under Colonel Sir John Ogle, Colonel Cecil, and Sir John Bromley; has been engaged whilst in England in the training of soldiers. *Endorsed*, "Certificate for John Bowyer, gent., pensioner, for a captain's place for to serve his Matie at sea." *Encloses*,

101. I. *Certificate by Captain Goodlad and William Brainbell of the voyages undertaken by John Bowyer.*

102. Mem. for your Lordship, proposing the obtaining of a grant for a forest in co. Somerset. The name of the forest I cannot call to mind, but if my Lord Duke [of Buckingham] ask the Lord Steward [William, Earl of Pembroke], he can tell it him. There is nothing to be asked from the King against which less exception is to be taken. It lieth so far off that it is of no use to His Majesty for his sports, and he has no profit by it, but is at cost for fees, keepers' wages, &c. His Majesty cannot give anything whereof he may not take the benefit to himself, either for his growing occasions or payment of his debts. If care be taken in the way of disafforesting, no exception will be taken by the neighbours, for there will go a third part of the whole to the Commoners. Satisfaction must be made to those who have the keeping of it by inheritance, as my Lord Duke himself, I am sure, will desire. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 2 pp.]

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103. Questions respecting the practical working of the law of wreck, being a copy of Vol. XLIII., No. 31. [5½ pp.]

104. Memorandum of divers papers, viz.: A request on behalf of Dr. Topham, tutor to [James] Duke of Lennox, that he may have a reversion or at least the king's promises for the mastership of Trinity College, Cambridge, upon the next avoidance [see Vol. IV., No. 159]. Abstract of three letters from Sir Isaac Wake. A part of the answer to the French Ambassador. Letter from a merchant out of France certifying that all the English ships and goods are arrested upon pretence of three French ships taken by the fleet [see Vol. XXXVIII., No. 90]. Sir James Spence's letter changed. Memorial of the propositions of the Marquis of Baden. Memorial touching the propositions of the Prince of Transylvania. A paper to be offered for His Majesty's signature about the French who pretend not to be satisfied. Another paper of propositions concerning the Marquis of Baden. [1 p.]

105. Claims made by several merchants for divers goods that have been unladen and stowed within the Tower of London out of several prize ships taken by His Majesty's fleet, as follows, under the seal of the Admiralty, viz., goods in the "St. Claude" and in the "St. Andrew" of Amsterdam. [4 pp.]

106. Notes of invoice for the Attorney-General of prize goods, viz.: Goods to be restored under the Great Seal of the High Court of Admiralty. Goods claimed and to be delivered over by authority of the same. Goods condemned on behalf of His Majesty against the parties named. [3 pp.]

107. Invoice of goods which ought to have been discharged at Calais laden in the "St. Andrew" at Venice; also goods in the "St. Luke" of Lubeck. [French. 2¼ pp.]

108. Demurer and Answer of Sir John Lambe to the bill of complaint of Sir Henry Fiennes and Dame Elizabeth, his wife. The Defendant saith the bill is altogether insufficient in law, it appearing by the complainant's own showing that the demand is only for a legacy given to Dame Elizabeth by the will of her father, Henry Hickman, LL.D., deceased. [Half skin of parchment.]

109. Return of the Commission concerning Captain Anthony Ersfield, stating the knowledge of the witnesses under-named as to what dues, if any, were formerly paid to the Commander of Cowes Castle, in the Isle of Wight, for anchorage, groundage, or lights. Depositions of Robert Newland of Newport, John Somar of Whippingham, Thomas Needler of Cowes, George Saunders of Whippingham, John Hobson of Ringwood, John Burley, Captain of Yarmouth Castle, Robert Urrey of Chale, John Kent of Newport, Archibald Jemison of Newport, John Horden of Niton, and John Billinghamurst, Town Clerk of Newport. [Damaged by damp. 13 pp.]

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110. Notes of proceedings taken by the Officers of the Ordnance in charging Henry Power, Viscount Valentia, with the care of the ordnance supplied for the Cadiz expedition. The Officers of Ordnance had warrants to issue the munition and arms for the Cadiz voyage. The Viscount was not Master of the Ordnance then at time of the deliveries. The ten regiments at Plymouth had their complete number of arms delivered to them there, and by memorandum these were disposed of afterwards. The Viscount refused to indent for the munitions and arms of which he had neither taken view nor had charge or made deliveries; only the Duke of Buckingham occasioned him to indent promising it should not prejudice. 26th September 1625.—At his coming from Cadiz, the Viscount was forced by weather into Ireland in company of many ships, and most of the fleet severed from him came to Plymouth with their munition, &c. The Lords directed their warrant to 18 Commissioners at Plymouth to cause the powder and munition to be landed and kept for the soldiers to exercise arms whilst lodged thereabouts. 19th December 1625.—Other munitions which were put into divers ships which returned from Cadiz were, after their arrival at Plymouth, Dartmouth, and other places, transferred into other ships serving under Captain Pennington and into those serving under the Earl of Lindsey [November 1626] whereof the Viscount Valentia never took charge, at first or last disposing, or was privy thereto. The Lords of the Council considering the premises, equitably directed that such munitions as were laden before the Viscount took charge or in his absence after and such as he never had seen, should not be charged upon him, and that he should only accompt for such as by his warrant were disposed of, and that the Officers of the Ordnance who originally delivered out the munition should take accompt of only such as he had meddled with. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

111. Account showing the sums payable to the Surveyor of Marine Victuals, Lieutenant of Ordnance, and Treasurer of the Navy, for each of the following ships, with the number of men carried on them severally, viz.:—"Mere Honour," 350 men; "Swiftsure," 260 men; "Red Lion," 250; "St. George," 260; "Reformation," 250; "James," 260; "St. Andrew"; "Rainbow," 250; "Vanguard," 250; "Henrietta Maria," 250; "Leopard," 160; "Adventure," 100; "Mary Rose," 100; "First and Tenth Whelps," 120. In all, each officer is to have, viz., Surveyor of Victuals, 18,127*l.* 10*s.*; Lieutenant of Ordnance, 7,775*l.*; Treasurer of the Navy, 56,536*l.*, less of London, 3,000*l.*, so making 53,536*l.* Total, 79,438*l.* 10*l.* Total of all money payable upon the several repartitions by the country, 80,609*l.* Total of all the men to be employed, on the Extraordinary [list], upon His Majesty's ships lent [to the king of France for service against Rochelle] as they are in the estimates, 3,120 men. [3 pp.]

112. Memoranda of business in connection with the management of lands and woods forming part of the Queen's jointure. [*Damaged by damp.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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113. Sir Oliver Cromwell to [one of the Secretaries of State]. If you would move His Majesty to say but thus much to the Archbishop, that whereas heretofore there hath been offer made unto him of 7,000*l.*, he would have him to tell the executors of Mr. Sutton, and other, the Governors [of Sutton's Hospital, in the Charterhouse, London], that he understands that his servant Cromwell is engaged unto them in a great sum, of whom he would buy "Waychinge" [Forest of Weybridge?] if they will set off so much of the debt, the which I do assure myself will be effected, your Honour preparing the Archbishop beforehand to-morrow in the morning. Thus much I thought fit to certify you of, finding His Majesty troubled with business and my necessity pressing me to have His Majesty's present resolution, herein I desire rather to give His Majesty content than a sudden ease unto my urgent occasions, wherein I crave your furtherance. [*Probably before the surrender of the office of Chief Ranger of the Forest of Weybridge, co. Huntingdon, by Sir Oliver Williams, alias Cromwell and Henry Williams, alias Cromwell. See Sign. Man., calendared under date 17th July 1627.*]

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Description by Sir Francis Godolphin of the situation and importance of the islands of Scilly and the roads and harbours there. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 20.*]

Jan. 10.  
St. Teath.

1. Letter addressed to Mrs. Grace Rea. [I intend calling] once more to take your tithe. You shall find me honest in this business, and withall I will take the cow. [*Fragment. 8 lines.*]

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Cornbury.

2. Henry, Earl of Danby, Governor of Guernsey, to the Privy Council. The great care you express in yours of 17th December concerning the safety of Guernsey and the islands adjacent, much animates me, who by true knowledge of the importance and state of that place am kept solicitous of it, and comes very seasonable in these times of trouble to assure us of requisite supplies granted in the last reign, but yet unaccomplished. Notwithstanding upon consideration it was found more than necessary to send thither many parcels of munition and arms, and to maintain a competent garrison proportionable to the strength and extent of that fortress [Castle Cornet], only a small part has been received of these munitions, the estimate remaining with the Lord Treasurer still undelivered for want of money to be paid to the officers of the ordnance. For the garrison recommended by the Council of War and assigned by your Lordships no order has hitherto been given either for levy or establishment of pay. In times of less danger only 50 men were allowed for defence of the castle, which in these suspicious times, by reason of its large circuit having in it 47 pieces of great ordnance, stands in need of 100 at the least to perform common duties. It is not to be conceived that your Lordships can conceive it meet to leave the defence thereof to those 700 men assigned out of England, so subject to delays and casualties of wind and weather, both in the bringing and sending for. I presume you will not require or expect mine own repair thither without competent means to prevent or resist such attempts as may be easily made every night from the coasts of Brittany and Normandy, or by any three of the enemy's ships which are likely to swarm in those seas. All which I submit to your wisdom and consideration. [*1½ pp.*]

Jan. 20.

3. Attorney-General Heath to the Council. You referred to me a cause, Domian, William and John Poindextre *versus* Ely Damaresque, all of Jersey. I endeavoured to hear this cause and directed my warrant for the attendance of the parties, but received certificate from the Sheriff of that isle that Ely Damaresque was dead, so that I could proceed no further in the cause. The Plaintiffs now desire that directions might be given to Sir John Peyton, the Lieutenant-Governor, and Sir Philip Carteret, Bailiff, of that isle, to call the parties concerned in this cause before them and require



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them to choose each two justices, who are to end the differences in question if they can, otherwise these to be ordered by the Lieutenant-Governor and Bailiff, which request I hold very reasonable, should it meet with your approval. [1 p.]

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4. Certificate from Attorney-General Heath to the Council. According to your reference I have considered the cause between Peter Beavoire and George Mole against the searchers of the Port of Southampton, with reference to the seizure of their wool at Southampton about to be shipped for Jersey without payment of customs in accordance with a former order of your Board. Upon all which I conceive that howsoever the petitioners have in strictness of law incurred a forfeiture for transporting these wools without custom, yet in conscience they ought to be relieved, all which I submit to your great wisdoms and judgments. [1 p.]

Jan. 27.

Declaration concerning prizes. The King doth declare his intention, and meaning is that all ships and French goods arrested, or seized by men-of-war or other officers, shall be in the charge or custody of the Lord High Admiral of England or his officers. [*Docquet, see 29th March 1626.*]

Jan. 28.

Order of Council. Copy of Vol. LL., No. 42. [*Domestic Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 32b.*]

Jan. 29.

Bath.

5. John Poulett to [Secretary Conway]. I understand from Sir Edward Hawley that you have seen a letter which I wrote to him touching some discourse of Pyne the lawyer, whereof he being required by His Majesty and you to see what proofs can be procured thereof, is now able to inform you in what manner they came to me, and by whom those things will be affirmed, which I refer to your consideration. Sir Edward Hawley was present at the beginning of the loan business before the Lords at Bath, and will give you advertisement of what was done there. In one part of this county [Somerset] where three principal gentlemen dwelt and ruled, viz., Sir Nicholas Halswell, Mr. Popham, and Mr. Rogers, there is now only Mr. Rogers in the Commission of the Peace, who having grown old is desirous that his son Sir Francis Rogers may be named in the next commission, and I am a suitor for my uncle Mr. George Poulett. I would not trouble you with these little things if I knew how to have them done without you, and yet the choice of officers for the good government of the county is not a work unworthy your Excellency's care, since thereon depends much of the success of His Majesty's affairs, which no man hath a better will to further in all things than myself. [*Amongst the Conway Papers. 1 p.*]

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6. Philip Burlamachi to Secretary Conway. I would lose no time to give you satisfaction in that which you demand. I had assignment of 12,000*l.* for the transport of the troops and their

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entertainment until their embarkation, on which assignment there has been paid to me 8,490*l*. I had an assignment of 10,000*l*. for to pay one month's pay to the troops [out of the Low Countries] at their arriving at Stade, on which there has been paid to me 8,500*l*. So I have received up to the present about 16,990*l*. Out of this we have paid [for the officers] in Holland two months' pay as herein stated. [*Seal with crest and arms. French. 4 pp.*]

[Jan.]

7. Estimate of money to be provided for Colonels' and officers pay. The Colonels who were in the Cales [Cadiz] voyage are behind in pay for 29 months, to each of these eight months' pay to be allowed, viz., 280*l*. a man, total 2,240*l*. This eight months' pay to be raised and paid out of the loans in those counties where the regiments now lie. For the residue of the 29 months, the account to be cast up and a Privy Seal procured to pay them, count and reckoning to be made, and all arms, moneys, and allowances heretofore made either here or in Ireland to be 'defalked.' For the Lieutenant-Colonel, Colonels, and Sergeant-Majors, having already received three months' pay, five more will make eight months, which at 70*l*. for each comes to 700*l*. to be paid out of the loan as above, for which a Privy Seal to be granted. For the Sergeant-Majors, being ten, 49*l*. to each amounts to 490*l*. to be paid as above. The 75 Captains who have companies and have received no pay for 19 months, are to have four months' pay, which at 44*l*. 6*s*. a man comes to 3,404*l*. 16*s*., to be paid as above. Their Lieutenants, Ensigns, Sergeants, Corporals, and drummers are to have allowance *ut supra*, which is not comprised in this sum. Total, 6,834*l*. 16*s*. For 25 Captains without companies, who have come out of Ireland, 1,124*l*. Other payments for inferior officers. [*1½ pp.*]

Jan.

8. Forms of three oaths to be taken by officers of the navy; the first for masters, master shipwrights, and surveyors; the second for clerks; and the third for boatswains, carpenters, and others aboard the several ships in His Majesty's service. [*1 p.*]

[Jan. ?]

9. Form of warrant to be sent by the Commissioners of the Loan in the several counties to the Deputy-Lieutenants and Justices of each hundred. Have received a letter from the Council complaining of the slowness with which the loan money comes in, and requiring a particular account of that service, together with the names of all such as shall either refuse or put off payment with excuses, in order that these may be proceeded against as is fit. Being unwilling to incur His Majesty's displeasure or to bring our neighbours into any trouble or danger, we require you, in your several hundreds, to send present notice to all parishes which have not already paid in their loan moneys to the collectors, to bring in the same at the day and place to be specified. [*Draft, damaged. 1 p.*]

[Jan. ?]

10. Measures to be taken for hastening the loan [submitted to the Duke of Buckingham]. 1. Those who have proved remiss in

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the contribution to be sent for and sharply reprehended. 2. That the book of the Commission of the Peace be looked into, and out of it Commissioners chosen in each county, such as in Parliament or otherwise have made demonstration of their good affection to His Majesty's service. 3. That besides the form of fasting and prayer, moved by your Grace, to be generally observed throughout the kingdom in the beginning of this work; the Commissioners to cause a sermon to be preached by the most zealous preacher, and he to apply both his prayer and exhortation effectually to this service. 4. That the motion made by the Master of the Wards for putting the laws in execution against recusants be followed, and letters written from the Council Board to stir up the Justices of the Peace thereunto, which will without all question give the people infinite content, and make them most willing to anything that shall be required, and God will bless the whole action. [3 p.]

[Jan. ?]

11. This book containeth a revocation of your Majesty's commission dated 4th June 1625, directed to Secretary Coke and Sir R. Weston, Chancellor of the Exchequer, for the examining of all ordinary and extraordinary charges concerning the Royal navy, and Marine causes, with a power to the same commissioners to proceed to perfect any business to them by the former commission referred, from the date of that commission to the time of the renunciation, according to an Order of Council, and with the privy of the Lord High Admiral. [*Amongst the Conway Papers. Minute.* ½ p.]

Feb. 6.  
London.

Pass granted by Buckingham, Lord Admiral, for the "St. Jacob" of Danske [Dantzic], lying in the Thames, but released by order of the Court of Admiralty. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 33.*]

Feb. 10.  
Jersey.

12. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway. Acknowledges his many noble favours, especially in procuring for him the office of Bailiff. I will use my utmost endeavours that I may not fall short of your expectation of my care and diligence in His Majesty's service. I have together with the Jurats received your letters, and we are now employing ourselves to effect your commands, but are not able by this opportunity to give that full account which is required of us. I can aver that many of those things which are now enjoined have, especially since these dangerous times, passed through the Lieutenant-Governor [Sir J. Peyton's] care and vigilancy. He now intends with all speed to begin the fortifications of the islet, in which we are ready to assist, as for the scarfing of the banks and retrenchment to be now made. I think this will be done with the labour of the country, and at little or no charge to His Majesty; but if his royal pleasure were that so brave a work should be thoroughly ended by the building of a stone wall as hath been projected, the country will, I suppose, willingly contribute to all necessaries of carriage and other services, only the payments for materials and mason's work excepted, which, if the King may not

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spare out of the Exchequer, it would be well to send a quantity of gunpowder and munition, to the proportion formerly signified by the Lieutenant-Governor and myself, which being sold to the inhabitants, the money received for the same might be employed by the Governor. For the rest of the charges a good sum might be raised in this Island by farming out the fees and grounds escheated to the King, by which means the island might be greatly strengthened and the King's annual revenue not diminished. This was heretofore propounded by me and referred by the Council Board to the then Attorney-General [Sir Francis Bacon] and Solicitor-General Sir Henry Yelverton, and Sir Thomas Coventry, now Lord Keeper, by whom it was reported on as beneficial for His Majesty's service. Mrs. Rosset taking advantage of my absence here has procured a certificate from Sir John Rives [Dr. Thomas Ryves?] the King's Advocate, and so a letter from the Board commanding [David Bandinell], Dean [of Jersey], and others to put her in possession of a small purchase which I made for a jointure for my wife. I entreat your favour that a review of this cause may be referred to Sir Henry Martin, Attorney-General Heath, and Sir John Rives [Dr. Thomas Ryves?] himself; that so this cause being heard in defence of my right by a legal course, I may blot out those calumnious aspersions she has circulated of the wrong I should do her. [*Seal with arms and crest. 3 pp.*]

Feb. 11.  
Whitehall.

13. [Secretary Conway] to Secretary Coke. I return the three grants brought to you under the King's hand to be sealed. I never doubted of your care to join the King's honour with his service, and I have received great contentment in this proof and do return you my knowledge and opinion upon these three attempts upon the King. For the first, which is a protection, I conceive it to be an exorbitant suit, without example, which may carry with it much partiality and a great blow to all courts of justice, open a door to the practice and corruption of bankrupts, and be a great disheartening to merchants and traders who principally ought to be nourished in that Island [Jersey], which is happily situated for traffic, and having not many growing commodities, nor, indeed, sufficient to maintain themselves, the [Islanders] must be enabled by trade to increase their people, and by the produce of that trade be enabled to fortify and arm themselves, which [service] otherwise must be done at His Majesty's cost for their defence. Touching wills I have been acquainted with questions between the Bishop of Winchester and the Island. Concerning ecclesiastical rights, I have observed that the Islanders have ever endeavoured to draw all ecclesiastical power into the hands of their jurats, by which the ministers became oppressed and contemptible, and the judgments and practice of all things that belonged to the canon law administered if not with partiality [at least] with ignorance, which was so apparently proved that His Majesty established a dean [David Bandinell] there, and confirmed the Bishop of Winchester to be their Ordinary. And for the proof which they would confirm by two seals of their Island, it has ever been their practice

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and their art to win as much to their own government as they can, and upon an admission of such things as these are, they pretend for right and use; a point the rather to be cared for because those Islands are worthy the cherishing and entertaining, both for honour and use of this Crown, but have need of the just bridles and helps which by just concession is granted to the power of the Crown. While I was in the Island of Jersey, His Majesty's Commissioner there, [in the year 1617], such a proposition as the last [mentioned] was raised by a particular man and countenanced by a principal person, upon the pretext that many ignorant and unskilful men did draw [out] writings, and through the defects in which many suits did arise to the impoverishing of the Islands. Sir William Bird [Conway's fellow Commissioner to Jersey in 1617] and I did in our judgments mislike it, but so soon as the overture did but look abroad amongst the wiser and more knowing sort, it was decried as an injurious monopoly, by which all men might be enthralled or entangled; and then some gave by way of demonstration occasion for us to judge what the event would be if the King's Attorney-[General] should have a patent for the sole drawing of all the writings of England, or the Recorder for to draw out all the writings belonging to the city or citizens of London. It is two years since that this gentleman Messerme [Edw. Meservy, the King's Advocate at Jersey], to whom I wish well, did press me very much to move His Majesty in this very suit, but I conceived it so unjust as I durst not, nor would not, have done it for my head. I will now only say to you, if all His Majesty's officers and ministers would foresee what they ask in the points of the church government and distributive justice, which are two of the greatest sinews of a State and most assured bonds from the King to his people, the jealousies and disaffections would soon so cease, and His Majesty appear to his people as just, as good, and as much to be revered, as indeed he is. I am rejoiced and thankful for the foresight you have used in this, and when I can I will appear such a servant to my master as I acknowledge you to be, for which and the rest begotten by my knowledge of you and acquaintance with you I will continue to be. [*Draft amongst the Conway Papers.* 2½ pp.]

Feb. 11. 14. Lord Conway to the Bailiff's and Burgesses of Ipswich. Whitehall. Recommending to their consideration and employment M. John le Fort, a Frenchman, who is a Protestant, and desirous to apply himself to the teaching of French and music. Hearing that the burgesses of your town are well inclined to give good education to your children in those qualities, he has resolved to come and offer his service and has therefore desired this introduction from me. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

Feb. 13. Commission to Archbishop Abbot of Canterbury, and others, for examination of divers conspiracies, practices, and misdemeanours committed by divers Frenchmen. [*Docquets.* See 29th March 1626.]

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Feb. 15. List of the ships and captains of Captain John Pennington's fleet employed to the southward, with the number of ordnance and men in each vessel. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 24b.*]

Feb. 16.

Whitehall.

Royal Warrant to the President of the Council in the North to swear Sir Arthur Ingram, junr., on the Council, as Sir Arthur Ingram his father, holding the office of Secretary to the Council in the North, having the power, hath appointed him his deputy to execute the said office for him, in respect of his own many affairs and occasions often requiring him here in London. [*See State Papers, Ireland, 13th January 1627.*]

Feb. 21.

Grant to Abraham and Thomas Dawes of the office of Supervisor of customs and subsidies in all the ports of England, except London, for their lives. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

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15. The King to Lord Treasurer Marlborough. "Although I cannot emagen you can forget my businesses, yet I know a litell remembrance now and then can doe no hurt, if it were but to show I doe not forget them, though I be at my sports. Therfor, I doe luke to heare that the tenn ships should sett to sea some tyme this weeke at the farthest, for although some of the Bordeaux ships bee returned, yet they will have worke a nufe doe otherwise, if not, to feeh away thos that remaine. Then I doe looke to heare that the reereu[t]se for the King of Denmarke should be dispatched. Lykewise I must have an aecount how the preparations for the great fleete goes on. Of thease three I doe expect that ye should send me word of the dispathe of the two former, and a good progress in the last, if not, send me causes of the delays, but withall, the remedies for them; for in thease tymes I must have all my servants, but especiallie you, my Tresorer, not so much to stumble at difficulties, as to be industrius to overcome them. So hoping to have a good answer of this letter I rest your loving maister. *Postscript.*—I have named thease three because I take them most to hart, yet I looke to have an aecount hou ye proceed in all the rest. I had almost forgott the 4,000*l.* for the Scots' regiments, but I hope that is dispatched. Sunday, 25 of Feb. 1627." [*Holograph. Signed but not sealed. 1 p.*]

Feb. 26.

16. Bond of John and William Austin of eo. Northampton in 60*l.* for the punctual payment of 30*l.* to Lionell Daniel, citizen and haberdasher of London, at his house on London Bridge, upon the 30th of August next. [*Latin and English. ½ p.*]

Feb. 27.

His house in  
Durham Yard.

17. Sir Thomas Wilson to Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Duke of Buckingham. As I was about to despatch this letter with papers enclosed from the office for the Duke's service, there came to me a gentleman named Andrew Mogar, one of the Queen's musicians, desiring a warrant for protection against two Frenchmen, Ferron and Le Voiture, who had threatened to kill him,

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which I granted, in order to bind them over to keep the peace should there seem to be occasion. He came again to me complaining of [Pierre] Civett, [Equerry to the Queen], for striking him and drawing his sword on him, and took his oath that he went in fear of his life because of him. Whereupon I could do no less than grant him a warrant of the peace against him, requiring sureties which if he refused then to convey him to the nearest gaol. Understanding that this Civett or Civill is a gentleman favoured by the Duke, I should wish his Grace to be acquainted with the business that I may receive his directions. Let me hear from you to-morrow morning early what his Grace's pleasure is in it. Being very sick I cannot leave my chamber, but cannot refuse to do justice, there being no other to do it hereabouts. Encloses a letter to the Duke about other business. *Postscript.*—Of this business and some other which may concern your good I would speak with you to-morrow. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

Feb. 28.  
Westminster.

The King to the Treasurer and Under-Treasurer of the Exchequer. The Council taking into consideration that the entertainments of the captains serving in the late expedition to Cadiz, being 2s. 6d. per diem, was so small that many of them were unable to accommodate themselves for the voyage under the Earl of Lindsey for want of money, directed that an additional allowance of 100 marks apiece to the captains of the King's ships, and 50 marks to the captains of the merchants and Newcastle ships serving in that expedition should be paid, which addition His Majesty was pleased to allow of, and by this Privy Seal directs to be paid. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 129b.*]

[Feb.]

18. Petition of Sir Erasmus Dryden, Bart., Sir Edmond Hampden, Sir William Wilmer, Sir John Pickering, Knights, and John Hampden, Esq., to the Council. Having been committed by your Lordship's warrant, petitioners have remained as prisoners in the Gatehouse in Westminster 17 days. Being much afflicted with the sense of His Majesty's heavy displeasure, and much prejudiced both in their health and estates by this restraint, they pray your mediation to his most Excellent Majesty to vouchsafe them his wonted favour, and to free them from their imprisonment. [*John Hampden was summoned to appear before the Council on 29th January, and Sir Edmund Hampden was in the Gatehouse in June.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Feb.]

19. Petition of divers English merchants trading in French wines to the Council. By your order of 31st August last, made upon motion of the Petty Farmers [of Customs], you gave permission for the importation of wines in Strangers' bottoms, whereby petitioners were encouraged to give directions for the bringing over of French wines. Subsequently, upon consideration of particulars mentioned in a petition by the Company of English merchants trading to France by an order of the 25th January last, your Lordships prohibited the importation of all French goods

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upon penalty of confiscation. Pray that notwithstanding this latter order they may be permitted, upon payment of customs and other dues, to take up such of their wines and other goods coming from Rochelle, Bordeaux, and Nantes, as they have already ordered. They intend, in obedience to the order of 25th January, to send an express to recall their commissions for the time ensuing. [1 p.]

[Feb.]

20. Petition of the same to Henry, Earl of Manchester, President of the Privy Council. In obedience to the Council's order of the 25th January last prohibiting the importation of all French goods, petitioners are desirous to send over Samuel Cooke with letters for recalling of their commissions for the importation of French wines and other commodities of that country. Pray that for the better and speedier passage of Samuel Cooke the Lords would grant him a license to embark at any of the ports and from thence freely to pass into France. [1 p.]

[Feb.]

21. Note by Emanuel, Lord Scrope, Lord President of York, for the Privy Council. The Lord President of York desires the Lords would be pleased to send their warrant to the Master of the Ordnance to furnish 300*l.* worth of gunpowder, 300 muskets, and so many corslets out of the magazine in the Tower, for which he will be bound to pay according to the ordinary rates within 40 days after their arrival at Hull to refurnish the King's storehouse there for service in the north. Offers to pay freight, but desires to be free from the hazard of the voyage. Prays the Lords to be sensible hereof otherwise he cannot with any conveniency execute the King's command for assembling the 12,000 trained soldiers there and performance of other services that concern the safeguard of the coasts from incursions and depredations of the enemy, whereunto those parts are very subject for want of arms and powder. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[March 1.]

22. [Secretary Coke] to the King. Reporting the state of the preparations. According to your Majesty's letters and commands of the 25th of February last, I have endeavoured to render unto your Majesty a due and just account of such services as your Majesty hath thereby required, which I humbly present unto your gracious and favourable construction. First. Whereas you expect that the ten ships should set to sea some time this week at the furthest, I certify that the Victualler of the Navy was paid and assigned before the receipt of your letters according to his contract with us in writing, and hath since under his hand, dated upon Tuesday last [the 27th of February], declared that the victuals for the "Lion" were sent from hence to Chatham upon Saturday last, and that he doubted not but that it was by the ships' side before that date; for the other six ships of merchants and His Majesty's pinnace here in the river [Thames] their victuals were most aboard, and the rest lay by the ships' side, and all ready to be delivered as fast as they would receive it in; and for the other three merchants' ships at Portsmouth their victuals were likewise ready, and some provisions which that place could not yield were put aboard to go from hence for more safety with the ships from London. The



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Treasurer of the Navy [Sir William Russell] likewise was all paid according to his contract, and he hath declared under his hand upon Tuesday last, that for so much as concerneth his office the same is and shall be dispatched as fast as the Commissioner [of the Navy's] warrants come to his hands, for the payment of what is included in the estimate, and that in true substance the work is already done. And, lastly, the Lieutenant of the Ordnance [Sir William Heydon] hath declared under his hand, upon Wednesday last [28th February], that he did undertake that by Saturday or Monday night next all munitions and provisions required out of the office of the Ordnance shall be delivered aboard the 10 ships. Secondly. The recruits [for the King of Denmark] are appointed by the Lords [of the Council] to be at their rendezvous, viz., part of them at Hull upon 30th March, and the residue at London and Harwich upon the 25th. Mr. Burlamachi hath accepted assignments for his satisfaction upon the loans of cos. Somerset, Wilts, Leicester, and Derby, and the tin farm for 40,000*l.*, in consideration whereof he hath undertaken, under his hand dated upon Tuesday last, to furnish such money as shall be necessary for transporting the troops out of the Low Countries to Stade; also for the charge of sending over the recruits from hence, and likewise for three months' pay for these troops after their arrival. Thirdly. Although there be no estimate come unto me for the great fleet, yet I have treated with the Farmers of the Great Customs for the advance of 30,000*l.* or thereabouts upon the next year, who promise, shortly after conference between them, to give me an answer; but it will be better for your Majesty's service to spare that advance until the greatest extremity of wants shall require it, and rather to take into contemplation the sale of the French goods, the money raised upon the sale of Barnwood Forest and the woods there, the creation of two barons, and some things else which you may please to acquaint me withal. And it is to be considered that the freight of the ships returned from Cales [Cadiz] will shortly fall upon your Majesty, which will amount to 50,000*l.* or thereabouts, besides 1,000*l.* is vehemently called for by the Ambassadors from the States [of Holland] for the interest due to the States, by which means the provision for the fleet will rather seem more impossible than difficult if it be truly intended. Touching the 4,000*l.* payable to "my Lord of Espiny" and Sir James Sinclair for the raising of certain Scottish companies for the service of the King of Denmark, Mr. Burlamachi hath declared under his hand, dated upon Tuesday last, that he hath undertaken to disburse the same upon an assignment then made to him of so much out of the French [prize] goods at Dover, and having already given satisfaction to them there is no further delay or impediment of this service. Touching the 350*l.* a week for the shipwrights, Sir William Russell declared on Wednesday that he acknowledged himself satisfied for a fortnight's pay thereof according to the order of the Lords, and from thenceforth the rest shall be also weekly paid to him. Touching the four ships set forth to guard the fishermen, the Treasurer of the Navy on the

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same day declared that he had received payment for that service, and has accordingly despatched the same; and the Victualler hath already received all the money due for his part out of the loans of Suffolk, and has accordingly performed that service as is testified under his hand. The Lieutenant of the Ordnance hath likewise undertaken under his hand that all munitions, &c., shall be delivered as fast as the gunners will attend to receive the same. Touching 100 lasts of gunpowder or saltpetre to be provided from beyond sea for supply of His Majesty's stores, Mr. Burlamachi has undertaken the same upon an agreement for 14,000*l.* out of the moiety of the loans, the other moiety being assigned to the Ordnance Office for payment of 29,000*l.*, whereof 12,000*l.* are for arrears due before my time, and 17,000*l.* for provision of iron shot and other necessaries for His Majesty's stores. Thus I have made my humble relation to your Majesty of the state of these services, which I have done with the voucher of the subordinate officers' hands in writing, to the end that the same may be extant to justify my relations when you shall require the same, and that if any defect shall fall out (which I hope will not) it may alight on him in whom the default shall be found; and so assuring your Majesty that there shall be no neglect of mine in your service, and hoping that you will not lay greater burden upon your revenue and means than the same can bear, and that you will protect me against all inferences or imputations that may be cast upon me thereby, wherein, as in all other things, I depend and live by your gracious favour and accustomed justice, I humbly kiss your Majesty's hands. [*Draft.* 4 *pp.*]

March 4. 23. Proclamation against furnishing the King of Spain with warlike stores. [*Already calendared under date.* Copy. 3½ *pp.*]

[March 4.] 24. Project for dispensing with the above proclamation at sea, so far as concerns the transporting of corn and linen cloth into Spain in favour of the French. These are, therefore, to signify to all the King's subjects having commissions of reprisal that they forbear interference with any French ship in that regard until the King's pleasure be signified to the contrary. [*Draft with alterations.* 1¼ *pp.*]

March 6. 25. Application for restoration of Robert Brerewood, Esq., to his former office of Clerk of the Prentice or Town Clerk in the city of Chester, from which he had been suspended at the instance of Edw. Whitby, the Recorder, for certain irregularities in his office, but which was not intended to be of long continuance, subscribed by 14 aldermen, 10 sheriff peers, and 23 common councillors. [*Sheet of paper.*]

March 7. 26. Sir Philip Carteret, Bailiff, and five others, Jurats of Jersey, Guernsey. to Lord Conway. The Lieutenant-Governor here [Peyton] has acquainted us with the Council's letter to our Governor showing how His Majesty, out of his princely care for all his subjects in

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these so dangerous times, has cast his favourable eye on this island, and ordered that soldiers be levied and sent from cos. Southampton, Dorset, and Wilts for its better defence, for which we return thanks. These precautions are most needful, considering how the French do daily use His Majesty's subjects, and more particularly the common rumour that they aim at these isles. Within these few days a very strict arrest has been made in St. Malo of all shipping over 40 tons, as informed by a ship which escaped thence in the night. Ten good ships are making ready there with all possible expedition, and many small boats in other places. We are suitors that your Honour would move the King that some soldiers may speedily be sent to reinforce the garrison in Castle Cornet, for that the inhabitants, who for the most part are very poor, think themselves sufficiently fatigued with watching, warding, and repairing the fortifications at landing places about the isle, and ought not to be constrained as they are, for fear of a surprise, to watch in the castle 30 per night. We beseech you that some ships may be stationed near these isles, as that would frustrate any French enterprise more than anything else. [2 pp.]

March 8. 27. Letters of Dispensation granted by Archbishop Abbot, containing a license for Tristram Blackden, of Witham, co. Essex, to practise the art of surgery within the whole province of Canterbury. *Subjoined,*

27. 1. *Confirmation by the King in accordance with the Statute of Henry VIII., of the dispensation granted to Tristram Blackden. Westminster, 10th March. [Latin. 1½ pp.]*

March 11. 28. Margaret Hyll to Sir Richard Carnsewe [Carnshaw]. Awhile since it was your pleasure to distrain my cattle, except I fetched them by virtue of a precept, which I accordingly did. The county court being to-morrow I have sent to know your pleasure if I should forbear returning the precept and attend you in person with a friend that we may have a friendly conference, which I would defer till after Easter Monday. If you do not like this arrangement I must return the precept. [½ p.]

March 13. The King to Captain John Pennington. Instructions already calendared under date March 11th. *See Vol. LVI., No. 85. [Copy in Volume of Admiralty Collections, Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXVII., fol. 41b.]*

March 14. Grant to Queen Henrietta Maria of the house and messuage called Oatlands, co. Surrey, and [of reserved rents from] other lands in various parts of England, as part of her jointure, during life. [Similar grants already calendared under dates March 8th and March 12th. [*Docquet, see 29th March 1626, Addenda.*]]

March 15. 29. Instructions by Lord Treasurer Marlborough for drawing out a commission to the persons named to inquire into the condition

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and money value of the materials and site of Ruthin Castle, co. Denbigh. What rent is now paid for the same, what the improved value, and whether it be granted by lease, and to whom and for what time. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March 15. 30. Grant to Gilbert North, Esq., of 700*l.*, forfeited by the  
Westminster. outlawry of Edward Harrison upon a statute entered into by Sir Henry Fynes. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *skin of parchment.*]

March 15. 31. Grant to Anthony Hobarte of a weekly market and two fairs  
Westminster. yearly in the town of Lednes *alias* Loddon, in co. Norfolk. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *skin of parchment.*]

March 15. 32. Oliver St. John, Viscount Grandison, to his nephew Sir  
Battersea. Thomas Roe, Ambassador at Constantinople. Acknowledging the receipt of sundry letters from him, the last being in October, and excusing his own seldom writing by reason of his infirmity which prevents him from informing himself of those things which might avail Roe's service. Howsoever, the letters sent from hence failed to reach you, yet the resolution continues firm for your return this year, and Sir Peter Wych is knighted and prepared to go to free you, yet now I hear he is stayed, owing to some exceptions taken to his person. I know not what it is till I speak with the Duke [of Buckingham] again, but if he should stay here they will send another. I understand that Sir Robert Killigrew, who was assigned to be ambassador into Holland is off from that employment, and I moved the Duke for you, but by reason of his being at Newmarket with the King, I have not spoken with him again, but now I will. So I hope to see you return with honour, which your great services have deserved. I cease to trouble you further until a better occasion. *Postscript.*—Commend my love and service to my noble niece. I got a sight of your cypher from Robert Braithwaite. [*Seal with coronet and crest.* 1 p.]

March 16. 33. Thomas Bredeman, a prisoner in the Gatehouse, to Secretary Conway. Earnestly beseeches Conway to procure his release without which he is likely to perish. Represents as reasons his never tainted loyalty, the loss of a command in his own country, and the hazard of his shallow well in this solitary cell. *Postscript.*—This is the fourth or fifth petition to your Lordship. [*Seal with devi[ce].* 1 p.]

March 16. 34. Exceptions taken to Sir John Eliot's account, amounting to 1,860*l.* 2*s.* 1*d.* In this is included a demand for 337*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.* to be allowed for the moiety of the ship which he pretends the Lord Admiral gave to Sir Edward Seymour. He is reported to have received 170*l.* for the French ship laden with fish taken by the Turks and seized at Plymouth, and 200*l.* for a Hambrugher relieved by men of Dartmouth from Dutch pirates, also 280*l.* for wines claimed by Mr. Barker of Plymouth, for all these sums he accompts not. Suggestion for a commission and examination to inquire into

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these matters [affecting his conduct as a Vice-Admiral] by which the truth of his proceedings will appear. *Underwritten,*

34. 1. *Note the charges to be extravagant, and let the exception be general to respite the passing of the accompt.* [1½ pp.]

March 17. The Council to George, Earl of Totnes. Proposals for remedying the great inconvenience which many of His Majesty's ships suffered by overweight of ordnance. Request his opinion and advice for remedying the same. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 34b.*]

March 19. 35. George, Earl of Totnes, to Edward Nicholas, Secretary to Savoy. the Duke of Buckingham. The enclosed project is no child of mine, but the invention of Mr. Englebert, which he is desirous of submitting to the King, but desires to have it first pass his Grace's approbation. Because you know the best times when the Duke is most at leisure, I thought good to send him and his petition to you with these lines, praying you to find a time to acquaint his Grace therewith. [*Seal with coronet and arms. 1 p.*]

March 21. Docquet of Sign Manual Car. I., Vol. III., No. 30, already calendared under date 24th March. [*See 29th March 1626.*]

March. 36. Warrant to [John Murray], Earl of Annandale, appointing him keeper of the deer and game about the castle of Farnham. *Underwritten,*

36. 1. *Lord Conway desires the Clerk of the Signet to prepare a warrant for the game keeping in the usual form.* [*Draft. 1½ pp.*]

[March.] 37. Note of business for present consideration in the Council of War. Yesterday the captains who were conceived to have consented to the petition delivered to His Majesty appeared before the Lords. There were divers that neither gave consent nor had knowledge of it, but had interest in the sufferance and pretence of payment as much as any. It was debated amongst the Lords what course should be held with them, and it was resolved they should be called in, and after some sharp reprimand for the indiscretion of the petition both in matter and manner of delivery, that His Majesty's gracious favour should be showed to them in passing [over] their offences and contenting himself with a small example for this time, and then to declare His Majesty's gracious intention to pay them their whole arrear upon account as soon as money should come in, and in the meantime to give them a month's entertainment to carry them down into the country, and order there to be paid their growing entertainments of 56s. a week which the Lord President [of the Council] did effectually perform concerning the narration. For the execution, by disputes, there arose some difficulties, the Earl of Dorset alleging that if the arrears should be paid upon Dorsetshire, there would not remain money to satisfy the growing entertainments, which would much unsatisfy the country to have the soldiers there, and no money in

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their hands to pay them, but to have to depend upon the Exchequer pay. It was then conceived that the money of some other counties might be employed for the supply of their payment; but in this point Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer [Sir R. Weston] produced a note of the disposition of the moneys which were in any sort certain in all the rest of the shires. This brought the execution of this [business] wholly to a stand; besides, there were several propositions not resolved of, as whether money for the officers should be paid to them or to the billeters, which is considerable, and perhaps would be best divided between them. Another proposition was how the captains who had no companies and their officers should be enjoined to go down into the country and live there without charge or receive their pay weekly by some officer, and so left to their liberty. The Lord President [Henry, Earl of Manchester] hath the notes of what the sum is of the month's pay; what the sum is for eight months' pay, and what the weekly payment is. The resolution of all, what to be done, and how, remains yet [to be settled], saving that all those captains and officers are contented to go down into the counties having a month's pay paid to them. The captains and officers for Ireland, who are in number 19 captains, 14 lieutenants, 17 ensigns, 28 sergeants, and 20 drummers, are appointed to be heard to-day. [2 pp.]

April 4. 38. Return made to a Commission, dated 12th February 1626-27, out of the Court of Exchequer, appointing William Whitaker, Edward Yerbury, Esqrs., and John Essington and Randolph Barons, gents, to take examinations and depositions relative to the forest and park of Gillingham, co. Dorset, in accordance with the instructions subjoined. Teste Sir John Walter at Westminster. [Latin. 4 pp.] Subjoined,

38. 1. *Instructions in the form of articles for the above-named Commissioners to execute on His Majesty's behalf.*  
 1. What wood or timber is incident to the office of guardian of the forest or park. 2. What grant from his present Majesty has been made to Sir James Fullerton of house boot, hedge boot, fire boot, or timber for reparation of the pales of the park or of houses in the forest of Gillingham. 3. You are to allot to Sir James Fullerton such wood and timber as may suffice and be incident to his offices. 4. You are to make a full return of what you shall do in the premises. The following return was made by the said Commissioners at the expiration of the five weeks after Easter [April 4], viz., Depositions of witnesses, John Wollridge, late woodward in the forest and park, Francis Abbott of Motcombe, Robert Deacon of Motcombe, William Morgan of Gillingham. We are of opinion that all the wood and timber now standing and unsold is but sufficient to be allowed to Sir James Fullerton for that use and service. [Transcript from amongst the Inquisitions and extents remaining in the custody of the Remembrancer of the Exchequer. 26 pp.]

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April 5. Grant to Sackville Crow of the office of Treasurer of marine affairs during life. Original calendared under date 20th March. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]
- April 10. 39. Certificate on behalf of John Johnson recommending him for the place of boatswain, he having served in divers voyages and recently in His Majesty's ship the "Nonsuch" on her late voyage to Hamburgh. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- April 11. 40. Petition of John Dixon, Chirurgion-General of the Army, and the rest of the Surgeons, to the Duke of Buckingham. That petitioner was persuaded by Viscount Wimbledon to quit his post in the Low Countries to go in the late voyage for Calez [Cadiz], and in relieving the sick and wounded who were very many, he expended not only the King's allowance for drugs but spent his own store, as did the rest of the surgeons, besides the misery they endured themselves in the voyage. They have ever since been held on in expectation of employment without receiving their entertainment. Pray that some present course may be taken not only for those who shall be appointed to go in this intended voyage, and have means and time to furnish their chests, but also for those who stay behind, that they may receive what is due and have their discharges, whereby His Majesty will be eased of so much pay, and they have freedom to follow their vocations. [1 p.]
- April 17. 41. Six several receipts given by Thomas Hawkins for sums by him received of Sir William Heydon, Lieutenant-General of Ordnance, for his master John Browne, His Majesty's founder of iron ordnance, between 24th February and 17th April. [2 pp.]
- April 20. Docquet of a commission to the Duke of Buckingham empowering him to grant letters of marque against French ships. [*Already calendared under date 30th April. See Vol. LXI., No. 66.*]
- April 27. Instructions by the Council for such merchants and owners of ships  
Whitehall. as may obtain from the Lord Admiral letters of marque against the French. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 43b.*]
- April 28. 42. Colonel Sir John Borlase to Secretary Conway. This is the  
Gravesend. third day that I have been here expecting the coming down of the ships with the soldiers of which only three have yet come down. I beseech you that Sir Archibald Douglas may have command to come away with those that are behind, for by this delay not only a fair wind is lost but the victuals for the soldiers consumes, whereof there remains now only sufficient for ten days. Let Mr. Burlamachi have order to supply them. When any of the ships have order to fall down [the river] to be of the convoy I will go with them according to the command of the Council. [*Seal with device, 1 p.*]

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- [April 28.] 43. Petition of Captain Sir Archibald Douglas to the Council. That an officer belonging to the water bailiffs may be appointed with a pair of oars to attend every ship during the time of the soldiers' stay ashipboard in the river [Thames] to signify your will to the rest of the watermen, else it will be impossible by reason of their friends coming to see them to prevent them stealing away. That the ship wherein I go being a ship of defence may have allowance of gunpowder. Recommends that the men be not shipped to-morrow, because all the ships as yet lack four day's victuals, and some of them deals above the ballast which will be provided to-morrow and without which the soldiers hardly can live. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

April 30. Commission to Sir Edward Hales to execute martial law in Kent. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1666.*]

- [April.] 44. Petition of the merchants of London, Exeter, Totnes, Lyme Regis, and Dorchester, trading into France to the Council. That Andrew de Launay, Thomas Marceau, and others, subjects of the French king, having petitioned the Council of State at Paris, have obtained power to seize to their own behoof the goods, debts and money belonging to English merchants, on pretence that complainants were robbed by Captain Mainwaring, of a ship, the "St. Peter," with her lading, in 1615, and also another ship, the "Flying Stag," being in Milford Haven and bound for the East Indies, seized by command from the Lord High Admiral of England. These ships with their ladings and the subsequent proceedings regarding them are estimated at above 25,000*l.*; this sum by order of the Council at Paris is to be recouped out of the goods and debts of English merchants already seized, unless the latter procure satisfaction to be made to complainants within six months. In order to put an end to these continual interruptions of trade, the loss to the King's customs, and the taking off of that aspersion falsely cast upon our nation, petitioners intend to join together in bearing the charge and prosecution of such course as may be found needful, but without your assistance they have no hope of bringing their designs to effect. Pray that the Lords would recommend this weighty business to his Majesty's Ambassador, Lord Carleton, and to command the officers of customs in every port, not to give any warrants for goods to be imported from or exported to any parts of France, except only Calais, Rochelle, Bordeaux, Bayonne, Marseilles, and St. Jean de Luz, until each merchant shall have paid half per cent. towards the charge of this suit. [1 p.]

- [April.] 45. Petition of the same to the same. In a former petition they were suitors to your Lordships for the levying upon themselves and other merchants trading to France such sum as might be required for repealing of an arrest of English goods in France, lately procured at the suit of Andrew De Launay and others. Of this request you did not approve, conceiving the arrest to be a wrong done to the State, and therefore you intimated that order



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should be given to Her Majesty's Ambassador [at Paris] to require the repealing of that arrest, which, if not conceded, then letters of marque to be granted to petitioners to make good their losses upon the French. Subsequently, the petitioners' factors and servants in France have been summoned by course of law at the instance of Matthew Harvey, of London, merchant, and Richard Lymbrey, an English merchant, resident in Rouen, to appear before the last of September at Mr. Daniel Harvey's house in London, as well to join with Harvey to procure payment and restitution to Marceau and De Launay, as also to satisfy themselves, Harvey and Lymbrey, for the losses and damages they have sustained about that cause. Although this suit was undertaken without the approbation of any of your petitioners, who conceive that either the said Harveys have bought in Marceau and De Launay's letters of marque or have combined with them in procuring the said arrest, thereby to free themselves and to lay the whole burden upon petitioners. Pray the Lords to call Matthew Harvey, who is now in London, before them, and upon examination of the premises to take such course as may seem fit for freeing petitioners both from the arrest and the losses claimed by the Harveys in their own private cause. [1 p.]

[April.] 46. Petition of the English merchants trading to France to the Council. Showing that by mediation of His Majesty's late ambassador in France, order was taken for release of petitioners' ships, goods, and debts lately there arrested, yet notwithstanding that order nothing is released but what the adverse parties give consent unto, viz., such goods as petitioners had bought in France, and such of their debts as were due the last month, so that there remains of their goods and debts to the value of 150,000*l.* under arrest, and to their further damage an arrest is lately procured at the suit of De Launay and Marceau for 25,000*l.*, for which their goods are condemned to make satisfaction, unless they should procure justice here in England for them within six months; although the cause has already been sentenced against complainants in His Majesty's High Court of Admiralty. Now inasmuch as it is full nine months since the first arrest was made in France, and for that petitioners cannot with any safety continue their trade until some course be taken as well for the discharge of the embargoes as for settling of an intercourse of trade for the future, which is now monopolised by the Dutch, pray the Lords to move His Majesty that some speedy course may be taken as well for freeing of petitioners' goods and debts now embargoed as for the settling of an intercourse of trade for the future. [1 p.]

[April.] 47. List of Reformadoes comprising Captains only [who served in the Cadiz expedition], followed by a list of volunteer Captains who came for preferment [in the expedition now preparing]. [1 p.]

[April.] 48. List of Reformadoes arranged in columns, as Captains, Lieutenants, and Ensigns [after the return of the Cadiz expedition],

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specifying the posts or commands held by each in that service. [= 2 pp.]

[April.] 49. Copy of the preceding list of Reformadoes. [*Large sheet of paper.*]

[April.] 50. List of all the Reformadoes [after the return of the Cadiz expedition] arranged in columns as Captains, Lieutenants, Ensigns, Sergeants, and Drummers. Amongst the captains names are Sir Thomas Pigott; Captain Fradsom [Frodsham] appointed by the Duke [of Buckingham] as Sergeant-Major, being commander of Viscount Valentia's company; Captain Broaderip, appointed as preceding, General-Lieutenant to Sir Henry Killigrew, deceased; Captain Hawkins appointed by the Duke, late commander of the Lord Marshal [Sir Edward Cecil's] company. [= 2 pp.]

[April.] 51. Another list of Reformadoes, comprising Captains, Lieutenants, and Ensigns only, noting those who appeared and were listed. [1 p.]

[April.] 52. Note of provisions prepared in the west country and at Dover by Sir James Bagg and Mr. Buxton. Proportion of each specified. Provisions taken out of the French ships. There is also victuals provided for 400 men for the manning of the French ships and the rest of the ships appointed to carry those provisions which ships are manned with Englishmen. Particular of provisions prepared at Dover. [1 p.]

[April.] 53. Another copy of the preceding note. [1 p.]

April. 54. Certificate by Captain Phineas Pett, recommending that Morgan Griffin having long been a principal foreman or deputy to the Master Calker of His Majesty's ships at Chatham, should be confirmed in that place by the Lord Admiral's warrant, so that no other may intrude into it. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[April.] 55. Note of forces preparing to join the expedition of Sir Charles Morgan in aid of the King of Denmark. List of the shires wherein the Captains [named] of Sir Jacob Ashley's regiment desire to levy their companies. Names of the Captains in Colonel Sir James Hamilton's regiment. Names of the Captains in Colonel Sir James Ramsey's regiment. [2 pp.]

May 2.  
Chichester. 56. Sir George Blundell, Sergeant-Major, to George, Duke of Buckingham. So soon as I heard the Treasurer was come to Chichester I came thither, and he told me he would pay the captains their five months' pay, and hope for the rest of the money to come down shortly. This morning I drew all the companies into the field and reduced all such captains as were in Sussex appointed to be reduced, and saw them paid, sent them to London, and their officers to their quarters where they were last billeted according to my directions. Now I have given order to all those captains who stand to march to their several places where their

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Colonels' regiments are quartered, and have sent for all the companies of Sir William Courtenay's regiment who attends their coming to Chichester. I hear more men have come to Portsmouth out of Wilts, thither I am going to dispose of them and others out of Kent and Sussex. When this is done I go to meet the companies of Dorsetshire to reduce them. Then I will settle the army and come up to kiss your hands. If those captains of Dorset would have come, all had been done long since. I will undertake the King has been cozened by the collectors [of the loan], commissioners, treasurers, and constables in those five shires, and with the captains making billets, above 10,000*l.* which might have been saved if he had had a commissary and a treasurer, and paid them himself from the beginning; yet you and the rest of the Lords can be content to let that pass, and think to recover it out of such poor men as I am by reducing my means [as Sergeant-Major] from 40*s.* a day to 12*s.*, which was never heard of before, nor, by God, I will not take it; therefore, if your Grace do not alter the list before it comes to the Treasurer here, I will have nothing. I know if your Grace live you will help me, but if you die who shall help me? If I die my children can look for no more than my pay is upon the lists. If the King will be well served he must allow pay [such] that officers may cheerfully serve him. I hear Sir John Coke saith it is now a "riall" army, therefore he will pinch the pay. I say it is a "riall" army, for when an army goes not to assist a foreign prince it is a "ryall" army; we go alone to subsist of ourselves, therefore "riall" army. Queen Elizabeth never sent forces but to help her neighbours. But admit it were no royal army, doth the States or any prince, where they go [in]to the field with 4,000 men and leave the rest at home, cut off their Sergeant-Major's pay? I know no man can better discharge the place than I can, but not for 12*s.* a day. Let me have the old pay or else my heart is broken. So I humbly take my leave and rest your Grace's poor servant. *Postscript.*—Your Grace must suddenly send away the money to pay the troops, for here is neither Mayor, Deputy-Lieutenants, nor Commissioner, nor will any man trust the King to lend the captains a penny when their week's pay is out, but will rather let the soldiers break and mutiny, they wish so well to the King's service. [*Seal with arms broken.* 2 pp.]

May 2.  
Castle  
Elizabeth.

57. Sir John Peyton [Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey] to Secretary Conway, Governor of the Isle of Wight. By such as I have employed in France I receive this as the freshest news: That Mons. Matignon hath commission to levy in his government of Basse-Normandie 5,000 foot and 1,000 horse for the guard of that coast, and to be otherwise employed as he shall receive directions, but as yet no drum beats, nor are horse or foot met with upon the ways, but only the archers of the Provost. Proclamations were made last week at Caen and other places forbidding all trade and commerce with the English or any of His Majesty's subjects. The enclosed copy relates what else I have received. [*Seal with arms broken.* 1 p.]

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May 7. 58. Certificate that Lady Ann Carleton was buried, 21st April 1627, in St. Peter's, Westminster, as is recorded in the monument book of that collegiate church. [1 p.]
- May 11. 59. Sir John Peyton and Sir Philip Carteret to Edward Nicholas, Castle Elizabeth, Jersey. Secretary to the Duke of Buckingham. Recommending the case of John le Hube Gardinier, a French Protestant and merchant, of St. Loe in Normandy, who had come to Jersey to procure a passage to England to solicit the restoration of his bark and goods lately taken in the Road of Conquet in Brittany. He had brought letters from Protestants of much honour and worth, who were accustomed to send intelligence of any matters which might concern these Islands, and who favoured the stocking trade of Jersey, without which the country could hardly subsist. [*Received 18th May. Seal with device.* 1 p.]
- May 11. 60. Extract of a letter from [Nathaniel Darrell], giving intelligence that a citadel is being erected at Newhaven, on which Guernsey. 3,000 men work daily, and for which purpose utensils have been sent from Holland. Shipping in preparation there. Necessity of keeping the passage between England and the Isles open. These Isles are the places which they say the French aim at. Mons. de Villiaurs having been forced to resign his government of that place [Newhaven], is said to entertain some design on Guernsey. [1 p.]
- May 12. Docquet of Vol. LXIII., No. 19. [*See 29th March 1626.*]
- May 14. Commission to George, Duke of Buckingham, appointing him Admiral, Captain-General, and Governor of the King's royal fleet intended to be set out to sea for recovery of the rightful patrimony of the Prince Elector Palatine, His Majesty's brother-in-law. [*Volume of Admiralty Collections, Domestic, Elizabeth, Vol. CCXXXVII., fol. 47.*]
- Docquet of same. [*See 29th March 1626.*]
- May 15. 61. Account showing the petitions exhibited by John Bullock, Her Majesty's feodary in co. Derby, praying allowance for his charges in executing his office during four years ended at Michaelmas, 22 Jac. I. Particulars of liveries sued, fines for marriages, &c. Sum total, 92*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Underwritten,
61. I. *The proper debt of the said feodary determined upon his last account ended at Michaelmas, 22 Jac., 36*l.* 10*s.* 4½*d.**
61. II. *Let this petitioner be allowed for these services 80*l.* 1*s.* 0*d.*, and the rest be abated, 15th May 1627. Robert Naunton.* [4 pp.]
- May 17. Commission [by the Judge of the Admiralty] to Sir George Goring and others for receiving and selling of all prize goods adjudged lawful prize. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

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Hague.

62. Sir John Proud to George, Duke of Buckingham. I am still waiting your commands for my return to do you service. I formerly acquainted you with what delays I had had, and also informed the Queen of Bohemia, who wished me to proceed in it no further till Lord Carleton's coming, which was then daily expected; but as yet he is not come, and I cannot learn your pleasure concerning myself. I trust you will not cast me off, who am so much yours, and was called from hence to do His Majesty and your Grace service. I hope my enemies will have no just cause to say that you are distasted with me because you cashiered your regiment of which I had the command, or that I should be weary of your service, as some have reported already. I desire no longer to live than I may be employed in that service where you command. [1 p.]

May 21.  
Castle Cornet.

63. Nathaniel Darrell to [Mr. Chesterman?]. For certain divers regiments are gone towards Rochelle, but not near it by two or three leagues. In Normandy they arm with all expedition. Arms for three regiments are brought to Granville, not far from us, in Normandy. All possible speed they make at Newhaven to finish the citadel, 4,000 men work daily there, whereabouts is the rendezvous for this design. They will not stay for 24 ships in Holland to come to them. Some of the pilots of Newhaven have discoursed of the annexation of this Isle and the benefit it would bring to France, and that without it the French would always be annoyed. I could write much more to this purpose, but I hope this will serve to move you to petition the Lords [of the Council] to succour us, who hope to perform the parts of honest men always; for myself, I will answer. It is a mischief to us here that the passage is so stopped that I can receive no comfort nor instructions. [*Extract.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

May 25.

64. Receipt by John Chappell, gauger, for fees paid him by James White for gauging 92 barrels of herrings, in this port of Exeter. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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65. Advices from Guernsey. We are receiving daily intelligence of the great preparation making at Newhaven for [the invasion of] our Island. We have imprisoned three Frenchmen of those parts on suspicion of being spies. We entreat you to inform the King and Council therewith, entreating them to send us speedily an aid of shipping and land soldiers, the French forces being ready to embark. We are daily fortifying the landing places, and are resolved to defend ourselves to the utmost of our abilities. Yesternight we received news by way of Jersey that at Granville there were 5,000 men and at Newhaven 7,000, the one force intended against us and the other for Jersey. The people here are much astonished, fearing that all they can do will be far too weak to encounter or resist such a strength without speedy succours from England. Send us by the next a proportion of picks and gunpowder, for we are in great want of them. [*Abstract.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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May 30.  
Downs.

66. Instructions issued from aboard His Majesty's ship the "Merhonour" for other ships of the Channel fleet. Our principal rendezvous is the Downs, where you are upon all occasions to repair if you should be absent from me. The pass word shall be "Charles" and the answer "Mary." [*Imperfect.* = 2 pp.]

[May.]

67. Articles wherein the Commissioners for Prize Goods desire some explanation. The Commissioners pray that Sir John Wolstenholme, whom they have chosen as Treasurer for the money arising by sale of French goods, may be authorised by warrant from the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer, to make payments out of such proceeds of the necessary charges here specified. [*Margin*: "No custom or impost."] Whether in the ease of French prize goods they are to direct their deputies in the ports to follow the instructions contained in the Council's letters, or the wording of their commission. [*In margin*: "To follow the commission."] If the proprietors will pay ready money for their ships and goods as they shall be duly appraised, whether they may be delivered over to them. [*Margin*: "Refer to the Commission."] That such ships and goods as are returned to the proprietors upon payment ought to pass freely without payment of customs and other entries, for which they pray order and directions from the Lords of the Council. [1 p.]

[May.]

68. Further directions requested by the Commissioners for Prize Goods. As their Commission is issued out of the Admiralty the money must be carried into that Court, as is usual in the like case of "*bona peritura*." Desire a Commission under the Great Seal to elect a Treasurer, with power to pay sums authorised by any five of the Commissioners, &c. [*In margin*: Sir William Russell hath a Commission to this effect for prize goods.] How they are to deal with the ship called the "Mutton" of Newhaven, and another ship the "St. Anthony" of Dieppe. Pray that they may have the invoicees and letters concerning the French ships and goods delivered up to them. [1½ pp.]

[May.]

69. Warrant requiring [Sir John Watts] to embark on board His Majesty's ship the "Triumph," having been appointed to the chief command as Admiral of the Fleet, for this present [Rhé] expedition. [*Draft.* ½ p.]

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Notes by Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Lord Admiral Buckingham. Exporter in Portsmouth. List, how to put the landmen into every ship. List of all the ships and sea captains. Notes of the provisions prepared at Dover and in the west country. Draft of instructions for Captain Pennington. Lists of land men. Notes against captains, shipwrights, masters, and Sir Saekville [Crow], Treasurer [of the Navy]. Letters thereof. To see the Commission from the Council of War, and how the same is to be ordered. Commission for martial law, with my Lord's commission and instructions. Look for notes of all provisions at Dover and Plymouth. Receiving my Lord's order. To whom to

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address myself on all occasions of Admiralty business. As now there is command given no proceeding shall be against the Dutch till order from the Lords, which is a hindrance to the judgment of the prizes and letters of marque. The Lords will then order release of any ships and goods which may be prejudicial to your honour and profit, and to the jurisdiction of the [Admiralty] Courts. [*Written on the same paper as preceding.* 1 p.]

[May.] 70. A relation of the taking of a Portuguese carvel out of the port of Fiall [Fayal] by the "Anne" of London. The "Plain John," master, William Wills, and the "Anne," her pinnace, master, William Thompson, were bound for the Western Islands, to trade there if they might procure license and safe conduct of the magistrate of the place. The Merchant Adventurers resolve to procure a letter of marque, and as by their desire and consent Humphry Slaney took out the said letter to their common use; and this was done to enable them to take what purchase they could of the King of Spain's subjects, and so were consorted by the said letter of marque, a ship and pinnace, for such reprisal. Arrived at the Western Islands [the Azores] the "Plain John" went into Terceira, while the "Anne" went into the port of Fiall [Fayal] another of the Western Islands, where she seized the "Senora de Fuda," a Portuguese carvel, laden with sugar, and took her away, and so returned to England. The "Anne," at her being at Fayal, having given out that her consort, the "John," was in trade at the Terceiras, and the news of what passed at Fayal being brought thither, where the "John" had landed a great part of her goods to the value of 3,000*l.*, all that was seized on, and the ship returned without trade. The "Anne," the pinnace, being come into England with the Portuguese carvel, the victuallers of her would convert all to their own use without regard of the consort ship, of the letter of marque aforesaid, or of the great damage which the merchants of the "John" had sustained by the "Anne's" misdemeanours. The merchants of the "John" having consideration of the honour of England engaged, if they may have the disposing of the cargo of the said carvel to their own use, are contented, and will be bound to these conditions following:—(1.) They will pay his Majesty the customs due for the sugar of the Portuguese ship. (2.) They will discharge the freight and men's wages of both the English ships. (3.) They will make entire restitution of the ship, and the value of the goods, as they were at the time of the taking, to the Portuguese owners of the said sugars, and give security so to do, and to bring a testimony of the performance thereof. [*1½ pp.*]

June 1. The King to Buckingham. Commission for executing martial law  
Westminster. for preservation of order in the fleet and army now prepared [for the Rhé expedition]. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 39.*]

June 5. Patent creating Montjoy-Blount, Lord Montjoy, into the dignity of Baron Montjoy de Thurveston, co. Derby, heirs males. [*Docquet, see 29th March 1626.*]

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June 6. Commission to Sir George Coring, Sir Ralph Freeman, and others, [being the New] Commissioners for French [prize] goods, to examine any persons touching the embezzling of any goods taken at sea from the French King's subjects, and for Sir John Wolstenholme to be Treasurer for prize goods. [*Docquet, see 29th March 1626.*]
- June 7. Commission by the Duke of Buckingham appointing persons to assist him in the execution of martial law [in the Rhé expedition], but the names not filled in. [*Draft. Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 39b.*]
- June 7. Instructions for the execution of martial law. [*Ibid., fol. 36.*]
- June 9.  
Guernsey. 71. Attestations respecting Cornelius Cruelli, a Jesuit, prisoner at Guernsey, as taken there before the Lieutenant-Governor, Nathaniel Darrell. [*French. 1 p.*]
- [June 9.] 72. Suit of Sir Richard Catchmay to Secretary Conway. Prays him to use his influence with the Judges of Assize in behalf of his son, Robert Catchmay, indicted at the [Monmouth] Assizes for the manslaughter of his brother-in-law, John Ayleway. Particulars of the way in which the catastrophe happened. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- June 11. 73. Warrant of the King to Buckingham. Authorising him to transfer ordnance. [*Draft of Vol. LXVI., No. 64.*]
- June 13.  
Castle Elizabeth. 74. Sir P. Carteret to Lord Conway. His happiness consists chiefly in his Lordship's favour; understands that his reputation is suffering greatly by Mrs. Rossel's calumnious assertions. Hears she has obtained a judgment against him from the Council Board on Mr. [Dr. Thos.] Ryves' report. Begs that the case may be examined. Cannot leave the Island at this time of danger to answer for himself. He is now busied in fortifying Elizabeth Castle and the Island of Sark. [*Seal with arms. 2 pp.*]
- June 13.  
Buckden. 75. Bishop Williams of Lincoln to Dr. Clarke, Vicar of Sutton, in Holland, co. Lincoln. There is in your neighbourhood of Tydd St. Mary, one [Robert] Adams, who, out of some [mental] distemper hath outrageously abused his poor wife and children, and kept some of them from baptism. I desire you to repair unto him and read this letter, requiring him from me to deliver such of his children as are yet unbaptised to Mr. Swann, parson of that parish, and to give you some satisfaction for his more temperate and Christian carriage, or else upon his refusal and a word from you I will write to the Lords of the Council to have his children and estate sequestered into the hands of some neighbouring gentleman, which I have forborne to do until Mr. Adams might have this warning. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]
- June 14.  
London. 76. Sir Henry Palmer to [Nicholas]. I was twice at York House in the short time I was in London, hoping to have spoken with you. I desire you will get my instructions signed by my



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Lord [Admiral Buckingham] before his departure, and with as much favour for the advancement of my entertainment as may be, for unless I be appointed therein as Admiral of those forces employed to the westward, I expect nothing but strictness from the Commissioners. I am sure I shall find my Lord willing, his Grace having promised me under his hand I should lose nothing either in honour or profit. I shall not neglect to be thankful for that and the rest of your courtesies, assuring myself that if you had not really urged it my ship had lain yet [idle]. I would have waited on my Lord to Portsmouth, but have here a sister to marry to Sir John Finch. I will repair to my ship so soon as I hear she is near ready. *Postscript.*—I have been much importuned by the Dean of Canterbury for Captain Bargrave to go in one of the ships appointed with me, whom I entreat you to be mindful of. [1 p.]

June 14. 77. Nathaniel Darell to Lord Conway. He had seized an Irish  
Castle Cornet. priest returning from France, and had sent him to be disposed of by his Lordship. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

June 15. Commission to the Lord Chancellor and others to consider, treat, and conclude what manors, lands, and rents in co. Palatine of Durham are fittest to be assured to Henry Gibb in lieu of the manor of Walton Lee, co. Surrey. [*Docquet, cancelled, 29th March 1626.*]

June 15. 78. Henry De Vic to Edward Nicholas. Prays him to obtain licenses for the release of certain vessels named, detained at Southampton under the general arrest, with goods belonging to the [Channel] Islands. I entreat you also to continue the guard of ships already sent for those islands, which, after our fleet is gone, will be exposed to more danger than ever. [1 p.]

June 17. 79. Henry, Earl of Danby, [Governor of Guernsey, to Edward  
St. James'. Nicholas]. What success the Duke of Buckingham's directions have had concerning those French prizes appointed for the guard of Guernsey and Jersey the bearer is well able to inform you. But, to give some present encouragement to these dismayed islanders, I conceive it most requisite immediately to send thither one of His Majesty's ships particularly appointed by the Lord Admiral for that service. The ship named, as I remember, was Sir Henry Mervin's, although by inquiry Sir Henry Palmer's seems the better fitted for those seas. Howsoever, I beseech you that Mr. Crowe [Sackville Crow] may bring back with him my Lord's warrant for whichever ship shall lie there, and likewise notice where I may be sure to find her, with power to require the assistance of such ships in apparent danger as are left to defend our coast. Those Norman islands are the most likely place to feel the first blast of the French fury in all men's judgments. Lastly, although the King's service is sufficient to excuse this importunity of mine, yet any respect of yours will not be thrown away upon me. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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[June 17 ?] Minutes by Edmund Nicholas of a commission to some Lord to take the command of a troop of horse belonging to His Majesty's army. You are to see the officers and horsemen daily exercise their horses and arms. Commission to a Colonel-General of the army. Instructions for Captains employed for His Majesty's service to Newfoundland, the Western Islands [Azores], and elsewhere. [*Written on back of the above.*]
- June 18. 80. Sir John Wolstenholme and Captain Joshua Downyng to Secretary Coke. Rendering an account of the three French vessels appointed by the Lord Admiral for the guard of the Channel Islands, as totally unfit for that purpose. No such ship as the "Hope," of Calais, in the river. [1 p.]
- June 20.  
Dartmouth. 81. Andrew Voysey, Mayor of Dartmouth, to the Council. That most men of ability in body and purse have left that town for fear of the plague, though as yet not above ten houses are infected. Many others being at sea or in the King's service, the town is left to be a prey for the enemy, and the poor cannot be relieved by reason of the absence of bailiffs and constables. The castle and fort not a sufficient defence against an enemy. Desires that order may be given either for the return of the officers and inhabitants to their abodes in the town, or that the men of the adjoining parishes be required on all occasions to be ready to impeach the landing of an enemy, which they may do without fear of the infection, the town being far distant from the fittest landing places. [*Seal with ship.* 1 p.]
- June 21. Warrant [of the Duke of Buckingham to Sir James Bagg?]. Empowering him to receive such moneys as were made by French goods sold before the stay of them in the King's behalf, the merchants who bought the goods refusing to pay without sight of a warrant from the Lord Admiral. [*Draft by Nicholas, written on the same paper as June 11th.*]
- June 21.  
Portsmouth. 82. Sir George Blundell to George, Duke of Buckingham, Lord General of His Majesty's Army. As you commanded, I have sent the names of the Reformado Captains, although some of them are absent, and I think mean not to go at all [in this expedition], and others are thought to be ill Captains, against whose names I have put a cross, so that you may put other men in their places. So hoping your Grace will put me down as Colonel for a regiment to be brought after me, and remember my baronetcy, I remain your faithful servant till death. [*Seal with crest and arms.* 1 p.]  
*Encloses,*
22. 1. *List of Reformado officers, comprising two Colonels and 20 Captains distinguishing those absent or non-effective.*  
[1 p.]
- June 27.  
Whitehall. 83. Order of Council made upon a petition of the inhabitants of the Island of Guernsey, confirming a former Order made 9th June 1605, directing that no appeals should be preferred hither

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concerning matters of inheritance under 40s. of annual rent, nor for moveables under 40*l.* value. Further, in order to avoid all unnecessary suits it is directed that no appeals, whether of doleans or otherwise, shall be hereafter made without a caution of 10*l.* first given by complainants, to be forfeited to the poor of that island in case of failure in such appeal or doleans, nor are any warrants to be served upon the inhabitants, but only such as come immediately from the Council. [*Draft.* 1½ *pp.*]

[June.]

84. Petition of Simon Wilnot, a Messenger of His Majesty's Chamber, to the Council. In May last he was employed by your warrant into Cornwall for apprehending Sir John Eliot and [William] Coryton, who have ever since lain prisoners in the Fleet and Gatehouse, where by your direction he set fees on them, yet Mr. Coryton, being lately taken out of the Fleet, utterly refuses to give petitioner any satisfaction at all for his fees. Prays in respect that he rode a tedious journey of 500 miles, and was at great charge and pains to perform this service, he may receive some allowance, or else that Coryton be required to pay his fees or be still detained in the Fleet, [½ *p.*]

July 3.

85. Authorisation granted by Henry Sherfield to William Palmer, licensing him to let to Richard Lufman for 21 years the barn or backside in Milford, co. Wilts, now converted into a dwelling-house and adjoining the tenement there of William Palmer called "Copped Hall." [*Damaged.* 1 *p.*]

July 4.  
Jersey.

86. Sir John Peyton and Jurats of Jersey to Lord Conway. That they, with reluctance, have permitted Sir Philip Carteret to go into England, he being much injured by the unjust pretences of Mrs. Perin. Request his Lordship's favour in his case. That they require pinnaces and ammunition to be sent for their security. All trade cut off with their neighbours who are much incensed against them and have of late seized some of their boats and detained their men; whereas in former wars they have still enjoyed their trade according to their [ancient] privileges. [*Copy amongst the Conway Papers.* 1 *p.*]

July 7 and 9.

87. Questions propounded for discussion at Oxford, headed "Quæstiones in sacra theologia discutiendæ Oxonii in vesperiis," also "Quæstiones in jure civili, et in philosophia, septimo die Julii," followed by "Quæstiones in sacra theologia, jure civili, et philosophia, discutiendæ in Comitibus, nono die Julii 1627." [*Latin.* 2 *pp.*]

July 10.

Special commission to Tobias Matthew, Archbishop of York, and Lord Keeper Coventry, to use all jurisdictions and privileges concerning any spiritual or ecclesiastical jurisdiction within the realm of England and Ireland. [*Docquet.* See 29th March 1626.]

July 17.

Colchester.

88. Edward Nuttall to Edward Nicholas. I have been to Ipswich where I heard of the second husband of Mrs. Rivett.

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Particulars of money claimed as belonging to the [Portuguese], Governor of Tereira, [one of the Azores]. The writ must be taken out for James Isaac who was the other party in that suit. Let me hear when you will return to London, as I will come up to speak with you. *Postscript*.—Here is great expectation with us to hear some happy news of my honourable Lord. If you have any news of the Duke of Buckingham please let me hear, likewise when the King will be in London. [*Seal with crest.* 1 p.]

July 17.  
Theobalds.

89. Secretary Conway to the Lord President of the Council. This noble gentleman, Sir Philip Carteret, is come over from Jersey partly for the public service and partly for his private occasions, in both which he is recommended to me from the Lieutenant-Governor [Sir John Peyton] and the jurats, as you will perceive by the enclosed [*see 4th July*]. In both these I recommend him to your favour. In the first, because being to attend the King in his progress I cannot personally wait on you to give you the information I would, but which you may please receive from his relation. In the second, because he protests all obedience to the Lords and only desires this favour that his cause may be duly heard, although he would account it for a singular happiness and favour if your Lordship, to whom he doubts some mis-information hath been given concerning him, would take the hearing of his cause into your own hands. [*Minute already calendared under date.* Copy 1 p.]

July 19.

90. [Secretary Conway] to the President of the Council. The King's pleasure is that the Council shall consider the proposition made by Sir Philip de Carteret for opening a trade between Jersey and Guernsey and France under certain limitations. The King's satisfaction with the dispatch used in providing troops for the defence of Jersey and Guernsey, and recommending Sir Philip or his brother [Elias] who is now here to have the conducting of them. Desires that the petition from Sir John Peyton praying a supply of munitions for the castles may be referred to the officers of the Ordnance to be considered of. [*Draft.* 2 pp.]

[July 21.]

91. Returns relative to the loan in the City of London. Tower Ward. List of those who have paid the loan as required, and the sums assessed on each. List of such as have promised to pay, with the amounts. List of those who clear themselves by certificate. List of those who have not paid and their answers and amounts assessed. List of those who refuse to lend His Majesty the sums here specified. List of those who have become poor since the last subsidy and are not able to pay the sums assessed. [8 pp.]

July 31.  
Whitehall.

92. The Council to the Governor, Bailiff, and Jurats of Jersey. By the petition enclosed you will perceive the complaints of the inhabitants against James Bandinell, Minister of St. Mary's, and David Bandinell his father, Dean of Jersey, which we having considered find cause to have the same further examined. You are hereby required to take a strict examination as well of those

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undutiful and factious speeches alleged to have been uttered by the said minister, as of the course of proceedings before the Dean against the petitioners who gave information thereof to the Bailiff and Justices. You are to return certificate to this Board what you find proved touching this information. [*Council's Seal.* 1 p.]

[July.]

93. Petition of John Coytmore, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the Council. That petitioner being bred from his youth towards the Council Chamber under the Keeper of the Records, has taken great pains and industry in framing an index for the records, whereby this Board might the more speedily be satisfied touching any matter therein contained. When that lamentable fire happened in the Banqueting House he endangered his life for the preservation of the records, for which devotion he was retained by the late Secretary, [Sir Albertus] Morton, in his service and lived at a higher rate than he formerly had done; but owing to his master's death and the loss of his place, he was induced to commit the disgraceful fact which has been his ruin. Prays the Lords to compassionate his lost condition and to accept his heartfelt repentance for his crime, he having never harboured in his heart the least ill-thought against His Majesty or the State. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

July.

94. Petition of the Master and Wardens of the [Company of] Barber Surgeons to the Council. They will endeavour to fulfill to the utmost of their powers the requirements of your warrant of 30th June last. But for the better effecting thereof they crave aids, viz.:—An order for a sufficient and timely supply of money for pressing and convoying the surgeons, their mates, with their provisions to Portsmouth, as also for furnishing them with sufficient medicaments. They estimate the proportion required for each 250 men at a chest of 20*l.* value which, being frugally bestowed, they conceive will sufficiently serve; besides which a store chest, worth 40*l.* or 50*l.*, should be carried in some ship for a general supply or for a hospital. They refer to your grave considerations the salaries and allowances for the surgeons which ought to be sufficient to animate and encourage them to undertake this service. Your Lordships desire to have them to be of the most sufficient men of their qualities, but these we find to be very few and scarce to be had in so great number for many reasons. [1 p.]

[July.]

95. Petition of Thomas King, Mariner, to the Council. He served for four years as master of the "Admiral," in the Narrow Seas, when hearing of a Flemish ship, the "Pelican," about to be sold, he purchased it, and has repaired and fitted it for a man-of-war, wanting only the ordnance. By an order of your Board, the buying of ordnance is prohibited except license be first procured. Prays warrant to buy so many pieces as you shall think requisite for the said ship wherein he intends to go in person. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[July.]

96. Examinations touching the wounding of Mr. Dabridgecourt by Mr. Cutts, one of the examinants being Sir Francis Ireland.

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Another examinant heard Sir Robert Huddleston say it was that base usurer Cutts. [2 pp.]

July.

97. [The Council of War] to the Lords Lieutenants of the several counties. By His Majesty's letter sent herewith, you will understand his pleasure and intention for the levy of a certain number of foot [not stated] in the county of your lieutenancy, and the causes which have moved him thereto, the which letters are referred to us for such our directions as shall be needful. We have, therefore, thought good to pray and require you to take special care that in the choice of the men, care be taken that they be of sound bodies and years meet for service and that they be well coated, but none of them to be taken out of the trained bands, which you are still to keep entire. As for the arming of them, you are to follow the precedents of former times, &c. *Postscript.*—You are presently, on receipt of these letters, to imprint the aforesaid number of men and command them on pain of death to be ready to march within an hour's warning to such place of rendezvous as shall be directed by our next letters. [*Draft in Edward Nicholas's shorthand, with reference to some entry book.* 2 pp.]

[July.]

*Mem.*—Letters and warrants to the conductors and commanders of the soldiers to deliver the soldiers levied to their respective captains, and warrants to captains to receive them and take charge of them. *Vide* the Minute for levying soldiers written May 1627. [*Written in Nicholas's hand at the foot of the preceding, and references given to some entry book.*]

[July?]

98. Narration by Nathaniel Butler. Being commanded to ride with my ship near the mouth of the harbour of Aix, some inhabitants of the Island of Loix [Loye?] made signs for a parley. These being all of the [Protestant] religion prostrated themselves to His Majesty's service, won, as they said, by our General's fame and unwonted discipline for their preservation. There were in Aix, a town on the west of the island of 1,000 inhabitants, all Papists, no soldiers. That eight or nine boats had escaped from Aix to the mainland the night after our arrival laden with the best goods, women, and richest merchants, amongst whom were the Seneschal and Procureur of the Island. That the citadel of St. Martin's counted fourteen pieces of ordnance, whereof eight only were mounted, but the rest were in preparation. All the soldiers in that part of the Island with the richest of the merchants and their goods were retired into that fort. That Jean L'Estart, being a Protestant of this Island of Loix, had his bark taken by some English the first evening after our arrival, of which he prays restitution, having been a serviteur of Mons. Soubize, and is now ready to be the same. [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

July.

99. Proposition concerning the maintenance of trade between France and the Islands of Jersey and Guernsey offered to the consideration of His Majesty [by Sir Philip Carteret]. These islands being part of the Duchy of Normandy are the ancient

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inheritance of the Crown and constitute a claim to the whole province. Fidelity of the inhabitants to the Crown ought to be cherished and assisted. The islands in these times are exposed to more danger than formerly. That it is given out by many men of worth and foresight among the French nation that Cardinal Richelieu, in hatred of the [Protestant] religion and that he may do some exploit worthy of his new office of Admiralty, intends an attempt upon these islands. That it is probable an attempt may be suddenly made from St. Malo. These premises considered, it is referred to his Majesty whether these islands should be guarded either by a strong and powerful assistance from England, able to repress all attempts, or else by a small strength joined with the policy of former ages, viz., a free intercourse of English and French merchants in those isles by way of traffic. That a strong and powerful assistance is the safest way of defence is most certain, but in it these things here stated may be thought considerable. The other means of preserving these islands, as it may not be safe to rely wholly upon it, so hath the wisdom of former ages conceived and experience showed it to be the more sure way of keeping these islands from invasion. [3½ pp.]

Aug. 1.  
London.

100. Robert, Earl of Warwick, to Captain John Pennington. I understand by Captain Hooper that my gunner, Thomas Lambert, is pressed to serve in your ship. I pray release him, as he is to go in a man-of-war for me and has taken charge of the gunner's stores, and I shall be ready to serve you in anything I may. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

Aug. 3.  
London.

101. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway. Your letters to the Lord President [of the Council] have been so effectual as that he hath granted me a re-hearing of my particular business. The succours also to be sent into the Isle [of Jersey] have been thereby so hastened that both ships and men are now in great forwardness, and the Lords, upon His Majesty's pleasure signified by you, have granted me a commission for the conduct and command of the men; all these are the fruits of your noble favours towards me, which, in all humbleness, I acknowledge. The propositions [see July, No. 99] I presented to His Majesty have been approved by many of the Lords, but are referred to further consideration. I, understanding that you desire to be informed of the truth concerning a pardon sued for by Philip de Soulemont, can certify these particulars following concerning the manslaughter of the man Corbell by Philip Soulemont, whose going away is supposed a flight, and so he, by law, remains banished the isle unless pardoned by the King. [*Seal with device.* 1p.]

Aug. 4.

102. Bond of John Wright, of Uppingham, co. Rutland, for payment of 38*l.* 14*s.* to Lionel Daniell, citizen and haberdasher of London, on the 29th September next. [½ p.]

Aug. 5.  
Castle Cornet.

103. Captain Nathaniel Darell to Secretary Conway. The weak state they are in at present renders them unable to defend them-

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selves in these dangerous times. He sends intelligence received from Mr. Chamberlayne and the Bailiff and Jurats of Alderney, thinking it most fit to commend the remedy to your wise preventing power and will. [1 p.] *Enclosing*,

103. I. *Note of advices from Guernsey. The French King is taking measures to revenge the loss of the Isle of Rhé upon Jersey, Guernsey, and their dependencies. That 40 sail of ships of great burthen are assembled at St. Malo and Newhaven, besides others at Calais and Port Louis.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

103. II. *William Chamberlayne to Pierre de Beauvoi. Intelligence of great preparations on the coast of France and at St. Malo. Necessity for vigilance. 4th August 1627.* [1 p.]

103. III. *Pierre Harinel and two others to Captain Darell. Preparations at St. Malo and the coast of France, supposed to be intended against the Channel Islands to recompense the loss of the Isle of Rhé.* [French. 1 p.]

Aug. 6. License granted to William Brunker and others to use and put in use an instrument or devise for earing and ploughing of land after a new way, without either horses or oxen, for 14 years. [*Docquet, cancelled. See 29th March 1626.*]

Aug. 10. Order by the King in Council. Whereas the merchants trading Windsor. to the Levant are now preparing a certain number of ships to be freighted for those parts, which are to go in company for their better defence and safety during these times of hostility, this course, being intended for their general good, may turn greatly to their prejudice if any particular persons, seeking to forestall the market, should for their private gain send any ship apart from the rest, before the whole fleet be ready, it is commanded by His Majesty this day, sitting in Council, upon a motion by the Lord President, that no merchant shall presume to do so, nor to trade separately, but shall attend the company of the fleet. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 63. Certified copy. 1 p.*]

Aug. 13. 104. Account of money paid into the Receipt of Exchequer by the five Collectors [of the Loan] in co. Derby. Total, 2,556*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* [*Damaged. ½ p.*]

Aug. 18. 105. Warrant to the Attorney-General to draw out two grants, one for Louys Latham to have the post of Sergeant of His Majesty's hawks, *viz* Francis Hustweights, with the fee of 65*l.* per annum out of the Exchequer, and another for Richard Berwick to succeed Louys Latham as senior falconer with the fee of 44*l.* per annum. [*Draft. ½ p.*]

Aug. 21. 106. The Deputy-Lieutenants of Hants to Viscount Conway as Southampton. Lord Lieutenant of that county. They have enclosed a letter to the Lords of the Council, of which, if Conway approves, they



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desire him to recommend it to the Lords. The service is of such importance and so heavy upon us as without your noble assistance we are no way able to undergo it. By your favours we have been encouraged to undertake such difficulties as our predecessors have never heard of. The charge of the soldiers now in Southampton and the rest who are hourly expected, being 400, will amount weekly, with the officers appointed by Sir William Beecher, to above 400*l*. The conductors have brought no money for their companies beyond this day, neither will the town disburse any nor receive the soldiers without our engagement, so that we must either advance money out of our own purses or suffer the soldiers to disband. Rather than that His Majesty's service should fail we have disbursed 100*l*. to the Mayor of Southampton, but this charge we are not able to support ourselves. Pray a speedy supply of money may be sent. Over and above the former charge weekly there is 40*s*. a day cost to the town in watching all the ports to see that these men do not make their escape, there being no officers to receive them, only one Lieutenant, who is unable to keep them together. [*Seal with arms.* 1 *p*.]

Aug. 22. Commission to William, Earl of Devonshire, and others to treat with the miners in co. Derby for the sale of their ore to the King. [*Already calendared under date. Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

Aug. 26. 107. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway. Assurance of his  
Southampton. readiness to obey the commands contained in his Lordship's letter of the 17th instant. It is my greatest content to do His Majesty's service. *Postscript*.—Fleet preparing at St. Malo for Spain, ready to go out. Captain [William] Burch reports the sea to be so full of Frenchmen that he durst stay out no longer. [*Seal with device.* 1 *p*.]

Aug. 28. 108. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway. That the 200  
Southampton. men for Jersey have arrived at Southampton, and that the Mayor, having received no order, refuses to billet them or allow them into the town. [*Seal with arms.* 1 *p*.]

Aug. 30. Commission to Archbishop Abbot of Canterbury, Lord Keeper Coventry, and others to demise and let to farm all such manors, lands, and rents as come to the King by the recusancy of divers Popish recusants convicted. [*Docquet, cancelled. See 29th March 1626.*]

Aug. 31. 109. The King to the Lord Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer. Already calendared, *see* Vol. LXXV., No. 75. [*Draft.* 1 *p*.]

[Aug.] 110. Certificate of William Wills, Collector [for the Loan in co. Cornwall]. That he had received 10*l*. from Nicholas Trefusis, being two whole parts of the money lent to His Majesty. *Underwritten,*

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110. i. *His name is not inserted in the book given me under the Commissioners' hands, but, I think, forgotten to be set down.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Sept. 6.

111. Certificate of the Commissioners for the Loan in the Isle of Ely. In obedience to your directions of 14th August last, we have held divers meetings for our division, being the north part of that Isle. Total amount of loan within our division according to the last subsidy amounts to 582*l.* The Collector hath paid into the Pipe Office of Exchequer 465*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, besides 2*l.* received by us of Hugh Underwood to be paid into the Exchequer, and 8*l.* from Richard Colville of Newton. Money assessed but not paid, viz., 103*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, followed by the names of defaulters, distinguished as removed out of the Isle, dead or decayed. [ $\pm$  pp.]

Sept. 10.

112. Grant of pardon for Thomas Sawnderson, convicted for a felony, with the certificate of the Judges, Sir John Brydgeman and Sir Marmaduke Lloyd, subjoined, to the effect that the evidence upon his arraignment was somewhat doubtful, and this being his first offence of felony, we offer the same to your Majesty's abundant mercy. [*Latin.* Half skin of parchment.]

Sept. 11.

113. Promissory Bill by Richard Carnsewe for payment of 40*l.* to his cousin Margaret Paymour, in two moieties, at the dates herein specified. [1 p.]

Sept. 14.

114. Petition of Arthur Cundall to the Council. Complaint being made to your Lordships that petitioner, contrary to His Majesty's proclamations, had erected a new house [near the Old Palace in Westminster], where no other edifice had formerly stood but only a shed, you were pleased to order that Sir Robert Cotton and Sir Thomas Wilson should view the building, and either cause the same to be stopped for 14 days till proof were produced that it stood on an old foundation and is not against the proclamation, or else to pull it down. In obedience to that order petitioner had endeavoured to get the persons named to view and certify their opinion, but had failed in getting them together. By his leases he is bound to bestow 100*l.* in building upon the premises, and has made proofs by the oaths of five ancient inhabitants of Westminster that the new house stands upon an old foundation and is not against the proclamations [1 p.] *Annexed,*

114. i. *Affidavits that the new house stood on the site of an old house, one-and-a-half stories high, which contained three rooms, and was inhabited by William and Margaret Clarke.* [Three strips of parchment.]

Sept. 18.

Copies of Instructions by the King to Sir Henry Mainwaring and Sir Henry Mervyn. [*Already calendared, Vol. LXXVIII., No. 50, et seq. Volume of Admiralty Collections, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., fol. 49b and 50b.*]

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Sept. 20. Commission to Charles, Viscount Wilmot, to take into his charge and dispose of the soldiers and mariners to several captains and officers appointed to receive them at Plymouth. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]
- Sept. 28. 115. Account of money [received for the loan?] in co. Flint, by John Eaton, Esq. [1 p.]
- [Sept.] 116. Particular account of the issues out of the Exchequer, headed "Exitus de Termino Paschæ, 1627." Specifying the several amounts, the authorisation and the purposes for which the money was issued. Totals, ordinaries 174,019*l.* 19*s.* 2½*d.*, extraordinaries 343,515*l.* 11*s.* 5½*d.* Issues of this half year, 517,535*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* [10 sheets of paper.]
- Sept. 117. Notes relative to the supply of salt in the isles [of Jersey and Guernsey?], endorsed in the King's handwriting, "concerning salt to be sent to Buckingham." These things are considerable to be informed from thence. What means the French have to store themselves of salt elsewhere? Whether the supply from these other places may be intercepted, and how? What quantity of salt these isles will yearly afford, &c. [2*o* p.]
- Sept.  
Whitehall. 118. Order of the Privy Council on a petition exhibited to them in the name of John Guillam, son of Thomasine, widow, late wife of Thomas de L'Isle, of Guernsey, complaining that the authorities of that isle had forbidden all payments of money owing to deceased, either to the heir or widow, on the ground that De L'Isle had taken usury a year and a day before his death, pressing this upon a law or custom of the place. On this being referred by the Council to Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty, and the Attorney-General, they make certificate that the arrest of De L'Isle's goods and debts was made, for that the deceased was a usurer within one year before he died. To prove this there was showed unto us the "Customes of Normandy," which to this day are the grounds of the law of this isle, in which book the law is affirmed to be so. But we cannot find that this law hath at any time within the memory of man been practised or put in execution against any; yet money is ordinarily let out there at interest according to the rates tolerated in that isle, which hath heretofore been above 10 per cent., and afterwards reduced to 10 per cent. Of late years by several acts of the Court of Chief Pleas and the three Estates of the Isle in the nature of an Act of Parliament, there allowed and tolerated first at 8 per cent. and lastly at 6 per cent., and it is not affirmed that Thomas De L'Isle did take above 6 per cent. [*Draft. 1½ p.*]
- [Sept.]  
[Guernsey.] 119. Act of the Chief Pleas passed in October 1623, regulating the interest of loans and mortgage, reducing it from 8 per cent. to 6 per cent. in like manner to the custom of Normandy. [*Translation out of French. 6 pp.*]

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120. Memorial of business to be submitted to the King. To acquaint him with the letter from Sir Walter Aston [of Tixall, co. Stafford, afterwards Lord Aston of Forfar]. Wherein he represents the many losses fallen upon him and his house by the King's service. The promises made to him, both for reparation of his estate and to be dignified with a title of honour. That he hoped to have obtained the title of a Baron of England, but humbly submits to His Majesty's good pleasure to take that degree in Scotland. That according to the King's pleasure he will make a competent purchase of land in that kingdom out of the first moneys he shall receive of His Majesty's bounty. That he will willingly accept of anything the King shall be pleased to bestow upon him in Scotland in part of what His Majesty hath promised him. That the King was pleased to promise him, at Theobald's, 14,000*l.*, to be paid within two years, which time will expire in July next, and yet he hath received nothing. To move the King for a pass for Captain James Colville to go over to the Earl of Argyle, and to be recommended to Lord Carleton. To procure a safe conduct from the Prince of Orange for an English ship to fetch the Earl of Argyle from Dunkirk and bring him to England. To know the King's pleasure touching a pass desired by Monsieur Aubert, principal surgeon to the Queen, to go into France and return, being employed from Her Majesty and for her service. To know His Majesty's pleasure in the like request made by Monsieur Boucan, one of the Queen's musicians, for a pass for himself and two servants to go into France. Another for Jean Chappeau to return to Geneva, having spent some time here with Doctor Mayerne. [1 *p.*]

Sept.  
Whitehall.

121. The Council to the Lieutenant-Governor of the Isle of Wight. To cause Clement Cartebone, and five others named, belonging to the ships of Holland lately returned from the East Indies, and now detained under arrest in the Isle of Wight, to be delivered to the bearer a messenger of the Chamber, to be brought before the Council. [*French. Copy.* ½ *p.*]

[Sept.]

122. Minute of Instructions for the Attorney-General to cause search to be made for the commission concerning Archbishop Grindall, *tempore* Elizabeth, amongst the records of the Archbishops, commonly called Mr. Drake's office, or in the rolls between the years 1580 and 1584. Search having been made and no such commission found, it is His Majesty's express command that the Attorney-General draw a commission to such, and so many bishops as His Majesty shall be pleased to name to execute all archiepiscopal jurisdiction within the province of Canterbury, and that all instruments from such day be issued out in their names, as the like went in the names of Awbrey and Clerke in Archbishop Grindall's case, according to the Statute 1 Eliz., cap. 1. Which Statute gives His Majesty power to grant commissions to whom and as oft as he will, for all manner of jurisdictions ecclesiastical; and were there no such Statute in being, His Majesty conceives this power is naturally and originally in him by the right of his Crown. When

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you have drawn a draft of this commission you are presently to attend His Majesty that he may review it, and give you the bishops whom he will employ, with such further instructions as he shall think requisite. You are likewise required to call to your assistance Sir Henry Marten and some other civil law lawyer, if any be about the town, that they may carefully see that all ecclesiastical forms be kept, that so nothing by this business may prove prejudicial to the Church. *Endorsed*: "For Mr. Attorney. "The episcopal jurisdiction of Canterbury to be executed by "commissioners." [2 pp.]

[Sept.]

123. Treatise in answer to certain articles reflecting on the conduct of [Dr. Richard Smith], the Roman Catholic Bishop of Chalcedon, and questioning the authority exercised by him in England. *Headed*.—"Certain observations or notes made by "N. N. upon some articles or questions said to be subscribed "by two noblemen and gentlemen, with pretence to be sent to "the Bishop of Chalcedon, but never sent to him, but scattered "abroad, without any name, for to disgrace and impugn his "authority." The latter part of the treatise is "Concerning the execution of the jurisdiction," and like the first part is arranged as articles and answers thereto. "Since the erecting of a tribunal "for administration of any court of justice, either distinct [from] "or contrary to our laws, is an offence of high treason, and that "all those who submit or conform thereunto may be drawn into "compass thereof [it is] misprision of treason or premunire at least, "according to the meanest privity or participation, and that the "execution from this tribunal in so many causes as will daily "arise leaveth no hope of secrecy, and provoketh the present "government unto so exact search and suppression thereof; it is "considerable whether, &c." *Answer*.—"If by a tribunal you "mean a local and formal place to give judgment in, the bishop "neither hath nor intendeth to erect a tribunal, and therefore on "that side you need not fear any misprision of treason; but if by "a tribunal you mean episcopal authority to judge, it is not he "that erected this tribunal but his Holiness himself, who hath "given this authority to the Bishop, and in his person erected it "anew in England, as the Apostle erected the like tribunal among "the Christians in Corinth." [22 pp.]

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Oct. 5

1. Commissioners of the Loan in the Isle of Ely to the Council. Being conversant with the Commissioners for the Loan in co. Cambridge, we had a sight of your letters concerning the collecting of arrears and taking an account of the collectors, although the Sheriff of the shire had neglected to send us copies of your letter. We have diligently attended to this service, and enclose the roll of returns for the south part of the Isle of Ely, the bearer having likewise a return from the Commissioners in the north part [*see 6th September*], who also proceeded only upon a copy of your letter sent by us. [1 p.] *Enclosed*,

1. 1. *Certificate of the loan in the south part of the Isle of Ely. [Parchment.]*

Oct. 8.

2. Debenture certified by William Gwynne, auditor, attesting the sum of 8*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.*, to be due to William Holton, the King's master plasterer, in the Castle of Chester, for one whole year, ended at Michaelmas. *Underwritten*,

2. 1. *Receipt by William Holton for the above sum of Thomas Trafford, the King's Receiver there. [= ½ p.]*

Oct. 9.

Docquet of Vol. LXXX., No. 72. [*See Docquets, 29th March 1626.*]

Oct. 9.

Edward Nicholas to Sir Henry Marten, touching a commission to Sir Kenelm Digby. [*Already calendared under date. Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 53.*]

Oct. 10.

Sir Henry Marten to Nicholas. Various exceptions to the commission intended to be granted to Sir Kenelm Digby, as derogatory to the Duke's office of Lord Admiral. Important duties attaching to the office of Lord High Admiral, which require that its power should not be infringed. [*Copy. Ibid., fol. 52.*]

[Oct. 12.]

3. Note of demands made by J. Dalbier [for relief of the English troops in the Isle of Rhé], viz. :—Victuals for 2,000 land soldiers for 6 or 8 months to be put into the citadel [of St. Martin]; 10 or 12 barges capable of holding 50 or 60 men, each to land men and to keep watch in the night, besides 4 ketches carrying 4 pieces of ordnance; 2 engineers and 2 master conductors for works of fortification; munition to be sent with speed; 16,000*l.* to make up the 14,000*l.* sent by Sir William Becher into 30,000*l.*; 4,000 soldiers, besides the 6,000 now preparing, to be sent over in batches of 1,000 with speed; articles expressing what liberty and privilege those of Rochelle shall have freely to trade into Spain; 5 or 6 ships laden with Newcastle coal to be sent with the Earl of Holland if possible. The Commissioners of the Navy to contract with merchants for the sending of 4 or 5 ships laden with deals, masts, spars, planks, and barks to the army, these to be paid for in salt, wines, &c., and the like for Newcastle coals. [1 p.]

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Sarum.

4. Peter Thatcher, Minister of St. Edmund's, in Salisbury, to Henry Sherfield, Esq., in Lincoln's Inn. I doubt not of your wisdom and love of Sarum, but esteem it to be such as you need neither direction nor incitement from me to procure the good thereof all you can. My request is that you would uphold the course which the present mayor has initiated with great pains and hazard for the relief of the poor. I hold myself and all men in conscience bound to desire, and so to promote the good of the place where God hath set them, all that lies in their power. For the course itself I know honest and wise men at the hearing thereof have highly approved of it; and I am persuaded the establishment thereof for continuance if it might be effected would be like to prove to Sarum in time a sufficient recompense for the plague, though no other good should come thereof. Were it to have been tried at any other time than this, it cannot be doubted but that it had been cried down by some at the first motion and never have been brought to that perfection it is already come to, wanting in a manner nothing but the seconding of what is begun. What a means it would be to reform the drunkenness, idleness, running to the ale-house, and other such courses which have been and are the bane of the poor in Sarum, is so plain, as I think none will deny and the ale-wives do already feel. This is evident that the money which is given to the poor to-day would not be in the ale-wives' purse to-morrow, as hitherto the case in Salisbury hath been. [1 p.]

Oct. 26.  
Whitehall.

5. The Council to Lord Danvers [Henry Danvers, Earl of Danby], Governor of Guernsey. We have received yours of the 15th present and think well of your care for the security of that island which, by reason of these times, we had expressly recommended to you; and for your not repairing to us at the present we must admit of it upon the reasons you allege. By your letter it would appear that the isle is not free from danger of sudden attempts by the enemy, which specially concern you in trust and us in care to look unto. We may inform you that upon information from the Governor of Jersey of great defects in the arms of the inhabitants, order has been given by this Board for the sending of such quantity of munition to Jersey as is here stated, all which is to be paid for by the inhabitants at such prices as the Governor may be answerable to the King, both for the value of the munition itself and the charge of conduction and transportation. Such proportion as you may think needful for the furnishing of Guernsey in like sort will be sent upon your certificate. Whereas you conceive Castle [Cornet], being a place of great circuit and strength, cannot be defended from surprise by such number of warders as were thought sufficient in peaceable times, if you shall think it needful that any number of men should be sent into that isle, order will be given for sending 50 men from the western parts to be disposed of in such sort as you may direct for the better preservation of that place committed to your government. [1 p.]

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Southampton.

6. Thomas Combe, Mayor, and the Aldermen of Southampton, to Viscount Conway. This town being one of the most ancient in the kingdom, and situated on the sea coast, for resistance to any enemy attempting invasion, was made a place of great strength. It is now much ruined and decayed in the walls and fortifications and also much indebted. That we are not able to repair those decays nor to free the town from debt, by reason of the detention of certain dues from the town formerly paid for importing and landing of sweet wines, which are now entered at other ports by merchant strangers. For remedy, we have thought good to petition His Majesty and crave your aid and favour in this course. We intended to have waited on you personally at your late being in this county. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

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Jersey.

7. Sir John Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Philip Carteret, Bailiff, and others, Jurats of Jersey, to the Council. According to your commands, we have taken a strict examination of certain factious speeches alleged to have been uttered by James Bandinell, minister of St. Mary's parish; as also of the course of proceeding before the Dean [David Bandinell] against petitioners, Hugh Hue and John de Rue, the King's officers in that parish. Having called the parties before us we received from the Dean and his son James Bandinell the answer which we enclose, as also the depositions of the witnesses concerning the speeches. Concerning the Dean's proceedings against the petitioners, you may be informed that the officers of St. Mary's parish delivered to us a presentation dated 15th October 1626, amongst other things against the Dean, giving information of those speeches alleged to have been uttered in a sermon by James Bandinell, viz., that we were under a worse reign than that of Queen Mary's. Owing to the sickness being not wholly extinguished in the parish whereof the Dean [of Jersey] was minister, we deferred calling the Dean and his son before us to answer these informations. In the meantime, petitioners being cited into the Dean's Court, His Majesty's Procureur was sent with the said presentation, who entreated him not to proceed against petitioners, the cause being of the knowledge of His Majesty's Court, notwithstanding which petitioners were excommunicated. The King's Procureur offering to appeal both in behalf of the King's right and prerogative of his Court and of the petitioners there present was refused by the Dean, the petitioners remaining as yet excommunicated. We have done all we could either openly in Court in which the Dean and his son would not appear or particularly by many conferences and entreaties of our own. All which we submit to your grave considerations. [2 pp.] *Encloses,—*

7. I. *Memorial of certain objections concerning the difference between the Dean, Hugh Hue, and others, delivered by the Dean.* [French. 1 p.]
7. II. *Depositions of witnesses taken the 20th of October 1627 on the part of Hugh Hue and Jean de Rue as likewise on the part of Mr. James Bandinell.* [French. 1 p.]
7. III. *Depositions taken 29th October 1627 on the part of David Bandinell, Hugh Hue, and Jean de Rue.* [French. 1 p.]



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8. Award made in the case of John de Rue and Hugh Hue of Jersey, on an appeal from the ecclesiastical and temporal Courts of that Island. Proceedings being taken against them by the Dean [of Jersey, David Bandinell,] and at the instance of James Bandinell, his son, Minister of St. Mary's parish, by which it appears that the ground of the controversy has been a misinterpretation of the words of the said Minister reprehending the parties above named, and not in censure of the Government. [1 p.]

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9. William Chamberlain to his brother, John Chamberlain. It would not long be possible to retain possession of these islands (Jersey and Guernsey), as speedy preparations were making in France to attack them. Desires that some men-of-war may be sent to protect the islands against the landing of the enemy. The men of Cherbourg were in readiness to make an attempt. [1 p.]

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10. Certificate of the Bailiffs and Burgesses of Aldborough, co. Suffolk, to the Privy Council. Represent the exposed situation of their town and port, lying within 12 hours' sail of Dunkirk, so that it is greatly feared the Dunkirkers will shortly attempt some exploit against them. That their town is unable at their own charge to make such fortifications as are requisite, being much impoverished. Pray order that they may not only have 10 or 12 pieces of ordnance, with powder and shot, but that such necessary fortifications be constructed. [2 pp.]

Nov. 4.

11. Petition of the Merchant Adventurers to the Lord Admiral Buckingham. They have six ships laden with cloth ready to sail for Hamburg, but fear the great number of Dunkirkers, who are more than ever before upon the seas, so that the cloth ships cannot hope to resist them. Pray a sufficient convoy of the King's ships to waft them safe to Heligoland in the river Elbe, so that they may proceed freely on their voyage. [1 p.]

[Nov. 5.]

12. List of officers slain at the retreat [from the Isle of Rhé, 29th October], followed by another list of those taken prisoners. Those slain were:—Colonels Sir Charles Rich, Sir Alexander Brett, Sir Edward Hawley, Sir Ralph Bingley; Lieutenant-Colonels Sir Richard Grenfield, Sir John Talkerne [Tolcarn], Vaughan, and Roberts; Sergeant-Majors Cornwall, Standish, and Watkins; Captains Paddon, Betts, Turwhitt, Watts, Gifford, Carleton, Brand, Leigh, Sir Ralph Shelton, Preston, Blother, Bond, Spring, Abraham, Masterson, Williams, York, Leak, Vanry [Verny?], Pennant, Sir James Bogg, Sir Arthur Aston, Sir William Cunningham [besides Sir William Heydon previously drowned]; Lieutenants Undley, Grey, Deyley; Ensigns Farrington, Broome, Hide, and Wakeman. List of Prisoners:—Lord Montjoy, Captain of a troop of horse; Sir Andrew Grey, Master of the Ordnance; Sir Thomas Glemham; Lieutenant-Colonel Farrar; Captains Denny, Fanshawe, Hempton, Whitehead, Norton; Lieutenants Bassett, Kellie, Leigh, Gifford,

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Reme ; Ensigns Storye, Humis, Dymock, Acton, Moyle, Slade, Onyte, Yates, Newsome. The Captains slain in the assault [on the citadel, the 27th October], were Captains Morgan, Ward, Coke. besides prisoners taken, viz., Captain Owen and Ensign Brett, [1 p.]

Nov. 10. 13. Account of money paid into the receipt of Exchequer by the Collectors of the Loan in co. Glamorgan. Totals, 1,097*l.*; charge, 133*l.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Nov. 13. 14. Edward Boughton to Mr. Wat[kins], at his house opposite  
Clare Hall, York House. Emboldened by his late courtesy, requests him  
Cambridge. to be mindful to secure the writer in those kinds of preferments already specified. Thinks in this removal of bishops the thing might be done, but if all livings be already disposed of, hopes to hear of something which may come within the compass of your obtaining. I remember we talked of a chaplain's place to the Lord Keeper. [*Damaged by damp.* 1 p.]

Nov. 15. Docquet of Vol. LXXXIV., No. 79. [*See 29th March 1626.*]

Nov. 17. 15. Petition of Roger Downes, Vice-Chamberlain of Chester, being a copy of Vol. LXXXIV., No. 90. [ $2\frac{1}{3}$  pp.]

[Nov. 17.] 16. Memorial of business to be [submitted to the Council].  
1. Upon complaint made by Henry Wright and Richard Blacknall of some hard proceedings against them by the Earl of Cork about ironworks in Ireland, His Majesty referred the complaint to the Commissioners for Irish causes here. The Commissioners advise a stay of proceedings in Ireland, and a certificate of certain particulars to be transmitted here, that order may be taken thereon. Petitioners complain that they are refused a copy of the certificate, and that a letter is obtained from the King to take off his former restraint and to command a present proceeding in Ireland, which leaves them where they were. Pray that the certificate out of Ireland may be delivered to the Commissioners here, and their opinions known upon the whole according to the first direction.  
2. There was a suit depending between Sir Randolph Crewe and Mr. [George] Vernon in the Exchequer of Chester. Mr. Vernon complained of indirect proceedings by [Roger Downes], Vice-Chamberlain [of Chester], in that cause, and of his unfitness to be judge thereof in respect of his partiality against him [Vernon]. Upon which complaint the King directed the Attorney-General to command a stop of further proceedings until the Justices of Assize might be present. Hereupon the Vice-Chamberlain complained of the wrong done him in laying such an aspersion upon him to His Majesty, and prayed that the Lord Keeper and others to be appointed by the King might examine his proceedings in that cause, and finding the same to be just may give him such reparation for that scandal as shall be found just.  
3. Two Germans of the [Protestant] religion pray a privilege for the sole use of an invention of a

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compounded oil, which [being applied] to canvas, leather, cloth, and the slightest stuffs will keep out the greatest rain and wet. It will be very useful for sails, both in preserving them from rottenness and for swift sailing; likewise for tents, garments to wear in foul weather, and many other uses, the stuffs remaining still pliable and unaltered. It alters not either with heat or cold. 4. Sir John Killigrew's [request] for a protection for one year [1 p.]

Nov. 19. Commission for executing martial law in Plymouth. Docquet of Vol. LXXXV., No. 1. [*See paper of docquets, 29th March 1626.*]

Nov. 21. 17. Advertisement by Sir Philip Carteret touching preparations on the French coast for a sudden attempt on the Isle of Jersey. Stay made of all boats upon the coasts of Normandy and Brittany bordering upon the Isle of Jersey and two regiments remaining there, while all the rest have marched for Rochelle. Reinforcements required for defence. That two or three small ships may be speedily sent thither, with an experienced commander to direct the people upon approach of an enemy. That a martial commission may be granted to the Governor and others, so that the people may know how to obey. That Elizabeth Castle be fortified, for which 500*l.* will be requisite at present and more afterwards. That an engineer may be sent over to make entrenchments, and two or three good gunners. That His Majesty's castles may be provided with victuals and necessaries. That the King would lend the inhabitants 200 muskets furnished and 300 pikes, which, the war ended, should be returned. *Endorsed by Edward Nicholas*: "Sir Philip Cartaret concerning Jersey. My Lord [Admiral] this day, the 22nd, moved the Lords [of the Council] herein, and a Committee was appointed to take order here, Lord Conway, Lord Totness, [and Viscount] Grandison." [1½ pp.]

Nov. 22. Commission to Edward, Viscount Conway, and William, Earl of Morton, for executing martial law upon all disorderly soldiers within the Isle of Wight. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

Nov. 22. 18. The Tenants at Heath to their Landlord, Mr. Rulph, near Heath. Temple Bar. Have sent their rents by Richard Walker, a neighbour. If you intend us to continue your tenants, we entreat you to take some course in the Exchequer that no extents come out against our goods, for we have in past years suffered great loss in regard we durst not stock our grounds to our best advantage. [1 p.]

Nov. 24. 19. Sir John Peyton to the Privy Council. Recommends that Mont Orgueil Castle. Mr. Walter Hungerford, an experienced Low Country soldier, employed of late as a Muster Master in Jersey, be paid according to the custom in England upon all the arms in the Isle. Being instructed by you to have a vigilant care of this Isle, I could do no better than have the inhabitants taught the use of their arms. [*Seal with arms. 1 p.*]

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Nov. 28. Commission to George and John Thorpe, as Water Bailiffs, to publish a proclamation against the common fishers [in the Upper Thames] using unlawful nets. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]
- Nov. 30. Commission for executing martial law in Hants. Docquet of Vol. LXXXV., No. 1. [*See paper of docquets, 29th March 1626.*]
- [Nov.] 20. Certificate by Thomas Clerk, D.D., and Richard Colville, Justices of the Peace, to the Lords of the Council. They have made an investigation into the business relative to Robert Adams and his family. Recommend that he should be restrained, and that Lincoln would be the fittest place. We find upon examination that as well the lands lately sold as also all the rest of the lands supposed still to belong to Adams, out of which, according to your instructions, provision was to have been made for the maintenance of himself, his wife, and 14 children, are now by a jury upon an indictment of recusancy found to be due to the King according to the Statute, so that we can in no way proceed to the letting or settling of any of these lands, unless, out of your tender compassion for his family, your Lordships shall make a safe way for the full and legal passage thereof. We have performed the Christian rites of baptism to such of his children as were unbaptised. [1 p.]
- Nov. Declaration by the King touching the payment of consulage by foreign merchants for goods freighted in the Levant seas in English ships. [*Correspondence of Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 64.*]
- Nov. 21. Memorial of resolutions by the Privy Council, touching the soldiers at Plymouth [returned from the expedition to the Isle of Rhé]. Necessity of giving the Commissioners of Devon and other counties satisfaction and assurance for money disbursed by them for the supplies now on shipboard, and order for the other supplies since arrived there. Captain Henry Woodhouse to be sent down with a commission for the better governing and embarking of those men. It was propounded before His Majesty and approved, that for the containing of those supplies in order and duty when they shall be billeted and quartered, they having now no officers appointed for them, officers be taken out of the trained bands at the discretion of the Commissioners, and appointed to the several divisions as they shall be lodged. Money for their entertainment must be appointed and limited to them. Directions in these points would be given by Sir Sackville Crow. Of all which there is intimation given to the Commissioners, by letters already despatched to them to prepare for the better ordering of the troops and to keep them in hope and courage for the service. [1 p.]
- [Nov.] 22. Report of the Colonels touching the officers returned from the expedition to Rhé and Rochelle. *Signed by* Sir Francis Willoughby, Sir J. Scott, Sir Thomas Morton, and Captain John Mason [Treasurer of the Army]. The necessities of the officers now in London are so pressing that some means must be devised

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whilst the Auditors of the imprests are making out the accompts of arrears due to them. Suggest that the Lord Treasurer should be instructed to issue out of the receipt of Exchequer to the Treasurer of the Army 10,000*l.* by way of imprest and advance. If such sum should prove insufficient for making up the half or two-thirds of their arrear pay, it would be well that the Lord Treasurer, before going into the country, would leave order where an additional sum may be had. [2 *pp.*]

Dec. 2.  
Chelsea.

23. Lady E. Gorges to Dudley, Lord Carleton. The great good I have heard of you by my daughter, Stanley, makes me confident that you will not let me suffer to lose all laid out for your Lady [consisting of] divers sums. It is well known to Mr. Locke what I disbursed, and I redeemed my own jewels which he pawned and laid out the money himself. Lady [Carleton] had 26 pieces herself of me, as I can prove. I desire you condescendably to consider it according to your own nobleness. *Endorsed*: "2nd December 1628," [but Lady Carleton died in 1627.  $\frac{2}{3}$  *p.*]

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24. Certificate by Lord Keeper Coventry and Judges Denham, Jones, Croke, and Yelverton, to the King, upon a reference from His Majesty of the petition of Roger Downes, Vice-Chamberlain of Chester, in a cause between him and George Vernon, Sergeant-at-Law [see November 17th, Vol. LXXXIV., No. 90]. The main question is whether an order made 30th July last in the Court of Exchequer at Chester to direct a course touching certain depositions of witnesses taken by a commission executed immediately after the decease of King James, but before the Commissioners had any notice thereof, be agreeable to justice and equity. Statement of the grounds of their decision in this cause. We find nothing against Mr. Downes but that he hath carried himself justly and uprightly in his proceedings, and therefore might be allowed to go on to determine this cause without exception. For whose clearing and reparation we think it the best way that your reference to us with this our certificate be sent to the Earl of Derby and Lord Strange, Chamberlain of Chester, to whom the former restraint in this cause was directed to see performance hereof. All which we submit to your Majesty's wisdom and pleasure. [*Copy.* 2 *pp.*]

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Copy of Vol. LXXXVI., No. 41. [*Vol. of Admiralty Collections, Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., fol. 132b.*]

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Doddington.

25. Sir John Peyton to the Privy Council. Begg they will excuse his being absent from his charge in consideration of his infirmities. Has sent his son to Jersey, who, with the aid of the bearer, Sir Philip Carteret, has done as much as if he had been there in person. Begg their Lordships will take into consideration the matters necessary for defence and security of the Island. Recommends that an experienced captain should be sent over who might act as a marshal or sergeant-major to direct the companies raised in the Isle, and instruct them in all military duties; also an

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engineer to view the Island and fortifications of the castles and what can be added to render them tenable against an enemy, setting down a plot thereof and computing the charge, that it may be delivered to your Lordships. Sends a relation of the state of the isle and castles as he found them during the time of his service. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

[Dec. 11.] 26. Opinion of the Committee [of Privy Council] concerning the propositions made by Sir Philip Carteret for defence of the Isle of Jersey. Recommend that the like provision for pay and clothing be ordered for the 200 men to be sent thither as in the case of Guernsey [*see* December 18th], and that Sir Philip be reimbursed the money laid out for the men who came from Devon and Cornwall. That the same allowance for making saltpetre in Jersey be granted as was directed for Guernsey. The employment of shipping for defence of these islands to be left to the Lord Admiral's wisdom and care. Other proposals with marginal notes of the resolutions taken thereon. [3 pp.]

Dec. 13. 27. Information from Jersey of warlike preparations making in the French ports. There are 80 sail of French ships at Morbeau, of which 22 were men-of-war, and 36 sail of Spanish ships expected to be arrived there. Expectation of 20 sail more from Dunkirk and six from Dieppe, the rumour in the army being that they will go northward. The Duke de Guise is General. The Duke de Longueville and Mons. Mattinneon are in hand to build a citadel at Granville which is over against Jersey. The Duke de Longueville hath won [the consent] of the people that in the spring eight soldiers may be levied upon every parish and money for their maintenance in the [French] king's service, at which the people murmur, but will submit. When the King's forces came first into Brittany, the people refused [to receive] them, and came to blows with them, killing divers of the King's soldiers; whereupon the king sent them a new governor, whom they refused, and required to have the Duke de Vendome or none. In the army they have divers flat-bottomed boats, including seven great ones, each to carry 200 men. [1 p.]

[Dec. 16.] 28. [Dr. Matthew Wren] to George, Duke of Buckingham. Most excellent Prince, it pleased His Majesty to signify his gracious assent for the foundation of a lecture on history by Lord Brooke in this his University [of Cambridge] as also for the present admission of the lecturer [Dr. Dorislaus] appointed by Lord Brooke, with assignment of place, hour, and auditors; all which has been performed with as much conveniency, as on such a sudden could be. Dr. Dereslaer [Dr. Dorislaus], a Dutchman, is sent by Lord Brooke for reader, whose two lectures [on the Annals of Tacitus] have been heard by most of the university, not without much distaste and exception, especially against the latter, the argument thereof being the regal power, too much trenched upon by the subject. Yet were we shy of conventing him, as well in regard of the countenance and

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respect His Majesty's letters required we should give him ; as [out] of our fear [lest] the founder's good intention might be checked at so ominous a beginning, and thereupon he should recall his pious purpose, so [we] resolved to send all to your Grace. The ingenuousness of the man was such, that hearing of the exception taken [to his doctrine that the right of monarchy rested on the people's voluntary submission], he came to us of himself, both in private and public giving satisfaction in so free expressions of his best thoughts to the State, with further offer of them, as we are persuaded the worst was error, taken from the liberty the nature of such a lecture seemed to give him, without any intention at all of ill ; so as finding his abilities answerable, we should be sorry that the University should hazard the loss either of so useful a lecture or of so able a reader, which we doubt not but your wisdom will prevent. To this end we have entreated my Lord [Bishop] of Durham's mediation both of matter and man, whom yet, till your Grace's pleasure be further known, we forbear to incorporate into our body. [It being] incompatible for any member, though but seeming to trench upon our Sovereign's right, whose royal heart standing so much for "Do my Prophets no harm," we hope shall find every affection in his University as much for "Touch not mine anointed." [Draft. 1 p.]

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29. Depositions taken in a suit in Chancery, *ex parte* Lewis Hughes, Clerk, and others, Plaintiffs, *versus* John Edwards, Defendant, examined by Martin Basill, touching the title of Anne, widow of John Smyth, and now wife of Lewis Hughes, to certain moneys. The deponents were Theophilus Reyley, Thomas Potter, Christopher Howson, Elizabeth Gravener, Alice Waynham, Francis Peck. *Subjoined*,—

29. i. *Interrogatories to be administered unto witnesses on the part and behalf of Lewis Hughes, Clerk, and John Jackson, Plaintiffs.* [Certified Copy by Nicholas Lucy. 40 pp.]

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30. Draft of Vol. LXXXVII., No. 1. [1½ pp.]

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31. Opinion of the Committee of Privy Council [set down by Secretary Coke] concerning the propositions made for the defence of Guernsey by the Earl of Danby, Governor of that Island. They hold it necessary that an assignment of money be presently made for an allowance of three months' pay, because without it the 200 men sent to defend the island cannot longer subsist ; likewise an imprest of six months' pay to supply the soldiers with clothes and lendings. Munition to be supplied by warrant from the Board by the Master of the Ordnance. A magazine of six months' victual for 200 men is found to be necessary. Able engineers most necessary. It much imports both the welfare and safety of the people and honour of the king that the customs, tolls, taxes, and levies, which have been royally granted for public uses should accordingly be employed, and therefore it is conceived that the Governor by his Commission and authority may provide that they be not otherwise diverted. Concerning martial law it is thought

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convenient that commission be given to the Governor and his Lieutenant for execution thereof in martial causes as shall be limited by instructions under the King's hand. Sending of ships thither very important, so to be referred to the wisdom and care of the Lord Admiral. Stay of shipping in case of danger and necessary defence to be included in the Governor's commission. It is approved that as much saltpetre as may be had there be sent over to be converted here into gunpowder. 100*l.* for a powder-house. Names of the Committee present. [2½ pp.]

[Dec. 18.] 32. Copy of the same. [2½ pp.]

[Dec. 18.] 33. Another copy of the same. [2½ pp.]

Dec. [18]. 34. Articles setting forth such particular [precautions] as are considered most needful for the supply and defence of the Isle of Guernsey and Castle [Cornet] submitted to the consideration of the Privy Council by the Earl of Danby [as Governor of Guernsey] and on which the resolutions of the Council, as stated in the preceding entry, are based. [*Sheet of paper.*]

Dec. 28. 35. R. Wyan to Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Lord Admiral  
Doctors' Commons. Buckingham. Thanks for the venison and his many other favours. Please return the letter I left with you in behalf of a poor kinsman James Johnson who stands for a fellowship in King's College, Cambridge, and who entreats Nicholas to procure the Duke's letter in his favour. [1 p.]

Dec. 31. 36. Privy Council to the Duke of Buckingham, Lord High Admiral. A good and able engineer is to be found and employed in the islands of Jersey and Guernsey. Order to be taken by the Duke that such a one be in readiness, his allowance to be paid whilst in Jersey by Sir Philip Carteret out of 1,200*l.* allowed for the fortification of Castle Elizabeth in Jersey, and for his entertainment whilst in Guernsey, to be allowed at His Majesty's charge. [*Signed and sealed.* 1 p.]

Dec. 37. Proofs against Peter Wittgrove, Master of the "St. Peter," and against the goods laden in her, 20th November 1627, at Viana in Portugal, as being forfeited. *Endorsed*: "Received Dec. 1627. Fred. Peterson and Peter Wittgrove." [2 pp.]

Dec. 38. The like of proofs against Frederick Peterson, Master of the "Hope." [1½ pp.]

Dec. 39. William Essex to the Duke of Buckingham. Was appointed Governor of the Island of Alderney by patent of Queen Elizabeth's, but being imprisoned in England for debt, was unable to look to the defence of the island. His deputy, William Chamberleyne, reported it to be in great danger. Requests that he may be set at liberty to undertake the government of the island. [*Seal with device.* 1 p.]



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40. Notes touching danger apprehended to the Isle of Jersey, with propositions how to secure it, addressed to Viscount Conway. Intelligence received out of France of a stay made of all boats upon the French coasts. Proposals for defence of the island. That the ship "Loyalty" recently employed there in His Majesty's service be sent back, and Captain Burley be directed to repair thither with the ships under his command. That certain ships should remain always upon that coast. That Castle Elizabeth be speedily fortified. That an experienced Commander be sent over to aid the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor. That direction be given for settling the difference between the Governor and inhabitants touching the providing of His Majesty's castles with necessaries and victuals. That an engineer be sent over to superintend the entrenchments upon the hill opposite Castle Elizabeth, and others close to Castle Mountorgueil, which the inhabitants are willing to make. That two or three gunners be sent over. That Fitz Walter Hungerford may be retained as muster-master during these wars. [2 $\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

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41. Memorial to move His Majesty for Sir Philip Carteret. He has obtained an order of the Privy Council for three months' pay due to the 200 soldiers sent to Jersey, and for six months' imprest by reason of the dangerous passage thither in these times, besides 240*l.* for soldiers' appareling, and other sums specified for arms and munition, as also 1,200*l.* to be issued for fortifying Castle Elizabeth, which the Lords esteem to concern very much His Majesty's service. Sir Philip is unable to procure payment of the same from the Lord Treasurer, who would willingly pay the money if he knew out of what receipts to charge it. Prays the King would give speedy order to the Lord Treasurer, that he may return to his charge in the island. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

42. Royal letter requiring a general contribution or taxation to be levied by officers appointed by the Crown on all such as keep inns, taverns, ale or beer houses for selling ale or cyder, after the rate of 6*d.* for every barrel of ale, beer, or small cyder, of the usual price of 4*s.* or 6*s.* the barrel, and of 12*d.* for every barrel sold above that price. The preamble sets forth:—That we were engaged in war against Spain by the advice of our people and with their promise to support us with their persons and means, the records of the last Parliament do sufficiently declare. Provocations offered by the French King. What use the Imperialists have made of this diversion in the violent pursuit of our dear uncle the King of Denmark, notwithstanding the succours we were able to send unto him, is not only seen but felt, the whole weight of the war being by their success, in all appearance, now cast upon ourselves and the remains of our allies. Wherein if our proceedings have not been so prosperous, as from the ancient valour and honour of our nation might have been expected, the blame in a great part must be laid upon those who, when we sought it in an ordinary way, did not in due season supply us with their promised aids, and multiplied

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thereby both our charge and their own by spending more in preparation and less in action than was fit. That we failed not on our parts to provide what was possible for us, the anticipation of our revenues, the pawning of our jewels, and the sales of our lands, are witnesses beyond exception. The preservation both of Church and Commonwealth, which God hath committed to our charge and for which we must answer, being now in that extremity, that to commit the hopes thereof to the humours of men who have declared their dissatisfaction, and to the delays of such counsels, as present actions cannot attend, were no less than to betray the public to private ends, which our royal care must not endure. [*Draft in Secretary Coke's hand.* 4 pp.]

43. The King's pleasure signified that the Earls of Pembroke and Holland, Sir John Savile, and Secretary Coke shall consider of this proposition and petition, and the reasons and motives annexed, as also of the propositions which the propounder shall exhibit as well concerning the particulars of the commission as of the office desired, and certify His Majesty their opinions concerning the convenience of the same. [*Draft.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

44. A proposition by way of association for the settling of His Majesty's affairs at the present time. The Roman Catholic league by united wars and forces hath apparently subdued and ranged all Germany to an absolute obedience to the House of Austria. So in France by uniting their land and sea forces into a new corporation they have broken and scattered the discontented Princes, and intend to establish and enlarge both their trade and their command at sea. And the Spaniards by a late union or association have joined all their remote provinces for mutual defence, and [are enabled] to raise thereby great forces for the enlarging of their monarchy, both by land and sea. My proposition therefore is to learn wisdom from our enemies, and by uniting all our party, [Protestants] abroad and at home, to procure more prosperous success to our affairs, God's blessing ever following agreement in good things. First then abroad for defence of the Sound, Elb, and Weser, which, without doubt, will be assailed by all the forces of the Empire and of Spain this year, it must be our chief care to establish a strict confederacy for uniting the forces of His Majesty, the Kings of Denmark and Sweden, of the States [of Holland], and of as many of the Hans towns and Princes adjoining as may be drawn into it. And for the preservation of Rochelle which no less concerneth us, our next endeavour must be to raise a body of joined forces, French and English, and such others as may be gotten to command that coast by sea, and to fortify your party of the religion in France by engaging the State of Venice, the Dukes of Savoy and Lorraine, the Protestant cantons of Switzerland and Rhetia, and as many of the French Princes as may be made use of for diversion, accommodation, or for defence. But our union at home is that which most importeth us, and therefore His Majesty may be pleased to consider whether it be not necessary upon the same grounds of State as the Spaniards have built to

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unite his three kingdoms in a strict union and obligation each to other for their mutual defence when any of them shall be assailed, every one with such a proportion of horse, foot, or shipping as may be rateably thought fit. Various other suggestions are made for strengthening the position of England, which, "being the mark which is most aimed at, this body especially must be united in itself" as was done with good success in the reign of Elizabeth. [*Copy from an original in Secretary Coke's hand. 6 pp.*]

45. Parliamentary precedents quoted in support of the Royal prerogatives of the Sovereign. 1. The King hath been a judge in his own causes, much more might he be a witness. Examples in support of this contention, Longe, fol. 58. It appears that Edward IV. sat in person in the King's Bench to judge a felony upon a rape, which was for his own benefit, Star Chamber, 12 Jac. I. In Billingham's case, and afterwards in Sir Thomas Lake's case, the King sat there in person; and then the judgment of guiltiness or not guiltiness is his alone, and the Lords do not advise and assess the fine, which is mere matter of profit. 2. Kings have been witnesses against subjects in their own causes, and for their own benefit, *a fortiori*, they may be witnesses to clear their subjects, which is [to] their own prejudice. Example, 50 Edward III., Rot. Parl. As I remember, Lyons was condemned by the King's testimony. About the beginning of the reign of King James one Foorde was sentenced in the Star Chamber at the suit of [Thomas] Lord Ellesmere, then Lord Chancellor, and condemned upon the testimony of King James, as I remember. These precedents must be searched out and seen. Mr. Attorney-General will easily give satisfaction for the precedents in the Star Chamber. And Sir Robert Cotton [*ob.* 6th May 1631] for the precedent aforesaid in Edward III's. time. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

46. Statement of the nature and amount of the impositions laid by Queen Elizabeth and King James on sea coal, with a view to a new imposition on coals for exportation. [ $1\frac{2}{3}$  pp.]

47. Brief note of what the 12 [Livery] Companies of London do pay of the 60,000*l.*, upon which the office of the Ordnance desires assignment for the arrears, viz.:—The Mercers' Company, 3,720*l.*; Grocers', 6,000*l.*; Drapers', 4,608*l.*; Fishmongers', 3,390*l.*; Goldsmiths', 4,380*l.*; Skimmers', 2,820*l.*; Merchant Taylors', 6,300*l.*; Haberdashers', 4,800*l.*; Salters', 2,880*l.*; Ironmongers', 2,148*l.*; Vintners', 3,120*l.*; Clothworkers', 3,390*l.* Total, 47,556*l.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

48. Memorial [for Secretary Coke] to acquaint the Council Board with an offer that many counties will build ships so as they may have assurance from the King and Council that their ships shall not be pressed for the King's service, but that they may put in their own commanders, and employ the ships either for guard of the kingdom or otherwise as they shall think fit. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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49. Instructions propounded for the good government of His Majesty's troops whilst in garrison, and in their removes from one county to another. It is not enough that a company be often exercised, but the soldier must do his duty by watching, guarding, and standing sentinel, as if he were in presence of an enemy, for otherwise they are no soldiers, but only men who imitate soldiers. That a soldier may have 4s. 4d. a week, and yet to have himself full suited every year from top to toe out of only 4s. 8d., which the King alloweth him. That all officers and soldiers do take an oath when they are to be mustered and garrisoned. *Endorsed in the King's hand*: "Touching the Troopes." [2½ pp.]

50. Information of disorders committed in Falmouth Harbour. The infinite abuses and corruption of John Bonython, Deputy Commander of His Majesty's fort of Pendennis, are not generally to be discovered, so sinisterly he dealeth therein, but such and so many as are brought to light are herein stated. Item [John] Tresahar, living within that fort, although of an inferior command there, yet not much inferior in condition and quality [of standing] to Bonython. [2½ pp.]

51. Particular return of the several sources from which the King's revenue is derived, with the amounts derived from each. [*Much damaged.* = 2½ pp.]

52. Declaration of the Merchants of London trading to France, setting forth as well the breaches of divers articles of the last treaty, as also such things as they pray may be commoded [accommodated] for the better and freer intercourse in traffic between them and the subjects of the French King. [1½ pp.]

53. A summary relation concerning the causes of the Isle of Rhé journey by the Duke of Buckingham. Sets forth the perfidious conduct of the Ministers of the French Court in engaging all their neighbours and allies in a doubtful war, and then falsifying their promises. Their sudden retraction from the solemn agreement with the Ambassador of His Majesty of Great Britain for the landing of Count Mansfeldt's army in France. They were the cause of the loss of 12,000 English, who perished in this attempt before they set foot on ground. Their unsatisfactory conduct, when by His Majesty's intercession they had procured an acceptance of a disadvantageous peace with those of the [Protestant] religion. They treated underhand and concluded a peace with Spain for the affairs of Italy. They made His Majesty caution and advocate of the infraction of all their promises. They employed the forces and assistance of His Majesty, which they had demanded on other pretences, and which were lent them to another intent, against those of his religion, as they themselves boast of it in their history, terming this cunning trick a "masterpiece of work." They fraudulently covered and protected the Spanish merchandises, thus frustrating His Majesty's subjects of their profits and gains by the Spanish war, leaving

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the burden and charges thereof only on His Majesty's arms. Concessions made to the French Ambassador Mousr. [Francis de] Bassompierre, in the hopes of procuring peace. After all this that Court so far abused His Majesty's royal patience as to disavow the treaty and arrest our ships at Bordeaux. His Majesty was at last constrained by all these proceedings, not without great grief and resentment, to give way to his patience and betake himself to war, and this in a time when all his thoughts were fixed against a puissant enemy, whom the just defence of his dear and worthy sister, and of the deplorable state of Christendom, had cast on him. Therefore it cannot be suspected that by this action His Majesty undertook the designs of an ancient ambition, but that it was only for to repair the wrong done at present to his honour, and for to be an aid and to succour the necessities of those unto whom he had been so craftily obliged by employing intermission, to lend them now a helping hand. For His Majesty having compassed the last peace made between the French King and his subjects who were of the religion, and by the promises of his Ambassadors remained surety for the accomplishment of such points on which it was accepted of, &c. These were the causes and motives which constrained His Majesty to do what he hath done. [7 pp.]

54. Clause in an Act of Parliament confirming the ancient privilege accorded to the inhabitants of Jersey, Guernsey, Sark, and Alderney, to import into England any goods, wares, and merchandise, the growth, produce, or manufacture of the said islands, duty free. Owing to doubts lately arisen whether according to some late laws now in force the inhabitants continued to enjoy the right of free trade, bonds with security have been required, which are hereby declared null and void. [*Copy.* 1 p.]

55. Notes by Secretary Coke [for a speech] concerning the free loans. The crime imputed is in itself twofold in relation either to the chief authors or the party now convented before us. In itself it hath two parts. 1st. A raising of false reports of the actions of a king. 2nd. A stirring up of sedition amongst the people, and these aggravated with the circumstances of the publication, and the time when, and the persons to whom, it was divulged. The false reports that His Majesty took a new way to lay impositions upon his people, and that the intention then was to take away Parliaments. For the novelty the falsehood appeareth because the same way was taken in the times of all [his predecessors] our kings, and that it was done even in this manner in the age of our forefathers by sending the loans abroad our [hi]stories do show. Besides, it is not new, seeing that kings in all ages have found means to raise money besides the way of Parliament. Some have done it by ways and upon occasions which are worthy to be forgotten, but the best kings have done it in cases of necessity, and by such ways as came nearest to consent, and in both these His Majesty hath proceeded with royal care and consideration. For the necessity breaketh stone walls, it maketh the earth to tremble, and to preserve the

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whole dissolveth the parts, and this necessity concerned the safety of the kingdom. The enemy armed, and though by our army he diverted his forces, yet if we had not been prepared they had fallen upon us. So the preservation of the kingdom was the motive of the King. And in this necessity His Majesty considered not the next way but the fairest, and what his predecessors had taken without offence. For the intention it is cleared by proclamation, by acts upon record, and by experience. [*Draft, with corrections, 1 p.*]

56. Bishop Williams, of Lincoln, to [the Vicar of Grantham]. When I was with you last I told you that the standing of your communion table was to me a thing so indifferent, that unless offence and umbrage were taken by the town against it, I should never move it nor remove it. That which I then did suspect is come to pass. The Alderman whom I have known these 17 or 18 years to be a discreet and modest man and far from any humour of innovation, together with the better sort of the town, have complained against it. And I have, without taking notice of your act, or touching one syllable upon your reputation, appointed the churchwarden, whom it doth principally concern under the diocesan, to settle it for the time as you may see by the enclosed copies. Now, for your own satisfaction, and my poor advice for the future, I have written to you more at large than I use to express myself in this kind. I like many things well, and disallow of others in your carriage of the business. Particularises the points of agreement and diversity. It is not the vicar but the churchwardens who are to provide for the communion, not an altar but a fair joined table (Canon of the Convocation, 1571, page 18). That altars were removed by law and tables substituted in most churches appears by Queen [Elizabeth's] Injunctions, 1559. Therefore, I know you will not turn a table into an altar, which vicars were never enabled to set up, but were only allowed to pull down. For the second point:—That the communion table is to stand altarwise, if you mean in that place of the choir where the altar stood, I think something may be said for that, because the Injunction of 1559 did so place it, and I conceive it the most decent situation, when it is not used. In cathedral churches, and some of their chapels, the altars may be still standing for aught I know, or to make use of the ornaments, tables may be placed in their room of the same length and fashion that the altars were of. We know that the altars stand still in Lutheran churches, and the apology of the Augustine Council doth allow of it. The altars stood a year or two in the reign of King Edward [VI.] as appears by the liturgy printed in 1544, and Queen Elizabeth's Commissioners, as it seems, were content they should stand, as you may guess by the Injunction, 1559. But how is this to be understood, the sacrifice of the mass being abolished, &c.? The sum of all this is briefly stated in these five propositions. [7 pp.]

57. Petition of Sir Allen Apsley, Surveyor of Victuals for the Navy, to the King. That he has taken up great sums of money

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and victuals upon credit for your Majesty's service amounting to 100,000*l.*, and that 20,000*l.* thereof was, by an Order of Council, assigned to be repaid him in land next after the city of London, and upon the same conditions respectively as the city had, which Order the Lord Treasurer caused to be made "so conditional with ifs and ands" as no man will deal with petitioner. They [the city] gave 28 years' purchase, but 25 years' purchase for the remain of the city's leaving is more than 40 years' purchase of the best things which they had choice of. Therefore, petitioner prays that the Lords of the Council, both for a certainty to your Majesty and petitioner, may make an absolute order at so many years' purchase for this 20,000*l.* as they shall think reasonable, and that all officers concerned in this business may despatch the same accordingly. That for victuals taken up upon trust, as all men know, and paying ready money, there is more than 10 per cent. damage; and for that upon lands sold, pawned and forfeited, and upon bonds, statutes of his friends and self, he hath taken up great sums for this service upon interest. Prays your Majesty to direct the Council to order the Lord Treasurer to give petitioner the same allowance and interest as he doth to others in [matters of] like nature; he approving that he hath done to your Majesty, King James, and Queen Elizabeth acceptable good services of importance. Likewise, that you would vouchsafe to command that petitioner may be regarded accordingly, and not to be singled out by his Lordship as a mark or subject fit for ruin more than all others. And he will faithfully pray that your Majesty may have all your own desires fulfilled. [1 p.]

5<sup>th</sup>. Petition of the same to the King. There is due to him and his creditors for victuals delivered for the provision of your Majesty's ships and fleets, as by Privy Seals and certificate thereupon from Sir Robert Pye, warranted by the Lord Treasurer, appeareth, 27,029*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*, as also 2,431*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, appearing under the hand of the Registrar of the Court of Admiralty, more; 3,010*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.* due to petitioner upon his last account, appearing under the hand of the Lord Treasurer and the Auditors of Imprests, by several tallies, [being a] remain of petitioner's assignment on the French [prize] goods 7,130*l.*, besides 1,674*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.* for his fee and allowance due to him as surveyor of marine victuals, amounting in all to 41,276*l.* 3*s.* 1*d.*, the non-payment whereof hath not only undone him and many of his creditors, but hath been, and is, so prejudicial to your Majesty's service, that upon a service of never so great importance those will not give credit for 500*l.* who formerly would have advanced 10,000*l.* or 20,000*l.* upon a present occasion for service in this kind. Prays assurance for 20,000*l.* of this debt in like manner as the mayor and citizens of London now have for your debt to them, trusting to receive some speedier payment for the rest, so as to enable him to give his creditors some present satisfaction. And whereas the city are to make choice of 12,400*l.* per annum of old rent, in fee farm, for satisfying their debt of 342,000*l.*, which will amount to 28 years' purchase for

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woods, and al[so] allowing unto them such defalcations of reprises and free rents as by their contract they are to have, and no other grant to be made of any of your Majesty's lands till they have made their choice. Petitioner will be content to defer selecting lands for the raising of 20,000*l.* till they have made their choice, he being granted the same conditions. Desires that the contract may be drawn up forthwith, that he may be served next after the city. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

59. Information and petition of George Jones, late Constable of the parish of Dinham, co. Monmouth, to the King. That John Harry said in the presence of two witnesses, "I care not if these and the King were hanged," which words petitioner reported to Nicholas Kembis, J.P., who desired that he would speak no more of this matter, John Harry being a friend of his. This speech coming to the ears of two other Justices of the Peace, they summoned the offender and the witnesses before them, committing the offender to gaol and binding over the witnesses to give evidence. Hereupon Mr. Kembis sent for the witnesses and reproved them sharply, threatening to punish them, as he since hath done. The offender being indicted at the assizes holden at Monmouth in Lent last, the Grand Jury found a true bill, and he was arraigned at the bar, when petitioner and other witnesses deposed to these words; nevertheless he was acquitted by a compact jury. Immediately the witnesses were indicted of perjury, and 20 warrants granted against them by Mr. Kembis or at his procurement, so they are enforced to fly their country to avoid the oppression and trouble intended against them. Evidence of the Bishop of Llandaff against the offender. These words being uttered upon the reason alleged, and the offender to be acquitted and countenanced, while the witnesses were prosecuted and punished by a magistrate is matter of dangerous consequence to His Majesty's person and government. Prays reference of this matter to the Bishops of Hereford and Llandaff and four others named, that they may enquire into the truth of the premises, and return certificates to the Council for such further course to be taken therein as they shall find meet, and that the witnesses by command of the referees may be relieved against the warrants and prosecutions directed against them. [1 p.]

60. Petition of Hugh Macgregor to the King. That he being an ensign in Viscount Doncaster's regiment, when that was discharged by Count Mansfeldt, attended here expecting further employment, to his utter undoing. Prays present relief until your Majesty shall employ him in your further service. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

61. Certificate attested as true by John Philipot, Somerset Herald, touching the case of Robert Davenport, churchwarden of Davington, in Kent, condemned to be hanged for killing a man who came to arrest him without a warrant, in his own orchard, on a Sunday, the dispute being about the right of possession to the parish church of Davington, which was detained from the parishioners by Mr. Edwards. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]



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62. Petition of Richard Chalerofte, Captain of Sandgate Castle, in co. Kent, to the Council. This Castle, standing upon a very deep shore, is a place of great importance for defence of the south coast. It is now fallen into such decay and ruin that it is neither habitable nor defensible against any assault, nor any way fit to command the road, the ordnance being all dismounted. Commends the condition of the castle to your grave considerations in these dangerous times. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

63. Petition of the same to the same. To the same effect as the preceding. In its ruinous state it is in great danger to be surprised by any enemy, and easy to be made of mischievous consequence in all that part of the country. The inhabitants thereabouts are very sensible of the danger from its ruinous state in this time of war. Petitioner humbly commends the miserable state of this poor place to your grave considerations, that such speedy course may be taken for its repair as you shall think fittest. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

64. Petition of Richard Herbert to the Council. Touching a ship, the "Fortune of Hamburg," and its lading, the merchants aboard being Portuguese, and bound for Antwerp, which was seized in Wales by certain Welshmen [see Vol. LXXXVI., No. 79]. By order of Sir John Eliot, the ship and goods were to be delivered up to John Marten, the master, who sold some of the goods. In August petitioner proved all the goods to be lawful prize to the King in the High Court of Admiralty. After proof made Sir John Eliot by strong hand delivered the ship and goods to John Marten to the use of the Portuguese merchants, and made a *mittimus* to send the Welshmen to gaol, but they escaped and left the country to their undoing. Thereupon the Duke of Buckingham, at the complaint of petitioner, caused the ship and goods to be stayed until trial had. On the 21st of November all the goods first seized on were adjudged to the King and the remainder to the Portuguese, so that petitioner, after being at the sole charge of maintaining since April last 18 persons to keep the ship, is hereby left remediless. Prays that his grievances may be heard before the Council and the depositions read, he being contented to pay to the King 20*l.*, all charges defrayed, or to pass an account thereof before your Honours. [1 p.]

65. Petition of John Waterton, a lighterman, and William Nisbett, to the Council. That petitioner's lighter, being worth 14*l.*, was taken up for the expedition to the Isle of Rhé to carry brick to fire ships with, but was cast away and sunk. At the time of the Isle of Rhé service William Nisbett billeted one John Amy from 1st January till 30th June, for which there is due 4*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.* remaining unpaid. Pray the Lords to pity their poor estate and give order for their present satisfaction. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

66. Petition of Abraham and Thomas Chamberlain, of London, merchants, to the Council. The English ships then at Rouen, not being suffered to leave, petitioners caused 350*l.* worth of raisins to

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be shipped in a bark of 40 tons, called the "Bonaventure," of Dieppe, which, arriving in the Downs, was seized and brought into Dover, where Sir John Hippisley took bond for bringing the ship with her lading to London, and not to dispose of the raisins and other goods in her without order from your Lordships. Pray the Lords to give them license to take up and dispose of the raisins and other goods upon giving caution that if any of the goods should prove to belong to Frenchmen or others not in amity, that then restitution shall be made of their value to the King. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

67. Petition of Edmond William to the Council. Was in His Majesty's service to Cadiz, and likewise in the expedition to the Isle of Rhé, in which he lost not only the use of his limbs, but was wounded. Prays order that he may be allowed a competent relief during life from the justices of peace and treasurer of co. Glamorgan, from whence he was pressed. [1 p.]

68. Petition of Nicholas Page, of Lyme Regis, to the Council. That his son, with 11 others belonging to that port, being taken at sea by the French, were carried into St. Maio, where they endure a strict and hard imprisonment, whereas the Frenchmen brought into England have always been allowed their liberty, and sent upon the first occasion back into their own country. Prays warrant to stay such French as are now here, or shall be brought in, the better to enable him to redeem his son and the rest of His Majesty's subjects now detained in France. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

69. Petition of the Mayor and Burgesses of Truro to the Council. Having lately been summoned by the Deputy-Lieutenants of Cornwall to muster before them some five miles distant from their town, they tendered certain articles together with their charter to prove their exemption, and proffered reasons [see *Vol. LXXXVIII., No. 53*] why it was not convenient to draw the inhabitants out of their town, praying the Deputy-Lieutenants to admit of their excuse, as it had been before allowed. Being now commanded to make their personal appearance before the Council, they pray your honours to take knowledge of their cause according to certain articles hereunto annexed, and upon view of the same to grant them exemption from attending at foreign musters. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

70. Petition of Peregrine Pelham, merchant of Hull, to the Council. At the time of the breach of the peace with France he having much goods, debts, and money there, part was arrested, and for the rest he was obliged to take opportunity for the secret conveying of the same from thence. By such means he had lately got 250 tuns of French wines, which were first shipped to Amsterdam, and from thence to Hull, where the officers of customs refuse to take petitioner's entry thereof, unless you are pleased to relieve him therein. Prays warrant permitting him to land and dispose of the wine upon payment of the customs and other dues the rather considering it is a perishable commodity and not the

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return of any late adventure, but part of the goods recovered as aforesaid, and which was before His Majesty's late proclamation. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

71. Petition of William Tristram, John Fowler, and William Abells, of London, merchants, to the Council. Have for many years traded into France, and paid His Majesty great sums for custom and impost; are now by reason of the wars prevented from procuring their commodities from thence in their own names directly for England, but were constrained by aid of others to bring these first to Holland and from thence hither, which hath taken up so much time in regard, the Hollanders come all with convoys, so that petitioners cannot be permitted to land their goods by reason of a general restraint on importation of all French commodities without your Honour's order. Forasmuch as petitioners gave advice for their goods before the restraint came to the Custom House, and most of their estate is invested therein they trust to your commiseration. Pray leave to bring in and unload their goods without further hinderance, which will be beneficial to His Majesty's customs and useful to the commonwealth at present, part thereof being sail-cloth. [1 p.]

72. Request of the English merchants trading into France for augmentation of a small impost levied at the ports upon various sorts of cloth to be transported into France, for defraying the charge of freeing their cloth seized under the edict, and for procuring the revocation thereof. *Underwritten,*

72. I. *Lists of the impositions as now rated and of those as desired. Subscribed by 14 names.* [1 p.]

73. Petition of Mauritius Van Ommeren, Deputy here for the Netherlands' East India Company, to the Council. Being sent over by the Company to look after their affairs, and especially for the recovery of the goods contained in the two ships, "Campan" and "the Drake," cast away upon the Needles [October 1627], he agreed with Jacob the diver, with the knowledge of the States' Ambassadors, for the fishing up and saving of these goods. Whereupon he hath saved 39 pieces of lead, 3 pieces of ordnance, and 8 or 9 anchors, which are in the possession of Robert Newland, in the Isle of Wight, besides 2,365 reals of eight, 72 pieces of lead, and 2 pieces of ordnance, detained by Jacob in obedience to an order, as is pretended, of the Duke of Buckingham, whose warrant directed the same to be delivered into the hands of Captain Mason for the Duke's use. Petitioner conceives that this warrant was procured by misinformation, the goods and reals belonging to the Company as is publicly known. Prays that order may be given by the Council for delivery of the goods and money to petitioner for the use of the owners, deducting the diver's share by virtue of his bargain; or else that the goods be left in the hands of Robert Newland, and the reals with the mayor and magistrates of Portsmouth till sentence be given in the suit depending in the High Court of Admiralty concerning the same. [1 p.]

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74. Petition of the officers and sailors of His Majesty's ship the "Adventurer" to the Council. Represent that upon their going from Harwich to the Tassell [Texel] they were promised by their Admiral, Sir Sackville Trevor, by virtue of a letter from your Lordships; that if they did the King good service by bringing home any of the French ships, which they went for, then they should receive double pay in regard of such good service. Pray that they may receive the benefit of that worthy promise. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

75. Petition of the Company of Merchants of London trading in wines to the Council. That some six years ago, when the Earl of Middlesex was Lord Treasurer [1622], a new imposition of 20s. a tun was laid upon wines in addition to the former customs and impositions. Petitioners finding themselves unable to sustain so heavy a burden, have oftentimes been suitors to this Board to procure its remission, and have petitioned the Commons in Parliament to move His Majesty in their behalf, who, finding this a special grievance, petitioned the King to have it taken off. Having recently got a return in wines for some part of their estates abroad, this impost of 20s. is again demanded, and divers of the petitioners, by order of your Board, stand committed for non-payment thereof, being altogether unable to discharge the same. Pray that your Lordships, considering the great impositions formerly laid upon wines, which, together with the Customs, amounts to 3*l.* per tun; as also the losses and damage which petitioners have lately sustained by seizure of their goods in foreign parts, and the decay of trade, and by their wines now brought in being high priced though of inferior quality, would so far commiserate their estate as to free them from the new imposition of 20s. per tun. [1 p.]

76. Petition of Sir Nicholas Poyntz, knight, to the Council. By authority of the Council's warrant to a messenger, petitioner complains that he was brought from his house at the hazard of his life upon the suggestions against law and justice of one Cockin, who, being Under Sheriff to the Sheriffs of London, sued by George Huntley. Prays your Honours to send for George Huntley and petitioner to appear before you *a die in diem* whereby great fines will grow to the King and his subjects, and petitioner be eased of this George Huntley's and his friends' oppressions and briberies. [*Damaged.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

77. Petition of the Armourers of London to the Council. They have ever been ready to serve his late Majesty and our Sovereign Lord, King Charles, and by care, cost, and endeavour, have provided for the making of armour plate within the kingdom, both in quantity and quality, as good as can be made. Have on sundry occasions made good and servicable armour, as well for horse as foot, for their Majesties, Kings James and Charles. In November last they were sent for by the officers of Ordnance to know what number of armours for foot they could make monthly, when they undertook to furnish 1,000 per month; and subsequently they were sent for

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by the Council of War to attend with patterns of both horse and foot armour, but neither then nor since have they received any order from the Council of War. Whereas if they could have had assurance of payment given, by this time they might have had 7,000 armours ready at the least, nevertheless they have 800 corselets now ready made, a note of which they have delivered to the Lieutenant of the Ordnance. Formerly, when there were only a few of them, they were willed both to take apprentices and provide plate for arms, both of which they have done, but upon false information that they were unable to supply such quantity as they can do, armours are now being brought from beyond sea to their great discouragement. These are to certify your Lordships what number can be supplied monthly, and what might have been ready by this time if only money were promised upon delivery. Pray that these 800 corselets may be taken off their hands, and the money for these and that previously owing may be paid, and better order taken for their encouragement in future; also that the best iron may not be engrossed either by merchants or ironmongers, as now it is, that so His Majesty, and such counties as are unprovided, may be furnished with better arms. [1 p.]

78. Petition of the gunners and others belonging to the train of artillery for the late expedition [to the Isle of Rhé] to the Council. Notwithstanding your late order for their payment out of the loan money for four months of their service, the Lord Treasurer refuses payment without your direction as to the sequence in which these orders are to be paid. Have been unpaid for four months, ever since the Privy Seal was granted. Pray the Lords to appoint the Lord Treasurer to pay petitioners' order the first, by reason of their great necessity. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

79. Statement of inconveniences which will necessarily follow to petitioners on the Order of Council to Sir H. Marten, Judge of the Admiralty. Whereas Walter de Hartoch and other merchants of Hamburgh petitioned the Privy Council to give order to the Judge of the Admiralty that notwithstanding a sentence given by him against them on the behalf of Captain John Prynne for adjudication of their goods for lawful prize, they may be permitted and authorised to prove in that Court their property in goods which were so adjudged from them. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

80. Petition of his musicians to the Duke of Buckingham. That they waited on your Grace to the Hague, afterwards on Captain Willoughby, and again on you to the Isle of Rhé. Since their return from these services William James, to whom they were heretofore servants, has imprisoned and vexed them being poor young men, who have often endangered themselves in his Majesty's service. For as much as William James hath been in custody for his former ill behaviour, and hath reported that your Grace had prejudiced him 200*l.*, which he intended to recover of petitioners. Pray the Duke to direct his warrant for James to be retained in custody of a

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messenger, till he show cause for his unjust vexation of petitioners. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

81. Petition of Robert Man to the same. In response to his former petition you willed him to come at some better leisure. His request is that you would confer on him some inferior place in His Majesty's or your Grace's service, he having served your Grace's father many years as gardener. *Endorsed*: "Robt. Man's Petition for Mr. Steward." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

82. Relation of Alexander Mathew of London, merchant, to the Lord High Admiral Buckingham. During his 14 years imprisonment in Galicia and in the Inquisition house of Spain, where he was much tormented with irons, he observed for the good of his country, if ever he should be released, such things as might in anywise further or hinder its good, viz.:—That Newfoundland fish was the greatest provision of victual the Spaniard had to furnish his Armada, there being little else in his land but oil, bread and wine, and some bacon at two or three reals per lb., so without that no Armada could be set forth to do any hurt to England. In passing homeward by land he observed that in San Sebastian, St. Jean de Luz, and Bayonne in France, there were upwards of 100 ships of above 100 tons apiece and some flyboats, but only manned because of fishing; these go away in companies of three or four to divers ports in Newfoundland, and return in September or October with fish for provision of the King of Spain's armada. Dunkirkers daily go to the Passages for victual, which is transported to the south of Spain to supply the Armada in those parts. Some few English ships stationed at the Groyne and Santander in those months would hinder and spoil the whole fishing voyage for Spain. In the Passages are six galleons built specially for merchants of Seville, which lade with iron and iron works for the Armada, and for the Indies with horse-shoes and other iron goods, all made at the mills in Biscay, because in Andalusia they have no charcoal, these will depart in autumn, and have no ordnance but what they can borrow out of the King's stores. Resin is very dear in Andalusia, that formerly worth only 20 reals is now worth 100, because during the wars none dare venture to carry it, so much will go in these ships the King of Spain having great need of it. If some small men-of-war were to lie on the coast between the Groyne and Santander they might intercept the small ships laden with iron and resin for the King of Spain, the former from Biscay and the latter from St. Jean de Luz and Bayonne. Last year the caracs of Portugal came to the northward and put into the Groyne, so that they might have been taken. The Plate-fleet will this year put into the Groyne, because to the northward of the North Cape few men-of-war await them, and therefore during every year of my captivity many ships from Brazil came that way. Most part of the inhabitants of Ireland being Roman Catholics, and many brought up in the monasteries of Spain they favour and honour that King more than their own

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Sovereign, on which account they have free traffic and commerce with Spain, and transport thither great quantities of fish and other Irish commodities thither. [ $1\frac{2}{3}$  pp.]

83. Petition of the inhabitants of the north part of Norfolk to Lord Treasurer Marlborough. By reason of the wet season they were unable to get in their winter corn in sound condition, though the quantity is great. Pray warrant to the officers of Customs at Lynn to suffer corn and malt to be shipped for Scotland, Holland, and other parts in amity with His Majesty in accordance with the statute for the rates of corn, the rather for that the country is bare of money and daily affrighted by the Dunkirkers. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.] *Annexed*,

83. 1. *Certificate of the Justices of the Peace in confirmation of the above statement.* [1 p.]

84. Petition of Ursula Manchell, widow, to Lord Keeper Coventry. She being defendant in a suit brought by Walter Hill, plaintiff, an order was made upon the hearing of the cause, 9th June last at the Rolls, whereby petitioner was ordered to make to the plaintiff a lease of the premises in question under such rents and covenants as are mentioned in the order. Afterwards, 20th December, upon information that she was in contempt for not obeying the decree and had cut down timber, she was examined upon interrogatories, and her examinations referred to Sir Robert Rich, and an injunction granted against her. Particulars of further legal proceedings. That the plaintiff, combining with Mr. Hurleston of the Middle Temple, was endeavouring to get these premises into his hands. She is likely to be outed of her whole estate unless, out of your accustomed clemency, you give such order that Mr. Hill shall give security for the due payment of her rent and performance of covenants. Not having a copy of the agreement, and the Court not having directed what kind of lease should be made to the plaintiff, she prays that the settlement of this business may be referred to Sir Robert Rich, to whom her examinations were previously referred. [*Draft.* = 2 pp.]

85. Survey of the ten Dutch ships lately arrested for the King's service, and now riding at Portsmouth Harbour, stating in columnar order the names, places of departure, lading, ordnance, number of men, tunnage, and freight per month. [1 p.]

86. List of the eight Flemish ships in harbour, several being the same in both lists, stating the number of lasts and the names of the masters. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

87. Note by Edward Nicholas, Secretary to Lord Admiral Buckingham, specifying how the ten Dutch ships are to be manned with seamen and victualed, viz.:—"Triumph" is to man the "Buck" of Bergen and "Peter" of Memlick [Medemblik],

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"Repulse" to man the "Hope" of Flushing, "Victory" to man the "Phoenix" of Aucusen [Enckuysen], "Warspite" to man the "Falcon" of Memlick, "Nonsuch" to man the "Peckman" of Hoorn, "Vanguard" to man the "Holy Lamb" of Memlick, "Charles" to man the "White Fortune" of Bulswert [Bolsward]. The "Esperance" had 80 men and is to have but 60. The "Charles" had 45 and is to have but 30. The overplus of seamen in the "Esperance" and "Charles" are to be sent to the "Nonsuch" and "Vanguard." [1 p.]

88. Notes by Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Lord Admiral Buckingham, giving the substance of Mons. Patis', of Vitré, relation touching merchandise in certain ships appertaining to Flanders. M. de Roy, brother to the Mayor of Calais, is no factor, nor is M. Gris a scrivener. There are many goods belonging to the Archduchess' subjects now in Dover in the hands of J. and C. Hugessen and others. The "Mary Rose" of Leith having Flanders goods in her was discharged for 80*l.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

89. Notes by Nicholas concerning prizes taken and ships requisitioned, giving the names of the vessels, tunnage, number of men, captains, and masters appointed to them severally. [3 pp.]

90. Another list similar to the preceding. Amongst the ships are the "St. Claude" of Calais, the "Blue Dove" of Rotterdam, the "Red Hart," a prize ship, and the "St. Peter" of Havre de Grace. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

91. Inventory of goods, fittings, sails, and munition aboard a French sloop (not named) of Calais. [1 p.]

92. Note of goods belonging to the Lord High Admiral remaining of the Earl of Warwick's prize in the hands of (some person not named). [1 p.]

93. Jean Calandin to Sir James Bagg. Am directed to certify you in writing the quantity, quality, and price of the victuals which I desire that you would distribute amongst the royal ships. Cannot furnish particulars as to price, only to pray you, for His Majesty's service, that the biscuits may be of better quality, as those in hand are not sufficiently baked to keep for any length of time. [*French.* 1 p.]

94. John Nicholas to his son, Edward Nicholas, in King Street, Westminster. Has written to Sir Charles Herbert representing how ill Mr. Essington, the woodward, has dealt with a great many poor men engaged about the pales in Claringdon Park by withholding their pay, but it hath taken no effect. Doubts whether he properly accounts for the King's money received by him for sale of coppices. Has been enforced to give his word for payment to get men to repair the pales, as otherwise the King's deer would escape and be lost. Pray speak with Sir Charles Herbert about this



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business, and use what means you can to help these poor men.  
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95. Verses commencing,—

“ On gentle Hans thy unleagued hands are free,  
Do that alone which we would do with thee ;  
But if terms draw thee back for fear of knocks,  
May the hot sun dissolve thy butter-box ! ”

[12 lines.] *Mem. on back.*—Mr. John Nicholas, the son of Mr. Edward Nicholas, of Winterbourne Earls, co. Wilts, was born there 21st July 1566.

96. Lancelot Hardy to Sir John Hippesley. Having been committed by your Honour I desire to know the cause, having only acted in obedience to my master. [*Seal with device.* ½ p.]

97. State of the cause in contention between the weavers of Coventry as complainants, and the drapers and inland merchants there as defendants. About 20 years since the Privy Council granted a toleration that the clothiers and clothmakers of Coventry might manufacture 1,000 cloths yearly for the uses mentioned, and the difference arises from the wording of that toleration. Articles setting forth the statement of the weavers and the answers of defendants. Reference to a certificate dated 12th October 1627. The Commissioners are of opinion, and so have certified, that to restrain the defendants from bringing in Gloucester or other counties' cloths into Coventry to be dressed and dyed, as now they are suffered, would tend much to the decay of the trades of dyers and clothworkers there, and cannot be prejudicial to the complainants. *Endorsed* : “ For Lord Conway.” [= 2 pp.]

98. Brief of the proofs made by Richard Heigate and Richard Bexwell against Sara Heigate touching the validity of the nuncupative will of John Heigate, deceased. [2 pp.]

99. Indenture of agreement made between Stephen Hodgson and his wife Margaret, of Sulgrave, co. Northants, on the one part, and Robert Benbrigg on the other part, specifying particulars relative to the sale of the messuage and tenement in Sulgrave, lately inhabited by the latter. [14 pp.]

100. Pamphlet headed “ The First Occasion and Beginning of Sir Thomas' Troubles,” being a portion of the 8th chapter of Sir Thomas More's life by his grandson, Thomas More, comprising pp. 257–264. [*In Warne's 8vo. edition he says that this was first published in 4to. two years after Thomas More's death in 1625, quoting Athence Oxoniensis as his authority. Imperfect. Printed, 8 pp.*]

101. A summary of accounts specifying the sums payable to him [Pallavicino ?] for the several services herein specified, viz. :—For

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redeeming of jewels, 3,570*l.*; more to be made over to Daniel Niz by bills of exchange for pictures and statues, 11,500*l.*; for surplusage due upon his account, 33,318*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*; for a jewel bought of Lady Hatton, 1,000*l.*; for secret service, 10,000*l.*; to him for the Earl of Carlisle, 6,000*l.*; for damask sold to His Majesty, 792*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.*; more to him for the Duke of Buckingham for defraying the Duke's journey [November 1625] into the Low Countries, 8,430*l.* 6*s.* [*Damaged by damp.* 1 *p.*]

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- Jan. 3. Alderney. 1. William Chamberlayne and others, Jurats of Alderney, communicating intelligence of preparations making at Cherbourg and other ports in Normandy for taking the Isle of Alderney. [2 pp.]
- Jan. 4. 2. William Essex to Lord Conway. Concerning the Isle of Alderney, which is endangered by the imbecility of his deputy, and the great want of necessaries for its defence. Prays that some present provision be made.
- Jan. 5. 3. Estimate of the value of certain prize goods by Sir Allen [Apsley], Gabriel Marsh, Esq., and Mr. William Ashwell, merchants, according as they are transported or vented inland. Total, inland, 67,882*l.* 4*s.* 9*d.* [1 p.]
- Jan. 11. Instructions for the Commissioners of the Navy to provide a proportionable quantity of wearing apparel for the sailors serving in the fleet. [*Copy. Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 57.*]
- Jan. 12. 4. William Essex to the Duke of Buckingham. Has solicited the Lord Conway several times upon the subject of the state of the Isle of Alderney, but without effect. Trusts his Grace will pardon his importunity, but prays him to move the Lord Conway in that behalf. [1 p.]
- Jan. 13. 5. Order made by Lord Conway in the matter of informations and grievances lately presented to the Privy Council by Hugh Hue and John de Rues or Reeves, officers of the parish of St. Mary, in the Isle of Jersey, both against the Dean of Jersey, Daniel Bandinell, and his son, James Bandinell, minister of St. Mary's. [*Draft. 2½ pp.*]
- Jan. 13. 6. Copy of the same. [2 pp.]
- Jan. 14. 7. An estimate by the Commissioners of the Navy of the charge of setting forth to sea in warlike manner 20 of Her Majesty's ships and 80 merchants' ships of 400 tons each, carrying 4,400 men for 28 days in harbour, and 10,500 men for six months or 196 days. Total, 213,529*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.* Of this sum to be paid in hand to the Surveyor of Victuals, 69,757*l.* 15*s.*, including 9,800*l.*, being one month's allowance for relief of sick men to be carried along with the fleet in money; likewise to the Treasurer of the Navy in hand, 64,181*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*, including 10,500*l.*, being one month's pay for buying of clothes and other relief for sick men, to be "defalked" out of their wages at their discharge; also to the said Treasurer at the end of this service, 79,490*l.* Total, 213,429*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.* [4 pp.]

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8. John, Lord Poulett, to [the Duke of Buckingham]. My nephew, Frank Hawley, now addressing himself to your Excellency, gives me the opportunity to kiss your hands, and to thank you for your favours to him and good usage in the Isle of Rhé, and for honouring him with the command of a company since he came home. I doubt not your Excellency will find him an honest, faithful, and good carriaged man. I would have waited on you personally, but the violent sickness I had when you went out of England has left me yet a crazed body, not well able to endure travel this cold weather. Frank Hawley can advertise you how the soldiers are billeted in this county [Hants.], in which service Sir John Stawell has taken great care and pains. [1 p.]

Jan. 17. Proposition for discipline of the trained bands. Copy of Vol. XC., No. 114. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CXXXVII., fol. 58.*]

Jan. 26. 9. Advices from the Islands of Jersey and Guernsey, delivered by Sir Philip Carteret. Commerce interdicted with them by the French King. About 60 vessels have passed Jersey towards La Hogue to embark soldiers, but whither designed not known, only suspected against these Islands. Sir Philip Carteret earnestly entreats order for his despatch, that he may return to his charge. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Jan. 26. 10. Memorial presented by Sir Philip Carteret, touching the present state and strength of the Isle of Jersey. The island is in circuit about 35 miles, having four principal bays or landing places where an enemy might effect a descent. The inhabitants number about 25,000, whereof 3,000 are able men, of these 900 are armed and reduced into companies as musketeers and 400 pikes, the rest having bows, bills, and [un]armed. There are two castles, the one very ancient, called Mount Orgueil, built upon a high rock, but being commanded by an adjoining hill could not long endure against the enemy's cannon; the other, Castle Elizabeth, which is easy to be made impregnable, being fortified, as hath been projected, by an addition of part of the islet and ground, the rest thereof serving for out-works. This place is of the greatest consequence, standing within the road of the isle, where numbers of ships may ride in safety, and an army of 5,000 men or more, if need were, may be landed and ordered in battle array, without any annoyance. This place being fortified, although the Island might be pillaged, it could not be lost. [ $2\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

Jan. 25. 11. Petition of John Cooke, keeper of Hartwell Park within the honour of Grafton [co. Northants], to George, Duke of Buckingham. Some few years since he bought the interest and profit of the keepership from his nephew, Captain William Cooke, who having lost his life by the sword of the Frenchmen in the retreat [from the Isle of Rhé], petitioner has not only lost his friend but his livelihood. Their interest in the Park wholly resting on the life

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of his deceased nephew, they are ruined unless they may be relieved by your Grace, to whom the power and immediate interest in that Park is now devolved by the death of this Captain in the King's service. Prays that he may be continued to do service in that Park. [1 p.]

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12. Alexander Hartley and Robert Littlewood to Sir Lawrence Tanfield, Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer. Having received commission, with two others, out of the Exchequer to act in this suit, we repaired to Harewood Bridge and examined witnesses for William Kendall, the Plaintiff, and then endeavoured to mediate an agreement. It was concluded that Robert Godfrey and a surety should enter bond for Kendall, and that John Metcalf, being one of the Defendants, and a surety for him, should enter bond for all the Defendants to stand to such order as by us four Commissioners should be agreed upon between this and Easter term, no further proceedings being taken in the meantime. This we thought it our duties to signify to you to prevent any indirect dealing. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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13. Certificate of Captain Anthony Crosier and others to the Commissioners of the Navy. Was commanded by warrant from the Duke of Buckingham to bring on the "William" before the citadel [of St. Martin], and you having desired a certificate of the names of those who were diligent in this service and deserved recompense, I have to certify you as under. Upon relieving of the fort, the enemy replying with their ordnance, one man's leg was shot off, whereupon John Yong said, "Now, if we continue here, we shall all be slain," upon which words all our seamen and soldiers left the ship and went ashore, leaving none in the ship but myself, John Baughurst, and Constant Warrington, I having nothing to defend myself and save my ship in the behalf of my King and country, but only to put out the two colours and ply one sacre, and so continued till four o'clock p.m., until the Duke, Earl of Denbigh, and Colonel Courtney came to the ship's side and saw the distress I was in, but could get none to go aboard, so that I and John Baughurst went aboard of other ships and procured seven dozen cartridges, and got the five men here named to come aboard the "William." We then occupied ourselves in battering the enemy's boats till these men left us, and at nine p.m. I was forced to go ashore to the Duke, and got 30 soldiers to guard the ship, and could get no men to bring her off, but with the aid of those here specified we did "flecte" her [with] hides and deal boards, she having eleven shots under water, and so carried her afloat, where I repaired her at my own charge. I pray you to take some speedy course about this matter, that I may go to my former charge, according to my Lord's appointment. [*Sheet of paper.*]

Jan. 31.

14. Report of Dr. Henry Marten and Dr. Rives on the cause depending between Dame Jaqueline de Jourfalleur, wife of Abraham Perin, and Sir Philip Cartaret, addressed to the Privy Council. [1 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

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15. Petition of the Mayor and Burgesses of Portsmouth to the Council. That by your directions given to the Deputy-Lieutenants and others in commission for Hants, for the billeting of 1,000 soldiers in the county coming from Devon and Cornwall, of which number 100 of them are assigned to this poor town and the Isle of Portsea, after careful investigation, we find that the inhabitants of the Isle are not able to receive 27 of these, so that we are like to stand charged with 73, which will be an insupportable charge, by reason of the great decay of the town in the late visitation [of the Plague]. Pray the Lords to give directions to the Deputy-Lieutenants for the freeing of their town from this charge, there being many other places in this county that, both in ability and with convenience, may better entertain the soldiers, but which are not charged with any. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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16. Commission for erecting an office for engrossing the leases of recusants' lands forfeited to the Crown, and appointment of a clerk or officer for the due performance of this duty, with such fee as shall be fixed by the Commissioners, the design being to keep these revenues apart from the general proceeds of the Exchequer. The Commission then proceeds to nominate Edward Nicholas, Esq., as clerk. [See Vol. LXXXVII., No. 1, 18th December 1627. Copy. 21 pp.]

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17. Petition of Anthony Crosier, Captain of the "William," to Lord Admiral Buckingham. You lately gave direction that petitioner should certify the Commissioners of the Navy the names of those fit to be rewarded for their service in bringing on the "William" to make battery against the citadel [of St. Martin], which he has accordingly done, and annexes hereto a copy for your Grace's view. For his true testimony in this business he has been four times assaulted and drawn upon by Captain Burley, his purser, with his quarter-master and others, there being six or seven upon him. On the 5th of January he was wounded in his right arm, and goes in hourly fear of his life for certifying against those disobedient to your Grace's warrants, so he cannot go about either His Majesty's or his own affairs without some course be taken for his relief. Prays his Grace to order some punishment for these insolent and disobedient offenders. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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18. Sir John Peyton to Lord Conway. Apprehension of invasion from France. Fresh intelligence received of three regiments quartered in Lower Normandy, as also three troops of horse. Great preparations about Newhaven and Dieppe. *Encloses,*

18. 1. *A commission granted by the Visitor-General of the Spanish Armada to one Nicholas le Saunier, Master of a ship of St. Malo's, whom he has sent to his Lordship, in charge of Captain Barnaby Burley, who plies up and down about the Channel Islands by Commission from the Duke [of Buckingham]. I doubt not but he can*

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*discover to you much of the design and preparation of the Spanish Armada, the rendezvous of which is at the Groynne, whither the Spanish ships that lay before Rochelle are said to be returned, and 24 Dunkirkers expected. The gross of their fleet is reported to be about 100 sail. [2 pp.]*

- [Feb. 2.] 19. Petition of Jeffery Hollester and John Sharples, constables of Portsmouth, to the Council. Complaining of the violence and disobedience to His Majesty's orders of Robert Woodnett, inn-keeper in Portsmouth, who having horses in his stable fit for His Majesty's service conveyed them away. Desire to be protected against his violence. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- Feb. 7. 20. Privy Seal, in the King's name, directed to John, Lord  
Palace of Ponlett, of Hinton St. George, requiring the loan of 150*l.* to be  
Westminster. repaid within one year after the money being delivered into the hands of the Collector, Thomas Paramoure. [1 p.]
- Feb. 8. 21. Particular accounts of money disbursed by Humphry Grosvenor about the ships "Blue Pigeon" and "Black Dog." Total, 495*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.* Further particulars about the money laid out by Mr. Grosvenor on account of the "Black Dog," viz., 371*l.* 17*s.* 11*d.*, besides 56*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* disbursed by Captain Stevens. [6 pp.]
- Feb. 10. 22. Privy Seal, in the King's name, addressed to Dr. Lambe,  
Palace of Registrar to the Archdeacon of Peterborough, requiring the loan of  
Westminster. 10*l.* to be paid to Robert Dixon of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, collector. [1 p.]
- Feb. 10. 23. The like, addressed to the Registrar to the Dean and Chapter of Chichester. [1 p.]
- Feb. 10. 24. The like, addressed to the Registrar to the Dean and Chapter of Cleveland. [1 p.]
- Feb. 10. 25. The like, addressed to the Official to the Dean and Chapter of Chester. [1 p.]
- Feb. 10. 26. The like, for 20*l.*, addressed to Mr. Porter, Official to the Archdeacon of Totness. [1 p.]
- Feb. 10. 27. The like, for 50*l.*, addressed to George Parry, Chancellor to the Bishop of Exeter. [1 p.]
- Feb. 10. 28. The like, for 50*l.*, addressed to Mr. Baber, Chancellor to the Bishop of Gloucester. [1 p.]
- Feb. 10. 29. The like, for 30*l.*, addressed to Mr. Turbutt, Registrar to the  
Westminster. Archbishop of York. [1 p.]
- Feb. 15. Warrant to pay to the Earl of Danby 100*l.* for building a house  
Westminster. for keeping gunpowder in the Island or Guernsey. [*Sign Manuel, Charles I., No. 335.*]

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30. Letters Patent addressed to the Bishop of Durham and others, as Commissioners of Sewers in co. Durham, for repair of the walls, banks, and other defences for security of the port, haven, or river of Sunderland. [*Copy. 4 pp.*] *Subjoined*,

30. 1. *Opinion by John Banckes that the Commissioners by virtue of this Commission and of the Statutes whereupon the same is grounded may charge the juries to enquire of all offences and offenders in building staiths, "ballic-shoores," and casting rubbish into the river of Sunderland, and of all other impediments in that river, and reform the same, and may make ordinances and provisions for the future. The Commissioners, upon their own views and surveys of these impediments, may also make ordinances and decrees. And they have power to tax the owners of ships and other persons who are to have benefit and profit as well as to charge their lands. And they have power to appoint necessary officers and to make fit allowances out of the rates and taxes. 18th February. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*

Feb. 20.

31. Accounts furnished to the Court in a suit between Martha Powell *alias* Harman, Plaintiff, and John Harman, Defendant. The plaintiff hath received out of defendant's rents towards the payment of the recognisances of 500*l.* extended upon defendant's lands seven years since to the use of the plaintiff the sums herein stated, and appointed by his late Majesty for payment of her debts. [*2 pp.*]

Feb. 21.

Commission to William Crichton, Viscount Ayr, Nicholas, Viscount Castlebar, and others, to survey the manor, chase, and forest of Hatfield, with its appurtenances, in cos. York, Lincoln, and Notts. [*Docquet, cancelled, see 26th March 1626.*]

Feb. 22.  
Westminster.

Grant to the Bailiff and Jurates of the Isle of Jersey of power to levy a tax of one sol [soul] on every pot of wine sold by retail to be expended on the better defence of the Island, as also a grant of the Petty Customs for the erecting of a pier with freedom from custom such as the inhabitants of Guernsey enjoy. [*Sign Munuel, Car. I., No. 362.*] *Annexed*,

*A note of proposed alterations by Sir R. Heath, 24th March 1628. [*Ibid.*, No. 362*b.*]*

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32. Lord Treasurer Marlborough to Mr. West, of the Exchequer. Warrant requiring him to take security to the King's use of the several persons within named in the sums stated for [the due execution of] the office of Receiver-General of the Duchy of Cornwall, and for such of them as are absent let a Commission be issued to take security of them in the country. *Subjoined*,

32. 1. *List of the persons required to give security as above. Amongst them are, Sir Thomas Smyth of Corsham, Wilts, named Receiver-General of the Duchy of Cornwall, in*



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5,000*l.*; *Sir Francis Seymour of Marlborough, Wilts, in 100*l.* ; Sir George Hastings of Gray's Inn, in 100*l.* ; John St. John of Lidyard Tregoose, Wilts, in 100*l.* ; Sir Henry Moody, Knight and Baronet, of Garsdon, Wilts, in 100*l.* ; besides 23 others named. [Damaged by damp. 1½ pp.]*

Feb. 23. 33. Note of advices from Jersey. The French King has given the Isles of Jersey and Guernsey to M. Thorax in perpetuity, who is in Normandy with several regiments of foot and three troops of horse. Preparations in the French ports. It is reported from Bordeaux that 80 sail of ships are making ready to proceed against Rochelle. M. Rohan in force in Languedoc. Eight sail of ships with provisions received into Rochelle. [½ p.]

Feb. 26. Patent creating Sir Thomas Brudenell Baron Brudenell of Stoughton, co. Leicester, to him and his heirs. [*Docquet, see 29th March 1626.*]

Feb. 29. Commission to Lord Treasurer Marlborough and others to meet, treat, and conclude with the Ambassadors Extraordinary sent from the States General of Holland upon all points that shall be propounded by them for the public good of Christendom. [*Docquet, see 29th March 1626.*]

Feb. 29. Grant to Patrick Abereromby of 1,000 marks, being a fine imposed on George Ball in the Star Chamber. Original ealendared under date 22nd February. [*Docquet, cancelled, see 29th March 1626.*]

Feb. 29. 34. Sir Philip Carteret to Henry de Vic. He arrived at Hampton. Portsmouth just as the ships were in the river, and hoped, if the wind continued, to be in Jersey in a few days. Complains of the conduct of Captain Burley, who having a commission from the Duke to protect the Islands had seized two boats in the harbour, and so hath almost undone us. You know the French King will suffer none to trade with us, yet a contraband trade is earried on. If redress be not obtained all trade and intelligence will be stopped with France, and my projects overthrown. I recommend to you my business for the money to be received from the Six Clerks. [2 pp.]

[Feb.] 35. The King to Attorney-General Heath. Whereas Sir Robert Harley, the master of our mint and master worker of our moneys, hath hitherto wrought our moneys at the mint at fixed rates and prices, but now we have resolved to coin divers sorts of money both of gold and silver, and to have the same made by our commission at certain lower rates, and out of the profits to allow Sir Robert a fee of 500*l.* per annum during life for the exercise of that office by himself or his deputy, and to retain the residue of the profits arising from the making of our moneys to our own use or to be disposed of at our pleasure, we have already given warrant to you to draw up a book ready for our signature to Sir Robert accordingly. Now

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we further require you together with the grant of that office and fee to make to Sir Robert a release and discharge of all the benefits which he hath received as master of the mint or which he shall receive until the date of these presents without any account to be rendered for the same. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

36. Petition of the Merchants of London trading in French and Spanish wines to the King, for order that the prices of wines may be so set that they may be enabled to follow their trade. That although they have paid a greater price this year for their wines than heretofore, and have to pay an increased impost of 20s. a tun, yet notwithstanding the Lords authorised for setting the prices of wines have resolved, as petitioners are informed, to set upon them the same prices for sale in gross, as last year, being a less [price] than they stand the petitioners in, pray that the prices may be so set that they may not lose their principal capital invested and bear the whole charge of the new increase of impost, to their great damage and the utter ruin of their trade. [1 p.]

Feb. List of the Spanish and French forces before Rochelle, with the number of ships, ordnance, and men, with an estimate of the force requisite to be provided by His Majesty to encounter the same. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 60.*]

Feb. 37. Notes extracted out of the Signet Book. Amongst others are the following:—Sir John Walter, Chief Baron, 1627. Trustees for the King, when they are to surrender their trust, or any part of it, are to be required to do it by Privy Seal directed to them. Stationery to be supplied to the Secretaries. Printing. The hospital of St. Cross near Winchester,—the master is made by a presentation of A.B. to be Master of the Hospital; Dr. Lewis [in] 1627 succeeded Sir Peter Young. Impositions levied on coals. Virginia had a general contribution for their relief [February] 1627–28 paid to [Captain Christopher] Levett who was designed Governor. The East India Company had leave to transport 60,000*l.* in foreign gold, 1627, on condition of bringing in silver in bullion to be coined in the Tower. [Henry Danvers], Earl of Danby, Governor of Guernsey 1627. Sir George Chaworth created Viscount Chaworth of Armagh 1627. Sir William, Lord Hervey of Ross in Ireland, created Baron Hervey of Kidbrooke, co. Kent [7th February] 1627–28. A letter to the Lords Treasurer, President, Admiral, and others of the Council, to consider of the ways of raising money by imposition or otherwise. The Constable of the Castle of Dublin [to have] 20*l.* per annum fee, besides lodgings, diet and necessaries for prisoners. Plantations. Grant to Philip, Earl of Montgomery, then Lord Chamberlain, of certain Islands between the 8th and 13th North Latitude, called Trinidad, Tobago, Barbadoes, and Fonseca, with all the islets within 10 leagues of any of them, with several privileges, and at the rent of a gold wedge of a pound weight, when the King comes there. The Commissioners to

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execute martial law in Kent upon disorderly soldiers, &c., February 1627–28. The Almoner has out of the Treasury Chamber 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for alms on Maunday Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Week, by a Signet Warrant. Tobacco paid customs in 1627 3*d.* per lb. subsidy and 6*d.* per lb. impost. Mrs. Seaton had an annuity of 20*l.* per annum for life while laundress to the King out of the coffery by P.S. 1627. The Bailiff and Jurats of Jersey may and do raise impositions, &c. within themselves upon the King's grant. To 1627 they did levy one sol [sou] on every pot of wine retailed in the Island, towards arming their poor and to remain free from customs, as those of Guernsey do, &c., February 1627[–8]. They of Guernsey are free from paying any custom, &c. [Sir Edward] Herbert who was Ambassador in France for King James was afterwards [created] Lord Herbert of Castle Island. Sir Thomas Brudenell, [bart.], created Lord Brudenell of Stanton [Wivill], co. Leicester, [26 April] 1627. Sir Paul Bayning, knight and baronet, created Lord Bayning of Horkesley [Bentley], co. Essex. A pardon to a recusant for not going to church, for sending a child beyond sea, and *vide* Lord Montacute's, February 1627[–8]. In the War with France 1627, a Commission issued constituting certain Lords of the Council to be a Council of War, giving them power to take into consideration all such things as may tend to the advancement of His Majesty's affairs in martial affairs, &c., February 1627[–8]. John, Lord Mordaunt, was created Earl of Peterborough, [9th March] 1627[–8]. Money levied as imposition, for His Majesty's important affairs and to set out a fleet, by letters to Justices of the Peace, 1627[–8] February, *vide* Signet Book. The Commission to the President and Council in the North, the Earl of Sunderland being Lord President, 1627. Assurance Office within the liberties of London granted in reversion to Richard Bogan. Earl of Holland appointed Captain and Governor of the town and Castle of Harwich, and of the new fort at Landguard Point, 1627, by Letters Patents. In the instalments of Bishops the clause, That upon their translation or death their remaining payments of firstfruits to cease, is crept in since 1627. [Sir William], Lord Maynard of Wicklow in Ireland, was created Baron Maynard of Eston [Estaines ad Turrin] in Essex, [14th March] 1627[–8]. The Lords and others in time of Parliament had diet allowed in Court by an extraordinary Privy Seal, which was paid to the Cofferer, viz., such sum as the Lords Steward, Treasurer, and Comptroller should certify, *vide* March 1627[–8]. Lords absent from Parliament had usually license for it from the King, which was entered at the Signet Office. The Earl of Carlisle in 1627, as ambassador extraordinary to divers foreign princes, had 8*l.* per diem for ordinary entertainment, six months advance and allowance upon his bills of extraordinary which should be allowed and signed by a Secretary [of State]. Edward Clerke, agent to the town of Rochelle in 1627, had 40*s.* and 20*s.* per diem allowed, besides his transportation, intelligence, &c., which was all to be allowed upon bills signed by the Secretaries. Fees upon honours and creations confirmed to the pages of the bed-chamber by Grant in March 1627 according to the rates that the Lord Chamber-

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lain had found fit. Commission of Appeals from the Admiralty, &c. in March 1627. During the vacancy of the See of Durham, the King disposes of all offices within the Palatinate and of the Sheriff-[wick]. There was anciently a Commission to Sir George Yardley and others for the ordering and managing of the affairs of Virginia, according to such instructions as they should receive from the Lords of the Council, and then in 1627, after Yardley's death, the like [was] renewed to John Hervey and others. [Henry] Lord Grey created Earl of Stamford in Lincolnshire 1627[-8, March 26th]. A double creation pays 6*l.* [fees] at the Signet. William Trumbull was Clerk of the Council in 1627. William Boswell, Esq., Clerk of the Council Extraordinary, being employed to attend [James Hay], Earl of Carlisle, when Ambassador Extraordinary abroad, had an allowance of 40*s.* per diem with two months' advance, besides bills for transportation and postage signed by the Secretaries. Shows, &c., granted under the Signet, and reserving thereby to the Master of the Revels all such powers and privileges as are properly belonging to that office. Office of Surveyor of Ordnance granted by Patent, 2*s.* per diem, for life, [to] Sir Thomas Bludder then to Sir Paul Harris 1627. [Henry Percy of] Northumberland has the place and degree of Baron Percy restored and confirmed to him by Patents 1627, as his ancestor had, and in such sort as the Earl of Northumberland, [he] now occupies the place of Earl of Northumberland. [John] Williams had a commission to contract with those that took the Wine Licenses for a rent to the King; then he subscribing the license, it was signed by the King and entered at the Signet to 1627. Creations of the following Barons, viz.:—Weston of Neyland, Howard of Escrick, Goring of Hurstpierpont, Mohun of Okehampton. Privy Seals for payment of work done to the Jewel-house, &c., the bill was subscribed by the Master of the Jewel-house and the clerk of that office 1627. The office of [King's] jeweller is for life, [granted] to [James] Heriot, 1627. Moneys for sea victuals payable on the Privy Seal to Surveyor of Marine Victuals and not to the Treasurer of the Navy. Commission for making a sea voyage and power to take prizes from all States not in league with His Majesty [granted] to Sir Kenelm Digby with power to execute martial law, October 1627. Gentlemen of the Bed-chamber frequently procured the King's hand to bills whereof the warrants had been issued by the Secretaries. The Earl of Holland was, in 1627, [Royal] Exchanger of His Majesty's bullion, and had certain covenants with the King for the due execution of it. He held it by grant as an office for 31 years. An office was erected of change, exchange, and rechange by Bills of Exchange between England and Ireland, with 8*d.* in the pound and granted to the Earl of Holland 1627. Commission to take the charge and conduct of His Majesty's ships and to carry soldiers to the army in France, with power of martial law, &c., to the Earl of Holland 1627. Sir Sackville Crow, Treasurer of the Navy 1627. Sir William Alexander, Secretary for Scotland 1627, had diet allowed him of seven dishes. Sir Abraham Williams was Agent for the Lady Elizabeth 1627, and had 200*l.* per annum. Persons condemned and reprieved were frequently discharged by letters to

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the sheriffs from imprisonment and sent to serve in the King's armies. The chief physicians attending 1627 had 100*l.* fee and an annual payment of 300*l.* or above. At the Signet Dividends, of all warrants which are each 6*s.* 8*d.*, the Secretaries have between them  $\frac{1}{4}$ th, and the Clerks of Signet each have  $\frac{1}{4}$ th; of perpetuities which are each 3*l.*, the two Secretaries have  $\frac{2}{3}$ rds, and the four Clerks  $\frac{1}{3}$ rd. In the vacancy of a See, Province of Canterbury, the King grants a commission to A, B, C, D, &c., to execute archiepiscopal and episcopal jurisdiction, &c. Hospitals. Ewelme, co. Oxon. Lawsuits. Frequent recommendations to the Exchequer to hear a cause, &c. Forest. East Hainault Walk in Waltham Forest. Wine. All sweet wines of the growth of any part of the Levant are to be imported at Southampton, and no port else, upon pain of forfeiting half to the King, and half to the town; by Statute. Customs. The Customs on wines and currants were let in 1627 at 44,005*l.* and 12,000*l.* fine, and 20,000*l.* advance. Thames. Water Bailiff from Staines' Bridge to Cirencester, the office granted by patent. Surveyor of His Majesty's Ordnance, viz:—Sir Alexander Brett in 1627, with Sir Thomas Bludder in reversion, 2*s.* per diem salary. The office of the mastership of the game of swans to John Witherings 1627, as Sir William Andrews had it. The envoy to Piedmont in 1627 had 200*l.* for his expenses. Governor and Captain of the Isle of Jersey, Sir John Peyton 1627. Wine licenses were let 1627 to Sir George Goring, &c. for 21 years at 2,700*l.* per annum. The Great Customs, as they were called, were leased 1625 to Sir William Cockayne, Sir Paul Pindar, &c. for 5 years at 150,000*l.* per annum. Tower. Gentleman Gaoler within the Tower of London, for life with 12*d.* per diem fee. Gentleman Porter there for life. Deanery of Worcester granted by Patent. When money is to be paid into the Exchequer out of the Duchy it is done by Privy Seal to the Chancellor and Receiver-General of the Duchy. Revenue. 12,496*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* per annum was passed to the Lord Mayor and Commonalty of London for 229,897*l.* and 120,000*l.* more lent his Majesty by the City 1627. Searcher and sealer of Madder [granted] for 21 years to George Bedford in 1627. N.B.—This Bedford was the great instrument to procure the planting of madder in England. Printing. The license to imprint the Psalms of David translated into metre [granted] by King James to Sir W. Alexander for 21 years 1627. New years gifts. The officers of the Jewel House, attending the paying in of noblemen's new years gifts to the King, had by the King's [order] 40*s.* as a gratuity out of the Treasury Chamber usually, and the noblemen's servants presenting these new years gifts had a largess from the King out of the Chamber and sometimes, upon a particular warrant, it was paid them by the Master of the Jewel House. A clerk of the Signet may be empowered under the Privy Seal to nominate his deputy to execute his office, he being otherwise necessarily employed, so the Chancellor of the Duchy did, being clerk, 1627. Privy Seals for loan of money, 1627. First a letter to the Lords of the Council to consider what persons are able to lend money and what sums; to make a list of them subscribed and sent to the Lord Privy Seal, who thereupon is to issue out

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letters of Privy Seal, January 1627[-8.] Signet. First-fruits settled pay 6s. 8d.; drawing up passes to depart the realm sometimes; letters for degrees in the Universities. The Queen [Henrietta Maria] had, in 1627, 18,000*l.* per annum allowed her. The Chancellor of the Exchequer signified the King's pleasure and proved the Bill. [8 *pp.*]

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[South-]  
Hampton.

38. Sir Philip Carteret to Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Duke of Buckingham. I found on coming to [Sout]hampton Mr. Tower-son's ships were ready to put to sea. If the wind were not so high we should now be in the Channel Islands. I have taken up a ship, the "Sara" of Jersey, as the provisions for the Castles and Isle which I have bought cannot be ready to be shipped in time. Captain Burch of this town has promised to convoy the bark with provisions into Jersey road with his ship and pinnace if he may have warrant for so doing. Pray obtain a warrant for the convoy of these provisions, salt, malt, cheese, and bacou, in the Jersey bark. [1 *p.*]

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Contract made by [Nicholas] with Messrs. Graves, senior, Dearsley, Pett, and Marsh, for the building of ten pinnaces (called the Lion's Whelps) at 3*l.* 5s. per ton, ironwork and all. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 67.*]

March 3.

39. Petition of Thomas Odell to George, Duke of Buckingham. Being unjustly charged with selling gunpowder of His Majesty's, he requests order for arrears of two months' pay that he may come to England and be suffered to answer the allegations disclosed to your Grace at a Court of War. The powder was sold by Leonard Ducke, gentleman-of-arms to Sir Philip Carteret, unto Thomas Godfrey an inhabitant of the Isle [of Jersey]. [1 *p.*]

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40. Remonstrance and petition of Jolin Chamlerlain, farmer, of His Majesty's Isle of Alderney, to George, Duke of Buckingham, Lord High Admiral, touching the Isle of Alderney, and supplies required for its better defence. The situation of the place is of great consequence, lying in the direct passage from England to the Channel Islands and Brittany. If the enemy were possessed of it, it might be dangerously employed to annoy the rest of the islands and impeach His Majesty's service about those coasts. All ships passing from the east countries to the west for the most part take their course near the dangers of these islands. In times past both this and the rest of these islands were un-attempted by reason of certain charters and immunities obtained from the King of England with the mutual consent of other princes, that they should in open war, as well as in peace, remain free places of traffic and intercourse to all sorts of merchants, whereof our times give no hope to presume further than may be warranted with force and careful prevention; the neglecting whereof in Queen Mary's time caused the place to be surprised by the enemy and cost her about the recovery thereof above 10,000*l.* There are within the island above

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800 inhabitants besides the continual resort of sundry English merchants, men-of-war, and other strangers. The whole burden of the charge for defence, mounting of ordnance, expense of gunpowder, munition, shot, gunners' wages, making bulwarks and such like, hath lain for the most part upon the farmer and inhabitants. In regard as well of the danger of these times as of relieving the necessities of the poor inhabitants, John Chamberlain doth address this suit to your Grace and the rest of the Council, only for these two purposes, viz., a supply of powder and munition as granted to the Island of Sark, and letters to the Customers of the English ports lying next the island, giving permission to transport to the island such provision of malt, fuel, leather, wood, iron, and other necessities which the inhabitants may stand in need of, they observing all due circumstances. *Underwritten,*

40. I. *This information and petition having been represented to His Majesty he refers it to the consideration and examination of the Council-of-War to give such advice or direction thereupon, as shall be thought requisite for the safety and defence of that Isle. At the Court at Newmarket, 3rd March 1627-28. [1½ pp.]*

[March 3.] 41. Another copy. [Probably intended for the Privy Council.] [1½ pp.]

March 4. Patent creating Sir George Chaworth, knight, Baron Chaworth de Trim, and Viscount Chaworth de Armagh in Ireland, heirs males. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

March 4. 42. Return made by Sir George Reynell to the Council, of the ancient fees and dues payable to the Marshal of the Marshalsea of the King's Bench and to his deputy and under officers and servants there, viz., the Marshal's fees and dues; fees allowed to the Deputy Marshal; dues to the tipstaves who attend the judges; fees payable to other officers and servants by prisoners. [= 2 pp.]

March 7. Patent creating William Cavendish Baron Cavendish of Bolsover, co. Notts, and Earl of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

March 7. 43. Henry, Earl of Danby, to Secretary Conway. According to Cornbury Park. His Majesty's direction received from Newmarket for my present repair into Guernsey, I will be ready at Portsmouth so soon as the ships are sent thither to transport me and to perform that service about the [Channel] Islands. But although without some more direct appearance of potent invasion, during these necessitous times, the sending over any greater number of men may be suspended; yet the want of victual, munition, utensils, and more imprest money for those men that are there, three months being now expired since Christmas last, with competent allowance to repair the platforms [at Castle Cornet] which are extremely decayed, will make any defence impossible against common attempts. Where-

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fore let me entreat you to procure despatch in all these demands, for the most part allowed by the King in December last, wherein Sir Peter Osborne will be ready to present the particulars. And howsoever the public speaks enough of your accustomed care on these occasions, yet will I also esteem it my private obligation. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

March 8. Patent creating Sir Paul Bayning Baron Bayning, of Horkesley. Original calendared under date 23rd February. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

March 9. Minutes of letters from Sir Thomas Roe between January 1626–27 and 9th March 1628. [*See Correspondence of Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 74.*]

[March 10.] 44. The Lords of the Privy Council to the Bailiffs and Jurats of Guernsey. We send enclosed a petition presented to this Board by Peter de Beauvoir, your agent, complaining against John Blanch for appealing as well from a sentence given against him there, on 10th March, for matter of crime and misdemeanour, as likewise from another cause of like nature, commenced there against him, but not yet come to sentence; in which cases, according to the custom and privilege of that Isle, no appeal ought to be made. If the case be such as is informed, we are of opinion that as well this sentence ought to stand and be enforced as also the cause depending should be proceeded in to a sentence without admitting of any appeal from the same. We being careful to preserve and uphold the just privileges and jurisdiction established for the well government of that isle do accordingly hereby ratify and confirm the sentence already given, and do further will and require you to proceed to a sentence in the cause depending according to the course and practice of that isle in like cases. [*Draft. 1 p.*]

March 12. Commission to Lord Keeper Coventry and Lord Treasurer Marlborough to inquire what manors, lands, or reuts have been given towards the maintenance or upholding of Bethlehem Hospital or the poor there. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

March 12. Grant to Richard Bogan of the office of making and registering all manner of assurances, intimations, and renunciations made upon any ships or merchandise in the Royal Exchange or other places within the City of London for 31 years. [*Docquet. See 29th March 1626.*]

March  $\frac{14}{24}$ . Venice. 45. Thomas Smith to [Mr. Chesterman, Secretary to Lord Conway]. By his Lordship's order I have sent you here enclosed two several bills of lading [the ships being the "Margaret" and the "Pearl"]. The two chests mentioned in the first bill contain 40 dozen of glasses for His Majesty's use. In the second are two chests containing 19 dozen likewise for his use, for both which you shall shortly receive a bill of exchange for 26*l.* sterling, to be paid to Mr. Simmes' correspondent; there is also in the second



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eight sights for looking-glasses for His Majesty ; their prices will appear in the enclosed note subscribed by [Bernard] Hyde, to whom you gave order to provide them. Sir Morris Abbot will be best able to inform you of their quality and a bill of exchange for 16*l.* 10*s.* will be presented to you from Mr. Hyde's correspondent, which, as well as the other sums, my Lord desires you to see paid. His Lordship has provided the drinking-glasses of several fashions. [*Damaged by damp.* 1½ *pp.*]

March 15. 46. David Bandinel, Dean of Jersey, to Lord Conway. This will inform you of the ill-success of our voyage. Imprisonment of M. de Carteret at Dunkirk. Loss of Captain Pelham, and his own extreme ill-health within Calais. Particulars will be given by the bearer. I pray that by your warrant to the Mayor of Dover or other proper personage I may have some help to return to London. [*Seal, with device.* *French.* ½ *p.*]

March 19. 47. Sir Philip Carteret to Lord Conway. He had been taken by Dunkirk. a ship of Dunkirk within two or three leagues of the Isle of Wight. He had suffered much at sea, but had been well treated at Dunkirk. Fears for the safety of the Channel Islands. The haven of Rochelle was blocked up with sunken ships, and it was expected that the town could not hold out after Lent. Great preparation of shipping in France. [*Seal, with device.* 1 *p.*]

March 22. Commission to John Harvey, Francis West, and others, to be the present Governor and Council for the Colony and Plantation of Virginia. [*This docquet is dated 26th March, but the original Sign Manual, Car. I., Vol. VI., No. 66, is dated 22nd March. Docquet, see 29th March 1626.*]

[March 22.] 48. Philip Burlamachi to Secretary Conway. Knowing your affection for Sir Philip Carteret I would not delay to send you notice of the advertisement I have received of his disaster in order that measures may be taken for his liberation and supplying the loss of the things which were taken together with him. [*French.* ½ *p.*]

March 23. 49. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway. I wrote to you  
April 2. some 10 days since, by way of Calais, of this my misfortune [in  
Dunkirk. being taken by Dunkirkers]. All those who were taken with me are now released by means of Mr. [Hugh] Ross, but my restoration to freedom depends upon the Infanta's pleasure, to whom the Admiral here has written, but no answer as yet returned. The consideration of the danger that the island of Jersey is in and the castles there much troubles me ; I entreat that His Majesty may be pleased to send some ships over for the Islands. Of the 2,500*l.* which the King allowed me I have lost 300*l.* or 400*l.* as I take it. I have a bark at [South]ampton and another at Poole laden with provisions for the castles, for which I was promised convoy by Captain Burch of Southampton. The engineer, gunner, officers,

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and some soldiers whom I was carrying over with me are now returned naked into England. I pray that they may be furnished with apparel and sent over for the Island. There are now seven or eight of the King [of Spain's] ships going out of this town [Dunkirk] and many freebooters. [*Seal, with device.* 1 p.]

March 26.  
Dover.

50. The Mayor of Dover to Sir John Hippesley, Lieutenant of Dover Castle. Represents the untrustworthy conduct of [Maximilian] Dancy as water bailiff and keeper of the prison at Dover. He having previously let several priests and Jesuits escape, has within the last few days suffered Edward Goodwin to escape, whom you committed for forsaking His Majesty's service. Our only course is to complain, and to whom should we complain but to you, so that you might represent the business to the Lord Warden, his Grace. [1 p.]

March 31.  
Whitehall.

51. Privy Council to the Duke of Buckingham, Lord High Admiral. Sir Philip Carteret has lately been taken at sea and carried into Dunkirk, and with him were taken such stores as he was conveying for supply of Jersey. His Majesty has commanded that the provisions shall be removed out of the stores and forwarded to the Island. Your Grace is required to take effectual order that they may be convoyed under sufficient guard. [*Signed and sealed.* 1 p.]

[March.]

52. Petition of John Chamberlain [to the Lords of the Council] for consideration to be had hereof in the letters to Guernsey. That they would direct the bailiff and jurats of Guernsey to proceed to the administration of justice according to the ancient customs and orders of the Island, and according to their oath in that behalf which presently they refuse to do. Also to require the delivery of the poor man detained prisoner in Castle Cornet without any just allegation against him on giving sufficient bail. That the Captain, leaving his sufficient Deputy, may have license to come over into England to answer allegations against him. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[March.]

53. Advertisement by Mr. Sherwill of Plymouth, and now attending the House of Parliament. That [John] Chamberlain, Farmer of the Isle of Alderney, is esteemed amongst the better sort of the inhabitants of Guernsey to be a great Papist, and to send secretly men over into France with advices. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

[March.]

54. Returns made by John Warde of the valuations of certain persons, viz., John Crase, James Hobbes, John Caric, John Leamon, Thomas Good, and Samuel Manshipp, residing in co. Somerset, as entered for the subsidy in the Remembrancer's Books in the Exchequer. In the certificate [are mentioned] Ralph Barlow, Dean of Wells, Francis Baber and other the Commissioners assigned for the payment of the third of the five entire subsidies granted by the laity in the third year of King Charles. [*Latin.* 6 pp.]

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55. Rules and regulations for the guidance of Regular Priests and Jesuits as distinguished from the duties of the Secular Priesthood in Roman Catholic communities. It probably has relation to the dispute between the Regulars and the Bishop of Chalcedon. The following extract will give an idea of the contents of the paper which appears to be a translation, and is imperfect both at the commencement and end:—"Those that are once endowed  
 " with such foundations will easily prevail that the Society succeed  
 " the Secular Priests in their benefices, by the help of those bishops  
 " whose confessors are Jesuits, who depend on us for their counsel  
 " and are in expectation to be raised to a fatter bishopric by our  
 " mediation. Let those of the Society take special order as well  
 " with the bishop as princes that when they found our Col[lege]  
 " near unto parochial churches, we alone may have the power of  
 " conferring the vicarage with the charge of souls," &c. [8 pp.]

[March.]

56. Petition of Richard Husband of London, merchant, to the Council. For a protection for himself and his sureties with their goods for one year in order that he may have time to realise his estate which is sufficient to pay his creditors in full, but who refuse to grant him time. He is induced to crave this favour, the rather as he is part owner of two ships called the "Phoenix" and the "Hercules," now in the fleet bound for Algiers [under command of Sir Richard Mansell], as also that he has been part builder of 13 ships of good burden. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[March.]

57. Petition of Dr. Thomas Browne to the King. Being recommended by the Bishop of Winchester and Earl of Arundel to the provost and fellows of Eton, for the reversion after Mr. Wright, who is aged and paralysed, to Everdon parsonage, co. Northampton, I beg your letters to them to the same effect.

[March.]

58. A collection of letters and papers relating to the affairs of the Roman Catholics in England, of various dates, probably seized at Clerkenwell with those already calendared in Vol. XCIX. under date March 1628. They are arranged according to their dates when ascertainable, and some are mentioned in the following list, written by Bishop Laud, of London, on the flyleaf of a letter from Thomas Hierack, *alias* Longueville, a high priest, to James Talbott, in which they would appear to have been enclosed, as the Bishop has written "sent herewith." Bishop Laud's note reads as follows:—The Papal Brief. The Censure of Paris. An Historical Narration of the Ecclesiastical jurisdiction. The General of the Jesuits' letter to their Provincial here. Correspondence desired by the Master and Elder Brethren with those of Ireland. Letters to be sent to his brother Edw. Longueville, in Bedford House, or to Bevor [Belvoir] Castle. His master's officers at the Savoy. Discord betwixt the Seculars and Regulars. *Annexed,*

58. 1. *A censure proposed at the faculty of theology at Paris. Signed, Delacourt, 23rd April (3rd May) 1600. [Certified Copy. Latin. 1 p.]*

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58. II. *Brief of Pope Clement VIII. to George Blackwell, Notary Apostolic and Archpriest of England. 25th September (5th October) 1602. Underwritten,*

*This observation following was made by Mr. Mushe, agent in this business. In this brief much is determined in favour of the Priests Appellants, but not one word written in their reproof, which undoubtedly had been done if they had been found culpable in any of those heinous crimes objected against them by the other party. [Certified Copy. Latin. 2½ pp.]*

58. III. *Letter of Mutius Vitellescus, General of the Jesuits, to the Provincial [of the Order of St. Ignatius] in England. Rome, 15th (25th) July 1626. [Copy. Latin. 1 p.]*

58. IV. *Notes in support of the Bishop of Chalcedon's pretensions.*  
 1. *One of the chiefest ends for which the Bishop was appointed and sent hither by the Pope's Holiness was that by his authority and good example he should keep the Catholics of England in due obedience to the King and State, and prevent such inconveniences as have happened heretofore by the writings and practices of some, when every Catholic did what he thought good.* 2. *As touching the person of the Bishop of Chalcedon among other spiritual considerations that moved his Holiness to make choice of him in particular one was for that he was generally known to be modest, studious, and of a quiet disposition.* 3. *The authority which the Bishop of Chalcedon challengeth over the lay Catholics is not temporal but only spiritual. Neither did he ever intend to set up a new tribunal or a forum externum, to the least disturbance of any of His Majesty's Courts of Justice or conscience in this kingdom. Moreover, he never did nor will exercise this authority but in a most peaceable and quiet manner. Subjoined,*

*Extract out of a letter of the Nuncio of France, 2nd August 1627. I have not heard it spoken that it was ever thought of diminishing the authority of the M. R. Bishop of Chalcedon and as much as shall lie in my power I will procure always the conservation and increase of it, so far forth as there shall be need to the end that it may be conformable to the other Ordinaries of the Catholic Church, 2nd August 1627. [1 p.]*

58. V. *Richard Smith, Bishop of Chalcedon, to the Cardinals of the Holy Inquisition. So soon as I understood that it would be a thing acceptable to your Lordships if I would somewhat depart from my right, and would leave them free from asking my approbation to hear the confessions of Seculars, and would be content that they should ask leave to minister the sacraments of baptism, matrimony, and extreme unction, I at once submitted before you had heard my reasons, and sent presently to the superiors of*

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*the Regulars a prime man of the clergy, who might offer to them the aforesaid condition of ending the controversy ; but this was by them rejected, being pleased with no condition unless I be stripped of all authority not only over themselves but also over all laymen ; for, by reason of the hatred which they bear to approbation, they have proceeded even to the impugning of episcopal authority also, which, how unjust a thing it is, the matter itself speaks, and the reasons which now I send to your most illustrious Lordships will manifestly convince and prove it. Now, in the judging of this controversy, I beseech you, for Christ's sake to consider what thing it is that is chiefly impugned ? who they are that do impugn it ? when they began to impugn it ? with what reasons and how they impugn it ? As for mine own part, if for my sake this tempest be risen, and the Regulars do impugn my person, let me be cast into the sea, so as another bishop may be subrogated. I will not unwillingly depart from my authority, which I did never ambitiously seek after. London, 10th March 1628. [Latin. Copy. 4 pp.]*

58. VI. *English translation of the preceding. [4 pp.]*
58. VII. *Letter of the same date from the Bishop of Chalcedon on the same subject to some person addressed as "Illustrissime et Reverendissime Domine." [Latin. 2 pp.]*
58. VIII. *Copy of the same. [2 pp.]*
58. IX. *Declaration of the Holy Congregation of Bishops and Regulars about faculty of absolving from cases reserved to the See Apostolic and to the Ordinary. If the Regulars have from the See Apostolic faculty of absolving, that the same faculty without Italy was not taken away by the Decrees of the Holy Congregation which have been set forth concerning this matter by command of Clement VIII. of holy memory. Which sentence of the Holy Congregation being related to his Holiness [Pope Urban VIII.], he hath approved and commanded it to be inviolably observed of all to whom it appertaineth. At Rome, 7th (17th) November 1628. F. A. Card. S. Honufr. [At Rome, out of the printing house of the Reverend Chamber Apostolic. Copy. 1 p.]*
58. X. *Note of Jesuits and Roman Catholic scholars, and their writings. [Latin. 3 pp.]*
58. XI. *[The Lay Catholics of England to Bishop Smith of Chalcedon]. Commenting on his letter of 16th October [1627] in which he had claimed to himself the jurisdiction of an Ordinary throughout England and Scotland. [Translation of Vol. XCIX., s. 1, already calendared. See under date, March 1628. 2½ pp.]*
58. XII. *Question submitted as to the obligation implied in a certain statute and papal constitution in the English College at Rome, with answers to the same. [Latin. 3 pp.]*

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58. XIII. *Discourse on the text taken from the 14th chapter of St. Luke, "A certain man made a great supper," and part of the gospel for the day, II Kings, xix., 12. [8 pp.]*
58. XIV. *Tabular form specifying on the first page Holy Days to be observed according to an almanac for the year 1537; and on the second, Holy Days to be observed under precept in England, with a list of fasting days in the Roman Catholic Church. [2 pp.]*

[April 4.] 59. Speech of Secretary Coke delivered in Parliament this day conveying a message from the King, urging them to proceed with supply for his great occasions, and giving assurance that they should enjoy all their former rights and liberties with as much freedom and security in his time as in any previous age. [*The first half of this speech is printed in Rushworth I., page 524. 3¼ pp.*]

April 7. 60. Return of the Fees and Church-dues of the parish of Chelsea, co. Middlesex, certified by Edward Vaughan, clerk of the church. Fees payable to Reverend George Hamden, parson; ditto payable to the churchwardens; ditto to the clerk. The parson's fees were: 2*d.* of every communicant at Easter, 6*d.* of every woman churched, 2*s.* 6*d.* of every one married, and 2*s.* of every one buried. [1 p.]

April 10. 61. Sir John Watts to John Ashburnham, Esquire. Prays him  
Mattersey. to recommend to the Duke his servant, Edward Goodfellow, to succeed Mr. Clun, as purser of the "Triumph," in the event of the latter failing, he being dangerously sick. [*Seal with arms broken. ½ p.*]

April 21. 62. Table of the Clerk of Assizes's fees of the Western circuit. Signed Simon Spatchurse. *Underwritten,*  
62. I. *Receptum per curiam, 21st April 1628. [2 pp.]*

[April 21.] 63. Similar list of fees. Signed by Simon Spatchurse, but differing in several particulars, and certified as received 2nd December 1630. [*Strip of parchment.*]

April 25. 64. Record of proceedings taken on 23rd April before Sir Thomas Vachell and Francis Windebank, Justices of the Peace, touching the breach of the peace by Richard Arrowsmith of Hurst, in expelling Prudentia Moore of Barkham, co. Berks, and taking forcible entry of a certain tenement in Barkham. [*Latin Mem., dated 25th April. Copy. 1 p.*]

April 25. 65. The Governor, Bailiffs, and Jurats of Jersey to the Council.  
Jersey. Represent the danger to which their island was exposed on the side of Normandy and Brittany. The inability of the Channel Islands to resist the enemy unless supported by ships and munition. Their bailiff, Sir Philip de Carteret, having been taken by the Dunkirkers, together with a store of powder and munition which

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he was bringing, the islands are left in a defenceless state. [*French*, 1 p.]

April 22. 66. Certificate by Sir Robert Heath, Attorney-General, to the Privy Council. That he had considered the petitions of John Blanche, wherein he complains of a sentence given against him in Guernsey on behalf of John Gosselyn, deceased. Gives particulars of the matter in dispute. Thinks fit that the sentence be repealed, and that Blanche be satisfied his just debt out of the estate of John Gosselyn, with such costs and damages as shall by your Lordships be thought reasonable. [1 p.]

April 26. 67. Sir John Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to the  
Jersey. Privy Council. The disaster of Sir Philip Carteret, with mis-  
carriage of the expected money and supplies, has much disturbed both the people here and the English company under his command. That one M. Giron has obtained a commission for fitting out from Newhaven four great ships of war, and some flat-bottomed boats. There is also a report that one Pount Escoulant, a Norman Baron greatly favoured by Cardinal Richelieu, has a design on these Islands. Divers small pataches much haunt these seas which the presence of one or two of His Majesty's smaller ships or pinnaces would soon disperse, and much secure this Island. I am once again a suitor for that assistance. If the King would place under my personal command a company of 200 well-armed men for the defence of the castles, it would cut off all disputes between me and the country about the English company which is already here, and all would be much better secured. I have manned and armed a small swift pinnace at my own charges, to serve for a scout, and to carry intelligence to your Lordships. [2 pp.]

May 3. 68. Warrant signed by the King to Attorney-General Heath. To draw up a book ready for signature containing a pardon to George Cheyney, indicted of manslaughter at the last Hertford Assizes for the killing of John Cowper. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

May 4. Note of the three different ways now in use for measuring of ships, and of a fourth way devised by the shipwrights and Trinity Masters, but exploded. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 64.*]

May 5. 69. Speech of the Lord Keeper [Coventry] in answer to [Sir John Finch], Speaker of the House of Commons. Communicating His Majesty's answer to their demand for a confirmation of ancient liberties. "Yourselves acknowledge that the greatest trust and confidence must be in His Majesty's grace and goodness, and that nothing without it can be of safety or avail to you, yet to show clearly the sincerity of His Majesty's intentions, he is contented that a Bill (Petition of Right) be drawn for the confirmation of "Magna Charta, and the other six statutes insisted upon for the

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"subjects' liberty if you shall choose it to be the best way."  
*[Draft, with many corrections. Printed in Rushworth I., pp. 556*  
*557. = 2 pp.]*

May 5. 70. Copy of the first half of the above speech. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

May 6.  
 Jersey.

71. Sir John Peyton to Secretary Conway. Sir Philip Carteret's brother and Lieutenant [Elias Carteret] being employed over by myself and the greater part of the justices to solicit some present order for ransoming that noble gentleman [Sir Philip, taken by the Dunkirkers], for pay for the soldiers and for assistance of shipping, I thought it my duty to accompany him with this tender of my service to your Lordship. A few days since I despatched a light pinnace of my own with letters to the [Council] Board, giving a true relation of the present state of the country, and the difficulty of keeping all things at an equal state. The chief discontent is the attendance of any of the English company by 20 a night at either Castle. Some of the inhabitants, notwithstanding former hopes of amendment, continue in their refusal of billeting the soldiers and use them basely. Upon my alleging the example of Guernsey, where 50 of the English company were continually in garrison, I was answered that that company being the Governor's he might dispose of them as he pleased. If it shall seem good to yourself and the Board to accede to my proposition of having a company of 200 sent over for the defence of the castles, those soldiers already here may remain to the country. If I may receive this support I will send a trusty old soldier to conduct and bring them over. I should be glad that an engineer or master-workman might be sent over. [*Two seals with arms. 1 p.*]

[May 17.] 72. Clause proposed by the Lords to be added to the Petition of Right. "That we humbly present this petition unto your Majesty not only with care of preserving our own liberties, but with due regard to leave entire that sovereign power wherewith your Majesty is trusted for the protection, safety, and happiness of your people." [*Printed with slight variation in Rushworth I., p. 561. Draft.  $\frac{1}{4}$  p.*]

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 Dunkirk.

73. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway. Gives full particulars about his detention as prisoner at Dunkirk, and the negotiations with the Infanta [Isabella Clara Eugenia, Governor of Flanders] for his release. That the Admiral of Dunkirk had used him very nobly, but said that he could not release him till he might understand the Infanta's pleasure. Meanwhile he was suffered to go to Ghent, but not to Brussels. Has entreated Mr. [Hugh] Ross to solicit his release there at Court, who presented a memorial to the Secretary, but was opposed by the Archbishop of Mechlin and others, who importuned the Infanta that he might not be released till a Scotch priest now in the Gatehouse was sent to Flanders. Being informed that the Infanta had a great desire to have the priest released, and desired nothing therein but upon courtesy, and that it was intended I should give some assurance



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and caution for this, I gave them to understand that granting me my liberty I would pass my word to do my endeavours, if so he be not accused of treason, but that beyond this I would resolve to live in prison all the days of my life rather than I would seem to give way to so unjust and dishonourable a thing as that His Majesty should be enforced to yield up to them a subject of his. Failure of the previous negotiations. The Admiral has now given me other letters of favour, and I have sent up again to Brussels. Thus stands my unhappy case, the whole particulars of which I have presumed to set down that you may consider thereof. The Infanta and Court here are possessed with the opinion that your Lordship only hinders the freedom of the priest. What may be justly and conveniently done in my behalf I humbly entreat for, else not, for if the safety and welfare of the Island [of Jersey] may be looked to, it matters not much what becomes of me. [1½ pp.]

[May 28.] 74. Secretary Coke to Secretary Conway. I received yours of the 26th May, and another from the Lord Admiral the same day. By these I understand that I am moored here [at Portsmouth], and shall be willing to tarry whilst I may do any good service; which without money, you will say, cannot be very great. We hear this morning that both the Earl of Denbigh and Sir Henry Palmer, with all the fleet, are in these seas and may hourly be expected here. They spend their time and victuals in giving chase to passenger [vessels]. Sir H. Palmer has taken eight Hamburg or Holland ships outward bound. More certainly I know not, but when I do I will not fail to notify it to you. *Postscript.*—Your news of good accord in Parliament hath cheered all our hearts; the confirmation of the accord by the subsidy granted and the session ended will make us more active. Let me entreat Mr. [William] Weld to take care that the letters enclosed may be speedily delivered. [*Wrongly endorsed May 1629.* 1 p.]

[May.] 75. The King to all Mayors, Sheriffs, and others. That, having employed Sir John Coke to give order concerning the fleet lately returned from Rochelle and the coast of France, and also to make present provision of such necessities as are wanting to set them forth again presently to sea upon a design to which we have appointed them, you are hereby required to be aiding and assisting in the performance of such directions as he shall give touching that fleet and its officers, soldiers, and mariners. The present urgent occasion for hastening this design not admitting of any delay, you are to assist him really and effectually in taking up such provisions upon credit as shall be needful and he shall give directions for. We do hereby promise, on the word of a King, to cause just satisfaction to be given according to the bargains and contracts which he shall make for setting forth this service, both for the sums and times of payment. [*Copy. Damaged by damp.* 1½ pp.]

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[May.]

76. Orders given by William, Earl of Denbigh, to the Captains of the Fleet. Intelligence having been received of 50 or 60 sail of pataches or pinnaces, accompanied by eight galleons, ready to come out of the ports of Biscay with men and munition designed against Brest, Jersey, Guernsey, or Scilly, you are to be vigilant and to speak with all vessels passing between Ushant and Scilly or in the Narrow Seas, and so to inform yourselves whether this fleet be at sea, where they are, and whither bound. If you get any intelligence you are to come to me and give me notice. You are required to stop such English ships as you shall meet with in the Channel, if they be such as may strengthen the King's fleet, and bring them into our fleet. If you shall descry the Spanish fleet, you are to shoot off ordnance and strike both your topsails twice or thrice together to give notice that you have discovered them. If you meet with the said pinnaces or pataches, run stumbling aboard of them and so sink them if you can. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[May.]

77. Petition of Thomas Robinson to Dr. Lambe. That two years since he was bound over to appear in the High Commission Court to answer such articles as might be objected against him, which he hath done. Mr. Flamsted afterwards undertook to get him discharged of his appearance and answer, for which and to discharge the fees of the Court he received 22*l*. Mr. Flamsted is since deceased and petitioner again summoned, although there was an end made of this business. Having already expended near 60*l*. in charges he is likely to be ruined. Prays Lambe to take the premises into consideration, and make such end therein as in equity he may think meet. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[May.]

Notes of Remembrances in Mr. Leatt's business with the Levant Company, commencing 27th November 1621. A motion by Mr. Leatt for a consul at Algiers, Sir Thomas Glover named. Extracts out of the Levant Company's Charter:—Art. 17. Power to choose consuls, who shall have power to observe such directions as shall be given them by the Company and to displace. Art. 19. Power to make laws and impose fines. Art. 21. Power to punish offenders. Instances of the exercise of these powers. 24th February 1625[–6].—Order to send for [John] Frizell home, and not meddle with his bills of exchange. Letter dated 3rd April 1626.—His time being expired, the Company expect his coming home. Our letter of 16th February 1626[–7], to Sir Thomas Roe, about peace with Algiers and the charge and Mr. Leatt's particular. Letter of 2nd May 1628 to Sir Peter Wyche. [*Levant Company Vol. I., No. 73.*]

[May.]

Breviate of Papers concerning the payment of consulage to the Venetians by merchants trading to the Levant Seas. Giving a brief *précis* of Sir Thomas Roe's letters during the years 1627 and 1628. [*Ibid., No. 74.*]

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May and June. 78. Notes by a Member of Parliament of proceedings in Parliament between 23rd May and 17th June. Most of which is given much fuller in Rushworth, Vol. I., p. 570 *et seq.* It chiefly relates to the passing of the Petition of Right and the King's messages sent to the Commons thereon, the attack on the Duke of Buckingham in the Commons' House, the heads of the Remonstrance, the sentence passed on Roger Mainwaring, D.D., the assault on and killing of Dr. Lambe by the apprentices in Moor-Fields, and the following paragraph: The 14th of June, the Duke of Buckingham being at bowls with the King at the bowling-green at Westminster, adjoining to the Duke [of Buckingham's] house, and many great Lords looking on with their hats off, and he keeping his hat on, one Wilson, a soldier, who hath a brother of the Bedchamber, stepped to the Duke as he was playing with the King, took his hat from off his head, and threw it on the ground, [saying] there were as good and as loyal men as himself stood bare. The Duke offered to spurn him, the fellow bent his fist as if he would have stricken him. The King spake, saying, "George, let him alone, he is mad," to whom Wilson replied, "I have done thus for your Majesty's service and will do more." He was sent to the Gatehouse, but delivered the next morning. The 17th of June our Remonstrance was read by our Speaker to the King in the Banqueting House, to which the King gave this answer:—"Gentlemen, when I gave you satisfaction to your Petition of Right, which consists of various requests, I little expected to have received a remonstrance of this nature, touching religion and the commonwealth, which, because it containeth matters of State, which I better understand than any of you, I will take it into consideration, and in convenient time will make such answer thereunto as the sense shall deserve." And withall gave the Duke his hand to kiss before us all; at which I suppose you think we took little comfort. [2 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

[June 13.] 79. Petition of the Wardens and Commonalty of the Company of Goldsmiths of London to the Commons' House of Parliament. That petitioners' complaint against the Exchangers' patents was fully debated by Counsel on 30th May and 4th June, before the Grand Committee for Grievances [see Vol. CVII., Nos. 16 and 17]. It was apparently proved that these patents tended not only to petitioners' ruin but to restrict the importation of bullion, and were prejudicial to commerce and trade. Since the granting of these patents the merchants have directed their factors to make their returns by bills of exchange or otherwise, and not in bullion, which in the past year had lessened by 160,000*l.* than formerly was accustomed. The cause being finished in Committee on the 4th of June, the voting was deferred till the next meeting, on the 6th, when it sat not, and upon the following Monday the Committee was dissolved, so as without your assistance petitioners are like to be deprived of the fruit of all their pains and very chargeable endeavours. Pray that either the Grand Committee may be

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revived for the voting, and so the cause be in ordinary course reported to the House, or else that Sir Edward Coke, who had the charge of it at the Committee, may make immediate report thereof to the House, that resolution may be taken in a cause of so great importance. [*Four sheets of paper.*]

[June 20.] 80. Mem. of business to be submitted to the King in Council. The Earl of Stamford being seized of the manor of Broughton Ashley, co. Leicester, which he holds in soccage, except three little messuages, prays that these may be held by the same tenure, and he will exchange the tenure of other lands into capite which are now holden in soccage, whereby His Majesty shall not be prejudiced. Digory Collins, Lieutenant, asks pardon for killing a man, found manslaughter by the jury. Petition of Vanderlos, a surgeon desiring to be excused. Petition of the executors of the Earl of Dorset. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

June 22. 81. Sir John Peyton to Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Duke  
Montorgueil of Buckingham. Requests his favourable assistance and advice to  
Castle, Jersey. the bearer Nicholas Burton, whom I address to Sir Henry Marten, but trust to your direction whether he shall deliver my letter. [*Seal with arms.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[June.] 82. Captain Thomas Jackson to Secretary Conway. Complains of being unfairly persecuted for his opinions. It was never known that dissenters from other men's opinions were censured or condemned, so that they did not dissent from the peace of the Church, but rather pitied and persuaded. My suit which I have continued for more than three years has been for payment of my pension in Northumberland. I hope you will think that my pension may be increased and my letters patents renewed for service done, in regard I quit my place of 6s. 8d. per diem and resign my old letters patents for 40*l.* per annum. [1 p.]

[June.] 83. Philip Burlamachi to Edward Nicholas, Secretary to Lord High Admiral Buckingham. Sends a packet of letters received yesterday from Plymouth. I would advertise you that for anything I can see all victuals provided for Rochelle might be employed to revictual the King's ships so there only will remain what has been stored at Bristol and part of that which Sir James Bagg has charge of, who should be careful that on the departure of the fleet these be not wasted. Of the corn in my charge, 645 qrs. have been lost, the rest is arrived at Plymouth and Portsmouth. According to letters received from my cousin [John] Calandrini, we have lost four ships. The charges of corn and provisions amount to near 2,000*l.* [*French.* 1 p.]

[June ?] 84. Notes by Sir Ralph Maddison showing the agitation of the business of exchange since the reign of Edward VI. *Incipit.*—In King Edward VI. time, Sir William Pickering wrote a treatise concerning the exchange, he was contemporary with Sir William

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Cecill, and lived together with him all his days; these two reformed and restored the Mint lost in King Henry [VIII's.] time; and about 18 Elizabeth the abuses of the Exchange began to creep in, as appears by her proclamation, this was amended, and the Exchange by consent was agreed upon between them [so] that about 1568 33s. 4d. Flemish equalled 1*l.* sterling. *Endorsed*: "Sir Ralph Maddison's paper." [5 pp.]

July 2.  
Whitehall.

85. Warrant of George, Duke of Buckingham, to the searcher of the Port of Dover. License being given to transport four horses or geldings to Sir Philip Carteret, you are not to offer any hindrances. [*Signed and sealed.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

July 2.

86. Commission addressed to Sir Walter Roberts, Sheriff, and others, Commissioners in co. Kent. To enquire for the revenue arising by the forfeitures of recusants convict in that county. *Annexed*,

86. i. *Instructions to such Commissioners as be appointed by Commission out of the Court of Exchequer to enquire of the lands and goods of recusants forfeited to the Crown.* [Parchment.]

July 11.  
Jersey.

87. Sir John Peyton to Secretary Conway. Excuses his frequent addresses and solicitations, yet being for the good and security of this Isle, the speedy release of Sir Philip Carteret, a main pillar of the same, and the countenance in these waters of two or three of His Majesty's smaller ships or pinnaces for our defence, I hope for pardon. Complaint against John Hussey, pretended captain of a letter of marque ship, the "Pilgrim," of London, for stealing a British Boat in a dark night out of the harbour of St. Aubin's; his second affront I may not pass in silence, viz., his taking and spoiling M. Le Fraissn  , a French Protestant and follower of M. La Ravardieres of Cancale, employed by me for intelligence out of France, notwithstanding my pass to secure him from English men-of-war, and selling at Guernsey the few commodities of pots and pans which his boat was laden with in order to disguise his employment if he had been met by French pataches. M. Le Fraissn   confirms the report of the hard estate of Rochelle, into which the French King proposes to make his entrance on the feast of St. John the Baptist next. He adds the silencing of the exercise of the reformed religion at Charenton-le-Pont near Paris, upon discovery of money being sent by that congregation to the Duc de Rohan, that the temple at Bayeux was burned, that a great tumult was raised in Caen against the Protestants, and that troops are levying in Normandy to march to the King's army still before Rochelle and from thence to attend his pretended voyage against "Mountoban." If these or other forces should suddenly be designed against this Isle, I submit to you, how far this company of 200 men [from England] can defend both the castles with the fort of St. Aubins, and aid the inhabitants to impeach the landing of the enemy. [*Seal with arms.* 2 pp.]

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Dover Castle.

88. Warrant of George, Duke of Buckingham, as Lord Warden and Admiral of the Cinque Ports, to John Jacob and John Oliver his deputy, serving in the office of the Admiralty of the Cinque Ports. We command that you attach the persons of Francis Boughton, William Hurlestone, John Maucom *alias* Nicholas, and six others named, if found within the jurisdiction of the ports, either by sea or land, and keep them in safe custody, so that they may be brought before us or our deputy at Dover on the 12th day after their arrest. We likewise command that the Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich be assisting and aiding to you. [*Draft. Latin. 1 p.*]

[July 14?] Obligation of Lucas Jacob of Rood Lane, merchant, in 100*l*. Conditioned that whereas a commission for restitution of goods lately saved out of the "St. Peter" of Enckhuysen forced on the sea coast of Sussex, has been awarded out of the Court of Admiralty of the Cinque Ports to Harker Reyners, the master and his fellows, any other persons having claims on the same are to make application within one year. Particulars of goods saved. Written on the same paper as the above. [*Draft. 2 pp.*]

July 17. 89. Petition of Richard Smith, Captain of Calshot Castle, co. Hants, to the Council of War. Has been for six years a suitor for munition for the Castle, the defects and wants of which were by a general survey about two years since certified, and are now grown to a greater defect. Prays that speedy course may be taken for supply of munition. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

[July 17.] 90. The like petition to [Viscount Conway as Lord Lieutenant of Hants]. That Calshot Castle, standing for the safeguard of the town of Southampton and country adjoining, is in extreme decay and utterly unfurnished of munition. Prays him to be a means that order may be given for supply thereof. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  *p.*]

[July 23.] 91. Notes of precedents showing that the King has power to release prisoners committed to the Fleet. Examples in the reigns of Elizabeth and James I. Mr. [Edward] Pilkington [serving under Lieutenant-Colonel Brett, *see* Vol. CX., No. 59] is only in the Fleet upon action and not in execution, and so His Majesty has power much more to relieve him, his case being better than that of Thurland, *temp.* Elizabeth, or of Sir William Constable, *temp.* James. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  *p.*]

[July 24.]  
Nontorgueil  
Castle.

92. Sir John Peyton and Sir P. Carteret to Secretary Conway. Arrival of two gentlemen at Jersey in a small boat from Brittany, one naming himself Chevalier de Bremont, and the other M. la Touche. We have sent them to England in a small pinnace in charge of Captain Frost, they pretending great and weighty affairs highly importing His Majesty's service. As for the present state of this Island the people live in that security and carelessness that they cannot be brought to perform any duties, but by constraint. They hold the English company of soldiers here a burden to them,

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desiring them only for their defence, not regarding the safety of the castles. Upon the approach of an enemy, if the English should be sent to defend the castles, we fear the inhabitants will hardly offer resistance. Disputes between the people and the soldiers. [*Seal with device.* 1 p.]

July 27.  
Canterbury.

93. Confirmation of liberties granted by former princes to the Burgesses of Appleby, quoting by inspeximus the charter granted by King James on the 8th of July 1606. [*Copy.* 5 pp.]

July 29.  
Castle Cornet.

94. Captain Nathaniel Darell, Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, to Secretary Conway. Forwards the enclosed; the gentlemen therein mentioned are at Jersey, wind bound. Question as to the payment of the bark for sending it express. Desires to be reimbursed 3*l*. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.] *Enclosed,*

94. 1. *Sir J. Peyton and Sir P. Carteret to Captain Darrell. Arrival of two gentlemen from Brittany who are in haste for England. We have commanded Captain Frost to take them over as mentioned in a letter of 24th July.* [1 p.]

[July.]

95. Petition of Samuel Aldersey and three others, all English subjects, to the Council. There are landed at Margate four bales and two trunks with silk, linen, &c., belonging to petitioners, being goods which came over land from Italy, and brought from Dunkirk in barks free by your warrant for bringing from thence the English captives, in regard the goods may not come through France without danger of confiscation. The goods are stayed by His Majesty's officers at Margate, and are threatened to be carried thence by one Smith, on the ground that they came from Dunkirk. Pray warrant to have their goods delivered up to them upon paying His Majesty's customs due. [1 p.]

[July.]

96. Petition of Robert Hawett, citizen and goldsmith of London, to Lord President of the Council, Manchester. Complains of the action of his Company in depriving him of a lease of a tenement held by him under them, though the custom is that one who is a brother ought to continue tenant before any other; such action being in contravention of the wills of the donors, and against the Act made, 43 Elizabeth, and the proclamation of 3 Jac. I., granted to redress the misemployment of lands, goods, and money given for charitable purposes, and contrary to the oath of the wardens of that Company. The Governors of the Company have not only divided the said tenement in contravention of his present Majesty's proclamation against dividing of tenements, but have taken away from petitioner one part of his house and let it to another, who is no freeman of the Company, but also demand from him an extraordinary fine, and rent for the other part. He has exhibited a petition to the Privy Council praying the Lords to call the wardens of the Company before them, and hear and relieve his grievances, in which he desires Manchester's assistance and furtherance. [1 p.]

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97. Petition of John Hichcokc to the same. In respect of his ancient service and hurts received in the reigns of Elizabeth and James, he was directed by the King's most gracious reference to apply to the Justices of the Peace of Essex, from which county he was pressed, for relief, being no longer able to serve or work. He showed the reference to the Justices of the Peace for aid, and they esteemed it but little, so he is like to perish. Prays a letter from his Honour to Lord Maynard and the other Justices for his speedy relief. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[July.]

98. Directions for Sir Arthur Ingram [Secretary to the Council of the North], deferring the hearing of a petition before the Privy Council, touching a matter in difference between John Lepton, Esq., and the Attorneys and Clerks of the Court at York, until Michaelmas Term, when a full hearing of the business is ordered for the 23rd of October, at Whitehall. In the meantime as well the making and drawing of bills and letters as the taking of the ancient and accustomed fees for the same are to be continued, and by order of February last is limited and prescribed. [1 p.]

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Aug. 5.

1. Certificate by the Commissioners for taxing and assessing the two first of the five subsidies granted by Parliament, Anno 4, Car. I. within the hundreds of Willey, Stodden, and Barford, Bedfordshire. That Edmund Church hath been inhabiting at Turvey and was taxed towards the subsidy which he hath paid. [1 p.]

Aug. 8.

E[dward, Earl of] D[orset], to [Sir] H[enry] G[arwaie], Alderman. Since my absence enables me not personally to assist your desire I hold it an obligation, being demanded, to give the best and most available counsel. I am sorry that the [Council] Board will intermeddle in matters of *meum et tuum*. The ordinary courses of justice are fittest to decide differences of that nature, yet I see the Board conceives themselves entitled to the audience of this particular. Your most speedy and safe way will be, in all humble and mannerly terms, to discover to their Lordships that the word "State" is only used to bolster out the business, and that the verity of their demand cannot appear but by a legal examination, the which must be inquired into upon oath, which the Board never administers in matters of money between party and party. Let, therefore, your study be to have the business referred to some court of justice, or at least to some private and select judges, who may award commission to inquire upon oath whether the [Levant] Company did give authority and command to disburse those monies, and whether really so much money has been expended as is demanded, and whether that was [spent] to the avail of the Company according to the extent of their directions. All this done and dutifully enforced with a promise to pay such as, upon trial, shall be found due; I make little question that the Lords will [not] uphold any one man in his extravagant demands before such a Company so well deserving of the commonwealth and so importing the State to cherish and countenance. The contrary whereof you may constantly pretend will much damnify the King and kingdom; if you shall have your purses subject to their disposal, or not to be allowed the ordinary due and usual way of law, especially where trust must be bolstered out with more pains than is fit for any of that Honourable Table to use. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 72.*]

Aug. 11.

2. Presentment at the Assizes and gaol-delivery for co. Devon held at the castle of Exeter, to the effect that James Glanvill, merchant, late of Plymouth, was set upon by John Johnson with a rapier and slain. [*Latin. Certified copy. 1½ pp.*]

Aug. 13.

3. Letters Patent notifying the leasing of certain woodlands and coppices comprising 708 acres and one rood, lying within Geddington Woods in the bailiwick of Brickstock, under the royal forest of Rockingham in co. Northampton, for which Edward Lord Montague of Boughton had paid 850*l.* into the Exchequer, and was to pay an annual rent of 10*l.*, holding the same land in free soccage, to him, his heirs, and executors. [*Latin. Draft. 3 pp.*]

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Aug. 16. Jersey. 4. Sir John Peyton to Secretary Conway. The next day after the Chevalier [de] Bremont was sent to England two Bretons escaped in a small boat to St. Malo. One of them who had known the Chevalier in the Isle of Rhé acquainted the Chief Magistrate of St. Malo with his meeting him in this isle, who forthwith sent post to the [French] King before Rochelle. Thus much I understood by a boat which brought over some English and Irish under a passport from Cardinal de Richelieu from St. Malo. The man styled Mons. Le Prior arrested at Granville by virtue of his commission two barks of this island and two of Guernsey with their lading. In our last letter Sir Philip [Carteret] and myself certified you of this man's protested design in general for Her Majesty's service. The work at Castle Elizabeth is begun according to the manner agreed upon and delineated by Mr. Borr. [*Seal with arms.* 2 pp.]
- Aug. 20. 5. Certificate by Sir Thomas Edmonds, Treasurer of the Household, and Sir Henry Vane, Cofferer of the same, appointed commissioners for taxing and levying of the two first of the five subsidies granted by Parliament, Anno 4, Car. I. That Dr. Poe, one of Her Majesty's doctors in physic, for the most part residing at Court, is valued at 20*l.* in fee. [1 p.]
- Aug. 22. 6. Certificate by the Earl of Pembroke of defects found in the companies assigned for the defence of the fort of Pendennis at a general muster taken 22nd August 1648. John Robins, now dwelling in the parish of St. Ivall [Eval] near Padstow, holds two tenements in the parish of Mylor, for which he has been rated a musket and corslet for His Majesty's service, but he refuses to provide any, though his means, by his neighbours' report, amount to more than 400*l.* a year. Narcissus Makepowder, deceased, did arm in the parish of Budock two muskets; his heir is fallen ward to the King and refuses to continue the arms. Richard Honycote refuses to provide a musket as formerly rated in the parish of Budock. *Endorsed*, "Received 3rd November 1628." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- Aug. 27. Jersey. 7. Sir Philip Carteret to Lord Conway. The person calling himself the Chevalier de Bremont has been sent to his Lordship in charge of Captain Frost. The ports in France are still strictly closed. As long as Rochelle shall hold out, these islands are not in danger. Want of pay for the soldiers at Jersey who have been here near 11 months and I have received only six months' pay for them. Progress of the works at Castle Elizabeth; we proceed as fast as we can, but winter comes on apace; what we do, although not perfected, shall be defensible. Desires a letter from the Council signifying His Majesty's pleasure so that the inhabitants may be stirred up to stand upon their guard; dangers daily increasing. [2 pp.]
- Aug. 30. At Court. 8. Henry, Earl of Danby, to James Earl of Carlisle, Ambassador Extraordinary [to Savoy]. Be pleased to accept these few lines

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as the messengers of my true love, which must follow you over those mountains. When Savoy hath showed his restless spirit, peradventure Rome itself will be made the subject of your survey. All Italy shall see you a true mountain, neither surprised nor misled with seemings or shows, but yielding to everything its true value. Make haste home where nobody shall bid you better welcome than your affectionate servant. [*Seal with coronet and arms. 1 p.*]

Aug. 31.  
Southwick.

9. William Earl of Pembroke, to James, Earl of Carlisle, Ambassador Extraordinary [to Savoy] at Venice. The fearful and fatal blow given to the Duke [of Buckingham] I am sure other pens will relate at large, which, when I consider the person [Felton] who acted it, and some other circumstances, grows every day more admirable [wonderful] unto me. This is no time now to follow your airy employments of Italy or to satisfy the curiosity of your sight. I pray hasten home, where you may do your master better service; and here is another occasion that spurs you,—my lady, your wife's sickness of the small-pox. As soon as I heard of it I sent post to see her, and Dr. Lister assures me that there is no danger of her life, and he hopes no hurt will fall to her face. The King, our master, begins to shine already, and I hope this next session to see a happy agreement between him and his people. God send you all happiness and soon hither.

[Aug.]

10. Petition of John Gace and William Beacham, bandoleer makers, to the Council. In October last, 1627, by your order, petitioners were enjoined every month to provide 1,000 bandoleers, according to a pattern then fixed upon; accordingly they provided about 5,000, which, if taken off their hands and money paid, more could have been furnished by them. Of late, 5,000 bandoleers have been imported from foreign parts to supply His Majesty's stores, which, being above the usual size, will prove unserviceable. In consideration that many native subjects will be thrown out of employment if these be permitted to be brought from foreign parts, and that above 400*l.* is owing to petitioners for bandoleers already delivered, they pray that payment may be made for those delivered, and those already provided be taken off their hands into His Majesty's stores of the Office of the Ordnance. [1 *p.*]

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11. Two other copies of the same. [2 *pp.*]

[Aug.]

12. Certificate by James Hayes, of London, merchant, trading in tobacco, to the Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, and others of the Council. That by order of 5th November last the matters in question between Thomas Cocke and [Charles] Lloyd, defendant, being referred to me and John Saller, merchant, we called the parties before us on the 28th January, and do find that the defendant became bound to the plaintiff in 200*l.* 19*s.*, as in the bill is specified for the making up of 12,057 lbs. of tobacco at the rate of 4*d.* per lb. The depositions show that the tobacco was well made up and was well worth 4*d.* per lb. Proportion allowed to

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those who make up the tobacco into rolls for loss, damage, and waste, according to the custom of the trade. The plaintiff offered to make oath that he did at first consent that the complainant should keep the same [waste] to his own use, but defendant refused to accept thereof and would not pay the money in question, he being a very rich man and the complainant a poor man. And therefore it was the defendant's default that we could not [conclude the business] which was the cause that the other referee [John Sadler] did not join with me herein. [*Damaged by damp.* 1 p.]

Aug. 13. Verses made [on the assassination] of the Duke of Buckingham, commencing,—

“Pale death with iron hand hath struck a blow,  
And in earth's dusky caverns sunk below  
A little world that dained to soar more high  
Than his orison or the fle[et]ing sky.  
His courting Lady-hand with little ease  
Disastrously could span our Albion seas,  
Our hrazen wall danced on the brinish wave,  
Thinking through him Europe to outbrave.”

These are followed by 36 more lines in like metre, after which is a rhyming dialogue between Charon and the Duke. At Portsmouth,—

Charon—

“Duke, I will no longer stay,  
My boat 's at hand, now therefore come away,

Duke—

Who calls great George?

Charon—

'Tis Charon that commands  
Thy guilty ghost to go; him none commands.”

These are followed by 20 more like lines and the paper ends with the following verse—

“Awake sad Britain and advance at last  
Thy drooping head, let all thy sorrows past  
Be choked and drowned in thine own tears, and now  
Overlook thy foes with a triumphant brow.  
Thy foe, Spain's agent, Holland's bane, Rome's friend,  
By one victorious hand received his end.  
Live ever Felton! for thou hast brought to dust  
Treason, ambition, murder, pride, and lust.”

[2½ pp.]

[Aug. ?] 14. Brief biographical notice of the youth and early life of George, Duke of Buckingham. He was son of Sir George Villiers, knight, and Mary, now Countess of Buckingham [ob. 1632], daughter of Anthony Beaumont, Esq., of Cold Overton, co. Leicester, his second wife. [1¼ pp.]

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15. Lord Henry Percy to his brother-[in-law James, Earl of Carlisle, at Venice]. I believe it will be news, and I have cause to imagine it will not be displeasing for your Lordship to hear that the desirer and plotter of your ruin and destruction [the Duke of Buckingham] is possessed with a death not unfit for him, because correspondent to his life, which was granted by all men to be

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dishonourable and odious. To particularise his death I think were somewhat impertinent, because not so advantageous to your Lordship as troublesome. Therefore I will only specify some generalities that may give you some light of the whole business. The time was on Saturday morning at ten o'clock, being the 22nd of August. Place, at Portsmouth, in his lodging. The man, a lieutenant, whose name is "Felthon." Instrument, a knife; wounded into the left pap and so to the heart. The manner of this action; as the Duke was talking with Colonel Friar [Sir Thomas Fryer] this "Felthon" being behind watched his opportunity, so that just at their salutation he, reaching over Friar's shoulder, gave him his mortal blow, so that after it he spake only two words and one oath, which was, "God's wounds, you rogue," [and then] took the knife out and fell; so this was the end of the great usurper. The man was taken because he never sought to escape. Now the reason that moved him to this execution is inquired after, and as he confesseth *causa prima*, was reading of the Remonstrance; but I believe there was some private discontent mingled with it, as the missing of his captain's place and some other petty disgraces, which did goad him on to this enterprise, for so it doth appear by circumstances. Now the act is finished really that hath been long desired, we listen how the King and Queen are moved with it, as for all the rest we are satisfied. For the King it is reported that he doth not apprehend it so sensibly as was expected, and is commended to carry it very discreetly, though he were sad and troubled, either really or in show, but I think both, because at the first he might take it very tenderly and sensibly, but I believe his *secundæ cogitationes* were more judicial and resolute. The Queen, in obedience, must parallel herself in lamentation, and certainly it is rather out of discretion than out of a true sensation of his death. I need not tell you that she is glad of it for you must imagine as much. His corpse came into London (on Sunday night the last of August) in great pomp, in the which the King's commandment was fulfilled. The next thing that we inquire after is what alterations and innovations this will produce, whether we shall have another favourite, or who is likely to be or who pretends. It is thought that Holland doth pretend most, though he hath no great reason. Then whether the King hath an inclination to [super]intend his business himself or to rely upon one or two particular men who shall despatch all, or else leave it wholly to his Council, which if he doth, many had need to be turned out, because they will have no use of ciphers. But now the King is resolved to employ himself most, and by that, to satisfy the people that the Duke was but his instrument, to execute his commands, by the which he will show how wrongfully he was taxed. We consider next how his places shall be disposed of; then, first for the Admiralty, the King will have it to be executed by Commission, and the Commissioners are the [Lords] Treasurer, Steward, Dorset and Savage, the revenue of which shall be employed for the paying of the Duke's debts. For the Mastership of the Horse, it is not as yet disposed of, nor like to be, though there will not want pretenders, and Holland is the chiefest,

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but my Lord Goring said that the Marquis of Hamilton shall have the refusal. Roper's office the King hath bestowed upon the Duchess [of Buckingham] either for life or during pleasure, and I believe she will find it an excellent cordial, because the gold will be most predominant. The Chancellorship of Cambridge hath been aimed at by many, as Suffolk, Berkshire, Salisbury, Montgomery, Bishop of Lincoln, and others, but the King has written for Holland. The Bishop of Lincoln, who had the bailiwick of Westminster in his gift, hath bestowed it upon my Lord of Holland. It is thought the [Lord] Treasurer will have the greatest power with the King, then consequently the Popish faction will be much exalted (for he will bring in [the Earls of] Arundel, Bristol, and Sir Francis Cottington his great friend) without they have great resistance. Therefore all we, your friends and servants, think the time long until your Lordship is arrived, both for your own happiness, and the prosperity both of Church and State, which were never known to suffer by your counsel. There happened a strange and execrable accident the first of this month to [Fulke Greville] Lord Brooke, who received two stabs with a knife from one of his chamber tousing his points, and it is believed to be mortal, the occasion no man certainly knows, but we imagine it to be discontent; the actor presently did butcher himself with the same knife, so that we fear this [practice] will shortly come into fashion. Dorset hath neither pleased the Queen nor her Court this journey, so that I believe they will make him weary of his employment shortly. My Lord, I am but a young rhetorician and a younger statish, therefore, if you should expect to find policy refined where it was never sifted, you would deceive yourself and wrong me, for then your expectations and my intentions would be different, so that I humbly request that your Lordship will expect nothing here from me but the expressions of a true and entire heart, which aims at nothing but the prosperity, happiness, and honour of your Lordship. Your wife, my sister, fell sick of the [small]-pox on Tuesday was seven-night; she hath them very full, and they came forth very well, so that there is no danger except from her unruliness. She lies at Holmby [Holdenby, co. Northants]. When the Queen parted from her, the Queen was extremely troubled both with tears and discontent, which hath possessed all her friends.

*Postscript.*—I will only say this now or never. [2 pp.]

Sept. 3.  
Court at  
Farnham.

16. Sir Robert Aiton to James, Earl of Carlisle, Ambassador Extraordinary in Italy. Wishes for his speedy return. The general news, which is the assassination of the Duke of Buckingham, includes all. The state of things as yet is so raw that no discourse can express it to your Lordship. Your absence and the sickness of your lady do infinitely perplex your friends, and none more than that incomparable princess our Queen and mistress. I need not assure you of her care of you at this time, I hope she hath done it by her own hand, but what lies in me you may be confident of. The King seems not to be wishing to bestow in haste any of the Duke's charges. I hope you may come in time to the dividing of

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them, and howsoever the Earl of Holland would fain have the world to think that he shall be the Duke's heir, that you may have your share both in the Duke's preferments and the King's favour. Haste, good my Lord, and make all your friends happy in your speedy return. [*Seal with arms. 2 pp.*]

Sept. 16.  
London.

17. George, Lord Goring, to the Earl of Carlisle, Ambassador Extraordinary at Venice. Let not Captain John Wood's impertinent haste make you believe that the least neglect could be in me to your service, who was employed in a sad journey to my dear mistress [your wife] then at the danger of death. This comes by the packet of the Venetian ambassador, hazarded to all winds and passages, therefore no more than of necessity I must, till my way be more secure. Your lady, my mistress, is recovered miraculously, and not a whit marked with that venomous beast [the small-pox]; this week she intends to be at London, and the next with the Countess of Berkshire to air herself there awhile before returning to her sacred mistress to whom she is so infinitely bound and with whom she daily grows in height of favour as with all others to whom she is so well known. This blessed Queen is your Lordship's really, and after such a manner hath she expressed her trust and value of you to the King as deserves your acknowledgment for the same in a high degree. She tells me the King hath written for you, and she therefore expects you with all possible speed, as all the rest of your good friends do. Here is yet a calm in our affairs at home, no place of consequence disposed of nor resolution therein save only for the Admiralty which shall be governed by Commission, and the revenue thereof so added to the Crown, as I believe it will hardly be severed again, for 30,000*l.* or 40,000*l.* per annum is more than a song to part withal. The Mastership of the Horse it is thought shall help to horse the Lady Marquess, but as yet the Lord Marquis [Hamilton] is not heard of. As you love yourself, honour and substance or both, hasten home with all diligence, and let no foreign consideration detain you an hour. Our fleet set sail from Portsmouth on Sunday the 7th instant, and on Tuesday the other part thereof, which was at Plymouth met therewith, and away they sailed together without any stay at all, it consisted of above 140 sail excellently provided. Every day now we attend news of the success. The Venetian ambassador here doth earnestly and affectionately solicit a peace between these two crowns of England and France, and on Sunday last he had no displeasing answer from His Majesty here, but the success thereof must refer to that of the fleet before Rochelle. Our [Lord] Treasurer [Richard Lord Weston] is the most potent man in this State, and the more likely to hold so because he is both honest and able, nor is he the worse for being our friend. But to the old burden of my song, again, I say, come unto me, make haste and do not stay. My Lord of Holland, I will witness with him, did write to you, carefully and friendly, but Captain John [Wood, the messenger sent to you] used him like the rest and out-rode his servant, whom he posted away with all diligence after him. Let

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old friends meet and close again, and if omissions have been, let us imitate our maker and forgive, 'tis good physic and lasting. It is now 11 o'clock, and the ambassador sends for my letter, wherefore I have done, and must omit much of importance, because I have neither time nor confidence that this will safely fall into your hands. Let [my son] George attend you home and leave off his further journey up into Italy, for now the case is altered much since that was my purpose. [*Two seals with arms. 2 pp.*]

Sept. 18. The King to Sir Allen Apsley, &c. Commission for the sale of prize goods. The date of this was altered, see 11th October 1628. [*Copy. Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 70b.*]

Sept. 20. The King to Sir Henry Marten. Commission to exercise the place of judicature for Admiralty causes. [*Copy. Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 70.*]

Sept. 20. Commission to grant letters of marque against Spain. Copy of Vol. CXVII., No. 39. [*Copy. Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 68.*]

Sept. 22. 18. Sir Philip Carteret to Lord Conway. Details the bad  
Jersey. behaviour of the soldiers in general, and refers him to the bearer, Mr. Yonger (a lieutenant). Complains of having no proper means of punishing them. Expense to himself for the surgeon's bill. Wants the soldiers' pay. Finds the people stubborn. What allowance he made to the inhabitants for the soldiers billeted on them. The choice of a jurat falling on his brother and Philip Maret he thinks they may both be spared from that office. [*Seal, with device. 3 pp.*]

Sept. 28. 19. William, Earl of Pembroke, to James, Earl of Carlisle. We  
Hampton Court. have as yet heard no news from Rochelle; if that prospers, I doubt not but all our affairs will turn to good. We are now all busy at this place about settling the clock, as our old master [James I.] was wont to term it, and I can assure you our young master governs like a will[ing] and steady prince. Your wife is now well at Penshurst; the small-pox hath but kissed her face. *Post-script.*—I pray leave your "trittle trattle trollilollies and come to us." [*Seal, with crest and coronet. 1 p.*]

Sept. 29. 20. Sir Robert Aiton to [James, Earl of Carlisle]. Urges him to  
Hampton Court. hasten his return home. You are here generally wished for as the man upon whose counsel the King hath both most reason and most inclination to rely on. All things are in suspense, and it seems that he will have need of one to prompt him, and to take him off of these impressions which have been given him by the man that is gone [Duke of Buckingham]. The Lord Treasurer [Weston] is the man who hath most sway in business as yet, and as I hear he is your very good friend. My Lord Marquis [Hamilton] is sent for, and if he will cohabit with his wife shall have the Mastership of the



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Horse as is thought. There is a Commission for the examining and directing of the affairs of the Admiralty, and some are appointed to treat with Rosencrantz [the Danish Ambassador] who is come hither again from the King of Denmark. It is not yet resolved whether the Parliament shall sit or be put off till March. We have received no news from Rochelle, though it be now 20 days since the fleet went forth. Your lady has recovered both her health and beauty beyond expectation, and will be ready to wait at Court on your return. She is still the only woman in the Queen's affection, and I am persuaded that you are the man about the King that her Majesty doth wish best to. I doubt not you have heard of Lord Brooke's [Fulke Greville] misfortune some months ago in being treacherously stabbed by his own man in two places, and though the wounds be not mortal he hath much ado to recover his health. William Murray is also sick of the small-pox, but is now out of danger. I send you some verses which I wrote upon the Duke [of Buckingham's] death; they are here generally well taken, but I had rather have your approbation than a whole Court's besides. I doubt not but before this bearer goes away there will be news from Rochelle, and also some determination for the Parliament, but he calls upon me, and I cannot let him go empty. [2 pp.] *Enclosed,*

20. I. *Verses in Latin on the death of the Duke of Buckingham, headed: "De cæde Ducis Buckinghamii execrando parricidio interempti." They consist of 34 hexameter and pentameter lines, commencing,—*

"Dum Marte amissos reparaturus Marte triumphos  
Magnaque stat ductu classis itura tuo;  
Fit tibi pro lauro merces Dux magne cupressus  
Classis et officium Cymba Charontis obit."

[1 p.]

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Hampton  
Court.

21. George, Lord Goring, to James, Earl of Carlisle. With much ado we have now despatched your servant Charles, and herein the Earl of Holland has co-operated in a high degree, and, indeed, is so in all that concerns you, much to my comfort, for so should old friends live. The Queen, my sacred mistress, is beyond measure yours, and daily gives such testimony thereof, as you will best find the effects at your return. She commanded me to tell you how constantly kind our blessed King and master is to you, and to confirm the same hath here sent you a *petit mot* under her own sweet hand; but no more of this till meeting, lest the sense thereof in such a glowing heart as yours is and in so hot a climate [as Italy] may calature your constitution; let it suffice you are an honest man, or else it were impossible so much good could befall you. As you love your country, honour, and friends, make haste home for it concerns all; you have leave, therefore stay not. As for your going to Rome I know you [are] too wise a man considering whom you represent and at what time. Cave, cave! The day appointed for the Parliament is not yet [fixed], but my mind gives me it will be adjourned within three days till January. Here is

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no news of our fleet, but hourly it is expected. The Marquis de Trois Châteaux of Lorraine is now returning with this bearer, who is your most affectionate servant, and sings your dues throughout. Trust me, my Lord, he hath served you here like a true friend and discreet man, for which I will ever be his faithful slave. We are here in a dead calm, and so I believe [it] shall hold for a time; not a place as yet disposed of, nor any the least change in counsel, but to my singular comfort I begin to see fair hopes that our blessed master will guide his own people himself his own way, which when they shall once find him busied in he will find no hard work to attain, and that in such a perfection as all the world shall ring thereof. He that will undertake to write dogmatically of other nearer passages is no friend of mine; a little time more may do that which this day cannot. Peace is infinitely desired on all parts, which I believe you find with you better than we here, Savoy excepted, whose iron must ever be kept hot. Your lady is now at Penshurst very well, and in no danger of an imprinted face [by the small-pox]. Her own letters will further show you that she is yours cap-à-pie. The Queen sends day and night to her, and longs most impatiently for her return to Court. My hope is to see you so soon that I will now only conclude with my thanks for your favour to my [son] George. *Postscript.*—The Lord Treasurer told me just now he would write to you, and vowed himself to be your most affectionate friend. Ten days since I wrote to you by the packet of the Venetian ambassador. [*Seal with arms.* 2 pp.]

Sept. 29.  
Hampton  
Court.

22. Sir Francis Nethersole to James, Earl of Carlisle. This bearer will deliver to you so many letters from those who give me information either concerning your private or the public affairs that it were folly in me to trouble you with particulars of either kind. I need only say, in a general way, that every day which passes since the great change [by the assassination of Buckingham], of which I hope I gave you the first certainty, confirms me in the opinion I then conveyed of the need of your speedy return hither as much for His Majesty's good as your own. I shall expect your return with impatience. [*Seal with crest broken.* 1 p.]

Sept. 30.  
From the Fleet.

23. John Clotworthy to John Leech. Prays him to disburse 100*l.* to his brother [James Franck] upon their joint security. *Subjoined,*

23. 1. *Receipts by James Franck for two sums, one of 20*l.* and the other of 70*l.*, received of John Leech. Authorisation by John Clotworthy for the advance of 100*l.* more to his brother, James Franck.* [= 2 pp.]

[Sept.]

24. Henry Gybb to Mr. Wyld [William Weld], Secretary to Lord Conway. These are to entreat you to move Lord Conway to procure His Majesty's letters to the Bishop of Durham in behalf of Anthony Maxton, a very sufficient man and late Chaplain to the King when he was Duke of York, for a prebend's

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place in Durham, which shall first fall, they all being in the Bishop's gift. [*Seal, broken.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Oct. 1.  
Hampton  
Court.

25. Sir Theodore Mayerne to James, Earl of Carlisle, Ambassador at Venice. In my last I apprised you that your wife the Countess was sick of the small-pox which she contracted at Holmby. This is to inform you of her convalescence, and that it has left scarcely a mark. My belief is that this malady will much benefit her health, the blood remaining perfectly purified by so great ebullition. She is gone to recruit at Penshurst with the Countess of Leicester, her sister. Madame, your daughter, is not in so good state. We here have been alarmed for yourself, having heard that having lost a nephew you were detained sick at Venice. The King and Queen are in good health. The Parliament is adjourned till the 20th of January next. All these kingdoms are anxious for the success of the Rochelle expedition. May God turn all things for good, and give us peace. [*Seal with arms. French.* 3 pp.]

Oct. 6. 26. Henry, Earl of Danby, to Lord Conway. Necessity of  
Cornbury Park. maintaining martial law in the Channel Islands during the war with France. Desires Conway's protection for the Commissioners entrusted with its execution in Guernsey, so that nothing may pass to their prejudice at the Council table. It seems the inhabitants, conceiving this may cause some prejudice to their late large charters, intend to petition for the revocation or suspence of that authority without consideration of their dangerous estate at this time. [*Seal with crest.* 1 p.]

[Oct. 18.] 27. Notes by Secretary Coke touching the impost levied on playing cards. A corporation was granted by his now Majesty to the Company of Makers of Playing Cards. They paid to His Majesty 2s. upon the gross, which is 12 dozen pair, and 12*d.* to the Receiver of this duty for receiving and for sealing of the cards. They had then no exportation, and the importation of foreign cards was burdened by their charter. The benefit of the 2s. was let to Mr. Cogan for 50*l.* per annum. The custom which now he receives in lieu of that 50*l.* is about seven or eight hundred pounds. *Query.*—What defalcation is made by the Farmers of the Customs for this? Also, by what warrant the Customers or Farmers allow Mr. Cogan these customs on the cards? [ $2\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

[Oct. 23.] 28. Reasons against Henry Gibb's unjust pretensions. [*See* Vol. CXIX., No. 21.] He being in trust in the Earl of Argyle's affairs before and after his Lordship went out of the country, did make suit to King James for the custody of Aisly [Ashley], and after finding the possession pleasing and tempting, sought of His Majesty a gift of it, pretending for safety to make it more secure to the former custody, and that still [to hold it for] the Lords Argyle's and Cantire's use and utility. [1 p.]

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[Oct. 23.] 29. Petition of James Campbell, Baron of Cantire, second son of Archibald, Earl of Argyle, to the King. That Sir Michael Stanhope being possessed of the messuage called Ashley, and other lands in Surrey, by leases under the Crown, did, in consideration of 4,000*l.* paid to him by your suppliant's father, convey the same for the remainder of the term of their leases to him. Shortly after your suppliant's father was employed about divers public affairs in Scotland, and Mr. Henry Gibb finding that these leases contained a clause of forfeiture for non-payment of the rent, being 6*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* per annum, which, not having been paid on the appointed days during his father's employment in Scotland, Gibb obtained a new lease of the premises from His Majesty. This Gibb lately surrendered for other considerations. In consideration that these omissions of payment of rent occurred during your suppliant's infancy and the absence of his father in Scotland on your Majesty's service, he beseeches your Majesty to restore and confirm him in his former estate in the premises and to give warrants to that purpose to the Attorney-General. [1 *p.*]

[Oct. 29.] 30. Articles objected by the Commissioners for Causes Ecclesiastical against Henry Burton, Clerk, Parson of St. Matthew's, Friday Street, London:—1. That by the injunctions made in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and confirmed by a decree in Star Chamber, 28 Elizabeth, now in force, it is ordained that all persons uttering, causing to be imprinted or sold, any book which has not been first viewed or allowed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London, or some person authorised by them, shall be proceeded against and punished according to that decree, and we do object that you do know or have been informed of its contents. 2. That you have heard that the late King James by proclamation dated at Hampton Court, 25th September, 21 Jac., did make known his great dislike against printing and publishing of books without license, not only ratifying the said decree of Star Chamber, but by proclamation signifying that either by the Court of Star Chamber or High Commission respectively, the penalties therein mentioned should be inflicted upon the offenders, and to have them further censured as by either of these Courts should be thought meet, we further object that his present Majesty King Charles upon his accession did by proclamation ratify all his father's acts and decrees, and those of his Privy Council, and that you, Henry Burton, did know the premises to be true. 3. We article and object that notwithstanding you have since 20th December 1623, without license or warrant, caused sundry books of your own making to be imprinted and published before they were viewed or licensed, and that you have given or sold and disposed of 1,000, 500, 100, 50, 30, 20, or at least ten several copies contrary to the decree of Star Chamber, and expressly against these proclamations as, viz., a book entitled "Israel's Fast," "The trial of Private Devotions," "A Plea to an Appeal," "The baiting of the Pope's Bull," "The Seven Vials," and sundry other books of the like titles, which you ought not to have caused to be printed and published without first

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being perused and licensed. And we do require you to declare upon oath the names of such persons as you have employed in the printing and publishing of these books respectively or any of them. 4. *Item.*—That all and singular the premises were and are the true published names and descriptions, &c. *Signed by* Dr. Rives and the Administrator, Thomas Ralley. [For Burton's answer to these articles, see Vol. CXIX., No. 58. 2¼ pp.]

[Oct.]

Officers of the Navy to the Commissioners for the Admiralty. Present for their Lordships' consideration the ancient customs practised in the office of the Navy. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 68b.*]

Nov. 1.

31. Petition of Thomas Potts and David Ramsay, His Majesty's servants to the King. Pray a grant under letters patents empowering them to receive all the arrearages and money set in super upon the late Otho Nicholson's accompt, as receiver of the compositions for your Majesty's assart lands, wastes, and purprestures which ought to have been paid into the Exchequer in King James's reign, and that his executors may be rendered accountable for, and required to satisfy such sums as were trusted upon bonds by him without warrant in his commission. Petitioners engage to prosecute the collection of these moneys at their own charges, paying one-sixth which they shall so obtain to your Majesty and satisfying Mrs. Levingstone all money due by virtue of King James' grant to her. *Underwritten,*

31. 1. *Signification of His Majesty's pleasure that certificate be made by the Attorney-General what is meet for His Majesty to do herein for petitioners, whereupon he will declare his further pleasure. Court at Whitehall, 1st November 1628. [1 p.]*

Nov. 1.

32. Certificate by Sir Hugh Hamersley, Lord Mayor of London, Sir Heneage Finch, Recorder, Henry Garwaie, Sheriff, and two Aldermen. In support of the petition to the King by Robert Alte on behalf of the Spectacle makers of London, upon reference from the King. We think favourably of their request to be incorporated as like to encourage them in their trade, increase their numbers, and reform many abuses. *Underwritten,*

32. 1. *His Majesty having seen the above certificate is pleased to grant their request, and the Attorney-General is to prepare a grant accordingly. [1 p.]*

Nov. 1.

33. Petition of Sir Richard Fleetwood, Knight and Baronet, to the King. Having some few years past become bound with others for Edmond Breres, deceased, for 2,000*l.*, he preferred his bill in Chancery to be received by way of contribution, which way was approved by most of the creditors as being the speediest way to satisfy them. This cause is to be heard next Hilary term, when petitioner's presence will be required for instruction of his counsel.

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Fearing that some violent proceedings might be had against him, he prays His Majesty's protection until the end of next term. *Underwritten,*

33. 1. *Reference to the Privy Council to take such order herein for petitioner as they shall think fit. Court at Whitehall, 1st November 1628. [1 p.]*

Nov. 1.

34. Petition of Mary, daughter and heiress of Anthony and Antonina Atkinson, deceased, to the King. That her mother obtained your Majesty's letters, dated 17th October, 2 Car., requiring the Lord Deputy of Ireland that a speedy trial might be had in the Ecclesiastical Court there, for determining the legality of marriage of her mother, who after long debate obtained sentence that she was the lawful wife of Anthony, and her children his lawful issue. Yet through the power of her adversaries, they being rich and she suing in *forma pauperis*, could not obtain the lands to be given to her. Prays that as her legitimacy was established by sentence in the Irish Prerogative Court, the lands which her father died seised of may be passed to her without any unnecessary delay. *Underwritten,*

34. 1. *Reference to Viscount Conway to take into consideration this petition, and His Majesty's former direction therein, and to prepare a letter for signature. Whitehall, 1st November 1628. [1 p.]*

Nov. 2.  
Sherborne.

35. John, Earl of Bristol, to [Secretary Conway]. I would have you to understand that I esteem my obligation to you in my unfortunate businesses of late, no less than if I had obtained my desires. I shall presume to crave your advice, for being by His Majesty himself referred to you for answer, it befits me to move your Lordship therein. On the other side I am nice to seem importunate, and therefore have given this bearer, Mr. Gresley, order to wait upon you and to move in those businesses according to your direction. I shall faithfully and really make good those professions of love and friendship upon which you and I last parted. [1 p.]

Nov. 8.

Rules and directions for the guidance of the Officers of the Navy in the pay and survey of His Majesty's ships and stores, submitted by the four principal Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty, with a note subjoined expressing their approval of the same. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 133 b.*]

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Same as the preceding. [*Ibid., fol. 69b.*]

Nov. 12.

36. Examination of Jacob Gardner, Clerk, curate of the parish church of St. Peter, in Cornhill, London, in answer to certain objections made against him before Dr. Arthur Duck, vicar to William Laud, Bishop of London. That he was appointed curate of St. Peter's by Mr. Fairfax, parson of the same, and preaches two

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sermons weekly, as two several lectures, one on Thursday and the other on Sunday afternoon. The Bishop having been displeased at his holding the chapel of Anstey, in co. Coventry, he has transferred the duties and stipend to Mr. Wing, although the same was considered to be a donative, and that the Lord Keeper refused to admit or confirm his intended resignation in favour of Mr. Wing. [2½ pp.]

[Nov. 12.] 37. Extract from a return amongst the records of first fruits and tenths of 26 Henry VIII., in co. Warwick, in which John Oley is named as stipendiary in Anstey. [This probably has reference to the above case of Jacob Gardner.] [1 p.]

Nov. 22. 38. Sir John Peyton and Sir Philip Carteret to Lord Conway.  
Jersey. Preparations of the French in and about the river of Rouen, where 100 ships and barques are stayed, and ordnance is sent down from Paris. Project of the King of France's brothers and the Duke of Guise for invading the Channel Islands. The attempt is to be made first at Guernsey, the wind favouring, if not, their landing to be on the western part of this isle. Our wants are best known to you, and how unable we are to resist a powerful enemy. *Postscript.*—We are despatching a messenger into those parts of Normandy. [Two seals with arms and crest. 1 p.]

Nov. 23. 39. Heraldic certificate specifying the family alliances, arms, and family of Sir Ralph De la Vale, knight, son of Sir Robert De la Vale, of Seaton Delaval, co. Northumberland, ob. 24th November 1628. *In margin:* Shields of arms of the De la Vale, Selby, Bowes, and Hedworth families. [1 p.]

Nov. 24. 40. Edward Sackville, Earl of Dorset, to [James, Earl of Carlisle, at Venice]. If I could have wrought miracles you then should have been transported hither in the instant after that deplorable murder committed on the person of the late Duke [of Buckingham]. A mutation of Princes causes great changes and alterations in the ensuing government; yea, my Lord, you can well apprehend that the death of so powerful a man opened the way to new courses and new resolutions. The affection I have ever borne your person made me heartily desire your presence here, both for your own particular and for knowledge of your great abilities, both natural and acquired, wherewith, in this new world and face of things, you might so worthily have assisted His Majesty, and so much benefited the Commonwealth; for, my Lord, the happy conclusion of all actions depends originally upon first and solid counsels; your long experience of Court and no less of foreign parts gives you the advantage over most, and I know your heart to be so rightly disposed as both King and country should have received much profit by your being here. The happiness of this land is such as it never enjoyed, yet a King so capable of good counsel, so patient to hear truth, so loving justice, so discerning right, and so zealously affecting the good of his people. These rare virtues give more

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than bare hopes that once again this kingdom shall flourish notwithstanding all our last seven years' unfortunate undertakings. Already His Majesty hath given demonstration that he covets nothing more than the love and goodwill of his people, and to that purpose it is now all the business of the time so to prepare things against the nigh approaching session [of Parliament], [that] the end thereof may be a day of jubilee by striking a covenant between Sovereign and subject of continual peace and happiness. All tend to contribute their endeavours, and the greatest infidels are become right believers. God I hope will give us his blessing, and endorse my prayers to see you here speedily. In the interim, if I may do you any acceptable service, there lies not in your power a way wherein more really you may oblige me than to command the performance of it. [4 pp.]

Nov. 24.  
Turin.

41. James Traill to James, Earl of Carlisle. This letter shall be a prayer and thanksgiving that for your Lordship's safe and prosperous journey [home], the [latter] for Viscount Doncaster's convalescence. My Lord Wake [Sir Isaac Wake, Ambassador to Savoy], tells me that you signified to him we should not depart hence until we heard from you. This being more than was enjoined to me, should make me perplexed what to do, were it not I hope to hear from you before we can be ready. *Postscript.*—Mr. [F. B.] Figon thankfully acknowledges your favours. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

Nov. 30.  
Castle Cornet.

42. Captain Nathaniel Darell to Viscount Conway. Encloses letter from Sir Philip Carteret. Arrival of Captain Daniel Goodrick with 22 soldiers, after a stormy passage in the "Anthony," of London, appointed for the fire works, having lost in a storm the fleet. Damage sustained by his vessel. Upon the news from Sir Philip I thought fit to stay Captain Goodrick's company, until your pleasure should be known, apprehending ourselves to be in imminent danger [from invasion], and considering that by aid of those officers and soldiers we might be better able to defend ourselves. I would gladly have the refusing of this ship at a price [to be fixed] for she is not in case to go to sea, and I have already disbursed 10*l.* for her use, besides 20*l.* for Captain Goodrick and his company as pay, in regard the bailiff and justices will not relieve those men with victuals or lodging. They have been here 14 days wind bound. [*Seal, with arms and crest.* 2 pp.]

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43. Petition of Robert Poore, Under Sheriff of co. Southampton, to Secretary Conway. Has by Council warrant received from Sir John Jephson, knight, three Frenchmen named in that warrant, and who have continued in his custody ever since 9th September, at his great cost. There being now a new sheriff elected, prays that he may be freed from that charge, and the Frenchmen otherwise disposed of by your warrant, and his costs allowed out of the Exchequer. *Underwritten,*

43. I. Messrs. Bremond and De la Touche. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]



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44. Petition of John Johnson to Secretary Conway. That Richard Wainwright had disclosed to him a business of great importance for England, and the preservation of His Majesty's person. Secondly, it would be a good means to bring more to the Protestant religion, and to confound all Jesuits and priests, in respect that Wainwright knows all those who frequent this kingdom. If it please you to speak with him on this business he will give you satisfaction at large. [1 p.]

Dec. 3.  
Whitehall.

45. Order by the Privy Council. That the Council of War shall take into consideration without delay the best measures for the defence of Guernsey and Jersey. This day letters having been presented to the Board as well from Sir John Peyton and Sir Philip de Carteret signifying strong preparations against Jersey as also from Captain Nathaniel Darell concerning the state of Guernsey, and of the late arrival of Captain Goodrick with 22 soldiers in the "Anthony" of London, it is thought fit that these be taken into consideration. [1 p.]

[Dec. 5.]

46. Order of the Council of War. That Captain John Mason, Treasurer and Paymaster of the Army, shall make a list of such officers as have pay due to them and require the production of their warrants to be produced before the Council. That Captain Mason do set down apart the names of such officers as were employed in the Cadiz voyage, and then those in the voyage to the Isle of Rhé, and lastly those employed to Rochelle; but so as the names of those employed in either of the former voyages, but who have since withdrawn from the King's service be left out and presented apart. Captain Mason is further to certify what officers have for His Majesty's service quitted their places of service in other parts, as likewise which of them have received any rewards or recompenses extraordinary, to the end that a due consideration may be had in order to give an equal and proportionable satisfaction to every man. [Draft. 1 p.]

Dec. 11.  
Westminster.

The King to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. Commission for review or appeal of sentences in the Admiralty. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., Admiralty Collections, fol. 73.*]

Dec. 11.  
Westminster.

The King to Sir Allen Apsley. Commission to make sale of prize goods and ships which might be brought into English ports belonging to subjects of the Kings of France or Spain. [*Ibid, fol. 74.*]

[Dec. 14.]

47. Petition of Robert Stick and Andrew Sollas, late Constables of Cirencester, co. Gloucester, to the Council. Touching the prosecution of a suit between them and Thomas and John Webb, Richard Talbois their solicitor, and Isaac Creme, their attorney, Defendants. The Lords granted their warrant against the Defendants for their contempt in prosecuting an action at common

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law against petitioners for taking a post horse from Thomas Webb for the King's service by virtue of Secretary Conway's warrant. That Talbois in contempt of the late Lord President of the Council's commands has since gotten the Postea to be returned, and doth still prosecute execution thereof. Pray to be relieved of their expenses and costs in this action, and that Talbois may be punished for his contempt. [1 p.]

Dec. 15. 48. Certificate of the Commissioners [for the Loan] in Surrey. That Henry Bowlton *alias* Bowghton, and three others named, are all one and the same men, and that the error was in the Assessor's return. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Dec. 15.] 49. Order for the election of Proctors in the several Colleges of the University of Oxford, as altered, *see* Vol. CXXII., No. 44. [Copy.  $1\frac{1}{3}$  pp.]

Dec. 19. 50. Memorandum concerning a new building erected by Arthur Cundall upon His Majesty's own ground near the Parliament stairs [adjoining the Old Palace of Westminster] to the annoyance of the King's passage that way, and offence of divers gentlemen dwelling in those parts, whereof the Council Board taking notice hath at several times commanded Cundall to desist from the work, *see* 14th September 1627. *In margin*: I think the complainants were Sir Randall Crew and Henry Elsynge, Clerk of Parliaments. *Dorso*,

[50. 1. *For Mr. Knyvett, Clerk of the Parliaments.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Dec. 20. 51. Petition of Matthew Cassemart, or Cassermare, a French Captain in these two last expeditions to Rochelle, to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. That he has been employed in these two last actions since 2nd March till this present. His ship, the "Elizabeth," of 40 tons, with his company, was pressed for His Majesty's service, as the Earls of Denbigh and Lindsey can witness. Having in the service employed all his means he is now with his family brought to extreme poverty. Prays them to give order that he may be recompensed for the victuals spent, and for the time, pains, and labour of himself and his company as others have been. *Subjoined*,

51. 1. *Their Lordships say that no foreigner hath at any time been pressed for His Majesty's service, and conceive this petitioner cannot by the orders of the Navy be paid as he desireth, he having never been taken into the fleet by order, but gone with it for his own good and the preservation of his friends and associates. Whitehall, 20th December 1628.* [1 p.]

Dec. 20. 52. Sir John Peyton to the Privy Council. Represents to their  
Jersey. Lordships the difficulty of making the inhabitants provide against invasion, and requires to know the Governor's power therein. Advice out of Normandy of preparations making there against

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these Isles gave me occasion to make trial of their willingness to supply the castles with victual and fuel for 600 men for three or four months. I propounded to the Jurats and Constables that the country should supply 60 tuns of cider at 10 crowns the tun, and 12,000 fagots at usual rates, undertaking to furnish all other provisions myself, only desiring credit till Michaelmas next in regard that great part of the revenue is in corn, and now no means to vent it, that the money rents due to the receipt [of Exchequer] were disposed of for pay of officers and garrison, and such continual necessary repairs as the violence of the weather hath forced me unto. This my proposition was thought so requisite and reasonable that divers parishes prepared for performance; but the major part fell off and refused, pretending that it was an innovation against their privileges notwithstanding former presidents instanced. Sir Philip Carteret, the now Bailiff, read to them the Order of the Commissioners, who, although they gave way to the country in lessening the Governor's power and authority in many things, yet in times of war they left to him the providing for and victualing of His Majesty's castles out of the country, not stinting him either in quantity or price. [*Seal, with arms.* 1 p.]

Dec. 22.  
Rotherfield.

53. Sir Richard Norton to Viscount Conway, Lord Lieutenant of co. Southampton. Recommends the case of the bearer, Gyles Tompkins, who, being Constable of Andover some twelve months since, was required to furnish horses for Captain Laurence Burrowes, who was to pass that way to Plymouth with certain Frenchmen who had served His Majesty in the Isle of Rhé, and were to be sent to Rochelle, by virtue of a warrant from the Duke [of Buckingham]. There being no other suitable horses there the Bailiff of the town caused the stable door of Henry Littell to be broken open by this bearer, being Constable. Littell has since brought an action at the common law against this bearer, which is like to turn very much to his prejudice, both in this particular and in the future, as other his neighbours, threaten that if this suit succeeds well, they will be revenged on him in like manner; a very hard requital methinks for a man's good service in a just way and without transgression. His humble suit is that the Lords of the Council would take this his just petition into their consideration, that so this unjust suit being stayed he may not suffer in so high a nature for his endeavours, being honest and fair, which I conceive may produce a very ill president. [*Seal, with arms.* 2 pp.]

Dec. 23. 54. Remembrances concerning such supplies and instructions as are to be sent to Jersey, submitted to the Privy Council for consideration by the Earl of Danby. [*14 pp.*]

Dec. 28. 55. Certificate by Henry Yonger of such letters and papers as he received from Secretary Conway to be carried to Viscount Wimbledon, viz., a letter of Sir Philip Carteret of 22nd September 1628 to Secretary Conway concerning the state of the Isle of Jersey; a memorial of Mr. Smith for addition to the former

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defects of that Isle; a memorial of Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway for procuring a commission that the principal as well as other inhabitants may be contributory to the billeting of the soldiers, &c.; bill of William Lee, Surgeon, for attending to the hurts of the soldiers; and Mr. Yonger's petition to be Sergeant-Major of the [English] Company in the Isle of [Jersey]. [1 p.]

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56. Warrant to the Clerk of the Signet to prepare a Bill for a Privy Seal to pay out of the Exchequer 14,000*l.* to Walter, Lord Aston, late Ambassador in Spain, in satisfaction for divers lands sold by him, the money for which he disbursed in his late employment, without accmpt to be by him given for the same. [*Drift.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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57. Notes in Secretary Dorchester's hand of business at the Privy Council, viz., touching the Tower and the Minorities. A protection recommended by my Lady Duchess [of Buckingham] for Sir Anthony Browne. Release of [Mr. Edw.] Pilkington [from the Fleet, see Vol. CX., No. 59.] *Subjoined*,

57. 1. *Notes at the Commission of the Admiralty touching [Sir Kenelm?] Digby's petition. The Venetian Ambassador's complaint against him for his ill words and for the French [being] in the Gulf.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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58. Petition of Sir Philip Carteret to the Privy Council for a further supply of pay for the 200 soldiers sent into Jersey. Requests that he may retain a small French prize, valued at 40*l.*, in lieu of the 40*l.* expended by him for victuals furnished to the "Loyalty," employed for carrying over the company of English soldiers to Jersey. He received only 100 pikes and corselets and 50 muskets for arming these 200 men, the remaining 50 muskets required being directed to be taken out of His Majesty's castles, which, being old and heavy, were found unserviceable for the field. He was therefore compelled to furnish arms at his own charge, for which he desires to be reimbursed. That whereas a good supply of saltpetre may be found in that island, he would have a commission granted to himself and Sir J. Peyton for the making of petre to be sent over to the King's gunpowder maker for the supplying of that island with powder. *Subjoined*,

58. 1. *Mem. by Secretary Conway. That this petition being forgotten at the meeting of my Lords the Committees, it is thought fit, for the encouragement of those who are ready to disburse money for the King's service, that this petition be recommended to the Lords of the Privy Council if the rest of the Lords Committees shall so think good.* [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

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59. Memorandum of a proposal for supplying the want of officers and experienced soldiers in the Island of Jersey. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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60. Account of moneys disbursed by Sir P. Carteret for the equipment of 200 soldiers, and for freight of a ship to carry over part to the [Isle of Jersey]. Total 350*l.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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61. Sir George Hay to James, Earl of Carlisle. My affection to the Earl of Morton caused me to enter as a soldier, and now my love to the trade moves me to continue, if through your favour to me and power with the States [of the United Provinces] you can procure them to take on this regiment of his into their service and pay. This will oblige a number of good fellows to your service and add to your favours to myself. [*Seal, with arms, broken.* 1 p.]

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62. Lady Anne Hay to her father James, Earl of Carlisle. Gladly undertakes to obey his commands received by Thomas Ramege. Praises the kindness and cordiality of the Earl and Countess of Leicester, who use her so well. [*Two seals with anchor.* 2 pp.]

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63. Petition of Robert Treswell, Surveyor-General of His Majesty's Woods, to the Lord Treasurer and Sir Francis Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer. There is a cause depending between the King's Attorney as Plaintiff, and Sir John Kirl, knight and baronet, Defendant, for intrusion into a mill and other lands of the King's in Dean Forest. The cause being ready for hearing, desires that it may be heard the beginning of next term. [*Damaged.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

64. Law of Treason in the case of Hugh Pyne [*see State Trials III., 359*]. The question demanded by the King of his Judges is—Whether the words which Mr. Hugh Pyne is accused to have spoken concerning the King, being legally and formally laid in an indictment of treason and proved to the jury, be good evidence to prove the offence to be treason or not? The answer of the Judges thereunto is this:—That the indictment being laid to be high treason for imagining or compassing the death or deposition of the King, and these words whereof Mr. Pyne is accused being laid in the indictment as an overt act to declare his treasonable intent (as all the presidents are in the like cases) although the words themselves, if they should be singly laid, are not treason, yet they are good evidence to a jury to prove the intent to be treasonable; but this being matter of fact, the jury is to try the same. *Signed by Attorney-General Heath.* [1 p.]

65. Act concerning the privileges of the Commons' House of Parliament [probably suggested by the discussions on the Petition of Right]. Be it declared and enacted that no act or thing whatsoever done against the Commons House, or against any of the members, proceedings, liberties, or privileges of the same, at any time since the beginning of His Majesty's happy reign, ought to hurt or prejudice, or be drawn into example to the hurt and prejudice of, the Commons House, or of any the members, &c., that have been or shall be. [*Copy.*  $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

66. Caveat concerning exportation of wool, &c. The Committee of Parliament, after examination of the way suggested for prevention

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of [the exportation of] wools, wool fells, clays, &c., into foreign parts, reported it to the House [of Commons], who, being not well satisfied of any real prevention, only to give a power to create new searchers and a new way for seizors, [empowering them] to force houses at all times of the night, and so open a way for robbers and house breakers pretending the like power, therefore they ordered a Bill to be brought in the next sessions of Parliament for some real way of prevention possible opposing that by appointment of new searchers. [1 p.]

67. Notes of reference to ancient records and statutes enrolled from the reign of Edward IV. furnishing precedents for the granting of tonnage and poundage. [2½ pp.]

68. Proposition for an impost upon salt as a means of maintaining a sufficient fleet upon the narrow seas. What store of mariners and how many of them skilful, as likewise how many good pilots we have now, those who commanded in the voyage to Algiers can best declare. For the quantity of salt imported the Custom books will show. The Cinque Ports likewise and other maritime towns which are freed from all other impositions, save only for the aid of shipping, will afford some supply likewise. If therefore His Majesty shall be pleased to call a Parliament, now that the seditious ringleader of the Commons is laid up, whatsoever he shall demand they will willingly yield unto. [1 p.]

69. Notes by W. Chesterman, Secretary Conway's Clerk [probably to be submitted to the Council of War]. Care for the improvement of the breed of horses and increase of the number fit for war. Horses to be prepared for service by making them acquainted with the sounds of war. No mares to be used in coaches but only horses and geldings. That all men upon their travels on highways shall use to ride their horses with bits. These instructions to be recommended by Proclamation. [1 p.]

70. Note of grievances delivered in at a Committee [for Grievances] in writing by some of the Lower House whose names were concealed. They are 26 in number, with marginal notes specifying which were referred to the Committee and which rejected, [probably having reference to the Petition of Right]. [1 p.]

71. Speech [delivered in the House of Commons ?] setting forth the grievances of State, probably in connection with the Petition of Right. *Begins*:—"So long as those attended about our Sovereign Master [King James] now with God as had served the late Queen [Elizabeth] debts of the Crown were not so great, Commissions and grants not so oft complained of in Parliament, trade flourished, pensions not so many, though more than in the late Queen's time, for they exceeded not 18,000*l.*, now they are near 120,000*l.* All things of moment carried by public debate at the Council Table. No honours set to sale, or places of judicature ; laws against Priests

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“and Recusants executed; resort of Papists to Ambassadors’ houses barred and punished. His Majesty both by daily direction to all his Ministers and by his own pen [to] declare his dislike of that profession. No waste expenses in fruitless embassies, nor any transcendant power in one Minister.” *Ends*:—“We only in loyal duty offer up our humble desires that since His Majesty hath with advised judgment elected so wise, religious, and worthy servants to attend him in that high employment, he will be pleased to advise with them together a way of remedy for these disasters in State, led in by long security and happy peace, and not with young or single counsel.” [4 pp.]

72. Minutes for a speech to the same effect as the above. The arguments are arranged in two sections. 1st. A general collection of things amiss in the kingdom; these things not so much amiss in former reigns, nor of former favourites, neither in Queen Elizabeth’s nor King James’s time. 2nd. For the reformation of these things principally was to be desired an Act of Resumption, &c. [1½ pp.]

73. Several clauses of an Act of Parliament empowering the King to levy 2s. in the pound of the true value of all herrings and other fish exported in foreign vessels; and from foreigners taking fish in His Majesty’s waters or coasts there is to be required the tenth of the fish in kind or the true value thereof, the money to be employed for His Majesty’s use. In recompense of the great sums which your Commons have thus cheerfully granted they humbly beseech your Majesty yearly to provide and maintain a strong fleet of able ships upon the narrow seas. [*Imperfect*, 3 pp.]

74. Propositions for defence of the kingdom by sea in the handwriting of W. Chesterman, Clerk to Secretary Conway. That every shire in England should be enjoined to set forth at the charge of the county one ship of between 500 and 240 tons well manned and victualed for seven months. That every port town do the like. London may well fit out 10, Bristol three, and the other ports according to their abilities. Those ships will amount to above 80 sail, and may be divided into four squadrons, each having one of the King’s ships for Admiral. The first squadron to lie off and on, near the Western Islands and as high as the Canaries for [the intercepting of] Brazil men-of-war, the Caracs and Plate fleet. The second at the Southern Cape and as low as the Groyne, for capture of ships going in or out of Spain or Portugal, and if occasion be to join with the former squadron. The third to lie between the Groyne and the mouth of the Sleeve, and the fourth to keep the Narrow Seas to awe the Dunkirkers, take all the French trade, and so northward. [2½ pp.]

75. Another copy of the same. [2½ pp.]

76. Propositions for raising a fleet similar in effect to the preceding, but more fully particularising the means and cost. The design is for building and maintaining of a fleet abroad in several parts,

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divided into squadrons, for the space of three years together, "in which time they shall not only bring our enemies upon their knees and so glad to sue for peace, but likewise so enrich and strengthen this kingdom both with able men and shipping as it shall make His Majesty both honoured and feared throughout the world." Twenty ships to be built and manned by the City of London, according to the estimates here given. The whole charge for building, fitting, and maintaining these ships for three years. Total 171,275*l*. For the maintaining of this charge the City authorities may either cause every householder to pay so much a year or else lay so much upon every chaldron of coals; besides a small imposition to be laid upon all goods both outwards and inwards [in the port of London] as it was for the Algier's employment. Likewise 72 ships and pinnaces to be built and maintained by the shires of England. The whole charge estimated at 685,930*l*. [*Undated, but written at a time when the country was at war with France and Spain and when there was a Lord Admiral. 9 pp.*]

77. Considerations propounded touching the settling of His Majesty's storehouses for the Navy business, and for a dry dock to be new made at Porchester. Shows that Porchester Castle is one of the choicest places for use and benefit of the public service within His Majesty's dominions, as may appear by the reasons, herein stated. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.] *Annexed,*

77. 1. *Considerations of the charge for works to effect it, total cost, 6,180*l*. Against which must be set the month's time for victuals and wages to be allowed in transporting any of His Majesty's ships ordinarily, though most often by reason of contrary winds it falls out to be more, to come about from Deptford or Chatham as far as St. Helen's Point. Savings to be effected, besides the manifest use of the ships to put to sea, being within half a day's warning at all times ready for service, unless when the wind blows a hard gale from the southwards. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]*

77. II. *Plot showing the positions occupied by Porchester Castle, the dry dock, the key towards the water to be made 100 yards square, the key to the Channel, depth of the water in the river at several spots, the church. [2 pp.]*

78. List of the conductors of the soldiers in the four old regiments, viz., the Lord General's regiment, the men of which were conducted into Suffolk, Norfolk, and Essex, for which allowance was made as stated; the Earl of Essex's regiment, men conducted into cos. Stafford, Cheshire, Hunts, Denbigh, and Warwick; the Earl of Newport's regiment, the men conducted into cos. Leicester, Rutland, Middlesex, Northants, Herts, Monmouth and Flint. Sir Jacob Astley's regiments. [ $4\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]



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79. Note of the windermost ships [employed before the Isle of Rhé]. They comprise the "St. Claude," "Esperance," "Report," "Alice," "Rainbow," "Black George," the "Ten Whelps," and others. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

80. List of ships that are decayed. They comprise the "Flying Hart," "Alice," "Henrietta," and others. [1 p.]

81. Mem. by Edward Nicholas, Clerk to the Duke of Buckingham, [touching the ordering of the expedition against the Isle of Rhé]. The form and order to be observed in the ships for the better accommodation between the sea and land captains, their officers and companies [whilst aboard]. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

82. List of Captains, in Nicholas's hand. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

83. Notes touching naval preparations. Pay for 19 or 20 soldiers at 1s. per diem; arrears, and three months' victuals for so many whilst at sea. Money enough for Mr. Cornelius [Vermuyden]. Warrant to the Office of the Ordnance for such arms and munition as are required for 20 men for His Majesty's service. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

84. Original of Vol. CXXVI., No. 25. [*Already calendared.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

85. Certificate by Edmond Wilkes, Pressmaster, and 12 others in behalf of Richard Warner of Bristol, an old soldier, and late Lieutenant of one of that City's companies. That he having been pressed for the training and convoy of 50 foot soldiers, was imprisoned for debt to the hindrance of that service. *Endorsed:* "Denied." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

86. Propositions from the Deputy-Lieutenants of Norfolk submitted [to the Privy Council]. Desire particular instructions concerning the supply of arms and furniture for the levies and train bands, in regard that the continual changes required in arms are so very grievous to the country. How they are to deal with such as obstinately refuse or neglect to show arms or serve with their horses and arms. They have appointed four general quarterly meetings for the ordering and rectifying of those services. The whole number of the trained forces of our county are not for the present 5,000. The forces of the enemy, consisting of expert and long exercised soldiers, will far surpass ours, who are new and unpractised in the use of their arms and weapons, if we tie ourselves to the usual distances and forms of skirmishing and conflicts. That Norwich, Lynn Regis, and Yarmouth should be especially regarded as places most important to be preserved from spoil, and ample supply of provision stored in Norwich and other towns threatened by the enemy. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

87. Request of St. Martin's parish, Ludgate. That view of the premises and title to certain land leased by them of the City near

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the west end of Lord Abergavenny's garden, and also a turret or watch tower near London Wall, may forthwith be made, whereby the title and interest, both of the City and of the parishioners of St. Martin's thereto may be known, and they enjoy their lease accordingly. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

88. Mem. concerning the agreement with John Evelyn the gunpowder-maker, for supply of His Majesty's stores. That Evelyn contracted to bring into the stores 20 lasts of powder monthly, to be paid for by the Lord Treasurer within 14 days of delivery, at the rate of 8½ per lb., amounting to 1,700*l.* monthly, with liberty to sell it at large to his best advantage if not duly paid for. This bargain was to begin in May 1627. That for want of payment Mr. Evelyn brought in till January [1628] but four months' proportions. That Sir Thomas Bludder made a proposition to the Lords concerning Mr. Evelyn's contract upon a mistaken notion that Evelyn was tied by his contract to sell the powder to the subject at 10*d.* per lb. That Sir Thomas Bludder sold his presumed interest to Sir Paul Harris at 10*d.* per lb., who transferred the same to Mr. Jones, a merchant. Objections to these transactions, and the answers. But if the Committee, having authority to examine all abuses of gunpowder making, would permit the hearing, it shall be made appear that Mr. Evelyn and his agent Pygott, by their monopoly for the sole making and selling of gunpowder, giving of bribes, deceiving the King, abusing the subject, and out of other men's labours, have got an estate of near 40,000*l.* within four years. [ $1\frac{1}{3}$  pp.]

89. Computation of damage sustained by His Majesty in seven years by the contracts made for converting saltpetre into gunpowder, total, 106,925*l.* Touching the making of 240 lasts of gunpowder yearly, according to a contract, with explanations thereon. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

90. Articles setting forth the grievances which the Company of Weavers sustained by Merchant Strangers importing silk wares ready wrought from abroad, contrary to the Statute made 19 Henry VII. *Subjoined,*

90. I. *Grievances sustained from looms invented by strangers which, being banished from their own country, are brought into this kingdom.* [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

91. Information of the silk weavers concerning strangers practising that trade, and the injuries sustained through them. The number of householders and journeymen of this trade very great. The increase of young journeymen strangers, a great cause of their increase in numbers, and hindrance of the poor English. They will not entertain English journeymen nor apprentices. Their hawking of their own made and imported wares. The silk weavers [desire] to have the power to search both for the goodness of the wares, and especially for foreign wares. They work upon

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cloth of gold, &c. Tapes, ferret ribbons, silk ribbon, and Norwich gartering are made by strangers, and some English, with looms of 12 to 24 shuttles, worked by one man's hand, which takes away the work of a dozen men. [1 p.]

92. Narrative giving a sketch of the history of the Muscovy Company and their discoveries in the north and north-east, accompanied by the rise and prosperity of the Hause Towns. The Company finding difficulty in the north-east passage resolved to make trial of the north-west in order to find that way a passage to the Indies, which was the first and main scope of their northern discoveries. And in the year 1576 sent Sir Martin Frobisher with two barks, who in the height of 62 [N.] found a great inlet, which is called Frobisher's Straits, wherein he sailed 60 leagues with mainland on either side, and so returned. Anno 1577, he made a second voyage and brought from thence his ore which he hoped would make gold. Anno 1580, the Company sent again to discover the river Obe. They first applied themselves to killing of sea-horses, till the decay of that beast gave them occasion to proceed to the fishing of the whale upon the coast of Greenland, which they began in 1609. [*Imperfect at end.* 4 pp.]

93. Information furnished to one of the Secretaries of State about Priests in the Gatehouse. When I was in the Gatehouse there were 15 prisoners in the upper wards, whereof five were priests and all the rest papists, saving myself and two more, and upon my knowledge there is daily mass said in the house on Sundays and holy days, with resort of people from the city, money being taken for admission at the door. That [Aquila] Weekes, the Keeper of the Gatehouse, doth falsify his trust and suffers the priests to have daily intercourse, I mean such as are close prisoners, as Mr. Muskett and his friend, Mr. Trumbull, designated the Bishop of St. Andrew's, Mr. Herbert, a priest, and Sharp the messenger, committed for transporting of letters for the Agent of France. These men have the liberty of the house. This Muskett, and all the priests and papists there, do bear the whole sway of the house. This Sharp is a most dangerous man, and Mr. Howell, who is now a prisoner here and myself, suspect that he still gives intelligence to the French Agent, and if his house were searched some discoveries would be made. [2 pp.]

94. The like information giving the names of Priests and Jesuits, together with those of the persons with whom they reside. Amongst others, Dr. Richard Smith, Bishop of Chalcedon; Dr. John Kelly, President of Douay College; Dr. William Boswell, Vicar-General; Dr. Thomas Wright at Antwerp, Dr. William Cham *alias* Forest, Mr. John Collington at the Earl of Arundel's; Mr. Ashton *alias* Fisher, and his brother Mr. Muskett; Mr. Lovell *alias* Weeden, eldest son to Mr. Ploydin, was lately in Newgate, but got out through the Countess of Buckingham; Mr. Fisher *alias* Joanes, a jesuit, living with the Countess of Bucks.; Mr. White, *alias* Black and Browne, a jesuit living with the Lady Digby at Spittle;

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Mr. Ferar *alias* Gray, living with the Countess of Banbury, he is Secretary to the See Apostolic; Mr. Broughton, Vicar-General, living with the Earl of Rutland, and many more. Mr. Cross can more fully satisfy your Honour herein. [2 pp.]

95. Notes in Sir Robert Heath's hand of the sources from which an augmentation of revenue may be obtained, viz., By disafforesting Roche and Feckenham forests 15,000*l.* might be obtained by the 24th June, besides 300*l.* rent per annum. The tobacco business is well prepared, and a constant hand being kept to govern it will answer the expectation. There wants nothing but a stock to compass this. The proportions are 50,000 lbs. of Spanish at 5*s.* = 12,500*l.*; of Virginia and Sommers' Islands, 350,000 lbs. at 3*s.* = 42,500*l.*, total, 55,000*l.* There is in England already at London, Dover, and Plymouth above 30,000 lbs. of Spanish. If that may be delivered to the Commissioners to be sold for the King, although the price upon appraisement be afterwards paid to the owners, the proceeds thereof would raise a full stock. And if the Spanish be sold for 10*s.* the pound gain, it is 25,000*l.*, and the other at 3*s.* per lb. gain, it is 42,500*l.*; total, 67,500*l.* + 47,500*l.* = 115,000*l.* [1 p.]

96. Memorial of business to be submitted to the King. That Mr. Milles, being far engaged for Lawrence Lownes, Comptroller of the Customs in London, order may be given to the Lord Treasurer to sequester the profits of his place; Receiver's place of Yorks. for Nicholas Crispe; Commissioners to examine the cause of the Bishop of Clogher; Letter to the Lord Deputy of Ireland for payment of the pension and arrears of Lieutenant Savage out of the Court of Wards and Hanaper in Ireland; Commissioners to examine the title and pretences of Sir William Smith to lands in Ireland held by Viscount Claneboy. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

97. Remonstrance of Nicholas Briot addressed to the King about improvements in the coinage in consequence of an edict newly made in France upon the matter and raising of the price or value of the moneys by the fourth part. The abatement in the value of moneys consisteth and is determined in three principal points as herein explained. Objections contrary to the edict. The writer proposes to cut a pound of silver at 64*s.*, which is the proportion of  $12\frac{3}{4}$  of silver to the gold, and to make small coins of 66 to the pound weight of silver. [*This is more fully explained in Vol. CXXIV., No. 68.* 3 pp.]

98. Petition of Roger Townsend to the King. That Robert, Earl of Salisbury, Lord Treasurer and Master of the Court of Wards, did, by reason of petitioner's long and faithful service as Secretary, procure for him from King James a pension of 100*l.* per annum during life, payable in the Court of Wards. Prays order to the Master of the Court of Wards for payment of his pension and arrears, the same not having been paid for five years. [1 p.]

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99. Petition of Captain John Pennington to the King. That he was, by your Majesty's warrant of 18th May last, required to press, fit, and prepare the fleet for Rochelle, as also the seamen for that employment, which was effected at his extraordinary pains and charge. Afterward by Commission he went as Admiral of that squadron, and in the passage to the rendezvous at Portsmouth took several prizes, and there continued in that command until the Duke of Buckingham's death, for all which service he hath received neither pay nor reward. Prays order to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to take the premises into consideration, and award him such allowance as they shall think fit. Having delivered to the then General, the Earl of Lindsey, bedding, linen, plate, and other provisions to the value of 608*l.* 19*s.*, he desires your Majesty to order the Commissioners to assign him payment of both sums out of the sale of the ships now ordered to be cast and appraised for sale. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

100. Petition of Christopher Barker and John Bill, His Majesty's Printers, to the King. Have been accustomed hitherto to print all things proceeding from yourself and the Houses of Lords and Commons. There is now being printed your speech by a person having not the least pretence to this employment, to petitioners' disparagement and considerable detriment. Pray that there may be a speedy prohibition granted. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

101. Petition of Richard Smyth, ships' master and mariner to the King. That he went as boatswain's mate in the "Convertive" in the late service to Algiers, then to Cadiz as master's mate in the "Lion of Newcastle," besides other services herein particularised. Returning from the Eastland as master of the "James of Newcastle," his ship and lading were seized by the Dunkirkers, and himself imprisoned for 14 days. Fearing lest he should be sent like others taken to fight for the King of Spain, he effected his escape with the loss of all he had, and is come hither to do your Majesty service, his servants being all captives. Certifies what he saw and heard at Dunkirk of naval preparations making to join with 100 sail of French for the invasion of Ireland and the Isle of Wight. Also that the Emperor, the Kings of Spain and Poland, and the French King had subscribed articles engaging them to continue war against the [Protestant] religion. In consideration of his services and losses by the enemy, prays your Majesty to give him a captain's places, or else to be recompensed out of Dunkirk, Hamburg, or French prizes. [1 p.]

102. Petition of the Company of Barber-Surgeons of London to the House of Commons. The physicians of London have of late obtained a new patent or charter under the great seal, and have therein procured divers grants and privileges, whereby they have power to convent before them any of petitioners' society, though not of the Physicians' corporation, or any other loyal subjects within London or seven miles round, and to examine them and their

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servants on oath, and, themselves being judges, at their pleasure to fine and imprison them without bail or mainprize, and to convert those fines, which in one year they may raise to 500*l.*, to their own use, only paying the King 6*l.* per annum; together with other grants not only to the maiming petitioners in their profession, but to the great prejudice of subjects in general, and the hinderance of breeding able surgeons to serve His Majesty and the Commonwealth in their profession by sea and land in His Majesty's wars as petitioners with their counsel will make appear. And it hath likewise pleased His Majesty by letters patent to ordain a new Company of Apothecaries with many privileges and some grants restraining petitioners from the use of many things ever by them used appertaining to their profession. Pray the House to take into consideration the said Physicians' patent, and any Bill that shall be preferred by the said Apothecaries to be by Act of Parliament confirmed, and to hear what petitioners with their counsel can say against the said Bill and Patents, the rather because His Majesty has given petitioners leave to take any course for their relief against the physicians by Parliament or otherwise. [*Fourteen names are subscribed.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

103. Petition of Sir Henry Acheson and James Ramsey, Captains in the Earl of Morton's regiment, to the Privy Council. Have transported at their own charges from Ireland two companies and entertained the men since their arrival, the Mayor and Aldermen of Southampton altogether refusing to billet or entertain those companies for whom there was no room in the Isle of Wight where the rest of that regiment was quartered. Pray that compulsory order may be sent to that town for the billeting of the soldiers lest they should mutiny or disband. [1 p.]

104. Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of London, to the Privy Council. They supplied to the late King James at his going into Scotland 100,000*l.* upon assurance of repayment. Thereupon they gave the City's seal to the several lenders and were counter secured from His Majesty under the great seal together with the undertaking of your Board for repayment at the day fixed both of principal and interest. Notwithstanding they never received back their principal and interest only for one year, some of the lenders being orphans, distressed widows, and others since committed to prison for debt. Moreover, divers lenders have commenced suit against the Chamber for their money so lent, and petitioners know not what to plead considering the demand is just. The City is thus threatened with decay and the ruin of the whole frame of its Government having no other stock but orphans' money, though it hath been so long honoured with the title of His Majesty's Chamber. His present Majesty likewise requested a further loan of 60,000*l.* giving assurance of lands including in the same security both sums with interest, the which should have been paid in December last was twelve months. Represent that they had received no money nor are admitted to the possession of the lands so given for security. The lenders have now entered suit

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against the Chamber which in memory of no man hath suffered as now it doth, by reason whereof the City's seal is drawn into contempt, and how far the precious honour of His Majesty is therein concerned we submit to your Lordships' great wisdoms and judgments. Beseech the Lords to intercede with His Majesty for some speedy order for relief herein. [1 p.]

105. Petition of the same to the same. They lately attended this Honourable table for answer to their last petition concerning moneys secured by His Majesty to the City together with interest for the same. You then suggested that they should propound some way by which to give them satisfaction. They would desire your Lordships, to whom His Majesty's means and times to satisfy are best known, to suggest such way as to you shall seem meet for the speedy satisfaction of this debt, which will be much to the honour of the King and comfort of the City, and that in the meantime the interest may be satisfied, or else that they may be permitted to receive the rents and revenues of the lands assured for security. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

106. Petition of John Ray of Amsterdam in behalf of himself and other merchants there to the Council. That the "Golden Cat" of St. Malo, in France, was by their direction laden at that port with groceries and Spanish wine for Rotterdam, but proceeding on her voyage was seized by the master of His Majesty's ketch, Captain Dunning, and part of her goods embezzled and then brought about to London. In consideration that these goods are of a perishable nature and were laded in that ship solely for safeguard from the Dunkirkers and others, their enemies, pray order for their delivery to petitioners or their assigns, or else that a true inventory and valuation be made of the same, and they permitted to have the disposal thereof upon giving security to be answerable for the value should it be adjudged to His Majesty. [1 p.]

107. Another copy of the same. [1 p.]

108. Petition of John Cornelioson, Lootes, & Co., of Holland, merchants, to the same. That the "Greyhound" of Enckhuysen, having been freighted at Marseilles with oils and other merchandise, as she was returning home to Amsterdam was taken as prize by an English man-of-war commanded by Captain Ellis of Bristol, and sent for Ireland where she is detained contrary to the amity between England and the States. Pray that Captain Ellis may be sent for and order taken for the restitution of their ship and goods so unjustly seized. [1 p.]

109. Petition of Mauritius Van Ommeren, Deputy here for the Netherlands' East India Company, to the same. That being sent by the Company to look to their affairs here, and especially for the recovery of the two ships and goods of "Campan" and the "Drake" cast away on the Needles, he agreed with Jacob, the diver, for fishing up and saving the same. That Jacob having saved the

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ordnance and goods herein specified detains the same from petitioner by an order, as he pretends, of the late Duke of Buckingham; and by another warrant Jacob is instructed to deliver these into the hands of Captain Mason for the Duke's use. Petitioner conceives the warrant was procured under a mis-information because the goods and reals belong to his Company as is publicly known. Prays order for the said goods and money to be delivered up to him for the use of the owners, deducting the diver's allowance; or else that the goods may remain in the possession of Mr. Newland and the reals of eight in that of the Mayor and Magistrates of Portsmouth till sentence be given in the suit depending in the High Court of Admiralty. [1 p.]

110. Petition of the Deputy-Lieutenants of co. Somerset to the same. By commands from you and our Deputy-Lieutenant, we caused divers companies of soldiers to be billeted upon the county and paid several regiments passing through it. Having undertaken that the money disbursed for defraying the charges of the soldiers who have been now here full six months should be speedily repaid, we beseech you to give order for payment to be made upon the receipt of the first subsidies now to be levied, and that the soldiers may be otherwise provided for, the county refusing to pay any longer and the billeters thrusting the soldiers out of their houses. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

111. Petition of James Roudier, of Mortaigne near Rochelle in France, to the same. That as he was coming from Newfoundland with a lading of fish his ship was seized by privateers belonging to the Earl of Warwick and Mr. Rastell of London and carried into Plymouth about ten months ago. Petitioner all this while has sued in the Court of Admiralty for the recovery of his ship but cannot obtain judgment, although he produced certificates from M. de Soubize, the Deputies of Rochelle, and several Protestant Churches in France, that he and his company are Protestants. For which consideration you have already ordered that his ship should be restored, and directions were enjoined to Sir Henry Martin. Prays order for restoration of his ship that he may go along with His Majesty's fleet bound for Rochelle in order to carry the said fish. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

112. Petition of Cornelis de Moy, merchant, to the same. That he lately bought of the Commissioners for prize goods 600 West India hides which were here confiscated to His Majesty; but by reason of this last restraint of French goods, Sir John Hippisley doth not think fit they should pass without further warrant from you. Considering he is to give a higher price for the same than they will yield here, prays warrant for free transportation of the hides. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

113. Petition of the Masters and Owners of the ships of Ipswich and Woodbridge, heretofore employed in His Majesty's service, to the same. That their shipping has been employed in His Majesty's



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service to Cadiz and Isle of Rhé for many months, for which they have not received any pay save only impress-money, and some have lost their ships in those services. Are threatened with ruin unless they be herein relieved through your means. Pray that the Lords would mediate with His Majesty in their behalf so that they may receive what pay is due for the employment of their ships and reasonable allowance for those which have been lost. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

114. Petition of the Bailiffs and others of Aldeburgh in co. Suffolk, to the same. Having lately received from your Honour a letter notifying an order given to the Earl of Totness for furnishing ten demi-culverins with their carriages out of the Office of Ordnance for the better defence of their town and harbour, and requiring them to make provision of powder, shot, and match for the same, they would make it appear to you that they are not of themselves any ways able to maintain the cost of furnishing supplies for the ordnance or maintaining any such guard upon them as is required. Pray that the necessary supplies may be furnished at His Majesty's charge. [1 p.]

115. Petition of Dorothy Jarvis, daughter of Edward Baron Stafford and Mary, daughter of Edward, Earl of Derby, to the Earl of Manchester, Lord President of the Council. That her father was grandchild and heir to Edward, Duke of Buckingham, beheaded *temp.* Henry VIII. She is fallen into great distress and want by reason of the great decay and overthrow of their house, and her marriage to a gentleman, who, by suretiship, decayed both himself and her, and dying in the King's Bench left her with four small children without means to maintain them. In regard of her descent and poverty she made supplication to His Majesty for some relief, but the Master of Requests refused to deliver it to him, which emboldens her to address her suit to your Honour. Prays him to procure her a certificate from the Privy Council for her better passage into Ireland, where she has some debts owing unto her. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

116. Petition of the same to the Council. That she was lately a suitor for a certificate or pass to go into Ireland for the collection of certain debts owing to her late husband, who, having been a prisoner for five years in the King's Bench, obtained his release by payment of 2,200*l.*, hoping by his industry and practice to raise again his estate, but after five weeks' liberty, died, leaving her a great charge of children without any means to maintain them, except those debts in Ireland. In that long and fruitless journey, the debtors being dead, she hath spent that little she had. Notifies that she hath a near kinswoman attached to the Queen of Bohemia, and now married to a great Earl in those parts, who has promised to befriend her. Prays a pass or letter of safe conduct for herself and two servants to go over into Holland, so she may be relieved by her kinswoman. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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117. Petition of the Inhabitants of Dedham, Essex, to the Council. That the parish is charged with 70 soldiers who are there billeted. That being inhabited only by clothiers and poor people, with only one ale-house, it is a place most unfit for securing provision for soldiers who daily commit many insolences, being an Irish company. Pray that speedy order may be taken for removing the soldiers to some near market town or other place more convenient, otherwise their trade of clothing will be wholly interrupted. [1 p.]

118. Petition of Peter Delamare to the Council. In July last he purchased of M. Burlamachi a quantity of damaged wheat brought back from the expedition for Rochelle under the Earl of Denbigh. Having paid a good sum for the wheat for His Majesty's benefit, he exported some to Zeeland, where it sold at a loss, and the rest remains at Portsmouth. Prays warrant to enable him to export the remainder of the damaged wheat, besides 3,000 quarters either of wheat, rye, or barley, to reimburse him part of his loss. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

119. Petition of William Cithgow to the Council. Being taken for a spy when King James's expedition went for Algiers he was racked and tortured in Malaga, and would have been condemned by the Inquisition only for the earnest mediation of Sir Walter [Lord] Aston then leaguer there. By order of King James he was kept at the Bath for eleven months for recovery of his health, and was promised from the Spanish Ambassador, Condé de Gondomar, 1,000*l.* in satisfaction of these wrongs, all which is now hopelessly lost, and himself ruined, by waiting five years in suing for justice. Being no longer able to sustain himself, prays some small assistance to clothe and transport him hence to his own country. *Under-written,*

119. 1. *Petitioner is to have the benefit of a former order.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

120. Petition of Richard Brownlowe, Esquire, to the Council. That upon former loans upon Privy Seals to His Majesty he was rated at 50*l.* among the rest of the officers of the Court of Common Pleas, which he accordingly paid. Has now received a Privy Seal for the loan of 200*l.*, as an inhabitant of co. Lincoln, though his chiefest abode is in Middlesex, which he considers too heavy, a great part of his estate having been divided amongst his children in marriage. Prays that this sum may be mitigated to 100*l.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

121. Petition of Humfrey Mawdett of Broadwell, Essex, to the Council. That his name was returned as a defaulter to the loan, payment of which he never refused, only delay was made in order that it might be shown how Charles Oswell and John Raven, both of this parish, and able subsidy men, came to be excused, and petitioner's name put into the Subsidy Book in their steads. This may seem a poor business to trouble you with, unless it please your Lordships by this particular instance to consider the general question. For by reason that men of ability are kept out of the Subsidy Book no

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Captain [of Militia] can have his complement, some being deficient in 40 others 60 men in a company of 200, whereby the strength of the kingdom is much weakened. Desires that Raven may make a true discovery to your Lordships how he and his friend Oswell came discharged of this service, which will not only be a good *caveat* to all assessors hereafter, but will be very behoveful to His Majesty and the whole nation, when it is known that the burden shall not be laid unjustly upon a moiety of His Majesty's subjects. Prays that he may be put to no further charges in this business than his own expenses, having come up 40 miles out of the country to certify thus much to your Lordships. [1 p.]

122. Sir Nicholas Poyntz to the Council. That the 6th of this month a messenger brought letters from you requiring [me] to come before your Lordships for His Majesty's service, I acquainted [the Keeper] of the King's Bench therewith, in order that we might be at the Council table together, but the Marshal detained me in strait prison against law to the detriment of His Majesty's crown and dignity, of which complaining by my letters the Marshal still intercepted them. Prays your Honours to send to the Lord Chief Justice of England for a "*habeas corpus*," so that I and the Marshal may appear before you, where I shall humbly answer your letters, and show such cause as shall be greatly for His Majesty's service. [*Damaged.* 1 p.]

123. Petition of Captain Richard Bond to the Council or Council of War. That having a sergeant of his prest in the parish of St. Giles by a Constable of St. Clements, John Welsh, the sergeant repaired to his Captain's lodging for his relief therein, his Captain assuring the Constable that he had been his officer [in] the late voyage, and was already in the King's employment, and so requiring him to release him. Thereupon the Constable very imperiously demanded what he was? who answered, a Captain, and in the King's entertainment; I press you, then said the Constable, and so will do any of your rank; and thereupon calling for his assistants would perforce have hauled petitioner out of bed, but upon some resistance forbore, charging the housekeeper to see him forthcoming whilst he carried away his sergeant to prison. Prays that some course may be taken with the Constable for example sake, and, in future, that they dare not to undervalue gentlemen of quality, but make a distinction, especially out of their own liberties. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

124. Petition of Captain Reynold [Reginald] Mohun to the Council of War. That by commission from the Duke of Buckingham he had the command of one of His Majesty's prizes, called the "St. George," and after six months the pretended voyage broke off, and the ship ordered into Chatham, so that his command is now extinguished, and he dismissed without pay, notwithstanding the expense he had been at, and loss of other preferment. Prays that if he may not have full pay they would give order for part

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towards his expense, and take him into remembrance for the soonest employment, he having done His Majesty service both by sea and land. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

125. Petition of Edmond Morgan, John Goodwyn, and Robert Cawson, to the Commissioners for the Admiralty. That their ships the "Sea Venture" and "Alexander" of Ipswich, and the "Peter and John" of London, have been taken for His Majesty's service, and were employed in this latter service to Rochelle, but are now returned to Portsmouth. Request that these ships may be brought in at the King's charge, and then discharged after the usual manner, especially as they have been so long in this employment, without petitioners receiving any remuneration, and are now depleted of their munition. If they should be forced to bring the ships about at their own charge they would be exposed to the danger of the enemy. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

126. Petition of George Hanger and John Sharrowe, merchants, and William Prynne, Captain of the "Hopewell," to the Commissioners for the Navy and Admiralty. That the "Hopewell," being at sea with letters of marque, gave chase to the Brazil ship "Lady of Help" of Pinecha, and drove the Portuguese during a mist into the vicinity of a Flemish man-of-war, which secured her as prize and brought her into Plymouth, intending for Holland, thus depriving petitioners of their expected capture, and prejudicing His Majesty in respect of his customs and tenths. The "Hopewell" being a ship of greater force than the Fleming, the Captain of the former by fight at sea could have recovered the prize into his power; but in regard the States of Holland are in amity with His Majesty, he thought it safer to decline that course, and seek his remedy by peaceable proceedings. Pray that order may be given for the prize to be stayed at Plymouth, and the goods landed there being perishable, until by legal course the cause can be decided to the end, so that as well His Majesty as your suppliants may not be wrested from their right. [1 p.]

127. Petition of John Shotton, late a ship master, now a poor prisoner, to Sir Thomas Lake, Sir Marmaduke Darrell, and Sir Thomas Bludder, coal farmers. I was imprisoned on a writ of *supersedeas*, for an exchange bond, forfeited for my not returning certificate. My deputies in Newcastle, pitying my distress, mediated for my enlargement, but were told that if I was released from this bond there are seven others certified against me; but I protest that I never defeated His Majesty of his dues, but have paid them for the five voyages that I have made, which I could prove if I had my liberty; I do good service in my calling. My grievous sufferings will make others more careful in returning their certificates. I beg my release, with report signed by Lake, Bludder, and Trevor, that in pity for him they will certify for him their duties, and beg his discharge; also order by Baron Thomas Trevor for his *supersedeas*, on security, to compound for his bond in Easter term. [1 p.]

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128. Request of Henry, Earl of Danby, Governor of Guernsey, that the Commission for execution of martial law in the Island of Guernsey may be renewed, and additional names inserted, as himself and Sir Peter Osborne would be absent. [1 p.] *Underwritten,*

128. i. *Order signed by Secretary Conway for renewing the Commission as desired.*

129. Memorial of Sir Philip Carteret touching the present state and strength of His Majesty's Island of Jersey, its position, extent, and population. It has two castles, Montorgueil and Castle Elizabeth, situated on a little islet of about three acres. Description of the number and condition of ordnance and ammunition. [2 pp.] *Subjoined,*

129. i. *Orders established by the Privy Council touching the Isle of Jersey.* [1 p.]

130. Mem. of requests made by Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Conway. That the soldiers taken up in Devon and Cornwall for service in Jersey proving incorrigible and inefficient, he desires that they may be returned and others levied in England sent in their rooms. It may please His Majesty that a martial Commission be sent over for the better government of these soldiers and for punishing their offences. Likewise a Commission for repressing either by fine or imprisonment all quarrels and batteries betwixt the soldiers and inhabitants; the Commissioners being instructed to take into their special consideration the information against John le Hardy, one of the jurats, and Matthew Jambart, for wounding soldiers. The Commissioners to have power to redress and regulate all matters between the soldiers and inhabitants relative to billeting, &c. That His Majesty's pleasure be signified whether soldiers sent into garrison upon an alarm of invasion are to repair to the castles or to endure the brunt of the enemy's landing. That the post of serjeant-major to the English company in Sir Philip Carteret's regiment may be conferred on Lieutenant Yonger, whose endeavours in His Majesty's service and sufficiency have been approved. [1½ pp.]

131. Sir Philip Carteret's memorial of things necessary for completing the fortification of Castle Elizabeth in the Island of Jersey and for the general defence of the Island. [1 p.]

132. Petition to the House of Commons by Sir Philip Carteret, Lientenant-Governor of the Island of Jersey. Complaints against the proceedings of David Bandinell, an alien, made Dean A.D. 1619. Prays that a Commission may be issued under the Great Seal to inquire into the conduct of the said Dean towards the petitioner and others. That two persons nominated by the House may be sent over during the summer to inquire of all oppressions, exactions, wrongs, and misdemeanours committed by petitioner or the Dean,

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or any other His Majesty's officers and ministers there, encroachments on the King's revenues and regalities, and of all canons and innovations in Church government introduced by the dean; and then to make a just report and certificate of their proceedings to the House. In the meantime, petitioner offers to give bond for his appearance and to answer all complaints with costs and charges if he be found guilty, so as the dean and other his adversaries may do the like, whereby that poor island being remote and severed from the rest of His Majesty's dominions may in constitution of their laws, government, and removal of their grievances, receive part of that influence and happiness which your Wisdoms' care and vigilance hath procured to this Church and Commonwealth. *Endorsed*: "Sir Philip Carteret's petition." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

133. Instructions for M. Edw. Messervy, His Majesty's Advocate at Jersey, to present to Lord Conway the following articles requisite to be enacted for the defence, government, and revenues of the Island of Jersey. Letters to be written to the Governor or his Lieutenant commanding the inhabitants of the isle to arm themselves for their own defence, the charge to be rated on the clergy and laity. In the sixth Article it is set forth that in regard the King's revenues [assigned] to the Governor in this island are by pensions to the Bailiff, grants to the Queen, and increase of the garrisons all by command of the late King James, diminished 400*l.* at least in respect of what former governors enjoyed; [it is desired that a] commission may be granted, as formerly hath been used, to set out some of those fees escheated to His Majesty with increase of perpetual rent to the King's receipt and present fines to the now Governor. List of the Commissioners desired to be appointed. *Signed by* Sir John Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor, and Sir Philip Carteret. [1 p.]

134. Memorial addressed to Secretary Conway. The necessary provisions required for the defence of the Channel Islands. The estate of these poor islands consists much in having my masters present amongst us. The want of the provision of arms and munition now lost [taken by Dunkirkers] may be very prejudicial, unless refurnished out of His Majesty's magazines. I do much fear the business that my master [Sir Philip Carteret] hath now done in this Court has become known to the enemy by means of the papers and instructions captured in his trunk. I have received intelligence from Guernsey that there are 17 or 18 picaroons and French men-of-war at present lying about our islands. Hopes His Majesty will send some of his ships to secure them. [1 p.]

135. Memorial for the Lord Maltravers, enumerating the money distributed by his own servants [to servants of the Royal Household. *Probably on occasion of the restoration of the Barony to Thomas, 20th Earl of Arundel, which was annexed by Act of Parliament, 3 Car., to the honour of Earl of Arundel.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

136. Collection of bills and receipts for materials and work done to the ship "Prudence."

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137. A little paper book with parchment cover containing farm notes. Arrangements made with two men named Parnall and Watt.

138. Paper book with parchment cover, containing the rental *ex parte* Ormesby and Burrowe during the years 1625—28. From a portion of an indenture made in the 19th year of King James, used for the cover, it appears that Sir Edw. Clere and Sir Henry Clere demised certain arable land at Ormesby St. Margaret, co. Norfolk, to Robert Harrison, husbandman, for term of ten years, reserving all timber, woods, and game. [28 pp., of which 8 blank.]

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## NEWSPAPERS FOR THE YEAR 1628.

"Weekly Newes," published once a week, two numbers, viz., Nos. 6 and 7, for August 7 and 15 respectively. London, printed for Thomas Archer, 1628. Amongst other things treated of are the sieges of Stralsund and Glückstadt; discontentment of the Emperor of Germany with the Pope; the late victories and warlike proceedings of the King of Sweden; taking of the "Admiral of Ostend" by the Hollanders; affairs of Italy; warlike preparations of the Grand Signor against the Emperor of Germany; the hard dealings of the Imperialists against the Protestants in Germany. [*Newspaper Collection, Vol. I.*]

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- Jan. 2. Doddington. 1. Sir John Peyton, Governor of Jersey, to the Privy Council. Excuses his absence from attendance by reason of age, infirmity, and hurts which prevent him from undertaking a winter journey. In Lord Salisbury's time I signified to you the state of His Majesty's castles in Jersey, and desired that a surveyor might be sent to view and report on them, both for reparation and additions required. Of the islet and new castle called Elizabeth I sent over a plot, wherein I delineated what I conceived fitting with least charge to be added to the fortification. I understand that you have sent over an engineer, and if he were to make a full survey it would be a means to avoid much future charge. The main defect of the new castle in her building is the weakness of the spars. The like want of powder rooms and platforms is common to both castles. What ordnance and ammunition are necessary for the new fortification will be reported to you by my son, who is my Lieutenant there, and the engineer. The bearer, William Bullydon, of Jersey, will receive and deliver such supplies for Jersey as your Lordships shall think convenient. [*Seal broken. 2 pp.*]
- Jan. 6. Westminster. 2. The King to the Earl of Danby. Appoints him to examine the complaint of Philip Marett, elected on the death of Clement Dumaresque, a Jurat of Jersey. That Marett is hindered from taking possession of his office by Elie Dumaresque, Lieutenant Bailiff of Jersey, although most of the jurats have given their verdict in favour of the sufficiency of his election. [*Copy. 2 pp.*]
- Jan. 18. Penshurst. 3. Robert, Earl of Leicester, to James, Earl of Carlisle. You know that as the voice is the servant of the mind, so writing is the servant of the voice. I would not therefore omit this way of congratulating you on your safe arrival, although I hope within a few hours after this to wait upon you in person. [*Seal gone. 1 p.*]
- Jan. 19. 4. Survey in tabular form [of the last fleet?] giving the names of the ships, their rank, estimate of repairs, time of repair, service for which they are each fit and able, continuance with ordinary reparations, boats, pumps, and tops. It is to be hoped that upon the finishing of the reparations set down in the survey and estimate of the several ships, any or all of them may make one summer's voyage to the southward. But the ships here named, viz., "Merhonour," "Rainbow," "Vanguard," "Victory," "Red Lion," "Reformation," "Mary Rose," "Defiance," are ablest for all services and long continuance [at sea]. [*10 pp., of which 4 blank.*]
- Jan. 23. Skeffing. 5. William Jeler to some lady relative. I doubt your ladyship is not very thankful for the land fallen to you [by our gift], that you so strain at the payment of so small a sum which was given you when you were in a long remote hope of the land; now that is



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fallen to you you would have the 40s. also. *Postscript*.—I remember my service to my noble cousin, your brother, wishing him much increase of honour and happiness. [1 p.]

[Jan.]

6. Margaret Croft to [Lord Conway?]. Desires to know his pleasure concerning the enclosed note in French addressed to her. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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7. Instructions given by the King to the Earl of Danby, sent as Governor to Guernsey. Though the relief of Rochelle was in a manner imposed upon us by the engagement of our honour, with consent of the French King, to see that treaty performed which was made by our means; yet those malicious instruments which formerly prevailed with him to break his capitulations with his own subjects and his promises made to us, are now so transported with the success of their counsels that not regarding the danger and prejudice which may happen to that kingdom they content not themselves with the ruin of such a chief port and fortress, but are further animated to assail us, either upon our own coasts or at least in those islands which are nearest unto theirs. To defend our coasts we are resolved to give such directions as may frustrate their attempts, and therein expect from you what advertisements you can get for discovery of these designs. For the [Channel] Islands having full confidence in your experience in martial affairs and fidelity to us, we have resolved to send you thither, both because of government of Guernsey, the most important place, is proper to your charge, and, as report goes, a Peer of France undertaking the attempt [against those islands] that he may be encountered by another Peer of ours. Though your residence will be in Guernsey yet in regard of the age and absence of the Governor of Jersey, and the necessity of correspondence betwixt all those islands, we think fit to recommend to you the care and charge of ordering and disposing what may appertain to the common defence and safety of every one of those islands, wherein you are to employ the service both of the Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey [Sir John Peyton], and of Sir Philip Cartwright [Carterett] in whose ability and care we put much confidence, as you may make known to them. For supplies of munition, victuals, and materials for fortification found necessary by our Council of War to make good the forts and castles in those islands, order is given to the Officers of Ordnance and to the Surveyor of Victuals respectively, which you are to see performed, and care for their transportation in such vessels as are appointed for that service. General instructions.—If anything should arise that may require present remedy, you shall in such cases use your own discretion, but in such as import no present peril you shall give information to us and expect such direction as shall be proper for the government of those islands so far remote. [*Copy.* 5 pp.]

Feb. 1.  
Cripston.

8. John Shapligh to Sir Thomas Reynell. I have seen the manor of Stepton, and find it not half so good as my Lord's book

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made it. I have since Christmas taken a great deal of pains about the gathering in of the King's money, but have only received 20*l.* of the 250*l.* for subsidy. Desires him to speak with Mr. John Gibbons and get him to move the Lord Treasurer to let him defer passing his account till Easter Term. [*Seal with arms broken. 1½ pp.*]

Feb. 6.  
Palace of  
Westminster.

9. Privy Seal signifying the King's pleasure to the Treasurer and Under-Treasurer of the Exchequer for payment to the Cofferer of the Household of 579*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* yearly for a diet of six dishes of meat with appurtenances to be furnished to Henry, Earl of Manchester, as Lord Privy Seal, to make up the diet of ten dishes, which he now hath, to 16 dishes, that being the ancient allowance of diet belonging to the Lord Privy Seal, to commence from 13th July last, and so to be continued payable at the four usual feasts. In this sum of 579*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* is to be included the 200*l.* already allowed by a former Privy Seal to the four clerks of the Privy Seal [Office] for their diet. Provided that our former letters of Privy Seal, dated 21st July last for the like sum, be cancelled. [*Certified copy. 1 p.*]

Feb. 7-14.

10. Four odd leaves of a MS. Journal of Proceedings in the House of Commons. The days comprised being 7th, 9th, 10th February, and portions of the proceedings on the 13th and 14th, the intervening days being wanting. [*They are printed in full in "The Diurnal Occurrences of Every Day's Proceedings in Parliament. Printed by R. H., and sold by Mr. Cooke at Furnival's Inn Gate."* 1641.]

Feb. 7.

11. Attorney-General Heath to James, Earl of Carlisle. I am heartily sorry and ashamed that I should give any occasion to so good and gracious a King and master to be offended with me, but my comfort is that neither in this unhappy incident nor in anything else, my heart can accuse me of an unworthy thought to do His Majesty the least disservice. I was suddenly surprised, and did on that sudden conceive that a clear answer would have given an end to these over curious questions which were then asked of me; but I erred in my weak judgment, and my own heart soon stroke me and told me my error. I should not have presumed so far without the leave of my gracious master. *Verbum emissum est irrevocabile.* There rests nothing more for me but my humblest supplications to his sacred Majesty and my unfeigned grief that I have offended, and lie under the mark of his displeasure, wherein I beseech your Lordship to intercede for me, when and how in your nobleness and wisdom you shall think fittest. And I beseech further give me leave to beg this favour, that you will present the enclosed paper to His Majesty, for which I stand now accused with some acrimony in the Commons' House, as I conceive for not proceeding too swiftly against my cousins, upon weak grounds, and humbly to beseech His Majesty in the name of his most unworthy servant to vouchsafe his own directions what

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answer I shall give, for that House yesterday sent to me to that purpose and gave me time till Monday; without His Majesty's leave I will say nothing. I have bought that learning at too dear a rate, and if I give them no answer they will suspect much more than is true. I wholly submit myself to His Majesty's grace, and most humbly beg his pardon and entreat your noble intercession, for which I understand well how much I am already bound. [*Seal with crest and arms broken.* 1 p.]

Feb. 16. 12. Deed declaratory by Sir Robert Baynard, knight, of Lackham, co. Wilts, granting to Anne Fisher, natural daughter of Joan Fisher, of Laycock, co. Wilts, spinster, an annuity of 10*l.* secured on a parcel of meadow or pasture called Arnolds, situate in the parish of Laycock, payable immediately upon his decease for term of her life. With proviso that if he should be minded at any time to revoke such grant upon payment of 3*s.* 4*d.* to the use of the said Anne this deed shall become void. [*2½ pp.*]

Feb. 20. Return of the offices and places belonging to the Navy held by Patent under the Great Seal or otherwise, with the fees, wages, and entertainments attaching to each. [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., fol. 76.*]

Feb. 25. 13. Presentment and certificate by the jury empannelled for Coleman Street Ward, London, to inquire touching the killing and eating of flesh in Lent. [*Strip of parchment.*]

[Feb.] 14. Dorothy Sydney, Countess of Leicester, to her brother James, Earl of Carlisle. Since my occasions will not suffer me yet personally to give you a good welcome, I beseech you grant these lines leave to present it to you with all the affection my heart can deliver, and very shortly I will make a journey to wait on your Lordship, and bring your daughter with me that you may see how well she is grown. In the meantime be pleased to receive my respects. [*Seal with coronet and crest.* 1 p.]

Feb. 15. Articles setting forth such inconveniences as are conceived certain to follow upon the proceedings of the Commission that is now designed to abolish or innovate on the just and laudable custom of obventions, commonly called Church dues. Art. 1. If the receiving of such dues shall be construed in law to be simony, sacrilege, and extortion, then are all the clergy beneficed *simoniaci*; and all the spiritual promotions within the realm of England actually void by lapse of simony, and so devolved to the King's Majesty, who may by law present thereunto. Art. 7. That where no tithes are or of no considerable value, there the clergy shall not only celebrate divine service but administer the sacraments, preach, visit the sick, bury the dead, and other offices of the Church for mere nothing, contrary to all laws of God and nature, that cry: The labourer is worthy of his hire. [*Probably enclosed in letter of Dr. Roger Mainwaring to Bishop Laud of London. See Vol. CXXXVI., No. 76.* 2½ pp.]

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March 1. 16. Sir John Peyton to Secretary Conway. Reasons for his  
Doddington. having presented Mr. Lovering to the vacant rectory in Jersey, but  
as the King thinks proper to confer it on the Dean [D. Bandinell],  
and that Mr. Lovering should be beneficed in England, humbly  
submits. I do in that not only submit myself, but also acknowledge  
His Majesty's free goodness to me and my chaplain. Your favour  
to him I willingly embrace, and have accordingly sent my pre-  
sentation for Mr. Dean, assuring myself that the other party will  
give good account of himself in his function as not unworthy your  
Lordship's best furtherance. [*Seal, with arms.* 1 p.]
- March 12. 17. Secretary Dorchester to Bishop Laud of London. The King,  
Court at upon petition of John Clarke, Bookseller, and confession of his  
Whitehall. fault, hath commanded me to signify his pleasure to your Lordship  
for Clarke's delivery out of prison. [*Seal, with crest.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- March 13. 18. John Browne to Lady Hyde at Aldbury, co. Herts. The  
Tring. cause of my writing and sending a note of the tax [for the poor]  
enclosed is that both you and your beloved son, Sir Thomas Hyde,  
may see it beforehand, for it was made with a great deal of pains  
taken by Sir Nicholas Hyde, the which had many repulses, but in  
the end did take effect as I can make it appear. I hope those  
lights which he gave in the country shall never be put out until  
they have taken effect, and his directions shall be a guide to me so  
long as I live. As we are about to collect some arrears for the  
poor, I send this that you both may see we do still hold those just  
directions formerly prescribed as near as we can. [*Seal, broken.*  
1 p.]
- March 14. Officers of the Navy to Commissioners of the Admiralty. Copy  
of Vol. CXXXVIII, No. 73. *Enclose*, Report of Ships, No. 73 i.  
[*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXVII, fols. 78 and 79.*]
- March 19. 19. Henry, Earl of Danby [to Viscount Conway]. On his arrival  
Castle Cornet, in Jersey he reviewed the trained bands consisting of 1,200 men,  
Guernsey. and found them ill-armed and worse in order. Has surveyed the  
landing-places and defences of the Island, and given direction for  
some additional entrenchments. He had heard and determined  
several civil causes. Insufficiency of the pay allowed to the officers.  
A commission for martial law must be sent to Jersey to correct the  
many disorders there. I conceive such authority in the power of  
the Lieutenant-Governor and Sir Philip Carteret most necessary;  
for Guernsey they have sufficient warrant already, so as by a  
letter from the Council they may be limited when and how far to  
put that power in execution. From such intelligencers as were  
employed by me upon these late rumours, I find the French  
preparations scarce worth regard, the boats building being fitter to  
serve themselves than to attempt these Islands. Sir Henry  
Palmer, with the "Assurance," the two "Whelps," and the  
catch, having victualled here, and taking aboard 40 of the King's  
soldiers, is even now ready to sail for the French coast with design

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to look into such roads as wind and weather will permit. This bearer, Captain Beale, can best acquaint you with the condition of the "Charles." I have furnished this little fleet with such victual as is here to be had for 15 days more, and when that is spent, unless we receive other commands from you, we purpose to come away for Portsmouth. [2½ pp.]

March 24. 20. A particular note by Matthew de Quester of the despatches sent and received for His Majesty's Ambassadors and agents to foreign Courts between the 19th December 1628 and 24th March 1628-9. It comprises above 79 despatches, and the charge is 76*l.* 10*s.* [2 pp.]

March 24. 21. A second proclamation for the apprehension of Richard Smith, a popish priest, styled and calling himself the Bishop of Chalcedon. [*Signed. Already calendared from printed copy. ½ skin of parchment.*]

March 27. 22. Proclamation for apprehension of Walter Long and William Strode for seditious practices. [*Black letter. Already calendared from copy in Col. Procs., Car. I., No 106.*]

March 27. 23. Proclamation for suppressing false rumours touching Parliament. [*Already calendared under date from the printed copy in Col. Procs., Car. I., No. 105. Draft. 3 pp.*]

March 31. 24. [The Council to the Lords Lieutenants in the several counties.] We have forborne till now to send down instructions for the assessment of the last subsidy in favour of the poorer sort of His Majesty's subjects to ease them what we could by prolonging their payment that the burden might fall the less heavy upon them. Besides, we thought it not amiss to expect the going down of those principal gents. who attended Parliament, to the end that by their forward and effectual endeavours their own good intentions in granting those subsidies might the better be performed; for they all know what complaints were made as well in Parliament as elsewhere, that the burden of their payments was cast upon the inferiors, and that the best sort of people were not rateably assessed, whereby the sum of their aids was grown less near by half than it was in former times; and yet upon consideration nothing can be found more to concern the honour and welfare of the kingdom than that these common aids should contain a sufficient supply for the great and extraordinary affairs of the State to make it more respected both by friends and enemies, and that our Kings may have cause highly to value the free affections of their subjects and to rely wholly upon them, which His Majesty most desires. This we doubt not but you will weigh and seriously take to heart, and accordingly advance the assessment of those who be best able, and who have in former payments been too much undervalued; and because these former payments have been collected and returned with so loose a hand

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that half the last subsidy, being payable the 10th of December last, is not yet received, we [must now expect and require a more careful order to be taken for reformation thereof and for the hastening in of these last payments with all possible speed, so that the time for seasonable preparations for His Majesty's great occasions may not be spent before the means to set them forward may be had, which assuredly will come to pass if now you employ not an extraordinary care, for which His Majesty may have cause to give you thanks. We send with the commissions the Rolls of Recusants as they are returned into the Exchequer, and for such as are to be had in the country yourselves can best provide. And so expecting your careful and diligent performance of these our directions, we bid you heartily farewell. [Endorsed : "Copy of the letters for subsidy, March 1638." 1½ pp.]

March.

25. Certificate presented to the Council of the names of such as have been long in contempt in co. Suffolk, for not finding of horse and arms in the several troops of Sir Richard Brooks, Sir William Plater, and Mr. North. We cannot certify Captain Wingfield's because he affirms you discharged him of his troop, and we know not who is to be appointed Captain in his stead. [1 p.]

March.

26. Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, and Commonalty of Dover, to the Council. Represent the empoverished estate of the town owing to the decline of trade and traffic and divers other great losses, as by the loss of three ships in His Majesty's service, which were cast away in 1625 on the coast of France, with the loss of all on board, leaving 227 widows and orphans mainly supported at the charge of the town; by the prejudice sustained from the soldiers whilst Count Mansfeldt was lying there; by the relief of French sailors and others coming to the town for transportation; by the nightly watches in the last winter, whilst the soldiers were lying there and ever since for their own safety; besides the great costs and charges they have been at for fortifications and maintenance of the town and haven, which now brings in little or no revenues; and the removal of men of great estates out of the town, who are not yet returned in compliance with your Lordships' command in that behalf. Should the town be charged with the billeting of other soldiers, as is reported likely, they will be utterly disabled from performing the like former works of charity or relief of their own poor, the town being generally empoverished. Their town having suffered more in these and other respects than any other town, pray to be spared from the now billeting of soldiers. [½ p.]

[March.]

27. Memorial for presentation to the Council of War, representing matters requisite for defence of the Channel Islands. That the inhabitants may be allowed free transport of ammunition for the defence of the Islands. That 300 men at the least be sent into each Island. That an engineer be sent over to oversee the fortifications. That several pinnaces or little ships be sent to guard the Islands and scour those seas. That the inhabitants of Guernsey may at

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their own costs erect a new bulwark to command the entrance of their harbour, and have bestowed on them 10 or 12 pieces of ordnance to arm that bulwark. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

April 1.  
St. Helier.

28. Sir John Peyton to Secretary Dorchester. I have given account to the Earl of Danby, who is here, of my endeavours for His Majesty's service in this place, so far as I have been able any way to prevail with a people, so inured to a long peace, that martial commands seem at the first strange to them and their obedience hitherto accordingly slack, as I have no doubt has been discovered by the Earl. I formerly signified to the Privy Council what difficulties I encountered, and prayed direction how far the Governors may extend their authority in this doubtful time against such of the inhabitants as neglected the service. I find these omissions of duty but little amended by the ordinary punishment of imprisonment for hours and days, who perhaps would be more sensible to corporal punishment and fines. I petitioned in my letters for three demi-culverins, one whole culverin, and four drakes more for the new works at Castle Elizabeth. I crave your furtherance in all these matters and any directions you shall please to give me. [*Seal broken.* 2 pp.]

April 1.  
Castle Elizabeth.

29. The same to the Privy Council. I have to acknowledge your care for the preservation of these castles and Isle [of Jersey] so remote from our Sovereign's regal seat, and for sending over the Earl of Danby to view and visit us, whose long experience in martial affairs can make easy judgment of our condition for defence. Notice of munition received. Provision of victual, I have received none in addition to my old stores which I laid in for winter. Note of artillery wanted for Castle Elizabeth. I desire your commands to return to the Tower damaged brass ordnance and to receive the like weights in brass sakers. Desires directions on what terms he is to issue out arms to the inhabitants. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

April 3.  
London.

30. Dean of Jersey, David Bandinell, to Viscount Conway, President of the Council. Praying him to favour the bearer (whose cause already referred by the Council to the Solicitor-General has been favourably reported on by him), and to interpose his authority to prevent the vexatious re-examination of the affair desired by the adverse party. [*French.* 1 p.]

[April 7.]

31. Petition of Jaques or James Jolly [Sieur de Bresne], a Protestant of St. Surin, in France, near Rochelle, to the King. That sentence was given by Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty Court, for restitution of his ship, the "Henry" of St. Surin, and goods taken by Captain Anthony, on condition of his paying all charges for unloading. This sentence was given by your royal express command to the Judge and pronounced in the presence of both parties without opposition to the same. Complains that the Registrar delayed to deliver the former sentence and commission alleging that

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he was commanded by the Judge so to do although contrary to your commands, and the Judge has of late given a second sentence and caused a new commission to be made by which petitioner's right is reversed because the charges exceed above half of the value of the merchandise by the tax the Judge has made, viz., for the value 16*l.*, and for unloading 94*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.*, for that which is worth above 1,000*l.* Prays the royal order to the Judge and Registrar for delivery of the former sentence and commission which was pronounced on the last of February 1628[–9], and that the second may be declared void. [1 *p.*]

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32. Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Court of Admiralty, to the [Council]. I received your letter together with the petition exhibited to His Majesty by Jaques Jolly, gent., which was referred to your Lordships; wherein albeit there be some passages of indignity to myself; yet they move me the less, because it is found by experience that all actions of a Judge grounded more upon favour than the merits of the cause, proceeding from whatsoever respects, beget rather audacity and presumption than thankfulness and contentment in those who reap the benefit of such actions. Of this kind was that which this petitioner calleth my first sentence, the very terms of expression therein used plainly showing the same to have been made *per viam gratiæ non justitiæ*; and, indeed, in the nature of a contract interposed by His Majesty to his own loss, and the petitioner's profit, but utterly against Captain Anthony's will. And therefore though in that consideration I might have warranted a material alteration, especially upon a second signification of His Majesty's pleasure by Secretary Dorchester, that His Majesty intended Jolly no more than his own and yet Jolly's confession to me since made it very probable, that this ship doth in part belong to Palott, a Papist, yet I have been so far from reversing the former sentence as he calleth it or giving a second sentence, that Jolly hath by my Commission, which he calleth a second sentence, but, in truth, is nothing but the execution of the other, the effect of that favourable order in all things according to the true and plain meaning thereof. For first by this my commission the ship ["Henry" of St. Surin], with her tackle and furniture, which indeed was the matter of consequence, and chiefly aimed at by Captain Anthony and his partners, is wholly restored to Jolly. Secondly, whereas the goods and merchandises taken in her were only some quantity of fish and beavers' skins, the former having been previously sold, only its value was estimated in the commission, not by me but by the appraisers; so if it yielded more than is stated, Jolly may advise with his Counsel for remedy and supply of the overplus. The beavers' skins I excepted, as he confesses they be not his; and I hope no man will deem that interpretation of mine strained if I interpret that I meant him such goods only as were his own and not other men's. As for the charges to be deducted by the commission, which petitioner saith is 94*l.*, I know not what he can blame [me] in that for he acknowledgeth that in the order for restitution of the goods this clause inserted:—*Deductis prius et solutis expensis eorumdem*. Now in the commission there must be necessarily a liquidation of the



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expenses, to which purpose since Captain Anthony presented a bill of particulars amounting to so much and Jolly never excepted to any particular, out of right and custom I was for the present to specify in the commission the deduction accordingly, when Jolly shall be pleased to make it appear that any of those particulars are false or unreasonable he shall be heard. *Signed by Judge Marten.* [1 p.] *Annexed,*

32. 1. *Protest of claim preferred by Captain Anthony and his partners against the ship "Henry" of St. Surin and the goods contained in her.* [Latin. *Certified Copy.* 1 p.]

April 7.

33. Information from the Inhabitants of the town of Stenigot [co. Lincoln]. That they have nothing to certify to the other questions; only to the 7th they state that they pay no more money for marriages, christenings, churchings, and burials than hath been anciently paid. [*Damaged.*  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

April 8.  
Court at  
Whitehall.

34. The King to [John Lord Poulett]. We understand that notwithstanding our commissions and former directions for the disafforesting of Roche Forest, in co. Somerset, you having the command there under us, are so far from furthering that work as we expected, that your keepers and servants are raising oppositions against it and drawing together people in a very tumultuous and unlawful manner, a letter was written to you by the Lord Treasurer about this business, and we have directed the Attorney-General to examine these misdemeanours and cause them to be pursued in our Star Chamber; if we shall find it to have been done by your privity and allowance we shall not take it well at your hands. Our pleasure is that you and your keepers and ministers in this our forest do further this work which we much desire to have finished, having destined the money arising thereby to be employed towards our great occasions in the office of Ordnance and Navy. *Endorsed:* "A copy of His Majesty's letter to me." [1 p.]

April 10.  
Arundel House.

35. Thomas, Earl of Arundel and Surrey, to Sir Henry Fane [Vane], Cofferer of the Household. Your letters were very welcome, though we had hopes you would have been your own messenger, bringing as good news of your well-doing. The best particular news here is that your lady with the rest of our good friends are well, and for the public that of the peace with France which you will understand is in effect done; and although many may be displeased at it abroad, yet I am confident where you are [in Holland] it will be gladly understood, as also by our friends in Germany, unto whose declining estate, though the evil carriage of some has, as you know, deprived His Majesty of means to give that vigorous assistance which he and we hoped he should have done by the help of his people for the present, yet I trust the very reputation of the good amity betwixt these crowns, so much desired, will comfort and help much, and at home I hope it will help well through the stop which some ill-affected merchants would fain make, so as for my part I am very glad of it. We have as yet heard nothing directly from Italy of the accord

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between the French King and the Duke of Savoy, more than by the Ambassador of Venice, which is much as you hear at the Hague, but nothing yet from Sir Isaac Wake; and the ordinary letters out of Italy are wanting almost three weeks, which some merchants guess are stayed at Antwerp or Brussels, as likewise little out of Flanders or Spain. For my own sake I am sorry to miss you thus long abroad, but for yours both by what His Majesty expresses of you and what your friends speak of you there is no fear of your being forgotten, therefore I pray you go on cheerfully as you have begun, His Majesty being so well satisfied with your proceedings. *Postscript.*—I pray forget not my most humble service to [Elizabeth], Queen of Bohemia, and all hers. [*Seal, with horse.* 2 pp.]

April 11.  
Charing Cross.

36. Sir Francis Cottington to Sir Henry Fane [Vane]. I thank you for your letter, and for missing so little in your cipher; you are an apt scholar, and a good ambassador, for I hear the discreet performance of your instructions there [at the Hague] doth much please the King, and your well expressing it in your despatch hither is much liked. The despatches which you will receive from the Lord Treasurer and Secretary Dorchester are so full of your business as in this you will expect none, nor much news considering the numerous letters which go to you full of it. Yet peradventure nobody will tell you that I am not the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and therefore that shall be my part, as also that Lord Newburgh cannot be removed. I can give you no good news of the conformity of our merchants, though we have better hopes than we had; howsoever, it is still an ordinary threatening to complain to Parliament, if any man resolve to obey the King, such infection have we gotten from your parts, whose kind of government pleases us much, and we would fain be at it. I know not what more to say to you, nor in what to serve you, except you give me your commands. [*Seal, broken.* 1 p.]

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37. Richard Lord Weston, Lord Treasurer, to John West, Deputy Remembrancer of the Exchequer. Warrant to certify all informations exhibited against His Majesty's erring subjects, the Recusants, with all proceedings and judgments had by trial upon them remaining in your office. You are to certify the names of such persons as have commenced those informations or actions, together with the names of those against whom such actions have been brought. [*Damaged by damp.* 1 p.]

April 15.  
Jersey.

38. Sir John Peyton to Secretary Dorchester. Communicates intelligence from France. It is already forbidden by proclamations in the enemy's ports to trade with these islands upon pain of death. Necessity of protecting the Channel Islands from the enemy's attempts. I have so long solicited for a martial commission, which is as necessary for Jersey as for Guernsey, and would much repress the insolencies between the soldiers and islanders. [*Seal, broken.* 1 p.]

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The Hague.

39. Captain William Douglas to James, Earl of Carlisle. Acknowledges his Lordship's former favours and desires to be recommended by him for the King's service. The rising of the Parliament together with His Majesty's declaration fill the world on this side with strange conjectures. That these seeds may mature to bear dangerous fruit, if peace, plenty, and letters loose allegiance from the bond of reverence. Sovereignty is not well assured either from disaster or danger where power is in continual possibility of breaking the tie of obedience, and the multitude pretends will for reason. Though I do persuade myself that these thoughts and conjectures here [at the Hague] come rather from the republican humours of these people than from any diminution the sovereignty of England hath as yet felt, yet the possibility of growth of popular authority may be a just object of His Majesty's preventing care. I should wrong as well the goodness as greatness of this thought to own it, and the many circumstances of it are cabalistic and must not be written. Hopes to be suffered to enjoy the freedom of Carlisle's conversation which is a main circumstance in my wishes toward England. [*Seal with arms and motto.* 1 p.]

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40. The King's warrant to Sir Adam Newton, knight and baronet. By a former warrant of 22nd March 1628 we gave order to you and the rest of the Commissioners for our revenue whilst we were Prince to make payment of 30,000*l.* to the Earl of Totnes, or to the Queen's Treasurer and Receiver for the time being, after such debts and Privy Seals as were before charged upon you were paid, to be issued by him for the satisfaction of the Queen's creditors in such sort as should be agreed on by her Commissioners without any imprest or account to be rendered by him to any but her Auditor. Understanding that as yet no part of this sum has been paid, and that the tradesmen and others her creditors are clamorous and importunate, our pleasure is that out of those our revenues within your charge, and not granted or assigned to the Queen as part of her jointure, you make full payment of this sum in manner following, viz. :—That for this year 1629 you pay 1,000*l.*; for the year 1630, 10,000*l.*; and for 1631, another 10,000*l.*, in discharge of the Privy Seal for 30,000*l.* These payments to have precedence and to be paid to Sir Richard Wynne, knight and baronet, Treasurer and Receiver-General to the Queen, to be by him disbursed as above directed, without account to be rendered by him to any, but only to the Queen's Auditor General. This is to be done, notwithstanding any other debt or Privy Seal before charged upon you, and notwithstanding any order, command, or restraint to the contrary. [*Copy.* 2 pp.]

April 17.  
Whitehall.

Dudley Carleton, Viscount Dorchester, to Mr. Burgess, Clerk of the Turkey Company. His Majesty has given me order for some reasons and considerations tending to the advancement of commerce and trade, to view the Book of Entry of Orders made by the Turkey Company at their Courts, which you are therefore by

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His Majesty's command to bring to me this afternoon at Whitehall.  
[*Seal with coronet and arms broken. Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 75.*]

April 17. 41. Certificate from certain inhabitants of Wissett, co. Suffolk, to the Barons of the Court of Exchequer. That John Leaman having a suit in the Court of Exchequer is desirous that you should be informed what estate of lands and tenements came into his possession, and of how much he has disposed. [*Damaged. 1 p.*]

[April 22.] 42. Interrogatories to be administered to the Registrars of the Spiritual Court at Lincoln. Touching the duties and jurisdiction of their offices, their fees, what number of causes for matters of instance, and what for detections are now entered and depending in that Court, what offices and places since the 11 Elizabeth have been invented and assigned, what fees or sums were usually taken by any judges, proctors, registrars, or other officers of the Spiritual Courts, what warrants, rolls, records, or other writings have you in your custodies concerning the fees of those Courts. Make copies of these, and deliver them under your hands. The like interrogatories to the Proctors of the Spiritual Court. *Annexed,*

42. 1. *Depositions or Answers to the above interrogatories by the following public notaries and officers of the Spiritual Court at Lincoln. George Walker, of the Close; Thomas Lund, Registrar for the Archdeaconsry of Stow; Martin Walker, a Proctor of the Consistory; Edmond Hornsey, M.A., a Proctor of the Bishop's Consistory; and Thomas Styroppe, of the Close. [Damaged by damp. 12 pp.]*

April 24. 43. Proceedings taken at Gloucester by the Attorney-General on His Majesty's behalf against Philip Harris, Richard Challoner, and others, defendants, touching the converting of oak timber into coal within Dean Forest, for making of iron. In Trinity Term a special verdict was therein found, upon which it is ordered by this Court that the matter shall be argued by counsel on both sides upon this day fortnight. [=½ p.]

April 27. 44. Petition of Arthur Rathnell to Lord Treasurer Weston. That King James granted by patent for 21 years to Sir Robert Stewart all roots and stumps of trees not being above three feet in height in any his manors, parks, forests, and chases in England and Wales without rendering of any rent. That petitioner by assignment being interested in so much of the grant as concerns the Forest of Dean, is desirous upon surrender of his interest in the above grant to have a renewal of the lease for the Forest of Dean for 21 years paying a rent of 10*l.* *Underwritten,*

44. 1. *Order by the Lord Treasurer for the Surveyor-General of Woods to consider of the above petition and certify his opinion, 27th April 1629.*

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44. II. *Certificate of Robert Treswell, that upon expiration of Sir Robert Stewart's lease in two years it would be good service to raise a rent of 10*l.* per annum for that which now yields nothing to His Majesty.*

44. III. *Order of the Lord Treasurer Weston for Mr. Attorney to prepare a grant as desired, upon surrender of the estate in being, for 21 years, reserving a yearly rent of 50*l.* 4*th* August 1630. [1 p.]*

April 30. 45. Tabular form showing the division of the shires among the saltpetre men, the proportion of petre assigned yearly to each, the proportion brought in by each from 1st May 1628 till 30th April 1629, the proportions deficient and proportions over. Totals. The proportion as assigned is 5,234 cwt., being 261 tons 14 cwt., which would make 290 lasts of gunpowder. The proportion actually brought in is 3,462 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs., which makes in gunpowder 190 lasts 18 cwt. [1½ pp.]

April 30. 46. Information by Gregory Tucker, of Exeter, merchant, against Richard Skinner, of Southampton, Attorney, who was Under-sheriff in June 1623. That being bound in 50*l.* for Mr. Thomas Hardy, of Lincoln's Inn, to Thomas Dalbie, of Southampton, merchant, he was sued by Dalbie for this sum unto an outlawry, and before he could be freed from the Under-sheriff he was forced to pay 40*s.* to him to reverse the outlawry. [⅔ p.]

[April.] 47. Report [addressed to Lord President Conway] concerning the present stoppage of trade both in exports and imports. So far as I can collect from the general discourse of merchants, the causes are as stated in these following articles:—1. The universal opinion spread, and continuing still, is that by paying of tonnage and poundage, which is now conceived to be in the nature of an imposition, together with those other impositions, licenses, pretermitted customs, &c. formerly laid, they shall endanger the right and liberty of the subject. 2. An opinion arising from the former is that His Majesty's public occasions may henceforward be perpetually supplied by the way of imposition upon commodities exported and imported, and so parliaments grow out of use. 3. A general mistake not yet rectified is, that our religion is in danger, and Arminianism and Popery too much countenanced, which I conceive to have been occasioned by some speeches in Parliament, since divulged in writing, and the not executing of the priest lately condemned at Newgate, and imprisoning a minister much esteemed in the City, wherein the matter of fact is generally known, but not the true cause thereof, and both these last since His Majesty's declaration [of the causes which moved him to dissolve the last Parliament]. All which make men more peremptory in those ways, which they conceive may draw on a parliament. 4. A conceit wherewith the minds of many are possessed that if they should now pay tonnage and poundage, the Bill not being passed in

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Parliament, they may hereafter be punished by the Parliament as enemies of the Commonwealth and voluntary breakers of the Petition of Right, &c.

For remedy whereof and for the means to open up trade I conceive the most important and chief motive will be to find some way to satisfy the minds of the merchants in the particulars above specified, which is proper to your Lordship and the most Honourable Council Board. As for that which concerns trade simply considered I conceive these considerations following may arise :—1. Whether setting of trade free by dissolving of such companies as shall desist from trade may conduce to the ends desired? Or, 2, whether the raising of a stock amongst gentlemen and others may in probability give a beginning to a new course of trade? Or 3, whether the dissolving of the company of Merchants Adventurers in particular may effect the same; being fittest to be dealt with first, in regard the proceeding of that trade doth most import the good of the State. As for taking advantage of those merchants who import perishable commodities to enter bond to export the like values, or of those exporting native commodities to enter bond to import as much, and to pay the demanded duties, I hold not these considerations worthy of your Lordship.

For answer to all which I do not in my private opinion conceive that any of those courses will produce the effect aimed at, in respect they are likely to alienate the minds of merchants more rather than to compose them; neither will the trade be restored until the same men shall be some way induced to return to their former course. But concerning the company of Merchant Adventurers, I think they may well be required by the State to ship their cloth, as they usually do, at this season of the year, &c. [*Amongst the Conway Papers.* 4 pp.]

[April.] 48. Petition of Michael Sparke, Stationer, now prisoner in the Fleet to the Council. That alighting upon a book of sermons upon the temptation of Christ, printed above 30 years since [published in 1592] by a printer who had it allowed and entered by the Stationers' Company, the same being reputed to be the work of [Lancelot Andrews], late Bishop of Winchester, but now out of print, he was induced to reprint it; before, however, it could come out, the press was stayed for a while by command of Bishop [Laud] of London, upon the information of some who labour to have the printing of the whole of the late Bishop's works. Hearing no more of this business for nine weeks, and pressed to pay for the paper, and being in much want of money, he disposed of these books for which he is committed to the Fleet Prison by your Lordships [see Vol. CXL., No. 15]. This being his first fault in this kind, and ignorant of the gravity of the offence, he prays you to commiserate his poor estate, and give order for his enlargement. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[April.] 49. Another copy of the same. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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50. Petition of Eric Furgeson and Company, subjects of Denmark and owners of the "St. Marie" of Masterland, to the Council. Their ship being on its voyage from Norway to Leghorn, laden with deals, balks, and spars, was intercepted by Captain Cocke, upon pretence that it was bound for the King of Spain's dominions with prohibited goods on board. They were not suffered to land so that they might relate the truth of their owners' and merchants' cause till after Cocke and John De la Barre had procured a sentence condemning the ship and her lading. Since petitioners are subjects of His Majesty's ally, and of a king so much engaged in the common cause, they pray that consideration may be given to the circumstance that these are the only goods exported from that country, and were designed for a free place, and, lastly, that sentence was procured in the absence of the parties interested. Desire the Lords to give order for retracting of this sentence and for restitution of their goods. [1 p.]

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51. Note of several disbursements made for the King's ships at this date in Guernsey when Lord Danby was there. The ships were the "Assurance," "Charles," third and tenth "Whelps" and the "Minikin," ketch, besides boats, men, &c. Total 225*l.* 10*s.* 4½*d.*, from which is to be deducted for a fire-ship sold 69*l.* 12*s.* 5*d.*, and for a bark brought in by Captain Osborne, 34*l.*, so remains due 121*l.* 17*s.* 11½*d.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

May 1.

52. Order of the Court of Star Chamber. This day the Attorney-General informed this Court that he had sent a messenger to serve the process of this Court returnable immediately upon Sir John Eliot and the other members of the Commons' House, now prisoners in the Tower and other prisons to appear in this Court and answer an information there to be exhibited against them for very great offences. He prayed that for the avoiding of delays and speeding the cause the defendants' counsel might have free access to them for framing their answers and for their defence, which the Court held very just and reasonable, and ordered it shall so be. And that the Lieutenant of the Tower [Sir Allen Apsley] and the Keepers of the several prisons, where they remain, do take notice of this order and suffer their counsel to have free access unto them at all fit times as by this order is intended. *Pro rege.* [Certified copy. 1 p.]

May 9.  
Greenwich.

53. Edw. Earl of Dorset to the Collectors and Receivers of Subsidy and others. Certifying that Monsieur Bunon, servant to his Majesty, is freed from subsidies by virtue of a Privy Seal granted by His Majesty and dated 20th April 1626. [Certified copy. 1 p.]

May 10.

54. Reasons by Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty, explaining the merits of the cause and grounds of the award given in that Court against a French ship named the "Marie," *alias* the "Devisé" *alias* "St. Dennis de Sables d'Olonne" taken by Captain West and his company. [*Latin.* 1 p.]

May 13.  
Jersey.

55. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Dorchester. Has heard of the declaration of peace with France. Desires to know his Lord-

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ship's pleasure relative to the English soldiers at Jersey, who are well trained. Requests, in consideration of the losses he has sustained by being made prisoner and carried to Dunkirk, that he may be recommended with his company for entertainment in the service of the States [of Holland] whereby they may be better enabled to serve His Majesty hereafter on any occasion. Thus your favours extended to me invite me to a bold access and dutiful acknowledgment of them. [*Seal, with device.* 1 p.]

[May 15.] 56. Petition of Peter de Beauvoir, Deputy of Guernsey, to the Privy Council. Prays that their Lordships would give present order for payment of the arrears due to the English companies there, and that peace being concluded with France, they would give orders for recall of the soldiers from the Island. [1 p.]

May 15.  
Whitehall.

Order made on the above petition. The Board thought fit that the standing garrison in Castle Cornet should be maintained as formerly, but that peace being now proclaimed the new Companies of 200 foot sent thither about two years since for the defence of that Island should be revoked and brought back into England. For supply of shipping, victuals, and other necessities for their transportation, reference is made to the Council of War, who are prayed to take speedy course therein either with the Commissioners for the Admiralty or otherwise so that it may be done with expedition, as well for easing the country of that needless charge as for His Majesty's service. *Signed by W. Trumbull, Clerk of the Council.* [*Written on the back of the preceding.* 1 p.]

May 18.  
Middle Temple.

57. Richard Hadsor to Lord President Conway. I have considered of the contents of the note which I received from you by Mr. Rawden. I find that Garrett Fitz-Gerald, late Earl of Desmond, and James Fitz-Maurice, who died in action of rebellion, were, amongst others, attainted of high treason by Act of Parliament in Ireland in 28 Elizabeth, when all their castles and estates were forfeited and invested in the Crown without office, so as those lands are in the King's power to grant, if not previously granted. And if Conogher Row McCarthy and such others as were in action of rebellion were attainted of high treason, rebellion being no attainder without conviction, the King may likewise grant their lands, if the same were not formerly granted, for the better discovery whether their lands or any part thereof were granted to any person in fee simple, or fee farm, or for lives or years. I have prepared this draft of a letter for signature addressed to the Lord Deputy, requiring him to transmit a certificate to you from Sir William Parsons, Master of the Court of Wards, and His Majesty's Surveyor-General, and from Sir James Ware, Auditor, specifying whether any of those lands are in charge and what estate the tenants have from the Crown therein. To the end that if these lands be not in charge you may obtain a grant thereof to yourself or such as you think fit in fee farm whereby His Majesty's revenue will be increased without wrong done to any of his subjects. The King's counsel had the last Lent seen all



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conferences touching the King's title, which I have reduced to several cases, to the lands in question, between the King and the Earl of Cork. The Lord Keeper by His Majesty's direction has conferred with the King's counsel concerning the same, and it is agreed that these cases are warranted by the copies of the records which I produced, whereupon the same are grounded. Since which time I could never get a certificate to His Majesty of their opinions thereon; and if they will not now, the term being ended, within a few days, make a certificate, I must by your Lordship's good means acquaint the King therewith. The Earl of Cork having diminished the King's revenue about 700*l.* a year of the old rent and his tenures *in capite* and by knights' service, wherein if I may have his Majesty's gracious countenance, I doubt not to find means for the reviving of his tenures and rents, and for obtaining of a good fine to the King for these lands. *Postscript.*—After the writing hereof, the Lord Keeper told me next day, that the King saith that the cases touching the Earl of Cork shall be referred to some of the Judges to give their opinions therein, whereof I am very glad; whereupon I moved his Lordship that the Lord Chief Baron might be one of the referees for that he is a learned man and well acquainted with matters concerning the King's revenue. [1 *p.*]

May 20.  
Hinton.

58. John, Lord Poulett, to [Secretary Dorchester]. Desires to thank him for the real effects of his goodwill towards himself and his cousin Waldron. By my experience of the disposition of men in my small affairs I am so far from envying your employments that I pray God to give you patience in them, and me the grace to keep myself in that poor estate in which I am. Before I received the letters which Mr. Waldron acquainted you with, I had removed all my goods and sent the keys of the lodge to the Commissioners [for disafforesting Roche forest], and so much I wrote in answer; I wrote also to Sir Francis Cottington all the circumstances of that business, who perhaps may find himself in the humour to be truly informed. You will think me in a passion for writing thus, and I confess I am so to see His Majesty's businesses carried as they are. For myself, though I am turned out of my pleasure [grounds] and my money disbursed, with reproaches, I do not regret it since it was His Majesty's will to command me to leave it. [2 *pp.*]

May 20.

59. Minutes of Admiralty warrants, viz. [from the Commissioners of the Admiralty to the Officers of the Navy], to enter Robert Sampson as master cook in the "10th Whelp," *vice* John West, resigned, 16th March. The like for the master carpenter. Appointment of a Deputy Purser in the "Red Lion," 20th May 1629. For George Carteret to be Lieutenant in the "Garland," employed in the Narrow Seas under the command of Captain John Mennes. To enter Elias Sherbrook to be master carpenter in the "Warspite," *vice* Richard Punchington, deceased. To Sir John Heydon, Lieutenant of Ordnance, to cause a survey and account to be made of ordnance, gunpowder, and other provisions belonging to the gunner's store aboard the "Henrietta" pinnace, that they

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be delivered over to Gerard Dalby appointed master gunner in the pinnace *vice* John Hickes transferred to the "Adventure." [*Minutes.* 2 pp.]

**May 22.** 60. Sir John Peyton to Lord Dorchester. Has received the report of a proclamation of peace between England and France. Requests that half or one-fourth of the English Company now under Sir Philip Carteret be left to guard the new fortifications added to the castle, but that they may be transferred to his command. Repeats his application for artillery for the new works, which otherwise will be left unfurnished. [*Seal with crest.* 1 p.]

**May 26.** 61. Robert Brome to John Philpot, Esq., in Aldersgate Street. I am sorry to have to trouble you so often about the poor prisoners' pardon who lie in Westgate, at Canterbury. You have already brought this business to that good pass that it needs only sending down. Our quarter sessions are to be held on the 2nd proximo, so that unless it comes down before that time they must stay in prison till Michaelmas next. The Mayor is informed that the woman is not in the pardon of Newgate, so that it may be somewhat dangerous for her if it come not down, but I think they will not hurt her. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

**June 2.** 62. Petition of Robert Throgmorton, Esq., to the King. That he and his heirs for ever being seized of the manors of Weston, Underwood, Oversley, Kingsbourn in Oversley, and Sambourn were, by former grants from the Crown, authorised to hold courts-leet, view-of-frank-pledge, with the profits of leets, free-warren, waifs, and strays, but not in the manors of Coughton, Spennall, and Upton, Hasler, and reputed manors of Moorehall and Aspeley severally in cos. Bucks, Warwick, and Worcester. Prays that His Majesty for the better ordering of those places and inhabitants would not only confirm the privileges petitioner now enjoys, but empower him to keep courts-leet twice yearly within those manors, and to enjoy the profits of courts, free-warren, fines, amercements, assize, and assay of bread, beer, &c., within all and every the manors and lands aforesaid. *Underswritten,*

62. 1. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Attorney-General to consider of this petition, and certify what they conceive His Majesty may conveniently do therein; and then he will further show his royal pleasure.* Court at Greenwich, 2nd June 1629. [1 p.]

**June 5.** 63. Certificate of the Commissioners for the Subsidy in co. Sussex to the Lord Treasurer and others, that John Stone, of Rusper, yeoman, was resident at and taken in Rusper, at 30s. in lands. [1 p.]

**June 13.** 64. *Mem.*—Richard Bond's specialities on two inquisitions taken 11th and 13th June 1629. Garton's bonds delivered to Mr. Tate in Michaelmas. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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June 15. 65. Order in Council for certifying the number of ordnance made within this kingdom since the first year of His Majesty's reign. *Underwritten,*

65. I. *Notice of this was given to Mr. Hooker and to the gun-founder, and a certificate from all parties divers times pressed for. The Officers of the Ordnance for so much as concerns themselves returned an account to the Lords Commissioners for the Admiralty, dated 3rd August 1629. [Already calendared, see Vol. CXLIV., No. 78. 1 p.]*

June 16. 66. The King to the Commissioners of Sewers in cos. Norfolk, &c. [*Duplicate of Vol. CXLIV., No. 84.*]

June 16. 67. Certificate of the Commissioners for the Subsidy in the City and Liberties of Westminster to the Lord Treasurer and others, that Richard Denham, the high collector appointed for the third of the five entire subsidies granted in Parliament in 3 Car., returns the persons herein named as either dead, gone away, or no effects since the said assessments made. [1 p.]

June 22. 68. Sir John Peyton to Secretary Dorchester. Thinks it  
Castle Elizabeth. necessary to notice the case of the garrison soldiers, five or six in number, cashiered for disobedience to his orders. Complains that 450*l.* had been cut off from his allowance as Governor, by the deduction out of the Governor's revenues of 100*l.* per annum for the Dean [of Jersey], and nearly as much for the bailiff, besides Lord Conway at his being Commissioner here, added 20 men to the ordinary garrison left by other governors, as appears by a copy of the list under Sir Walter Rawley's [Raleigh's] hand, and increased every soldier's pay 20*s.* per annum. [*Seal, with crest, broken. 1½ pp.*]

June 26. 69. Return showing the number of ordnance appearing by tickets to have been sold and shipped out of the founders' stores at several dates betwixt the 23rd January 1628[–29] and the 26th of June following, with the names of the persons for whom they were consigned. [2 pp.]

June 29. 70. Affidavit of Roger Nott that 76*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* was still remaining due to him of 84*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*, owing by Sir John Packington, junior, for mercers' goods at the time of his decease. [1 p.]

June 29. 71. The like of Arthur Knight, of London, haberdasher, that 21*l.* 8*s.* was due to him from Sir J. Packington, bart., deceased. [1 p.]

June 29. 72. The like of William Taylor, milliner, for 8*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.* due. [1 p.]

June 30. 73. Reasons by Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty, explaining the merits of the cause and grounds of award given in

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that Court against the ship named "Our Lady of the Conception" and her lading, taken by Captain Smart, 26th May. [*Latin*, 2 pp.]

July 3.  
Hinton.

74. John, Lord Poulett, to Secretary Dorchester. Thanks him for his letter of 27th June, assuring him of the continuance of His Majesty's favour. I find in it that he expects I should comply with what the Commissioners have resolved touching the disafforestation [of Roche Forest] which I willingly do and suffer, whatsoever they direct. They are men of that condition that I should always be in pain with them only for the assurance of your favour. My wife and daughters have changed their minds with the alterations in the Court. [1 p.]

July 5.

75. Warrant of Lord Treasurer Weston to John West, Deputy Remembrancer in the Exchequer. To make stay of all process against Sir William Uvedall, Treasurer of the Chamber, for moneys received by him, as the Auditors of Imprests are too busy upon special accounts requiring haste to afford time for engrossing his books of accounts. [1 p.]

July 20.

Grant to Aloysius Contarini, Ambassador in England from Venice, of the following addition to his arms, viz., in a canton argent a rose gules. [*See Domestic, James I., Vol. CLIX., No. 34.*]

July 31.

76. Warrant signed by the Lord Treasurer and others to Auditor Brinley, for co. York, or his deputy. To send a particular of certain lands undernamed in co. York, found by an inquisition taken at Welburn on 8th September 1623, and returned into the Exchequer. You are to certify us the particular state thereof, and whether the lands be in charge before you or not, and anything else you conceive to be considerable in granting them in fee farm according to His Majesty's Commission dated 1st December 1627. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Underwritten*,

76. 1. *Note of lands and a tenement in co. York, encroached, concealed, or unjustly detained from the King in Micklehay, Middleham, Leepknowall, Boulthby, Sutton, Bishop Monkton, West Tanfield, Grantley, &c.* [*Latin*,  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July.

77. Attorney-General Heath to the Lords [of the Council]. According to your reference I have considered John Blanch's petition, wherein he complains of a sentence given against him in Guernsey for a supposed perjury for which he is there fined and in prison, and so utterly disabled of giving testimony hereafter. Upon due examination of the whole cause I find as follows. Particulars of the cause here stated. I find that the other six witnesses were all present at the time when Peter Goslin, the Registrar, pretends he delivered a copy of the acquittance to Blanch, yet none concur with Goslin to testify the delivery thereof.

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Upon all which reasons, and the nature of the cause considered, I think it hard to convict Blanch of the crime of perjury, but conceive that he ought to be delivered out of prison and his fine released, and the sentence reversed, and he to have such recompense for his losses as your Lordships shall think fit. But on [John de] Quitteville's part it has been urged that in criminal causes as this is there ought to be no appeals from thence, which allegations seemed probable to me. But finding that John de Quitteville himself did appeal in the principal cause which was also criminal and was relieved, I conceive that to be no just exception against Blanch. All which I submit to your great wisdom and judgment. *Endorsed* : "Received July 1629." [2 pp.]

[July.] 78. Petition of John Bowle, Dean of Salisbury [to the King]. That whereas for this nine years since his being Dean he has been employed in the King's service, first as Chaplain in Ordinary, next as Commissioner in the High Commission, thirdly as Justice of the Peace for co. Berks, and so has necessarily been often absent from his church of Sarum; notwithstanding which absence he hath enjoyed his dividend and distributions in such manner as if he had been present; neither is there any precedent in the church that ever any man was defalcated of any of his profits in his absence, yet he is now threatened to be sued and so cannot attend your Majesty's service, beseeches His Majesty's dispensation under the Broad Seal. [1 p.]

[July.] 79. Notes concerning the Admiralty presented at the last Court. That Leonard Mynter and William Hare, of Folkestone (who were returned to serve in the jury at the last Admiralty Court), had, with others, assisted to take up the timber of the old pier or head within the liberties of that town; Mynter being also able to give evidence respecting an arrest contrary to the royalty of the Lord Warden's Admiralty jurisdiction. [1 p.]

[July.] 80. Proofs to be tendered on behalf of Sir John Crosby concerning the ship called "The Three Kings," of Enckhuysen, taken by the said Sir John upon the coast of Spain the 14th of May last. [1 p.]

Aug. 8. 81. Philip Warriskell to Endymion Porter. You were pleased to interest yourself with the Lord Steward [of the Household] and the Earl of Holland for Mr. [Giles] Thornby to have a prebend's place in Worcester Cathedral; and upon the King's promise to invest or present him upon the next vacancy, the Earl of Holland gave order for a caveat to be entered in our office, that none but he should have freedom of the seals. To your commands I could not omit my respect and duty, and therefore have now presumed to satisfy you in the event. The prebendary is become void by the death of Dr. Potter [ob. 1628], and there is order given and a bill drawn and sent to be signed for Dr. Steward [nominated 17th July 1629]. I know not whether any respect or occasion hath

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either suppressed his [Thornbury's] desires herein, or settled his hopes upon some other thing, my only desire is that you should be satisfied with my duty herein. [*Seal with device.* 1 p.]

Aug. 19.  
Jersey.

82. Sir Philip Carteret to Lord President Conway. According to your commands I have endeavoured to deliver to Captains Rainsford and Killigrew those companies of foot which His Majesty entrusted to my command consisting of 180 men. They have been very unwilling to embark, crying out for their pay, although I have disbursed to them far greater sums than [I have] yet received. Notwithstanding the stay of all boats, and sundry proclamations that none should relieve them or carry them away, some are gone into France, others hide themselves so that many are left behind, the ships making haste away. The drawing out a distinct account of what money may be in arrear to the inhabitants could not be well effected till the soldiers were embarked, and the seizure which I pretend to make of all those who shall be found here. Till I know His Majesty's and your further pleasure, I am detained here else I would have waited upon you, which I will do within a few weeks. I desire the continuance of your favour and protection till I may send an account of my actions and employments in His Majesty's service against those aspersions which have been cast upon me. I have made choice of [Captain John] Manley to be Lieutenant of the English company. [*Seal, with winged heart crowned.* 2 pp.]

Sept. 1.  
Castle Cornet.

83. Nathaniel Darell to the Privy Council. Certifies that, in obedience to their letter of July directed to the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey, requiring them to give an account of money due to the inhabitants for entertainment of the 200 soldiers during their abode in that island, being about two years, he had examined the accounts, as having had chiefly to do therewith, and finds that there remains due to the inhabitants for the soldiers 1,393*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.*, as appears by the particulars in the accounts sent to the Earl of Danby. [1 p.]

Sept. 1.  
Cornbury Park.

84. Henry, Earl of Danby, to Secretary Dorchester. He had received advertisement from Guernsey that the two companies [of foot soldiers] had been sent away complete from thence. Captain Manley, who commanded the company under Sir Philip Cartwright [Carteret] in Jersey could best give an account of that division of 200 men, with some particulars besides. Carteret was drawn away out of the [United States] entertainment by authority from His Majesty, and having been both of use and desert, these are sufficient motives to make him deserving of some special recommendations into the Low Countries, whither he desires to go. [1 p.]

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85. Attorney-General Heath to Secretary Dorchester. As directed, I have reviewed the book [or charter] drawn out for the town of Dorchester, and find that the alterations desired are only these. Whereas anciently they were a corporation of Bailiff and

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Burgesses, they now desire to be incorporated by the name of Mayor, Bailiffs, and Burgesses, with a Justice of the Peace added to their number; other things altered are of form only. A new addition they desire, but it is only a subordinate government for regulating their tradesmen and handicrafts men, the better to set the poor on work, wherein they have already given good testimony of their care, for they suffer not a beggar there, and if other cities and towns would follow their example it might, with much advantage to the whole kingdom, be easily effected. In the general I can say thus much, there is nothing therein contained which can detract from the King's profit in any thing or doth give them greater power in the government of their corporation than they had before. [1 p.]

Sept. 18. 86. Order of Council. That none of the ordnance called drakes should be sold to any persons whomsoever until His Majesty's stores be furnished with a competent proportion. Also that John Browne, founder of iron ordnance, shall cast such quantity of drakes for the King's service as the Lord Treasurer and Master of the Ordnance shall appoint, after which it shall be lawful for subjects and others to furnish themselves with so many drakes as may be spared. [*Draft.* 1½ pp.]

Sept. 27. 87. Sir Philip Carteret to John, Lord Poulett. His departure  
Jersey. for England had been delayed by business; meanwhile five young ladies, the daughters of the Prince of Portugal and nieces to the Prince of Orange, had arrived in Jersey on their way to Holland, having passed through France in disguise. The Infanta had written to the Queen Mother to have them delivered to their father, which she excused. Here they remain, expecting the States' ships to come and fetch them. I now stay here to wait upon them, that I may do them all the honour I can. If you think fit to acquaint Secretary Dorchester with their being here, I humbly entreat it. Had promised his wife to be with her before Michaelmas, so entreats that the enclosed letter may be conveyed to her, either at Bath, where I think she is, or to her father at Wallop. [2 pp.]

Sept. 29. 88. Sir Philip Carteret and others, Jurats of Guernsey, to the  
Guernsey. Privy Council. We have received your letter by our public deputy, and punctually performed your Lordships' instructions for embarking the soldiers, as also in sending an account of the arrears due to the inhabitants for their entertainment. Litigious disposition of John Blanch. Requests their Lordships to give order that the sentence against him for perjury may remain in full force. Blanch's son, upon unjust informations, got a report of the Attorney-General's, and thereupon surreptitiously obtained your letter in August contrary to the first. It imports for the good of His Majesty's service that the authority of the jurisdiction established here be maintained according to the privileges confirmed by His Majesty, by which it appears that in criminal matters no appeal is to be admitted. [2 pp.]

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89. [Secretary Dorchester to] Lord Chief Justice Hyde. Immediately after your parting from me I presented a letter to His Majesty according to the conception I showed you, to be directed to your Lordship and the rest of the Judges of your Court, with one to the Lieutenant of the Tower to govern himself accordingly, but His Majesty refused to sign the letters, saying he first expected to hear from you what you and the rest of the Judges of his Bench would do in case the prisoners refused to take the benefit of His Majesty's grace in giving them present bail, wherein, notwithstanding that His Majesty understood your mind and Justice Whitelock's, who was with you, yet because he would be as well satisfied of the rest before he gave order for the prisoners' release, he hath commanded me to despatch a messenger expressly and in all diligence unto you, to the end I may send you and the Lieutenant of the Tower his letters upon your answer, which I pray you send me presently by this bearer, that His Majesty, knowing what he may trust unto, need not have any scruple in signing the letters. [*Draft.* 1½ pp.]

[Sept.]

90. Petition of the 40 Messengers of His Majesty's Chamber in Ordinary to Secretary Dorchester. That the service and employments now incident to petitioners were hitherto performed by extraordinary messengers and Grooms of the Chamber, at a cost of about 6,000*l.* per annum. That about 20 years since their number was reduced to 40 only in ordinary. Represent the importance and dangers of their service. Yet notwithstanding they are behind in their wages for two years, besides about 1,000*l.* disbursed by them in riding post and keeping poor prisoners, for which they have warrants signed by the Council but have received no payment these seven or eight years. Pray him to move the Lord Treasurer for payment of the money due to them. [1 p.]

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Castle Cornet.

91. Nathaniel Darell [to Edward Nicholas]. Desires to know how far he stood engaged in the Court of Admiralty to answer the taking of a bark and boat, the one English, the other of Jersey. He was like to be called in question by Captain John Hussie, of that Island, who had delivered him a copy of Captain [Henry] Hinckley's commission. [4 pp.]

Oct. 10.

92. Deposition of a witness not named relative to the purchase of some lands. Deponent believes that the 100*l.* was the original debt of Sir William Essex, and that Thomas Payne and Thomas Peirce were but the sureties for the same. [*Imperfect.* 1 p.]

Oct. 30.

Whitehall.

Order made by the Lords of the Privy Council upon an information given by the Company of Merchants trading to the Levant Seas, supported by letters from His Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople, showing that the Company were in danger of a seizure of their goods and estates in those parts, and that in particular their ship the "Rainbow" was already seized by the Admiral of the Grand Signor's galleys by reason of a prize ship



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taken from them by an English ship, the "Cock," whereof Mr. Barker is master, who sold part of her lading at Zante, and brought the residue into England. The Levant Company desire to be relieved from any damage which their members may sustain by the seizure of any their goods or estates in relation to the recapture of the said prize. Ordered that the Judge of the Admiralty be hereby required to direct that seizure be made as well of all goods in specie brought into England taken out of that prize, as also upon the proceeds arising upon the sale of the prize ship or of the goods formerly sold, and to put the same in sequestration and safe custody until further order. Also to cause stay to be made of the ship "Cock" and her lading until the owners put in security to the value of such actions as shall be commenced against them in that Court either by the Levant Company or by any of its members. It was likewise ordered that William Cross, merchant, do deliver up the four brass "murtherers" now in his custody, which were formerly taken by William Bundock from subjects of the Grand Signor in order that they may be sent back to the owners in the Company's ships now bound for Constantinople. [*Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 76.*]

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93. Indenture made this day between Viscount Conway, Lord President of the Council, on the one part, and William Wright, graver in stone, of the other part. Touching the setting up of Sir William Pelham's tomb and monument in the parish church of Brocklesby, co. Lincoln. Particulars as to the design and construction of the monument, which are curious as to the arts. Moreover, in the most circumspect manner are to be the face and hands of Sir William Pelham, knight, and the Lady Ann Pelham, [which are] to be coloured in show of life and as near as may be to their likenesses, with the tassels and embroidering of their cushions gilt, with the nails, buckles, chap, pommel of his sword, spurs, and all that belongs to the armour or arms of Sir William Pelham gilt, with both crests of honour at their feet; and the inscription after it is engraved to be gilt, as also the hair and eyes of the lions. Wright to provide materials and labour for which Conway agrees to make payment of 100*l.* in three instalments of 10*l.*, 40*l.*, and 50*l.*, the last at or before the feast of St. Bartholomew, 1630, the monument being then completed. [*Signed by Wright, and witnessed, and sealed with Conway's crest and arms. = 2 pp.*]

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London.

94. Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty, to Secretary Dorchester. Yesternight after I came home and retired to think of the business you enjoined me, I first entered into consideration of the number and quality of the French causes, which lie under deliberation by the interposition of the French Ambassador. First for number I find they are not above seven or eight, of which only three fall under the question of prohibited goods, for the rest they were adjudged good prize as belonging to Spaniards or taken before the 15th of April, and therefore not within the exception of the

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French Ambassador. The names of these ships are the "Conception," both ship and goods Spanish; the "Cape da Ceil," the goods Spanish but the ship to be restored because as yet no way adjudged; the "St. Laurence," in part Spanish; the "Francis" and "Our Lady of Notre Dame," both taken on the 14th April; so as the causes which may be controverted in respect of prohibited goods are these:—The "St. Gabriel de St. Giles," the "Trinity" and the "St. Anne" of Havre-de-Grace. By reason of the paucity and little value of these prizes I would propound to you whether it be *opera pretium* to run that course with which you acquainted me yesterday, the same tending much to the alteration of what has always been practised, and sounding not a little to the dishonour of our nation, as if we had taken what in justice we must restore; or whether to avoid these inconveniences, it were not better *ex gratia* to bestow those three prizes upon the French, and lay the recompense of the takers upon the English, whose goods by this means are redeemed out of France by way of an average. Conditions of the treaty with France. *Postscript.*—I would your Lordship would be a means *tandem aliquando* to send the Bishop of Durham out of "the King's armes." [2 pp.]

Nov. 30. 95. Warrant of Lord Treasurer Weston to John West, Deputy Remembrancer of the Exchequer. For a particular of the lands of John Marsh as they are found by inquisition and seized into the King's hands by writ of "Capias Utlagatum," and returned into your office by the Sheriff of co. Devon. [1 p.]

[Nov.] 96. Petition of James Haydon, servant of the late King James, to Secretary Coke. That the King in the first year of his reign bestowed on petitioner the "garnetter's place" at Whitehall as properly belonging to him, but it pleased the late Duke of Buckingham to confer the same upon John Tredescant, a servant of his. Has not received any pension or preferment as the rest of his fellows have. The King has now bestowed on him all broken and unserviceable iron pieces of ordnance and bullets lying in the several ports of this kingdom, in consideration whereof he is to supply for the King's use above 200*l.*, as the Master of the Hawks can better inform you. The Clerk of the Ordnance has for his own ends informed your Honour that the gift is of a greater value than in truth it is, and the King's reference to the Officers of the Ordnance was but to certify him the number and value of them. His suit to you is that he may go forward with this business according to His Majesty's pleasure signified, as by reason of the time of year, and his travel to divers places to gather these things, it will require both time and trouble. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[Nov. ?] 97. Petition of Francis Sympson, Jeweller to the Queen, to the Council. That he presented a petition to the Queen declaring how that, according to the ancient custom to elect strangers for Her Majesty's workmen, he, by virtue of his place, had made choice of Daniel Eughstler and three others named to practice the art of

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jewelling, but by information of Samuel Wallis and another they were disturbed and imprisoned. Whereupon the Earl of Dorset signified that it was the Queen's express pleasure, that they should be suffered quietly to work, as by his reference of 7th August last and warrant of 23rd October it will appear. Notwithstanding these informers proceeded against them in the Guildhall, falsely testifying that Her Majesty's Lord Chamberlain had given them leave to prosecute these workmen, and so a verdict passed against them and a judgment will shortly come forth unless you take present order to stay the same. Prays the Lords to take such course that the workmen may be suffered to proceed in Her Majesty's work without further molestation according to both their Majesties' express pleasures, and that some punishment be inflicted upon the wilful offenders. [1 p.]

- Dec. 2. 98. Petition of William Jackson, a gunner, to the Earl of Danby, Governor of Guernsey. Was pressed to serve for Rochelle, but the ship in which he went being lost he was returning homeward by way of Guernsey, where he was again pressed by Captain Nathaniel Darell, Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, on 9th December 1628, and promised an entertainment of 1s. 6d. per diem, which for 357 days would amount to 26l. 15s. 6d., of which he has received only 16l. 18s. 0d., so there remains due to him 9l. 17s. 6d. Prays payment, as he can attend no other service until he be discharged of this. *Underwritten*,

98. 1. *Certificate by the Earl of Danby that this sum was due to petitioner for the rest of his entertainment whilst serving in Castle Cornet. 2nd December 1629. [1 p.]*

- Dec. 6. 99. Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to Secretary Coke. Has received his letter by which he perceives the Secretary's wish to fully investigate the information concerning the designs of Sir Thomas and Sir Robert Wolseley. Petitioner is obliged to make a general confession of all that has passed, so that you may be the better informed before he has the honour of seeing you. Gives a recital of all that passed which will serve for your information. Narration giving full particulars of this business. [*Seal, broken. French. 3 pp.*]

- Dec. 6. 100. The same to the same. Has received this day letters both from Sir Thomas Wolseley and his wife maintaining the same things of which I wrote to you by my last, touching their designs and the part taken by Sir Robert [Wolseley]. Madame Wolseley has informed me that she has written to you by the same messenger as mine. Desires instructions how he ought to act. [*French. 1 p.*]

- [Dec. 6?] 101. Advice touching dangers to be apprehended from the doings of Jesuits in England. Designs of Robert Usseley [Sir Robert Wolseley]. [*Amongst the Conway Papers. French. 3 pp.*]

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Dec. 22. 102. Lord Treasurer Weston to Sir Thomas Fanshaw, Remembrancer in the Exchequer. Warrant requiring him to send a particular of all such lands as are found by inquisition taken at Welburn in Yorkshire on 8th September, 21 Jac. [*To be concealed from the King.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Dec. 23.  
Leyden. 103. Gerard John Vossius to Secretary Dorchester. Rejoices at his prosperous voyage after his visit to England and return to his friends. It seemed when undertaking this journey as if it were "ad Garamantes et Indos," except that these nations were amongst the barbarians, but I know the Britons to be those who vie with all nations in humanity. I have suddenly thrown together these sentences, not because I could think them worthy of a letter, but rather lest I might omit this occasion of acknowledging the esteem and respect I owe to you. [*Latin. Seal with design.* 1 p.]
- Dec. 24.  
Whitehall. 104. Warrant signed by the King, to Sir Robert Heath, Attorney-General, for preparing a grant in reversion of the office of Governor of Jersey, to Thomas Jermyn, Esq., to take effect after the death of Sir John Peyton, Sir Thomas Jermyn and Viscount Wimbledon, and this to be done upon surrender of a former grant to Sir William Harvey, knight.
- [Dec. 27.] 105. Proclamation concerning the return of soldiers lately serving in the Low Countries. [*Already calendared under date. Draft.*  $2\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]
- [Dec. 30.] 106. Article IX. of Instructions by the King to Archbishop Abbot of Canterbury (*see* Vol. CLIII., No. 100 r.). Forbidding any bishop after he should be nominated to another see to make any lease for 21 years, or to cut down timber, "for we think it a hateful thing that any man leaving the bishopric should almost undo the successor." [*Modern Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Dec. The Grand Seigneur to the King touching the proceedings of the Turkey Company and the capture of a Turkish prize by the English ship "Cock" whereof one Barker is master. Whereas from ancient time until this present the terms of good correspondence have always been observed with the happy Port and our Imperial House, so that your merchants who go to trade by sea and your subjects' ships which come to our bright Port meeting at sea with the Turkish ships and others they have not done them any molestation or damage, your ships coming and going always in these parts upon friendly terms. In the year past the "Sangarbergh" of Lemnos, [under] the noble Captain Husseym Beg, he going by our Imperial command for to inquire news from the enemy's parts, and to get some knowledge of their fortunate actions, met with a pinnace of the enemy's, which came from the Indies laden with pepper, cinnamon, sugar, and other Indian commodities. Her crew seeing our captain and not being able to resist him, all fled on shore and left the pinnace empty, when our

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captain took her and made her his prize. Having put 12 Turkish men into her to bring her untouched towards our happy Port, the captain proceeded to perform the service committed to his charge to inquire after news. The Turks in their prize ship having arrived off Zante, subject to the Venetians, the English ship the "Golden Cock," under Mr. John Barker, encountered with her and took the 12 Turks into his ship, who being examined related the whole truth, upon which he suffered ten of them to go away but put the two remaining to the torture, telling them that they must say the pinnace was a prize taken from those of Algiers, otherwise he would cause them to be slain. They refusing to say untruth he took the pinnace out of their hands and brought her to Zante, transferring her cargo, worth 80,000 dollars, into his own ship. Afterwards the captain certified that the master [Barker] sold the pinnace at Zante, and one of the two men who had been tortured by him arrived and related all that had happened, there being at the same instant one of your galleons detained here at our happy Port. Letters were then written to the Governor of Zante forbidding the departure of the pinnace from that place, to the end that it might be recovered out of [Barker's] hand, but too late, for the Governor replied that the ship master had already transferred all the goods into his own ship, and having sold the pinnace had departed with great speed for England. Which being a thing much against the good peace and covenants, our Imperial command was given that your galleon should not be permitted to depart; this we afterwards rescinded upon the earnest entreaty of your Ambassador, and the galleon was suffered to depart. We having accepted of the petition and request of your Ambassador, and the surety given by our sea-general that the shipmaster [Barker] who committed such an act so contrary to our good friendship should be punished and chastised, and that all the goods and merchandise taken out of the pinnace should be wholly sent back to our high Port. We have sent this our present Imperial letter to your Majesty requiring that in accordance with the sincere friendship and loving affection which your Majesty beareth unto us and our happy House, you would use your benign care and favour in this particular business, and give order that this shipmaster may be found who has violated the covenants of the good peace contracted between us, and that all the goods and merchandise taken out of the said pinnace may be consigned and sent hither to our high Port.

*Underwritten,*

1. *This is a true translation of the letter written by the Grand Signor to His Majesty in December 1629, Dorchester. [Levant Company, I. No. 77. 5 pp.]*

107. Warrant from the King to Sir Humfrey May, knight, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. To give order to the Attorney of our Duchy to prepare a bill for signature containing a lease of the lot and cope of the lead in the High Peak in co. Derby to George Markes and Henry Goodrick, gentlemen, for term of 41 years, to commence on the expiration of a former lease to [Thos.]

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Eyre yet in being for 18 years to come [see 11th August 1628, Vol. CXII., No. 62.] under the same rent and terms as it is now holden by Eyre. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

108. Letters Patents confirming to Henry, Earl of Northumberland, the keepership of the game, of hare, pheasants, partridge, and other sort of wild fowl, within the manors of Sion and East Bedfont, and the hamlets and townships thereto belonging, in co. Middlesex, as formerly exercised by his ancestors, exempting these manors from any grants made to other persons for preserving the game in those parts. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

109. Mem. of business to be submitted to the King. The mastership of the game in Hatfield Chase was given to Sir Robert Anstruther in part of the portion with his wife, with a promise from King James that if at any time it should be dischased he should be considered. That ground being now dischased he loses the benefit intended to him, besides the arrears of the allowances yet unpaid. Prays a grant of such part of the Chase as is to be disposed of in fee farm, together with the reversion of the demesnes of the manor of Hatfield upon such conditions as would be given by others, or as the King shall limit. To move His Majesty for a grant of presentation to the rectory of Weyhill in co. Southampton upon the next avoidance for Mr. Morris [John Morris, S. T. B.], Hebrew Professor in the University of Oxford. Both King James and his present Majesty were pleased to augment the small stipends of four of His Majesty's Professors in that University, and the Ordinary Professors in the Arts [Faculty] have also by the same favour like increase of allowance. The petitioner has barely 40*l.* per annum, though his pains be equal to any of the rest. Prays the King to confer upon him the next prebend's place at Windsor which shall fall void. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

110. Petition of John Deane, merchant of Jersey, to the King. Several of their commodities as canvas, wax, &c., transported into Spain very much resemble the like French commodities. Complains of the interruption of that trade by Dunkirkers and Spaniards who confiscate their goods and vessels, and imprison their crews, being taken for Frenchmen. Prays for His Majesty's letters to his Agent at Madrid to procure restitution of their liberties and goods, and that in future faith may be given to their certificates of nationality. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

111. Petition of James and John Godefroy and partners to the King. That a ship of 150 tons called the "Lewis," being chartered by them from Rochelle for Spain, on her return voyage was captured by Captain Rice Jefferyes commanding the "Thunder" and Captain William Austen in the "Pilgrim" and brought into Bristol. These Captains prayed the Lords of the Council to adjudge the ship as prize, but being unable to get a definite answer they then proceeded in the High Court of Admiralty and obtained a sentence against

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ship and goods which the petitioners appealed against, but being detained in Rochelle through the hard siege and the pestilence were not able to prosecute the same. Pray that their appeal may be restored, notwithstanding the time is now lapsed, and that a Commission may be appointed to proceed according to justice. [1 p.]

112. Petition of Sir William Courtney, knight, to the King. Represents that having been employed in the service of the States-General in Holland for 30 years, about two years since he came over on leave of absence into England, when the Duke of Buckingham, preparing an expedition with land forces, offered to him the post of Colonel of a regiment, which expression of his Grace's pleasure he obeyed as a command from your Majesty, and accordingly addressed himself to your service, losing thereby his company in the Low Countries, which was worth to him near 400*l.* per annum. Upon the landing of the expedition in the Isle of Rhé, Sir George Blundell, Sergeant-Major-General, being slain, the Duke commanded petitioner to execute that place, to which was allowed 40*s.* per diem entertainment. Afterwards Colonel Burrowes [or Burgh] being also slain on 11th September 1626 (*sic*) petitioner was appointed Colonel-General in his stead, which promotion he held until 2nd September 1628 (*sic*) being 724 days (*sic*), and upon the return from Rhé the Duke certified your Majesty that he had lost his company in the Low Countries, and his other fortunes there, whereupon you promised him some recompense. The officers and commanders of this army were paid according to the list and entertainment fixed by the Privy Council but no entertainment was set down for the Colonel-General, that being reserved to your royal pleasure. Prays that your Majesty would declare what entertainment shall be allowed to him per diem as Colonel-General, so that he may receive his proportionable part for the 724 days, and that you would extend your bounty towards him for recompense of the loss of his company. [1 p.]

113. The project for raising a constant yearly revenue of 55,000*l.* [to the Crown] out of the clergy impropriations. Headed: An estimate of the King's revenue, as it will increase upon the recovering and restoring of impropriations to the parochial ministry. The plan was after this manner:—Of appropriate parsonages, commonly called impropriations, there are reckoned to be in this kingdom 3,840 and some few more. Upon a thousand of these, reserving for each of them to the King the yearly rent of 5*l.* = 5,000*l.* Upon another thousand the yearly rent of 10*l.* = 10,000*l.* Upon another thousand at the rent of 20*l.* = 20,000*l.* Upon 840, at the rent of 20*l.* and upwards, above 20,000*l.*, making in all above 55,000*l.* yearly for ever. The annexing of the parsonages and vicarages together, as in this case, will enable the incumbents very readily and gladly to pay these rents to the King. And His Majesty shall greatly deserve them, as a perpetual recognition of

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his princely beneficence towards his clergy in suffering so much money to be vented towards this great purchase for the Church, besides what is otherwise due to His Majesty in lieu of first fruits, tenths, and subsidies. It is humbly prayed to have it committed to the two archbishops, &c. [1 p.]

114. Scheme for buying up impropriations principally by means of a collection throughout England, and restoring them to the Church. Donations lately given for that purpose. Impropriations already purchased and freely given with their several yearly values. Means to raise money yearly towards this religious work. Benefit accruing to His Majesty yearly. No hindrance to the payment of subsidies. [3 pp.]

115. Petition of Sir James Bagge to the Council. That he delivered and put aboard His Majesty's fleet at Plymouth, bound for the Isle of Rhé under the command of the Earl of Holland, the victuals specified in the list annexed by direction of the Earl, but without first obtaining your warrant, the necessity of the service requiring it. This proportion he had provided in readiness by order of Sir Sackville Crow, Sir William Russell, and Philip Burlamachi for a future service to the said island, so they now refuse to give him satisfaction for it unless by your warrant it may be put into their estimate. Prays the Lords to grant their warrant as above said. [1 p.]

116. Petition of the Clothiers and Keymers [Kermers?] in cos. Essex, Suffolk, and Cambridge, to the Council. Return thanks for the great care taken by your Lordships for their and the common good in redressing the wrongs they heretofore suffered in the sale of worsted yarn in those counties. Venture again to inform you that they attended by your direction at Bury St. Edmund's on the 2nd and 3rd of December to answer complaints made on the adverse part before the Commissioners, who, however, were unable to agree, so that the matter rests still in suspense, although petitioners are willing to sell by weight according to your directions of 13th August last. They explained before the Commissioners that they set several prices upon their yarns according to the length of the reel and goodness of the yarn. Conceive that a satisfactory end cannot be made of this business without a constant reel throughout these counties being fixed by proclamation, as it is already confirmed by an Act of 7 Jac. for divers towns in Essex. They have nominated 18 of the chief traders for this next year, who they propose may be sworn by the Commissioners already appointed for the oversight of the reel and orderly government of this trading. List of the names recommended. The charge of the proclamation will be defrayed by petitioners' agent, John Etherington. Crave your directions and approbations in furtherance of a peaceable end of this business, whereunto they will willingly submit. [1 p.]



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117. Petition of William Gomeldon, His Majesty's servant to the Council. That he has discovered 166*l.* of the contribution money collected in Norwich for recovery of the Palatinate to be still remaining unpaid in the hands of Francis Cock, then collector. Prays that the collector may be sent for by a messenger to render an account of this money now detained and concealed in his custody seven years. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

118. Petition of the same to the same. That many of the collectors who were employed in gathering contributions for recovery of the Palatinate are unknown, no record being kept of their names as it was a voluntary gift by the Council's letters, and no man urged to give more than he pleased. I, being employed by His Majesty to look after all arrears remaining in the collectors' hands and see the money brought into the receipt as was intended, desire the Council's letters to the Judges of Assize to cause the Custos Rotulorum and Justices of the Peace in every county to certify the collectors' names and what was given in their several divisions. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

119. Petition of William Merbowe, a Frenchman, master of the "Francis" of Havre-de-Grace, and 16 of his company, to the Council. That going from France to Newfoundland with their ship for fish, about four months' since, they were taken by Robert Ferne, captain of the "Victory" of London, and brought hither. Having lost their ship and goods they are desirous to return thither, but cannot procure passage without order from this Board. Pray a Council's order for their passage into France. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

120. Petition of Sir Paul Pindar, knight, and William Turnor, Farmers of the Alum Works, to the Council. That they have undertaken to farm the alum works for divers years yet to come, for which, upon performance of certain articles, they are to pay 11,000*l.* per annum. They cannot enjoy the benefit of these works as intended, for that both the making and vent of alum has been long impeded by the Dunkirkers who infest His Majesty's seas in such numbers that they can neither get coals nor other materials brought to the works, so that they are forced to discontinue the making of alum. They have already lost one ship taken by the Dunkirkers, and another lies at Scarborough laden with alum for London, not daring to put to sea for fear of the enemy, nor can they get any to insure the same. The manufacturers engaged in dying and dressing of cloth and leather, especially in London, are in consequence very much hindered, and their workpeople impoverished to the ruin of the alum works and loss of His Majesty's revenue. Pray the Lords to take into consideration this business of so much consequence and furnish a sufficient strength of shipping for so useful a commodity to be safely conducted and wafted for the port of London and places beyond the seas in maintenance of His Majesty's rent. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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121. Petition of John Quarles, Merchant, to the Council. Whereas by a Council Order all of His Majesty's subjects who have married strangers beyond the seas are required to repair into England in a very short time, petitioner would be much damnified thereby, his wife's mother, a widow, having been left with a great estate to dispose of during her life time, which, in the event of his leaving her, she would dispose of amongst her other children. Prays leave to live beyond seas till the death of his mother-in-law who is 60 years of age, promising in the meantime to demean himself in all things according as an obedient subject of His Majesty ought to do, and no further to deal in the Merchant Adventurers' trade than the Company at London shall find good to allow of. That he is informed by Counsel that his wife having taken the oaths of supremacy and allegiance before marriage and so endenized by His Majesty's Letters Patents, is in state of an English borne woman. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

122. Petition of Sir Alexander Temple, knight, Captain of Tilbury Fort, and John Smyth, Captain of Milton Fort, near Gravesend, to the Council. Represent the ruinous state of those forts and want of shelter for the gunners, for repair of which they have been suitors for 12 years, but, as yet, no amendment is made in their condition. Arrears due to them with the ten gunners and two porters serving under them amount to 824*l*. Pray the Lords to give present order for the speedy repairing of these forts and to grant them some settled order for payment of their entertainments so long in arrear out of the loan moneys to be collected in those counties. [1 p.]

123. Petition of Nicholas Vanderbreecht and others, Merchants of Calais, all subjects of the French King, to the Council. That upon complaint of the States' Ambassador and by a memorial shewed, you were induced to write to Sir James Bagg, Vice-Admiral at Plymouth, ordering him to restore to Cornelius Van Oye, Captain of a man-of-war, his ship and pinnace with three other ships which he brought in there as prizes. If this order should be executed it would endanger the loss of petitioners' ships and goods. These three ships, the "Eagle," of Calais, and the two "Hopes," of the same port, with their goods, properly belong to petitioners. In order to manifest the truth they caused these ships and goods to be arrested at the proprietors' suit by warrant out of the Court of Admiralty and the warrants are returned. By reason of the accord between His Majesty and the French king, if the ships be found within His Majesty's dominions they expect to have the benefit by a legal course. As the lading of salt would much damage by long lying, they propose to put in security to answer the value of the ships and lading should they be adjudged prize in the Admiralty Court, and meanwhile to vent the salt in England, it being a commodity this kingdom now bath very great need of. Pray the Lords to favourably consider hereof and grant this request any former order to the contrary notwithstanding. [1 p.]

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124. Petition of Sir Philiberto Vernatti and Sir Cornelius Vermuyden and others, participants of the drained wastes in the levels of Hatfield Chase and cos. York, Lincoln, and Nottingham, to the Council. That heretofore there have been many differences amongst the said participants concerning their scots and other things, which have occasioned a vast expense, and have much troubled your Lordships with petitions and orders. In July last, a general and mutual compact and agreement was entered into by petitioners for settlement of these differences as herein narrated. Since which time Valkenborough and a few private adventurers have endeavoured to make a breach of friendship and to set aside the general account which was made by mutual consent. Pray that the account and agreement may be maintained. [*Damaged by damp.* 1 p.]

125. Petition of George Blackall to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. That by occasion of the late wars against France and Spain, petitioner hath lost divers ships and goods to the value of 6,000*l.*, by reason whereof he has become indebted to divers foreign merchants who now prosecute him, being unable to satisfy their claims. Having on hand two old ships, one Flemish built, called the "Regard," of 150 tons, taken from the Spaniards, and the other the "Dauphin," of Topsham, of 80 tons, taken from the French, which being much out of repair he could sell to better profit by transferring them to his foreign creditors as part payment of their debts. Taking into consideration his good intention and endeavour to satisfy his creditors, he prays you to give him leave to dispose of these two old ships with their appurtenances to his best profit. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

126. Petition of Pascho Jago and John Crewkerne, of Dartmouth, to Secretary Dorchester. Upon complaint of Jacob Jonsen, the diver, they were convented before you and the rest of the Commissioners of the Admiralty, who referred the cause to the hearing of Sir Henry Marten and Attorney-General [Heath] who have heard the cause and returned their report, but since its return, petitioners have been unable to procure a hearing though they have attended these four months. Pray leave to go into the country until next term when they will not fail to attend their Honours' further directions. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

127. Petition of the Master and Wardens of the Company of Vintners of London to the Commissioners of the Navy. That by gift of charitable men money has been left to this Company to be lent for two years to poor young men wanting stocks to manage their trades and then to be repaid and lent again to others successively for ever, whereby many have received good comfort and been enabled to go on in their callings. That two years since 50*l.* was lent to Thomas Woder, a vintner, who put in for his surety John Paltock, then a tradesman in London, but since become purser of His Majesty's ship the "Constant Reformation." Since

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which time Woder has become insolvent, and Paltock takes no course for repayment, so that this money is like to be lost, and the good intent of the donor frustrated. Pray leave to take course against Paltock by arrest or else the moiety of his debt be defalked out of his pay, the other surety who is bound with him being willing to pay the other moiety. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

128. Warrant of the Council about ordnance and munition to be supplied to the Earl of Warwick, who, by His Majesty's special commission, is appointed to have the charge and command of certain forces drawn together for the defence of the port of Harwich and the sea coasts thereabouts, and to undertake the care of fortifying that port. Particulars of the ordnance, ammunition, and tools ordered to be furnished out of the King's stores. His Majesty having been informed of the necessity for new fortifications to be erected as well at Langer [Landguard] Point and Mersea as at Harwich, the further supply herein specified is to be furnished for defence of those works. [*Draft.* 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

129. Alexander Glen to Secretary Dorchester. His readiness to do best service to the King and your Honour. I revealed to you a secret more than a year ago, when you were Ambassador in Dunhaig [at the Hague]. The effect was concerning that nobleman I was in prison with at Calais, who is a man of good understanding and is yet in prison, for his friends dare not acknowledge him. He has written for me to come to him, for seeing the peace is concluded between England and France, I know the way to get his liberty. All that I desire of you is that you would speak to the Lord Treasurer to cause him to pay me the 48*l.* 10*s.* that is my due, so as to enable me to go to this nobleman, the business he hath in hand tends to the good of our King and his royal sister [Elizabeth, Queen of Bohemia]. [*Seal, with device, broken.* 1 p.]

Note showing the pay due to the ministers of the fleet, and how it is raised:—"The ministers are mustered amongst the common " men and eat of the King's meat, and so there is due unto them a " common man's pay to help their means, which is very small, the " biggest ship not affording the minister 50*l.* a year, the smaller " ships not 30*l.*" [*Domestic, Elizabeth, 1590, Vol. CCXXXVII., fol. 144.*]

130. Propositions for the exact exercising of the horse in the several counties. Already there has been a singular care taken for the trained bands of foot that they should be taught the use of their arms, for which purpose many experienced persons have been called out of the Low Countries. Forasmuch as the better sort of the gentry are no less desirous that the horse should be likewise diligently instructed as a work tending to the common safety, it is desired that the Council of War would take into consideration the appointing of a muster-master over the horsemen, to view, muster, and exercise them, and inspect their arms. Experience shows that

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the horse are so far out of order that very few are serviceable in all respects, for commonly if the horse be good the man or arms are defective. In this way propounded there will be a strict view and the defects returned, which will not only beget a reformation but in time a kind of delight in every gent. to make his horse appear as he ought. [1½ pp.]

131. The joint and several charges against George Parry, LL.D., Chancellor to the Bishop of Exeter, and Robert Mitchell, LL.D., Registrar, in regard of the fees charged by them as herein specified. *Subjoined,*

131. 1. *Answer to these charges subscribed by Dr. Parry. I never received any such sum as above written, either by mine own hands or any officer of mine, but only according to a table of fees exhibited under my hand to His Majesty's Commissioners for Exacted Fees and Innovated Offices. [Roll of paper. 4 pp.]*

132. The Dean of Salisbury's note relative to the election of Giles Tomkins to two places in the church of Sarum at His Majesty's desire. First to be teacher of the choristers, and secondly as lay vicar or singing man in the church. Since his election Dr. Barneston, for this year receiver of the choristers' rents, hath, I think, paid the 5*l.* quarterly for the children, but what he hath done with the remainder I cannot tell. For the choristers' house belonging to the teacher of the choristers, and without which it is impossible for the children to be taught, it is held violently in possession by Holmes' widow. I conceive His Majesty's letters should be directed to the Bishop [John Davenant], who, in this controversy, saith he is one of the Chapter, and hath a voice there; likewise to the Dean and Chapter, to the master of the choristers for the time being, and to the vicars choral requiring them severally to fulfil His Majesty's desire. For my part it is nothing to me who may be in possession or who has the place. It is nothing to my Lord's title of having a voice in the Chapter, that we of the Chapter will defend whosoever be in possession. But I have taken great pains, endured great vexation, spent much money, lost many friends, am threatened with many suits only for my faithful service to His Majesty. Therefore I beseech your Lordship's favour and some expedition in these things. [2 pp.]

133. Notes for a brief relative to the lands and jointure of Lady Portman, wife of Edward Popham, Esq. He hath acknowledged a statute of 10,000*l.* for making good the jointure. Afterwards he conveyed the settled lands to Sir Peter Vanlore and William Rolfe, in consideration of 5,000*l.*, with power of redemption, but the time is past. No lands can be sold unless his lady give consent, which she refuses to do. [½ p.]

Notes of remembrances in Mr. Leate's business. [See *Correspondence of Levant Company, Vol. I., No. 73.*]

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134. Twelve lines of Latin verse, probably designed for an epitaph, commencing,—

“ Consuluit Phœbum nuper Cicilius heros  
Usurus quali per mare sorte foret.”

135. MS. treatise entitled, “An answer to certain arguments  
“ raised from supposed antiquity and practised by some members  
“ of the Lower House of Parliament to prove Ecclesiastical Laws  
“ ought to be enacted by temporal men. R. B. C.” [*Sir Robert  
Bruce Cotton ob. 1631. 16 pp., of which 3 blank.*]

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Jan. 5. 1. Appraisement of divers goods and merchandise found in the prizes, [made out] for Sir Allen Apsley, Sir John Wolstenholme, and others. [1 p.]
- Jan. 22. 2. Thomas Coo to the Council. This is the last paper where-with he shall ever present to your Honours his desires. His book dedicated to His Majesty this last Progress at Theobalds said by some to be a libel, yet never read nor understood. The author was then a subject, now an exile. Nevertheless your suppliant, out of his inbred love and loyalty to His Majesty and the State, doth offer his life for pledge, as formerly to King James by his bloody letter whereby he discovered the [gun]powder plot, then as now being oppressed in prison. That this little book, this libel so termed, doth unmask as ominous an event to England as that doleful design was; and so leaves it to your Lordship's considerable [care] not by way of prediction but by prevention, and within and under the limitation of three months next ensuing from this 22nd January 1629[-30]; till when he submits his body to close imprisonment in the Tower, so to be continued and his sentence of death to be sent along with him. So God's will be done. [1 p.]
3. Note of Objections urged by the silk manufacturers against the proceedings of the patentees, and the Answers of the latter touching the false dyeing of silk. [*Much faded.* 2 pp.]
- Jan. 30. Grant to Thomas Jermyn of the office of Governor of the Isle of Jersey, in reversion after Sir John Peyton, Sir Thomas Jermyn, and Viscount Wimbledon (*see* 24th December 1628), upon surrender of a former grant made to Sir William Harvey. [*Docquet.*]
- [Jan.] 4. Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to Secretary Coke. The designs of Sir Robert [Wolseley] and his machinations against England. Gives his opinion as to the best mode of proceeding, and urges Coke to take examinations as to the truth of his statements. Lord Conway interested in this business. [*French.* 3 pp.]
- Feb. 1. 5. George Viscount Dupplin to Lord President Conway. At last a contract about the land is drawn up and signed by Sir John Holyrood Home. I hope it is legal and according to your meaning. I can assure you that in any computation of years it is thought better than 500%. Begs him to excuse this slow return and accept with a friendly censure the writer's endeavours. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]
- Feb. 10. 6. George Gage to [Endymion Porter]. The Earl Marshal spake to me yesternight to invite you and your Spanish guests to

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1630. sup with him to-morrow night, where you shall meet the Lord Steward [of the Household], the Lord Chamberlain, and the Countess of Carnarvon, who are the Duke of Feria's [Laurence Cordova III.] kindred. Ash-Wednesday morning. [1 p.]
- Feb. 16. 7. Certified list of the ancient fees due and duties payable to the Marshal of the King's Bench, and to his Deputy, under officers, and servants. [2 pp.]
- Feb. 20. 8. Certificate by the Receiver that there was 25*l.* due to Edward Valley, bailiff of the manor of Hutchyn [Hitchin], co. Herts, for part expenses of his office at Michaelmas last. [*Latin*,  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Feb. 20. Warrant to pay to Sir John Peyton, [Lieutenant-Governor of the Isle of Jersey, for moneys by him disbursed in and about the reparations of His Majesty's castles in the said Isle, from April 1624 to October 1629, 196*l.* 15*s.* 1*d.*, without imprest. [*Docquet*.]
- Feb. 20. 9. Bond of John Bennett of Chester, mercer, to Henry Browne of London, clothworker, for payment of 146*l.* 16*s.* before 20th August next. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- [Feb.] 10. Petition of Samuel Jude, travelling post for the merchants between London and Plymouth, to the Council. That the King's posts of the Western stages have exhibited a petition unjustly complaining of petitioner, pretending their care of the public good, but for their private gain. Represents that he has held his place these five years, during which he has faithfully performed the trust committed to him in the affairs of His Majesty's Customs, the Commissioners of the Navy, the East India Company, etc.; and that he has never meddled with the through posts or in any thing which might prejudice them, except that in their absence he has performed commands for the speedier despatch of the service. Prays the assistance of the Lords, so that he may not be deprived of the fruits of his labour and place. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- March 3. 11. Sir Tobie Matthew to [Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador at the Hague?]. Assures him of his affection and friendship. The world here is much now as you left it. Here have been certain little young storms, but they are now well layed in all outward appearance, only perhaps they who were enemies are not so early friends as they were. The Countess of Carlisle is as fair, and as fair with all in Court, as ever, and though I hear she is not so much a favourite as she was wont to be, yet what with the riches and brightness which is natural to the jewel she bears about her, and what with the foils which she hath ever at hand, it is more than I can hear if there be at Court any other lady but she. My Lord Treasurer [Lord Weston] is daily greater and greater, and whoever loves him least is the most forward to speak him fair. I



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have met with some foolish whisperings, as if he were not so much your Lordship's friend as he was, and with others which would imply as if you were not so much his; but I do as confidently believe that this later rumour is not true, as I most certainly know that the former is directly false; and you are both, both too honest and too wise, to be ever wanting [one] to another. It were madness in me to tell you how the Spanish business goes; for besides that I am ignorant of all inward things, I know you know and must know whatsoever can be known of that from the very best originals of all others. I end, for my errand is now but to let you know I live, and that I am devoted to serve you. *Postscript.*—My service to your good noble lady who is also mine. [2 pp.]

March 30. 12. Certificate that William Hanman for Henry Redvin, merchant here [in the port of Dublin], discharged out of the "Falcon of Flamilliard" 60 qrs. of pease and beans, paying His Majesty's customs and other duties. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[March.] 13. Certificate to the King, that Henry [or Heinrick] Peterson has been master of a ship 16 years trading between Denmark and London, and has been well conducted and loyal. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[March.] 14. A brief relation of the state of John Clarke's case touching his office of Surveyor and Keeper of His Majesty's Armoury at the Tower and at Greenwich. [1 p.]

[March.] 15. Petition to the Council of the owners of ships bound for the Newfoundland fishing, belonging to the port of Dartmouth and members. They have disbursed much money in preparing 40 sail of shipping for the Newfoundland fishing, on the prosperous success of which voyage the welfare of themselves and many others depends. According to their wonted custom and season these ships were ready to depart when by the Council's letters of 29th February last they were stayed from putting to sea till 1st April next. They know by experience that if they lose their season they endanger the loss of their voyage, therefore they venture to offer to your consideration the reasons annexed. Pray that their ships may be speedily released, and that such men as are to be imprest for the King's service may be speedily taken up, so that the season of the year and their voyage be not lost. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*

15. I. *Reasons to induce the Lords of the Council to grant petitioners' request.* [1 p.]

April 2. 16. Presentment made by Daniel Readinge to the Commissioners for examination of exacted fees and innovated offices. Certifies upon oath that concerning the fees, either ancient or innovated, in all courts and offices in the Chancery, except only in the Presentation Office, he knows not; but deposes that about seven years since he was clerk to Henry Hastings, master of the said

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office for ingrossing all presentations and other like grants of spiritual promotions passing under the Great Seal. What the fees of the office were in 11 Elizabeth he knows not, but long before he lived with his said master the fees of a presentation were 48s. 8d. States how the fees were divided. Before he left his office 5s. more was paid to the Clerk of the Hanaper upon every spiritual dignity passing in that office, which before his time had not been paid, but upon what ground or warrant he knows not, which 5s. made the whole fees in gross for all other grants except vicarages amount to 53s. 8d. [1 p.]

April 7. 17. Report of Dr. Marten and Dr. Rives on the cause between Mademoiselle de Gourfelleur and Sir Philip Carteret, of the Isle of Jersey. [2½ pp.]

April 16. 18. Notes of proceedings at the Council this day. [1½ pp.]

April 22. 19. The like for this day. [1½ pp.]

April 23. 20. Sir Philip Carteret's extract of a letter signifying the danger and annoyance experienced by the presence of Dunkirkers in the seas about Jersey and Guernsey. This last week there were two great ships and a pinnaee lying close by Alderney. They took two great ships, Hollanders as we suppose. They fought the most part of two days and a night, but at last the Dunkirkers took them. To-day another great ship from Dunkirk gave chase to a ship close to the north side of the Island [of Guernsey] and so to the Casquets rocks. Besides, they have taken or chased in here divers English and Irish vessels. There are also two "Biskinners" as they say, but rather, I think, French pirates, which lie here by these [Channel] Islands continually. [2/3 p.]

April 26. 21. Certificate of the Commissioners for Westminster assigned for the levying and collecting of the fifth and last of five entire subsidies granted to the King in the Parliament held 3 Car. That Robert Watson, the Collector appointed within the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, has certified us that the persons hereafter named are, since the said assessment was made, gone, and no chattels of theirs to be found. Names and amounts of defaulters. [1 p.]

April 26. 22. Order of the Council of War on propositions concerning the  
Whitehall. Island of Jersey, delivered to their Lordships by Sir John Peyton. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

22. I. *Proposals for defence of the castles and Island of Jersey from any sudden incursion. 4th February 1629-30. [3 pp.]*

22. II. *Extract of Sir John Peyton's propositions concerning the Island of Jersey. Read 16th April 1630. [1 p.]*

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22. III. *Minute of a letter from the Council of War to the inhabitants of Jersey, admonishing them to give their assistance towards the completion of the fortifications in that island.* [1 p.]

[April.] 23. Petition of Richard Michell, shipwright, and Edmund Foreman, boatswain of the "Judith," ketch, to William, Earl of Pembroke, Lord Steward of the Household and one of the Commissioners of the Admiralty. You directed the officers of the Navy to certify what course were most fitting to pay petitioners for their service in the "Judith" above-bridge under Sir Alexander Napper, deceased (*see Vol. CLXIV., No. 43*), and they have given their opinions in a letter remaining with Mr. [Edward] Nicholas. Pray order for speedy payment according to their bills already signed and allowed by your Lordships. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[April.] 24. Proceedings in the suit Roberts *contra* De Lisle. Particulars of the money transactions and judicial proceedings between Zachary Roberts and Peter de Lisle of the Isle of Guernsey. [24 pp., of which 14 blank.]

[May 1.] 25. Captain Nathaniel Durell to [Lord Danby]. Information from some merchants of that island touching the naval preparations at Bordeaux, Toulouse, Morbihan, &c. Boast of some merchants of Bordeaux about the French taking the Channel Islands. [1 p.] *Annexed* :—

25. I. *Report of the Merchants de Lion [Lyons?] as to the general state and numbers of the [French] King's army in Italy. Giving the numbers of infantry and cavalry, together with the names of the chief officers of the regiments and other particulars.* De Lion, 1st May 1630. [French. 2 pp.]

May 2. 26. Sir Philip Carteret to Mr. Nicholas, Secretary to the Lords of the Admiralty. Requesting that the "Convertin" or two of the Whelps might be sent to Portsmouth to guard the seas near the Channel Islands and convoy him over to Jersey. I understand that the Dunkirkers and two French pinnaces are still about the Island, so that there can be no safe going for me nor trade to St. Malo until the King's ships show themselves in those seas. I know the Lord Dorchester and the rest of the Council will be willing thereunto. The time passes away for the fortification I am to undertake and without a convoy I shall [not] dare to stir. [*Seul with arms.* 1 p.]

May 10. 27. Petition of Sir Philip de Carteret to the Commissioners of the Navy and Admiralty. That he has been a long time here in England to provide munition, necessaries, and provisions for preservation and defence of Jersey, and now after much charge and trouble he has prepared and embarked the same at Southampton. Has with his family been there a long time ready to set sail, but

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dare not put to sea in these dangerous times without a very good convoy, for it is to be feared that the enemy has intelligence of his voyage, and will endeavour to carry him and the munition into Dunkirk, as lately they have done, where your petitioner was a long time imprisoned. Desires that the "Convertin" or two of the Whelps may presently repair to the Cowes and there take aboard petitioner and his family, and so waft them with the munition and provisions to Jersey. *Dorso* : "Tenth Whelp" and "Convertin." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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28. Order by the Privy Council for delivering His Majesty's pink, "The Pied Cow," with ordnance and proper equipments, to the Earl of Danby, Governor of Guernsey, to be employed for guard and defence of the Channel Islands. [1 p.]

May 15.

29. Deposition of Clement Masson of Jersey touching a debt withheld from him by Hugh le Manquais, notwithstanding his promise to pay deponent "with his girdle," it being a custom in the Island, on a man making cession of his estate, to come into the market-place and tie his girdle to a post. [1 p.]

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30. Petition of Clement Masson of Jersey to the Privy Council in behalf of Catharine Masson his daughter on a contract of marriage between her and Hugh le Manquais. Prays that the said le Manquais be obliged to pay 140*l.* awarded to petitioner for his expenses, etc. [1 p.]

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31. Note of the cost and charges of a bale of silk laden at Capri for account of William Mellow, Master of the "Prudence," and for consulage at coming away. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[May.]

32. Petition of Richard Preston, sometime gentleman and soldier, now one of the Brethren of the Charterhouse founded by Thomas Sutton, he having executed the place of surgeon by the Master's appointment nearly six years : to the Lords and others, Governors of King James' Hospital in the Charterhouse. Has for the past 12 months been a petitioner to your Worships for the redress of some wrongs and grievances of his own which he could not lay open without the discovery of divers wrongs and grievances of the poor brethren in general, which coming to the Master's hearing, he was so much offended that petitioner was threatened and persecuted, being told that he would be turned out of his lodging and deprived of the benefit of the whole House. On the 24th of May he was convented before the Master and Brethren in the Hall, and without being permitted to speak in his own defence, was, by virtue of a warrant under the Governors' hands, dismissed from the House and benefit thereof until the next assembly. He is in danger to perish from want, being decrepit and lame, if deprived of the relief of the Charterhouse. In consideration of his long service and wounds both by sea and land, claims to be heard in his own defence, and prays to be admitted into his chamber, and to have the allowance of the House until the next assembly. [1 p.]

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[May.] 33. Petition of the same to the same, to the like effect.
- [May.] 34. Note of the Star Chamber business between Sir Robert Vaughan *versus* Sir William Herbert [created Lord Powis, 2nd April 1629]. The question is whether the deed showed forth by the defendants and by them justified be the true deed of Sir Robert Vaughan. [3 pp.]
- June 6.  
Barrow. 35. J. Broxholm to his cousin Anthony Williams, at his office in the Exchequer. Separation makes me not forgetful of my friends, especially of one whose many merits have so much tied me to him. By the enclosed you may perceive what may be expected. [*Seal with crest.* 1 p.]
- June 7.  
Apethorpe. 36. Mildmay Fane, Earl of Westmorland, to Secretary Dorchester. Laments his inability to render Dorchester any acceptable service. The season prompts me to make you and your friends a free proffer of what in some measure of plenty for red and fallow deer it affords me the opportunity. I pray you to present my humble duty to His Majesty with the joy of my heart for that great blessing it hath pleased God to bestow on him and us all. My daily prayers to God are for the continuance of his favours to His Royal Majesty, our gracious Queen and hopeful young Prince, that so his succession may continue ever more and be a blessing to this land, as himself now is and his predecessor hath been. [*Seal gone.* 1 p.]
- June 8. 37. Attorney-General Heath to Mr. Weston. To make out new processes directed to all the sheriffs of England and Wales to whom former writs were directed at the King's coronation, to receive the order of knighthood, to return such new names as were not formerly returned, and then had land or rents of the yearly value of 40*l.*, in such manner as the former writs were. These writs are to be made returnable the last return of this term. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- [June 16.] 38. Certificate by James Bamford, Captain of the fourth Whelp, and others. That whereas His Majesty's allowance of gunpowder and shot is such a proportion as must yield 40 shot for every piece of ordnance, which in the "Lion's Whelps" amounts to 22 barrels of powder, these are to certify that the gunner of the "Fourth Whelp" has received for this voyage no more than 18 barrels, which is four barrels less than our proportion for our ordnance; besides that, there will be no powder for small shot, priming of ordnance, &c. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 19. 39. Bond of Thomas Southwell and Michael Payce, of London, for repayment to John Thierry, clothworker of London, of 48*l.* on the 19th of March following. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 19. 40. The like for repayment of 48*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to John Thierry on the 19th of September next. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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June 20.  
Jersey.

41. Sir Philip Carteret to Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. On the 13th Captain [Richard] Plumleigh set us on shore in this island, and then left for the West Country, his ship being of too great burden to ply about these parts. Their coasts were infested by French and Biscay pirates, and their trade with St. Malo and other places cut off. Requests that some ships may be sent under the command of his nephew George Carteret to clear the seas. [*Seal with device.* 1 p.]

June 23.  
Jersey.

42. Captain Francis Rainsford to the Privy Council. The coast of Jersey has been of late infested with small armed vessels of Biscay to the great impediment of trade. They shelter themselves by running into shoal water. Requests that some light vessels be sent which can follow, and capture them. [*Seal with arms and crest broken.* 2 pp.]

[June.]

43. Petition of Leonard Pinckney to the Commissioners for Saltpetre and other the Lords of the Privy Council. That he was joined in deputation with David Stevenson for the making of saltpetre for the King's service, for which service he was to advance 250*l.*, and has already laid out 500*l.* Complains of the conduct of Stevenson who had defrauded him of 90*l.* already, and by his lewd carriage in cheating and taking bribes has caused them both to be indicted at the last assizes in Suffolk. Prays that the deputation may be granted to himself alone, or else that they would compel David Stevenson to repay petitioner his money again, with consideration, and Stevenson to enjoy the deputation if they shall think good. [1 p.]

[June.]

44. Another copy of the above petition. [1 p.]

[June ?]

45. Petition of the same to the same. About four months since David Stevenson, being deputed under your Honours for making of saltpetre, but not having capital to begin the work, desired petitioner to assist him with 150*l.* to erect the work, and for security offered that he should be joined in commission with him and receive half the profit in case any was obtained by the work. The above sum proving insufficient the petitioner disbursed 200*l.* towards the work, which was a competent sum if it had been carefully managed; but Stevenson growing careless and neglecting the work, he refused to supply him with any more money, and can get no account from him of that which he hath already disbursed. Since which time they have delivered 950 lbs. of saltpetre, for which Stevenson has received near 30*l.*, which he should have spent upon the work but hath remained in town this seven weeks spending the money. Prays leave to put in a sufficient deputy to see the service performed in due time, or else to compel Stevenson to repay the money advanced, with interest. That Stevenson hath falsely informed you that petitioner refused to receive back his money, Sir Robert Anstruther can testify to you, having heard

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this business at large, how fairly and honestly petitioner has dealt in the premises with Stevenson. [1 p.]

[June]

46. Petition of William Coriton, late Vice-Warden of the Stannaries in Cornwall, to the King. He hath faithfully served your royal father and your Majesty in divers places of command and trust in that county. That he, being prisoner in the Tower, was in June last, upon petitions to your Majesty, restored to his liberty and permitted to repair to his dwelling. In Michaelmas term he repaired to the Earl of Pembroke, late Lord Steward of the Household, who was willing to employ him in the places of command and trust petitioner formerly held under him; and the Earl having spoken to your Majesty, by whose pleasure signified to the Earl he had been sequestered from executing those places, the Earl sent to him new patents for all his said offices. Meanwhile, Nicholas Burlace, having got himself into the office of Vice-Warden, had several ways misconducted himself in the execution of that office to the great discontent of the Earl, as herein particularised. Although petitioner would not presume to solicit the office of Vice-Warden in place of a deputy before your Majesty have named the principal officer, yet he beseeches you that Burlace by his petitions may not move your Majesty to any ill-thought of your poor petitioner. [1 p.]

July 2.

47. Warrant, signed by the King, to Attorney-General Heath. That in the book you have been required to prepare for our signature for the execution of a Court for our palace of Westminster and 12 miles round, you shall insert a clause empowering the Treasurer and Comptroller of the Household for the time being to sit in that Court as judges, with others such as we have directed, with proviso that when they shall not sit there then the other judges may proceed without them. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 7.  
Jersey.

48. Sir Philip Carteret to Mr. Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Lords of the Admiralty. I wrote on my arrival to complain of the depredations committed by the Biscay pirates. I have received information from Mr. Nicolls that Captain Plumleigh has written bitterly against me in a letter to you. These things were acted upon a sudden, but after our first meeting we understood one another better. These things are now forgotten betwixt us, and therefore I will not say what haste I made to come to him, how he was misinformed in the tobacco-clay, what munition and materials I carried over, &c. He is a noble gentleman, used us nobly, and the end did much sweeten the beginnings, which were somewhat too bitter. The Saturday I was with you in London, the Monday after we came to Hampton to embark, but the wind being contrary we could not fall down till the Friday to Cowes, and then also in two tides; this caused the disaster, we lay eight days at Cowes wind bound. For Captain Plumleigh I may add that of all seamen in England he deserves to be employed, and I

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wish I may deserve the continuance of your love. [*Seal with device.* 1 p.]

July 8.  
Jersey.

49. Captain Francis Rainsford to the Privy Council. Losses experienced by the inhabitants of Jersey from the Biscay men-of-war infesting the coast. Measures adopted for their protection. The difficulties which have arisen to prevent their execution. Regulations for setting of the watches. Upon this disobedience of the inhabitants to my instructions, and their neglect of His Majesty's service and their own security, I sent a warrant for the constables, and in the presence of Sir Philip Carteret and [David Bandinell.] Dean of the Island, called the constable of St. Laurence to give an account why he neglected the service and slighted my commands, but I could receive no other satisfaction from him but that he was bound to maintain the privileges of his parish, and contested with me that they were not bound to do any duty at the Tower, neither would they now begin. Upon this stubborn and mutinous reply I committed him to the Castle as an example to deter others. But I was frustrated in my intentions, for upon his confinement most of his parish, with all the constables and some of the justices, came to visit him as a martyr and one who had unjustly suffered for the maintenance of their privileges and liberty. Details his subsequent proceedings, viz., the assembling of the States, etc., and their partial success. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 4 pp.]

July 8.  
Jersey.

50. Captain Francis Rainsford, [Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey,] to the Lord President Conway. I have been forced by way of prevention to present my letters to the Council, for being by my command confined here I know no other way to tell my tale. The sum of the question between me and the inhabitants is, whether in my commands in martial causes I am to be contested with by them so far as to a disobedience, and whether in such cases by which the service is neglected I may not punish so far as imprisonment. As you find my cause so give it your patronage, for I shall ever be tender to press you to countenance my cause where the cause countenanceth not in that suit. [*Seal with arms and crest.* 1 p.]

July 9.

51. Order of the Council of War touching the garrison at Portsmouth. [*Already calendared, see Vol. CLXX., No. 41. Draft.* 4 pp.]

July 9.  
Whitehall.

52. Notes of business heard this day at the Council Board. List of Lords present. The soldiers of Portsmouth's petition read, together with the Lords' reference. Sir John Jephson opened the business at large, showing that the soldiers of Portsmouth are not only in the nature of common soldiers and garrison men, but townsmen of Portsmouth, and ought to enjoy the same liberties and privileges in all things which the townsmen do, otherwise they are not able to live, having but only 8*d.* a day from the King and that



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not paid. That the soldiers shall continue in the exercise of their several trades notwithstanding His Majesty's late command until they shall receive their full pay, or the matter be debated at large, both parties being present at this Board. Captain Higham's business. Captain Higham. That Sir John Watis shall make present report. Elizabeth Burrows, widow of a trumpeter, to be referred to Captain Mason. Mr. Bambridge, dressing of arms. Mr. Attorney's report was this day read. A draft of the state of this business was read. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

July 9.  
Jersey.

53. Captain Francis Rainsford, [Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey,] to Secretary Dorchester. Has communicated to the Privy Council the losses and dangers to which the inhabitants of Jersey have been liable by the presence of the Biscay men-of-war on the coast. Obstruction which his measures for protection of the Island has encountered, by refusal of the inhabitants to maintain watch and ward. I hear they intend to try a process with the Governor whether he or they shall be liable to this watch at the Tower of St. Aubin, though I brought over the Council's letters which enjoined the country this duty, and authorised the Governor when and how to direct it as he should see occasion. Those letters are my warrant for my proceedings if the authority of my place could not justify my actions, but I refer myself and them to your Honour's equal censure. [*Seal with arms and crest.*  $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

July 10.

54. Extract of letters relative to the coast of Jersey being infested by Biscayan pataches. The watch ordered in consequence to be kept at the Tower of St. Aubin, the inhabitants refused to furnish. Captain Rainsford, our new Lieutenant-Governor, and this country are all in pieces, even to a mutiny. The States allow of a necessity to have the place well guarded, but allege it is not to be done by the people but by the Governor, who had always as now entertained a cannoneer for that Tower. [2 pp.]

July 10.

55. Report by the Council of War to the King, touching the dressing and repair of the common arms of the kingdom. [*Already calendared, see Vol. CLXX., No. 44. Draft.* 3 pp.]

July 10.

56. Corrected copy of the same. [2 pp.]

July 9  
and 10.

57. Minutes of business transacted at the Council Board. The petition of the soldiers of the garrison of Portsmouth. Ordered that the Lord Treasurer be requested by letter to pay to the petitioner Henry Higham 22*l.* 15*s.*, certified by Sir Francis Willoughby and the rest of the Commissioners to be due to him. Ordered that as the 21 tuns of wine were taken out of the two ships by command of Sir John Watts, he shall make payment for the same to Captain George Higham, unless he can make it appear that they have been already paid for from His Majesty, after such

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rates as were given at the Isle of Rhé, the Captain having been without his money all this while. That the petition of Elizabeth Burrowes, widow of a trumpeter, be referred to Captain Mason to certify how she may be relieved if any thing be still due to her husband. Order made upon the petitions of Messrs. Maxwell, Murray, and Bainbridge, concerning their application for a patent to repair the common arms of the kingdom. What is fitting for His Majesty to do before this business can be determined, and a commission granted under the Great Seal, as is desired by the petitioners. [2 pp.]

July 20.  
[Jersey.]

58. Sir Philip Carteret to [the Lord President Conway]. Much dissension is lately fallen out betwixt our new [Lieutenant] Governor, [Captain Francis Rainsford,] and the people about maintaining the watch at the Tower of St. Aubin's, which he would enforce upon them, and his exactness in assuming power to punish all those who do contradict [his orders]. To comply with him, and in obedience to the Lords' letters, I and the justices condescended to a provisional order, which we find so to distaste the people, especially now at harvest time, that it must be given up. I have endeavoured to act as mediator, and, as I was most busy about it, lo, I fall into the greatest dissension myself, occasioned thus,— Captain Darell, the Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, sends one Philip Pallott of this Isle to be delivered either to the Lieutenant here or to myself. This Pallott had been arrested in Guernsey by merchants who pretended that he was during the war a pilot in certain French pataches which took sundry Guernsey and English barks. They proving nothing against him, he was discharged, but because he was of this Isle, and that Captain Darell suspected him, he was sent here to be tried. This Pallott then went home to his house, but the Lieutenant sent a warrant to have him apprehended by the officers of Trinity Parish. The Lieutenant-Governor was exceedingly displeased because they had brought the prisoner to me, and not to him first, and gave out his warrant to send Pallott to prison, notwithstanding my former bailing of him. Dispute as to their respective jurisdictions. Thus you see—new King, new laws. The [new Lieutenant-Governor] hath authority enough to do the King service, and so have we, without encroaching one upon another; but it will prove too dangerous to the State here when a Governor shall take upon himself to punish or imprison as he pleaseth, only with this motto, *sic volo, sic jubeo*. I know not what complaint he will make against me; against him I will make none but at leisure and with due consideration, and [when] constrained to it. [Extract. 2 pp.]

[July].

59. Petition of Lady Riddamore, wife of Sir Peter Riddamore [Regamore], to the Council. That petitioner, taking a house of William Lee, cap-maker, situate in the Strand near Charing Cross,

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at a rent of 24*l.* per annum, to be paid quarterly, which she paid in advance to oblige Mr. Lee. Notwithstanding her manifold favours to Lee, he has shamefully abused her servants in beating, hurting, and reviling them, for which misdemeanours he was at the last sessions for the peace holden at Westminster indicted and found guilty. In revenge, knowing that petitioner was to remain a few days at Mr. Murray's, her brother-in-law's house, he seized the occasion to re-enter upon the premises three or four days before the quarter day, no rent being then due, and having shut out her servants, broke open her trunks, and detains her jewels and plate to the value of 500*l.* Petitioner has procured several warrants, and afterwards the Lord Chief Justice's warrant, but Lee contemns and laughs them to scorn. Since being sent for to appear before the Council Board he hath slighted the same. Prays the Lords to take the premises into consideration, and to minister justice according to equity in punishing such a lewd fellow, who will submit himself neither to law nor justice. [1 p.]

[July.] 60. Petition of Theodore Gransin to Secretary Dorchester. Concerning the capture of a ship, the "Salvator," of Lubeck, taken by pirates and carried into Ireland. Complains of the conduct of Henry Skipwith, then [1611] Vice-Admiral and Governor, therein detaining the goods, for which petitioner had been unable to obtain compensation. Prays assistance to enable him to obtain justice in the Court of Admiralty. [*Latin.* 1 p.]

Aug. 3. 61. Thomas Olivier, pastor at St. Helier, to Viscount Conway, Lord President of the Council. Prays him to have regard to the affair of the will of the late M. de St. Sauveur (formerly Bailiff of Jersey), now when it is about to be decided before Lord Manchester on the reference from the Privy Council. [*French.* 1 p.]

Aug. 5. 62. Sir John Peyton to Secretary Dorchester. Refers to the former posts he has filled. I am sorry for the occasion of this my first [letter to you as Secretary of State]. By the enclosed copy of mine to Sir Philip Carteret you will perceive the grounds of this grievance, together with my opinion of their difference. I know that Sir Philip is an able gentleman, and I presume the other [Captain Francis Rainsford] is a discreet soldier; but as it is best known to your wisdom, rubs happen often upon mistakings, and I impute my Lieutenant's proceedings to his zeal in performing the State's command in the guarding of the Tower of St. Aubin, a place of great importance, and maintaining the authority of His Majesty's Lieutenant in that remote Isle [of Jersey], to whose cognisance crimes of such nature, as Pallott's was, particularly belong, and are by him to be sent and related to the [Council] Board. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.] *Enclosed,*

62. 1. *Copy of Sir John Peyton's letter sent by him to Sir Philip Carteret referred to in the above.* [1½ pp.]

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63. Report signed by Viscount Conway as Lord President of the Council, on the difference between Sir Philip Carteret, Bailiff, and Francis Rainsford, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey. Expresses the opinion that Pallot's case, being a civil matter, belonged to the Bailiff's jurisdiction, and that as regards the watch at the Tower of St. Aubin, the Council should issue instructions when and in what cases the inhabitants should be called to serve with their persons and arms, etc. [*Imperfect. 5 pp.*]

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64. Copy of the above. [3 p.]

Aug. 8.

Ipswich.

65. Sir John Wentworth to Captain Henry Woodhouse. I delivered the Earl of Suffolk's letters according as they were directed to Sir Thomas Glemham, who met the rest of the Deputy Lieutenants at Bury St. Edmund's assizes; there they agreed according to their directions to muster and train, to begin about the 22nd of August, but have not made any warrants for levying of the muster-master's fee, neither yet have they given me notice of the days. I may muster if I will, but upon my own charges, for not one penny am I like to receive from them. Sir Lionel Talmach and Sir Robert Crane were the first who opposed it, saying that at the last Parliament, when some were like to be questioned about sending out warrants for levying the muster-master's fee, the King, being informed how they were like to be committed by the House, answered, as they say, at the end of the Parliament he would take some order for it, therefore for their parts they meant not to set their hands to any warrants of that nature; but, said Sir Robert Crane, you, Sir Thomas Glemham and Mr. Poley, and such as were no Parliament men, may, if it please you, make out warrants; they answered, unless they all ran one course they would not meddle in it. It is desired by some that it would please his Lordship to command his Deputy-Lieutenants that every one should give their reasons why they have not obeyed these letters; what you would have me do more in this business I pray write me word.

65. 1. (*Dorso* :) *Leave this letter to T[h]etford at Sir Thomas Woodhouse's house if Captain Woodhouse be gone carry it to Norwich to Mrs. Goodfree to be sent to him with speed.* [1 p.]

Aug. 17.

66. E[dward] N[icholas] to Sir Henry Mervyn, Admiral of the Narrow Seas. I send enclosed a copy of the letter sent to the Lords by the Captain of the fourth Whelp lent to King's Lynn, by directions from my Lord Treasurer, that according to the packet sent hence yesterday you may presently hasten to the northwards, where the 14 Dunkirkers do infinite spoil. You will do well to take with you all the ships of your fleet, or as many of them as may be had suddenly, also to take with you as many Holland men-of-war as you can. There is no question but that you may find Hollanders before Dunkirk where there were 10 and a galley, and also before Ostend, where there were as many more. The West country may well expect your ships until you have been again to the northward, since the Dunkirkers are gone that way. I assure you it is earnestly expected you should now meet with them and do some service for the honour of yourself and the

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kingdom. I pray God bless you against them; if my dream prove true you will bring home their Admiral. Directions as to sending letters to Nicholas. Let me hear when you go away and whither you intend your course; also what strength of ships you carry with you. Send a despatch to the Downs that the ships there may attend your coming. *Postscript*.—Mr. Holt has written, and Mr. Allcock has undertaken that all your victuals shall be aboard by Thursday next at furthest. [*Copy. 1 p.*]

[Aug. 22.] 67. Note of requests preferred by Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Dorchester. That he would move the Lord Treasurer to give order to Sir Robert Pye for payment of 600*l.* this next term, required for finishing the fortification of Castle Elizabeth; likewise an order for 100*l.* presently which the Lords granted him for his charges. That Rudd, the engineer, would, for a small remuneration, go to the island and direct the fortification. [*½ p.*]

Aug. 22. 68. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Dorchester. The cause of  
Jersey. delay in Mr. Rudd's returning for England was the inconveniency of passage, the seas having been much infested with Biscayan pataches. He has much rectified the plot laid out for the fortification of Elizabeth Castle. The time permitting him he also viewed the whole island and can yield a good account of its capability for defence, and chiefly of what consequence the fortification of the castle now in hand will be of. The slothfulness of the workmen and backwardness of the labourers doth impose upon me an intolerable pains and trouble, while I seek to husband the King's money to the best advantage by pressing one and over-viewing daily the works. I implore your mediation for payment of those moneys which have been so often promised by the Lord Treasurer, being the least part of what I have expended for the King's service. [*Seal with device. 2 pp.*]

Sept. 21. 69. Warrant to the Commissioners of the Navy to cause George  
Whitehall. Hennace to be entered boatswain in the "Victory," *vice* Gabriel Webb, deceased. *Minute.*

Sept. 29. 70. Table showing the fees and charges paid by James Prynne concerning the passing of the account of Humfrey Smith and Edmond Wright, late Sheriffs of Middlesex, in His Majesty's Exchequer between Michaelmas 1629 and Michaelmas 1630. *Endorsed*, "Receipt. per Curiam 19 Feb. 1634/5." [*8 pp.*]

Oct. 15. 71. Certificate of diverse payments in co. Northumberland amounting to 62*s.* 6*d.* per annum. [*Certified copy.*]

Oct. 20. 72. Notes touching a concealed prize, *viz.*, Commission granted to Nicholas Geytonbie (Gatonbe, Gattenby) and others for the "Charles" of Bristol, dated 29th December 1628, two bonds, one in 3,000*l.* Bonds taken of Captain Nicholas Gattonbe and the other officers of the ship. [*2 pp.*]

Oct. 23. 73. Presentment by the Jury nominated for the parish of Enfield, co. Middlesex, the 23rd of October, by the Justices of

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Peace, touching the supply of corn, made according to His Majesty's printed book of orders and proclamation for the preventing and remedying of the dearth of grain and victual. [10 pp., *brief size*.]

Oct. 24.

74. Sir Thomas Walsingham to Richard Jennings, Marshal for the Vice-Admiralty of Kent. Notwithstanding my former warrants for the restraint of transportation of oysters by Flemings and other strangers within this Vice-Admiralty, I understand they do still transport great quantity, to the prejudice of the commonwealth, especially in this time of dearth. These are to require and authorise you, in the King's name, to arrest and make sure stay of all boats or vessels whereof any stranger is master or owner, laden with oysters or other victual with intent to transport the same, and that you make return to me of the names of all such as supply these Flemings by way of forestalling, that they may be proceeded against according to law and justice. [1 p.]

Oct. 30.

The office and duties of the Clerk of the Pricke and Checque at Deptford. Copy of *Vol. CLXXIV.*, No. 106. [See *Domestic Eliz.* 1590. *Vol. CCXXXVII.*, fol. 145.]

[Oct.]

75. Petition of John Dodde and Rafe Pryshet to the King. That with much labour and charge they have perfected an engine for raising water out of mines without the help of mills, wheels, buckets or pumps, and which will be of great use in ships if they should spring a leak. Desire a grant of a patent of privilege for the sole use of this invention during a term of years. At command they will apply their said engine to any of your mines royal of silver or copper, and will present it for your service in any of your Majesty's houses if you so please. [1 p.]

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Whitehall.

76. William Lord Powys to [Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador at the Hague]. The Progress and want of convenience of sending to him has made him thus long defer writing. Since my coming back from the Progress I fell so dangerously sick at Hampton Court that I entertained little hope of either writing to or seeing you again, and am but now newly yet perfectly recovered. I suppose you have heard of our passages in the Progress and particularly of the Queen's displeasure towards the Lord Treasurer. I will not insist upon those matters which you cannot be ignorant of, but will begin with the latest and freshest. Yesterday the Lord Treasurer kissed the Queen's hands, and she in outward appearance is fully reconciled to him. This peace was made by no one but the King's own labour and mediation to the Queen. It is thought that a reconciliation will follow between my Lord and the rest, I mean [the Earl of] Holland, [Chevalier de] Jars, and Walter Montague, who were much troubled that my Lord [Treasurer] was reconciled to the Queen before their peace was made, and would fain have the world believe that it could not have been wrought otherwise. The Lord Treasurer was never higher in the King's favour than now, and Cincinnatus and he in an indissoluble league of friendship, offensive and defensive. I assure you

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the Lord Chamberlain [Philip, Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery] hath as great a portion and share of the King's favour as any of them who make the greatest show, and so you will find when you come hither or never trust me more, and he is much your servant; as he succeeds his brother [William, Earl of Pembroke, *ob.* April 10] in his honours and temporal fortune so doth he in many of his customs and choice of his friends. My Lord of Carlisle and he are grown very great, and we sup constantly with him, as you know our old and dear friend, who I hope is now with God, did. My Lady Carlisle is grown into favour again with the Queen and is become a pretty diligent waiter, but how long the humour will last in that course I know not; there was all this summer a little coldness between the Lord Treasurer, Carlisle, and Goring, but upon private expostulations all things that made the mistakings were cleared and they stand right again. I will leave the particulars of the passages between them till we meet, when we will make our comments upon them, and to say truly, those particularities are fitter for a private discourse between ourselves at midnight or upon a stone in Scotland Yard than to be committed to paper. The Court was never so full of factions and enmities and emulations as now it is, but the heads and captains of them are poor and mean, both in wit and judgment and power too, to manage actions of that nature in respect of those we knew in our times. My Lord of Holland, Chevalier de Jars, and Walter Montacuwe [Montague] are the only pragmatcal men now in the Court, and what effects can be expected from them I leave to your own judgment to guess at. I thank God we are free men now and look and laugh at the follies of others, and find a great deal of sweet to be disengaged from these broils, and are infinitely courted of all sides. I wish you here that we might be merry together and laugh at plays unto which we are much given, for seldom there passeth a week without a play or two; there was never such subject of mirth and laughter as now, and we may now be merry at a play without danger. The Earl Marshal [Thomas, Earl of Arundel and Surrey] is not much at Court, and I think he doth like a wise man in it, for finding no great need of himself there I think he doth wisely in haunting of it no oftener than he hath need; his man Digges was with me before the Progress with a moiety and a promise of further performance. I refer all to you, and a word to the wise is enough. I will only say thus much, I was and will be his true friend and servant, and else besides yourself I know few friends he hath or will have in this cause. Sir Dudley Digges, our friend I doubt not, is to have the Master of the Rolls' place, and what is paid for it is to go to the widow Judd, which is 5,000*l.* in present and so much [more] after. My lady is well and brought a bed of a lusty boy whom I have not yet seen nor will till the christening; the gossips I will not name because I imagine you know, the choice is good. I pray make haste home and let us have you in print no more till I see you, which I never longed more for than now, and I shall kiss your hands and will ever rest your most faithful friend and humble servant. [3 pp.]

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- [Nov. 17.] 77. Answer submitted to the Council by Edward Wollascott, youngest son of William Wollascott, esq, replying to the complaint made against him by his wife Ann in a petition formerly exhibited to your Lordships. [2 pp.]
- [Nov. 26.] 78. Petition of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty of Exeter, to the Council. We lately presented a petition to you touching the erecting of a free school within that city, which being opposed by the Schoolmaster there, the Lord Bishop and the Dean and Chapter, you ordered that a letter should be written to them to certify their reasons of their opposal. The Bishop and Dean and Chapter, or some of them, having certified their reasons, you ordered us to forbear to proceed therein before license obtained from your Honours, and yet we cannot learn what is contained in that certificate. In our late petition we expressed the reasons of the necessity of such free school, of which we are ready to make good proof. Pray to be heard therein, and if the reasons are not sufficient to induce you to revoke the former order and to give us license to perfect the school, yet that you would make an order enjoining all the parties whom this cause doth concern to attend before you at a time fixed, to be heard on both parts, so that some final order may be made therein, that so charitable a work intended only for the public good may not be hindered by any that do oppose the same for private ends. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- Nov. 26. 79. Petition of John Grossier to the Privy Council. The examination of certain bills of costs in the cause between himself and Hugh Hue has been referred by their Lordships to Sir Philip de Carteret. Hue hath come over in secret, and desireth a final determination in the absence of petitioner. Prays that their Lordships will refer it to some competent and impartial persons of the Island of Jersey. [1 p.] *Annexed,*
79. I. *List submitted to the Lords of men well experienced and learned in the law of that Isle, who can make a true report to the Board.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
79. II. *Reference by the Council of Grossier's petition to Sir Philip de Carteret, Bailiff of that Isle. That calling before him both parties he is to consider what reasonable costs are fit to be allowed in this case according to the custom of that Isle, and to return certificate to the Council Board if any party shall find himself grieved.* Whitehall, 26th November 1630. [Copy.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Nov. 80. The Council to the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey. That John Blanch of that Isle having made complaint to His Majesty of an unjust sentence given against him, whereby he was taxed to pay 120*l.* costs and enjoined to acknowledge his offence, it was referred to Sir Henry Martin, Judge of the Admiralty, and Sir Robert Heath, Attorney-General, who certified it to be erroneous and unjust. We thereupon addressed our letters to you, dated 30th September 1627, requiring you to take order that the petitioner



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might be discharged of the said sentence and have recompense for the damages he had sustained. We have since been informed by him that you discharged him only of the sentence, but refused to allow any recompense for his damages. Having referred the consideration of the recompense again to the same referees, Sir Robert Heath, in the absence of Sir Henry Martin, has reported to us that Blanch should be allowed for his charge, costs, and damages sustained by that sentence procured against him by John de Quitteville, which bill of costs, amounting to 270*l.*, is to be paid to him. We do hereby expressly charge you to see this our order duly put in execution. [*Draft.* 1 *p.*]

Nov:] 81. Sir Robert Ducie, the Lord Mayor, and others of the City of London, to [the Council], making report touching the plague. According to your letters of 24th October last, requiring an account thereof, we have diligently inquired in every ward and parish within the City and its liberties what persons have neglected their duty in observing His Majesty's orders according to your directions, and we find they have observed them, viz., that the searchers for the visited houses are ancient women, reputed to be honest and of great experience, who are sworn for the faithful discharge of their duties, which, upon certificate, they have faithfully performed. All houses known to be visited were and are shut up, and the usual marks and inscriptions set upon the doors, strict watches appointed, and competent maintenance afforded to such as had or have need thereof, so that none hath been necessitated or suffered to go abroad. Special care hath been taken that none that died of the infection have been buried but late in the night, and the people that would have followed the corpse have been sent away by threatening and otherwise; and now very few or none go with the corpse other than are appointed for that purpose. Care hath been taken to well cleanse the visited houses, and where any suspicion of the infection hath been, diligent search has been made, and the sick severed from the whole, and watch and ward kept to restrain all access thereto, or to suffer the rest to go abroad, with fitting care to supply the persons so restrained with necessaries. We have also punished some for pulling off the usual inscription set upon infected houses, and some are bound over to the sessions there to be proceeded withal according to justice. [1 *p.*]

[Nov.] 82. Return of the names of such persons as have enclosed any grounds within these two years last past in the wapentakes of Thurgarton Aleigh and Basset-Law, co. Notts, viz., in the former wapentake 303 and in the latter 233. Total, 536 acres. [2 *pp.*]

[Nov.] 83. Petition of Thomas, Viscount Savage, to the King. That the late John Donne, esq., did hold of your Majesty the herbage and pannage, &c., of the forest of Delamere, co. Cheshire, for three lives, and also the hundred of Edisbury within that forest for the like term. That the grant of the herbage and pannage, &c., is in being

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for one life, but the hundred of Edisbury by his death has fallen into your Majesty's hands. It is humbly desired by petitioner that under the same rent as Donne paid you would grant him a lease of both for term of 60 years in reversion. Petitioner further prays, as he now holds for life the place of Ranger of that forest, that you would add two of his sons' lives, with the fee of a buck and doe yearly out of every walk. Should you be pleased to confer this upon him, he prays you to signify your pleasure to the Attorney-General to draft a bill accordingly. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[Nov.]

84. Particulars of the assessment for the subsidy in Walbrook ward in the city of London. This ward pays 33*l.* 5*s.*, a whole fifteenth throughout London being 1,000 marks; but when the fifteenth is brought down to 500*l.*, this ward pays 24*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.* To pay this fifteenth there are 300 houses and small tenements, but because there is a very great inequality in the assessment of the old fifteenth, three things [stated in the paper] are to be offered to the consideration of the Court. [1 p.]

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85. Petition of Thomas Coo to John, Earl of Bridgewater. Compliments him on his noble nature and "cleronomial patrimony." Appeals to him to get his petition, exhibited yesterday, read at the Council Table, as Sir William Beecher has proved himself an inveterate enemy to petitioner. He desires no mercy, but justice. The six petitions before presented by him have been all embezzled. *Endorsed*, "Received 2 Dec. 1630." [1 p.]

[Dec. 4.]

86. Petition of James Jeffreys, Marshal to Sir Francis Willoughby's regiment in the voyage to Rochelle, to the Council of War. That he is unpaid 4*l.* 4*s.* for service at Portsmouth before his going to Rochelle, and has due to him from Lieutenant Thomas Stanhope, who was Lieutenant to Lieutenant-Colonel Norton, for meat, drink, and lodging, 5*l.* odd. Having been a year and upwards prisoner in the Fleet, this sum is much needed by him. Prays that order may be taken for payment of these sums due to him. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Dec. 4.]

[The Council of War to Sir William Courteney.] They refer to his consideration a petition presented at a Committee of the Council of War by Colonel [Robert] Farrer, containing several allegations against Gilbert Ware. Should you find Colonel Farrer's complaints to be true and just, you are to require Ware in our names to give satisfaction, which if he shall refuse to do, you are to will him to appear at this Board to receive further order therein. [*Written on the same paper as the preceding.* Draft. 1 p.]

[Dec. 4.]

87. Petition of Richard Hill to the Council of War. That there being due to John Price, Provost-Marshal under Sir Thomas Morton, 16*l.* for pay for his service at the Isle of Rhé, petitioner (after the proclamation for payment of those who should trust soldiers and receive pay of the Commissioners) trusted Price 12*l.* 6*s.* for diet

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and money lent. He then got his name entered before the Commissioners and was promised payment. But coming for his money with Price to Sir Thomas Morton, he would not pay petitioner all his debt, but said if he would not take part he should choose, which petitioner refusing and desiring to be paid according to the proclamation, Sir Thomas laid 16*l.* down in the window and signalled to Price, who seized on it and would not pay petitioner one penny. Upon his remonstrating Sir Thomas said he could not help it, and instead of payment in money he was cruelly paid with blows by Sir Thomas's men, while Price made off with the money. Being a poor man he is unable to contest with so great a man as Sir Thomas Morton unless relieved by your Honours. Prays the Lords to cause Sir Thomas to make satisfaction in regard he hath abused the proclamation to the undoing of petitioner. [1 *p.*]

Dec. 9.  
Jersey.

88. Sir Philip Carteret to Edward Nicholas. During this winter season the Biscay pirates had left those seas, but they expected their return in the spring unless some ships were sent to guard their coasts. The seas were at present kept by pataches, called Guard des Costes, with commission from the French, but they were in effect no better friends than the Biscayers. Reminds him of the preferment promised to his nephew Mr. George Carteret. [*Seal with device*, 1 *p.*]

Dec. 10.

89. Considerations concerning the Navy and the reduction of its cost. The charge of the Narrow Seas to be reduced to these four ships, viz., the "Bonaventure," "Garland," "St. Claude," and one of the Whelps, to be manned with 450 men, and to serve for 10 months, which will come by estimate to 9,643*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*. Whereunto adding the ordinary in harbour 12,151*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*; the whole estimate for the next year's charge of the Navy will be reduced from 39,671*l.* 10*s.* to 21,799*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*, and so there will be saved towards provisions of cordage and other materials 17,871*l.* 12*s.* 9*d.*. Measures to be taken for supply of the magazine. *Endorsed by Nicholas*, "Received 10 Dec. 1630." [1½ *pp.*]

Dec. 14.

90. List of Petitions to be answered, viz., Lieutenant-Colonel [Peter] Hone, Lieutenant Stephen Hussey, Provost-Marshals Andrew Grandie, [John] Brooke, and Richard Penny, Captains John Powell, Henry Ashley, Alexander Lindsey, Walter Fooke, Deacon Bull, Quartermaster Robert Leigh, besides 14 others, sergeants and civilians. [1 *p.*]

Dec. 14.

91. Proceedings taken in the Court of Admiralty on the petition of Thomas White and Company. This paper being an extract from the Register of the Court of Royal Delegates. *Endorsed*, "Received 6 Sept. 1631. This business upon a Commission of appeal to special delegates was remitted by the Court of Delegates." *Subjoined*,

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91. 1. *Invoice of merchandise claimed by John Bremontier, with the deposition of John Roberts and Robert Lownes made in the presence of John Baker, public notary of the Supreme Court of Admiralty, 14th December 1630. [Latin, 4½ pages.]*

Dec. 15.

92. Notes by Edward Nicholas, relative to money owing by the late Sir Allen Apsley, [Lieutenant of the Tower and Surveyor of Victuals for the Navy], and of the preceeds expected to accrue from the sale of lands in Galtres Forest, co. York. That there may be an order from the Council Board requiring the feoffees of Sir Allen, to whom the land granted for satisfaction of the debt owing to him by His Majesty was passed, that they shall not sell any more of that land until the state of his account be known, and shall deliver to the Council Board an account stating what they have sold, to whom, and for how much, and what is left unsold. Mr. Lewis saith that there is due to him for his entertainment from Sir Allen 200*l.*, and also for a legacy given to him 160*l.* If he could have either of these sums he would proceed. That Sir Allen passed the Forest of Galtres by way of mortgage for 9,000*l.* debt and 6,000*l.* lent. Queries [for] Mr. Alcock. Why in the account given he saith that 10,000*l.* was paid in part for the forest of Galtres; whereas in the grant made of that forest it is expressed that it is passed in consideration of 20,000*l.*? Why Sir Allen passed away for 15,000*l.* that for which he paid 20,000*l.*? That it is offered to take the remainder of Galtres Forest, over and above the 15,000*l.* which Peter Leonard [paid], for 10,000*l.* debt. Query; [what] paid of Sir Allen's debt [to] Secretary Dorchester, date 14th May 1629? [2 pp.]

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Cardigan.

93. Certificate in favour of Rees Gwynn, eldest son and heir to Lewes Gwynn of co. Cardigan, from the justices of the peace of the county whose names are subscribed. Prefer a statement to the Lords that he has served the late and present Earls of Oxford for the space of 18 years, with good credit to himself, yet his father, for some cause unknown, has disinherited him of all (a proceeding, in their opinion, both unnatural and ungodly), so that he has no means of maintenance but what he can get by service [Sheet of paper, with signatures.]

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Norwich.

94. William Browne, Mayor, and the Aldermen of Norwich, to the Council. We have endeavoured to enforce the King's proclamation, and your orders for preventing the scarcity and dearth of corn, but are frustrated by the maltsters and brewers, who continue to make use of barley which is required to be used for bread-corn. We had suppressed all the maltsters in this city who used brewing of beer from making of malt, but although they desisted themselves, they have suffered their malting-houses to be used by others, whom we cannot suppress but by order in Sessions, which is too tedious a process to be available. We have ordered the prices of beer, viz, strong at 6*s.* the barrel, and small at 4*s.*;

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but the brewers withstand our orders, fixing prices, and continue to brew and deliver beer of great and unnecessary prices, at the inns, taverns, and alehouses in this city by night, so that we can have no proof at law to convict them of that offence. Upon further search into the occasions of this scarcity we have noticed that great quantities of wheat are bought weekly by the starch-makers. We desire that we may be authorised by an Order of Council to bind over all such delinquents who violate the law by continuing malting and starchmaking. [*Seal gone.* 1 p.]

95. Warrant, signed by the King, to Attorney-General Heath, to prepare a bill for signature containing a grant to Thomas Viscount Wentworth, President of the Council in the North, of the offices of Bailiff of the Franchise of Richmond and Steward of the same, Chief Forester of the Forest and Keeper of the Castle of Richmond and Middleham in co. York, now void by decease of Emanuel, Earl of Sunderland. [1 p.]

96. Petition of Dudley, Lord North, to the King. The King's late servant Sir John North having departed this life, a course of administration was entered upon, and afterwards a will was found, made in 1622 on his journey to Spain in the King's service, whereupon Sir Dudley, the petitioner's eldest son, claiming the residue, a great dissension had arisen. The petitioner prays His Majesty to interpose and settle the dispute. [1 p.]

97. Petition of Sir Dudley North to the King. Having been informed that the King intends to determine on Sunday next the cause touching the estate of Sir John North, the petitioner prays the King either to take it for granted that it was Sir John's intention to give him the residue of his personal estate, or to enjoin the registrar of the prerogative Court to attend His Majesty on Sunday with the depositions. [1 p.]

98. Petition of Dr. Matthew Lister, Physician in Ordinary, to the King. Samuel Waddington of Horsforth, co. York, yeoman, is committed to gaol for clipping of gold [coin], and when convicted his estate will escheat to your Majesty. In consideration of his long and faithful service petitioner prays a grant of the forfeiture of Waddington's estate upon his conviction. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

99. Petition of Henry Jaye, executor to the will of Alderman Henry Jaye, deceased, to the King. About 12 years since his father lent to the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London 1,000*l.* towards furnishing the late King James, the day for repayment being long since past, but neither he nor his father have received any part of that sum. Your Majesty hath since conveyed and assured to the City divers lands, tenements, and hereditaments of great value for satisfying both principal and interest of the debts and money borrowed by the late King of the City, whereof petitioner's debt is part. For payment of the debts and legacies of his late father, petitioner has been obliged to borrow money for which he has long

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paid interest. He has been a suitor to the Mayor and Commonalty for the money lent by him, with some reasonable interest for forbearance, or that they would assure to him a part of the lands so granted by your Majesty, which demand they have refused contrary to all equity. Prays leave to sue the said obligation and recover by due course of law. *Underwritten by Edward Nicholas,*

99. I. *Notes explanatory of the conditions and amount of money advanced by the City to King James. That petitioner's father had only a general obligation of 1,000*l.* under the City seal. Conceiving his case to be different from any others who lent money for furnishing the late King, and that he has been hardly dealt with by the City, [his prayer deserves some consideration].* [1 p.]

100. Petition of Edward, Earl of Sussex, to the King. Sheweth that Sir John Ratcliff, knt., great grandfather to petitioner, was seised of the honours and baronies of Fitzwalter, Egremont, Bullitort, and Burnells, which did by diverse mean descents descend to Robert, late Earl of Sussex, as heir to Sir John, who dying without issue, they passed to petitioner, being his cousin and next heir, according to the genealogy here stated, who has ever since enjoyed the same until now, when Sir Henry Mildmay claims them as belonging to him, as by his petition to your Majesty appears. Prays reference of the dispute concerning the pretended title of Sir Henry Mildmay to such honourable persons as your Majesty shall choose in order to a speedy determination. [1 p.]

101. Petition of Edmond, Earl of Mulgrave, to the King. That he having presented to you an overture for enabling your Majesty with a certain means to set on the mines royal, to store you plentifully with brass ordnance, and to stock the soap works, prays you to bestow on him and his partners, who have expended both money and pains in discovering and working these mines and manufactures and must still manage the same, the profit which shall be raised by the coinage of the 100,000*l.* of copper moneys, and so recompense them for the money hitherto laid out on these works and enable them to clear their engagements and start the works expressed in the overture, for which your Majesty shall have the advantages herein enumerated. Prays that Commissioners may be appointed to see that no more copper money be coined than the amount above expressed, and that after the arrears due by you to petitioner are satisfied, together with the money disbursed by the others on the copper and soap businesses, the remainder [profit] be wholly employed to erect and stock the works aforesaid. [1 p.]

102. An overture made by Edmond, Earl of Mulgrave, to the King. Advocating the working of copper mines, the perfecting of the manufacture of soap, and coinage of 100,000*l.* of copper money. You were pleased to allow of the coinage of farthings of copper, which although at first much disliked and opposed, are now found

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to be of much use. Now if you would appoint the coining of so much copper moneys under petitioner's direction, and make it current by proclamation, no one being required to take in any payment above a 20th part of that coin, be it in greater or smaller payments, you may have the works herein suggested effected, and gain a large profit, as is expressed in the petition annexed. [1 p.]

103. Propositions made by the Earl of Mulgrave to the King, explaining more fully the nature and advantages of the schemes advocated in his overture as above. Many mines of copper have been discovered, out of which sundry manufactures may be started, and the kingdom provided with brass ordnance. The soap now made here is of materials imported, whereas there is discovered to be materials sufficient within the kingdom. But for want of money the setting forward of these works is neglected, which might be remedied, with much profit to your Majesty, by the coining of 100,000*l.* of copper moneys in pence, half-pence, and farthings, to circulate within England and Ireland, such small coins of silver being but the loss of so much bullion, and the experience of farthing tokens showing how necessary the employment of such coins is. In payments no man need to be enjoined to accept above the 20th part in those moneys, and no greater sum to be coined. The Earl and his partners to have the profit of such coinage to satisfy the money already expended by them upon these works, to clear their engagements, and to stock and set forward the works. His Majesty shall have profit hereby yearly for 31 years, 500 tons of copper delivered at the works for 80*l.* a ton, which is now worth 140*l.*, so gaining 20,000*l.* a year, and more as the proportion of copper increases, possibly in a few years to 30,000*l.* or 40,000*l.* a year. Upon the soap he will have 40*s.* per ton, of which 4,000 tons in the year being rented he will have 8,000*l.* a year. These revenues to commence within two years after the date of the grant, a year being required for coining the money and settling the works. The Earl having for many years allowed 200*l.* a year to His Majesty for the mines will also release 10,000*l.* due to him out of the alum, when he shall have received so much out of the profit of the coinage. [Prays] that this business may receive expedition, and Commissioners be appointed to see that the sum to be coined be not exceeded. [1 p.]

104. Petition of four of the principal officers of the Ordnance to the King. [*Already calendared, being a copy of Vol. CLXXIX., No. 51. ½ p.*]

105. Petition of Thomas Pilkington and Company, of London, merchants, to the King. That they were interested in the ship, the "Falcon" of London, Thomas Nelmes, master, which being on her voyage from Brazil to Lisbon was overpowered by two capers of Middelburg and Flushing, who agreed that the ship and that

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part of the lading which belonged to the English should be delivered in safety to the proprietors, and only what belonged to the Portuguese should be made prize. The ship having been carried by the capers to Flushing has been there detained these three months. Pray the King's letters to the Lords of the Admiralty of Middelburg, desiring that their cause may be speedily determined according to justice. [1 p.]

106. Petition of Sir John Wentworth, knight and baronet, to the King. That upon petitioning for the money due to him in arrear for his service in the wars, a Privy Seal was by your direction awarded him for payment thereof, but he never received any benefit thereby. Upon his further suit you were pleased, by an order of 16th February last made at the Council Board, to lend him a French prize ship, the "Notre Dame," of 160 tons, and a pinnace, the "St. Peter," of 60 tons, with their furniture and equipage for a time specified. That the peace now accorded between your Majesty and the French King, and the like daily expected with the King of Spain, has caused petitioner's victuallers to use such delays as have been a great hindrance and charge to him, by reason of the new fitting of the ship and pinnace, and maintaining them. As the vessels will be little worth at the end of the time for which they are lent, he prays your Majesty to confer them upon him as a free gift, so that he may dispose of them about a foreign plantation, or otherwise as may be more advantageous to him. [1 p.]

107. Petition of the same to the same. That upon his former petition for the gift of the French prize, the "Notre Dame" and the pinnace the "St. Peter," you were pleased to refer him to the Lords Commissioners for the Admiralty, to whom he addressed himself, but they without your express pleasure signified cannot dispose of these vessels. Prays that your Majesty would so signify your royal pleasure to the Commissioners that they may be transferred to him, with all their ordnance, ammunition, and equipage, as your Majesty's free gift, to be by him disposed of to his best advantage. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

108. Petition of the same to the Council. That he being lately at sea with letters of marque, took a ship in the service of the King of Spain, laden with prohibited goods consigned to be landed within his territories, and brought it to England, and, after long process in the Court of Admiralty, had her adjudged to him as lawful prize. But that upon instance made to your Honours by the Hamburg Agent [Dr. Peter Volcker] on behalf of the pretended proprietors, who are Flandrians born though sheltering themselves at Hamburg in these times of war, you were induced to make stay of the execution of that sentence. Prays the Lords to take his cause into consideration, and give order, so that he may



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enjoy his prize according to His Majesty's proclamation, and the sentence given in his favour against her in the Admiralty Court. [3 p.]

109. Memorial of Monsieur d'Espagne to Secretary Dorchester. To accomplish a work so laborious he ought to have not only a mass of books but the means to maintain many amanuenses. His small means will not suffice unless aided by some supplementary allowance. This might be readily found if His Majesty would bestow on him a little benefice or prebend of moderate revenue. To this end if Secretary Dorchester would procure for him the honour of an introduction to His Majesty and favour his request he would for ever be under obligation to him. [*French.* ½ p.]

110. Petition of the tenants of the manor of Stoke Newington, co. Middlesex, to the Lord High Steward and other officers of the Green Cloth. Represent that this manor time out of mind has been a parcel of the possessions of the Dean and Canons of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, who, with their tenants as well resident as not resident, by grant of King John, whose Letters Patent have been confirmed and amplified by succeeding kings and queens, and lastly by the late King James, have been acquitted and freed from all taxes, tallages, carriages, and provision for the King or his household to be yielded, paid or done. Nevertheless, about eight years since a rate towards the provision of King James' household was assessed and demanded of petitioners, which they refusing to pay, were summoned to appear before the Green Cloth and some were committed to prison under protest of their counsel, and for regaining of their enlargement were obliged to give security for payment of the rate. And so ever since, more for fear of greatness than of right, they have paid and done the service whereof they were and are acquitted [by letters patents]. Pray your Honours for your better satisfaction to see and peruse these letters patent yourselves, or refer the doing thereof to His Majesty's Counsel learned in the law, and to appoint a time when they may attend before you with the letters patents, and thereupon may be discharged of and from these aforesaid impositions. [1 p.]

111. Petition of Sarah Nethersall to the Council. That the five barrels of gunpowder found at her house marked with the King's mark were delivered there by Thomas Horsall, as directed by a letter of her husband's which she has to show. The Lieutenant of the Ordnance having seized the powder as belonging to His Majesty's stores, she demanded repayment from Horsall which he refuses, he being now in the keeping of a messenger. Prays that upon the examination and before the discharge of Horsall you would be pleased to receive information touching the clearness of her husband Robert Nethersall, late boatswain in the yard at Deptford, in this matter, and give order for the return of the money to her, the sum being 23*l.* [1 p.]

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112. Petition of George Evelyn to the Council. Understanding from his servant that there was some profitable trading to be had in the West Indies, and not finding shipping here, he went into Flushing, and there he engaged for himself and party a passage in the ship of Abraham Van-Pier, binding the ship to stay for him till the 13th of this August. Fearing the ship might have started on her voyage before he could arrive at Flushing, he contracted with Mr. Reid, Ensign to Sir John Vere, to enter himself and his men in his company, intending to remain there till the next spring in case the ship should have started on her voyage, for saving of his charges. Now being committed by order from this Board to the custody of a messenger, he is in imminent danger of losing his voyage and so of being undone. Hopes that his design will appear to be no way offensive to His Majesty or the State. Prays that he may come speedily to his full answer and be permitted to proceed in his intended voyage. [1 p.]

113. Petition of the merchants of Newcastle to the Council. That whereas in this late time of war they have sustained divers heavy losses at sea, the enemy having taken and sunk most of their best appointed ships, by occasion whereof, as the shipping of our port is much decayed, so the merchants, who are mostly young men, are exceedingly discouraged in the course of their trade, and are altogether unable to freight whole ships furnished for defence against such powerful enemies, especially in their Hamburgh and Netherlands' trade, wherein they seldom adventure above 10 tons in any [one] bottom; which, being favourably taken into your Lordships' consideration upon their former petition, they obtained liberty by order from your Board to export and import small quantities of goods in strangers' bottoms under the convoy of the States of [Holland], as opportunity should serve, which they have ever since enjoyed, till of late the officers of their Port, under pretence of His Majesty's Proclamation [of 7th March 1629-30], renewed in behalf of the Eastland merchants, have refused their entries, though they suppose you neither intended to recall their former license nor doth this liberty any way impeach or concern the privileges of the Eastland Company. Entreat your Lordships' favourable construction of the forenamed proclamation and directions to the customers of their port both for discharge of their goods in that respect questioned, and for their future freedom to ship and land such small parcels of goods as formerly they have done. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

114. Petition of John Ashton, Francis Rawlinson, and Nicholas Marshall in behalf of themselves and the Company of Armourers, to the Council. That His Majesty having signified his pleasure through [Conway,] Lord President [of the Council,] that petitioners should make present preparation of arms for his service, which they are most ready and willing to perform, desire your Lordships to express by your order what arms, how many, and what time limited;

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likewise how and from whom they shall receive rate and payment, that so they may set their plate mills on the work for that service. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

115. Petition of John Brockwell to the Council. That before the issuing of the Proclamation and Book of Orders [28th September 1630] for restraint of transportation of corn, petitioner had bought in Sussex for his own use and supply of his customers, he being a brewer in Lenham, co. Kent, 115 qrs. of barley. Complains that the Justices of the County prohibited his bringing the barley to Lenham, but ordered him to vent the same at Lewes market, co. Sussex, being far remote from Lenham. Prays order that he may transport the barley to Lenham where he lives. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

116. Petition of John Bill and Christopher Barker, the King's Printers, to the Council. Upon their former petition to your Board representing that several bibles and books of divinity were daily being printed in holes and corners to the mischief of the public, they received a reference from you to the Attorney and Solicitor Generals, on whom they attended, but as yet can obtain no report, by reason of their preoccupation on other important occasions. Beg that until the report can be made they may have an order of Council for stopping the said impressions. [1 p.]

117. Petition of John Jacob, Clerk Extraordinary to the Council and one of the Farmers of Customs, to the Council. His father was long since Collector of the Composition of Grocery in trust sometimes for the King and sometimes for the Lords Stewards, but was never able to give satisfaction to Alderman Smyth for the 503*l.* because the accompt would not produce so much. Offers to submit entirely to their Lordships' order provided he may be safely and fully discharged. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

117. I. *Composition by sundry merchants for oils for two years and three quarters ending at Midsummer 1625. Total, 481*l.* [1 p.]*

117. II. *Debts owing by sundry merchants for the composition of grocery wares. Total, 187*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]*

117. III. *Money due for composition of grocery wares detained in the hands of sundry merchants for commodities taken of them by John Clerke for the use of Mr. Thomas Barrett. Total, 173*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*

118. Petition of the English merchants for discovery of new trades, called the Muscovia Company, to the Council. That in March 1626 they petitioned you against Nathaniel Edwards, Andrew Hawes, one Horth, and others of Yarmouth, who, under pretence of a void Scottish patent, were then setting forth ships for Greenland, in contravention of the right and privilege of this company and hinderance of their voyage. Whereupon, after hearing the cause

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before your Lordships, it was ordered, 4th April 1627, that they should not proceed in their intended fishing voyage for Greenland, and you directed your letters to the Bailiffs of Yarmouth for stay of their ships, as by the said order and letters doth appear. Nevertheless, Edwards and Horth, with their partners, proceeded contemptuously that year and have taken boldness every year since to do the like, both against the said order and your order of April 1629 in confirmation thereof, whereby petitioners have suffered very great losses and damages in the proceeding of their voyages for the whole [whale ?] fishing. That Edwards and Horth boldly assert their intention to set forth ships to those parts this present year, which may not only occasion the loss of that trade but even the trade with Russia also, which is of very great importance to this realm. Now, in respect the government and maintenance of those trades was committed to petitioners, they, out of their duties and in care for the public good and preservation of the honour and commerce of this Kingdom, besides their own particular interest, do offer to your grave considerations the evil consequences and dangers like to ensue thereby, lest if it should happen that the said country and trade be lost [by us] to the Dutch by means of such intruders, petitioners may be blameless and innocent of so great an evil; for by the example [of these intruders] others will attempt to do the like, so that petitioners must either desert the trade, or in defence of it spill the blood of their countrymen or employ their ships and forces to preserve that country only for other men's benefits with assured loss to themselves, the ships and forces set out by these intruders being not able to defend the country from the Dutch and other nations as petitioners' ships have done, except His Majesty will undertake it. And if the trade be not maintained with great strength of ships and men, the country will soon fall into the hands of the Dutch, a thing so long sought by them. The consideration whereof petitioners refer to your grave wisdoms, and pray that Edwards and Horth may [be sent for] to answer their contempts before your Lordships and give good security not to attempt the like hereafter. [1 p.]

119. Petition of Sir John Wake, bart., to the Council. That being left deeply indebted by his late father, Sir Baldwine Wake, he was constrained to petition His Majesty the last year for a royal protection for himself and others who stand engaged for his father's debts until money could be raised to satisfy them by sale of his mother's jointure, which she had consented to out of her good desire to have her husband's debts paid; which protection His Majesty was pleased to grant for one whole year. The sale of such quantity of land lying in remote parts, and the vexatious suits of creditors, had delayed the satisfaction of these debts within the limited time; but now the land is contracted for and the money is to be received as soon as the assurances can be made, and all belonging to his portion he is contented shall go towards the payment of these debts. Prays the Lords to move

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His Majesty for an extension of his royal protection until the end of Michaelmas term next. He is the more encouraged to become a suitor for this favour in that the land is not liable to these debts, nor he engaged for a great part of them. [1 p.]

120. Petition of Richard Alport to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. That for 16 years he has been employed in serving His Majesty's Navy with flags and ensigns. The principal officers of the Navy know how efficiently he has performed this service even when money for the same was not so duly paid as now. Prays them to give order that he may have the sole employment for this service, which he will duly execute. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

121. Petition of Edmond Berryman, mariner, to Sir John Lambe, Sir N. Brent, and others. That he had late a suit in the Admiralty Court against Richard Baple and William Palmer, merchants, and others, Defendants, concerning wages and freight to him for a voyage with them, the which suit was depending for four years, and finally sentence given in his side. The Defendants, being very potent rich men, have appealed to the Court of Delegates, intending to weary out petitioner. Having almost consumed his poor estate in prosecuting this suit, prays respite of time for payment of the fees to your worships until this suit shall be finally ended. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

122. Memorandum by William, Marquis of Northampton, for the Council. Desiring the Lords to write their letters to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Denbighshire, commanding them to bind over some of the most refractory in refusing payment of assessments for supplying the deficiencies in magazine for powder and shot, the names of whom they have certified, to appear before their Lordships to answer it, which if the defaulters neglect to do, he thinks their Lordships will see fit to send a pursuivant for them. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

123. Sir Francis Willoughby, Sir Thomas Morton, and Sir James Scott, to the Council. Recommending the case of Captain Robert Smith, who had experienced great losses and sufferings in the late Cadiz voyage, and was shot in the thigh at the Isle of Rhé. *Enclosing,*

123. 1. *Copies of certificates and testimonies under the hands of the Earls of Essex and Newport.* [Copy. 1 p.]

124. Report made by William Boswell, Clerk Extraordinary, to the Council. That he has considered of the quarter books of the Office of the Ordnance, and particularly examined the exceptions exhibited against the same by Sir John Heydon, Lieutenant of that office. Finds that the quarter books for divers preceding years, and those which are at present made out in discompt of the yearly allowance or ordinary of 6,000*l.* per annum assigned to that office, in their title, form, subject, and end, are repugnant to His Majesty's Seal Dormant and the instructions of the Commis-

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sioners for that office, which prohibit the officers to exceed the said sum in any one year. The various sums surcharged, often amounting to many thousand pounds, appear to have been employed neither according to His Majesty's Privy Seal nor the Instructions of the Commissioners. Provisions are charged upon His Majesty's payment without warrant, and great sums contrary to the express order of the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer. The accompts of weight, measure, and price very confusedly kept. Prices of provisions generally very excessive. Provisions proper to one Privy Seal have been charged and paid for upon other several Privy Seals. Some payments upon the ordinary have been put off for years for others which had no right claim upon the ordinary. These points he conceives very worthy of the Lords' consideration, for His Majesty's honour and service. *Underwritten,*

124. I. *After the return of this report the officers were convicted before the Lord Cottington and the Attorney-General, and so far convinced as themselves became suitors that they might be permitted to rectify the Quarter Books then in question, which upon promise of reformation was granted, but in lieu of correcting the errors the officers retracted their promise, and without the subscription, approbation, or privity of the Lieutenant, to whom it properly and solely belongs, they caused the same books surreptitiously to be delivered into His Majesty's Receipt [of the Exchequer] without any alteration. In which perverse disposition they professed themselves resolved to persist until the Lords shall expressly order the contrary. [1 p.]*

125. An Act for réformation of abuses committed in the Court of Marshalsea and for limitation of the same [5 Jac. 1. *See* Lords Journals ii., 508, 516.] It is described in the margin as "The true copy of the Bill depending in the Higher House of Parliament against the Marshalsea." *Subjoined,*

125. I. *Objections to the preamble of the Bill.*

125. II. *Objections to the law.*

125. III. *These are the benefits, amongst many others, which the Commonwealth receiveth by the Court of Marshalsea. It is therefore prayed the jurisdiction of this Court may still continue as it hath been used time out of mind, and not be altered by this new Bill.*

[These copies probably have reference to the alterations made in that Court in the sixth year of Charles I., when the Curia Palatii was erected by Letters Patent and made a Court of Record, with power to try all personal actions, its jurisdiction extending 12 miles about Whitehall.]

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126. Memorandum of public business, found among the Conway Papers. To entreat Lord President [Conway] to send for Sir Henry Martin and to deal with him either for a present sum or a yearly portion out of the Prerogative Court towards the planting of wood and timber trees in church lands and in His Majesty's particular lands, according to that trust and charge which is committed to the petitioner, R[ichard] D[aye] [see Vol. CLIX., No. 23] by letters under the Signet. These are pious uses, and Sir Henry Martin, as Judge of that Court, usually gives forth money to such uses out of receipts for letters of administration. He gave lately towards the mending of the highway at Lambeth and towards paving of their streets in Windsor. At the hearing of the cause of the impropriations lately at the Council Table it was agreed by the Lords that a certain yearly portion of money might be issuing out of that Court toward the purchasing of impropriations. And though the general collection for that purpose be not yet ordered; nevertheless the petitioner intends to collect privately for it, and therewith also to travail for the plantation of woods, the only stay whereof is the want of maintenance, and if His Majesty were rich it would be better for him to give 10,000*l.* than to lose any one year in the work of plantation. Sir H. Martin, in furthering this request, would do a work pleasing to God and pleasing and profitable to the King and State, both to the Church and Commonwealth. [Richard] Amherst, Serjeant-at-Law, is of opinion that the Prerogative Court may well afford 2,000*l.* yearly toward the purchasing of impropriations. And if so toward the work, then somewhat to him that travails therein, to the end that nothing may be deducted out of the collections for allowance of fees. [1 *p.*]

127. Articles to be administered to Sir Thomas Jay, [Master of the Armoury,] by the Commissioners of the King's Armouries. Touching [a grant lately obtained by him of all the old armour in the Tower]. You are required to certify the number and value of the old armours at the time of your entry into the office of His Majesty's Armoury, and how many you have since sold. Whether did you find more than 1,000 armours, which were returned from the expedition to the Isle of Rhé and never employed in service? What number of armours were there bought in the Low Countries and never employed? Did you command any serviceable armours to be brought out of the King's armoury to the house of Oliver Duncombe, to be conveyed out of the Tower? Did you know that Sir Allen Apsley took bonds or recognizances in his lifetime for John Cowper's appearance at the Middlesex Sessions House, there to answer his felonious taking of the King's armours out of the armoury in the Tower? Did you undertake to suppress Cowper's recognizance taken as aforesaid, upon condition that Cowper should surrender his patent of Surveyor's place of the armoury; as also to clear a debt of 60*l.* which you then owed to him? Did you, after Cowper's surrender of that place, receive 160*l.* of Joseph Butler to obtain for him the Surveyor's place; and

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did you not know before such agreement with Butler that one Rawlinson had the reversion of the fee belonging to that place? [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

128. Articles [propounded by Roger Falkener] to be administered on His Majesty's behalf by the Commissioners of the King's Armouries to the following persons:—

To John Cowper, late Surveyor of His Majesty's Armoury in the Tower: Have you been an officer in the armoury at the Tower from 1607 to 1628, and have you not as well had the charge of all armours coming in as going out of that armoury? Have you not lent or sold out of the armoury to divers persons the following, viz., 19 horsemen's armours, 306 corselets, and 122 "curates" for footmen, and if so, to whom? Have you not sold 207 pair of "powldrions" for footmen's armour, and if so, to whom?

To John Rowdon: Whether have you a patent to enjoy the clerk's place of His Majesty's Armoury, and if so of what date? What horse or footmen's armours have you borrowed out of the Tower?

To William Crouch, Thomas Stephens, Rowland Foster, and Thomas Curson: Whether have you received any armours being newly translated out of the armoury, and who gave you warrant or leave so to do? Have you not received and retained any old backs and breast pieces of old armour out of the Tower?

To Abraham Sissers [Sizers], Miles Sara, Augustine Crips, and Richard Alison: Do you know Robert Thurby, a late workman in the armoury at the Tower, to make choice of certain "vambraces and powldrions" for horsemen's armours in the armoury?

To William Crouch: Have you received to your own use any "close head pieces, powldrions, and vambraces" for horsemen's armours out of the armoury? [1 p.]

129. Interrogatories similar to the preceding, but with some slight alterations, endorsed by Secretary Coke, "Falkener's interrogatories." [2 pp.]

130. Articles similar in most respects to the preceding and for the same persons. Those to be addressed to John Cowper differ considerably, *e.g.*, Have you continued an officer in the Tower from 1626; if so, have you had the charge and keeping of all armours coming in and going out of the armoury? What number of footmen's armours do you know translated by John Piwell, armourer, for King James's use in the lifetime of Sir Henry Lee, Master of the King's Armoury? To examine Abraham Sizers as to what he knows of the master armourers of London, for he has said great words in company and he knows much of them. [2 pp.]

131. Notes [by Secretary Coke in reference to the case of Dr. Jerome Beale, Master of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, and the complaints against him]. That where a certain number of Fellows



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is fixed by statute, their præ-elections are utterly forbidden. Authorities quoted in proof of this. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

132. Account of money paid to John Phillips, late soldier in Guernsey, and what remains due to him. Total received, 21*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.*; remaining due to him, 1*l.* 11*s.* 7*d.* So he has received his whole pay, less 31*s.* 7*d.*, though the King has paid but for ten months. [1 p.]

133. List of the names of Lieutenants of the Tower from the reign of Henry VIII. till Charles I., both inclusive. [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

134. Notes endorsed in Laud's hand, "The feofment of Norwich." Names of the 12 trustees for [advancement of] the religion in Norwich and Norfolk. These trustees in their orders which they have framed, have set down divers qualifications for the men [preachers] whom they intend to provide for, as that they must be graduates, conformable to the orders of the Church, &c., but this only to the eye of the world. They have gathered up among good people 200*l.*, which they have sent up to "our proto-trustees in London," who will pay to one Bridges, an absurd and turbulent fellow, by the way of Christian usury, 20*l.* per cent. yearly. That which they call at London spiritual preaching he calls preaching by expressions. [2 pp.]

135. Regulations and instructions by the Bishop of Peterborough with reference to a lecture established at the church of Kettering, co. Northampton. I am content that a lecture shall be preached as heretofore by the divines herein named. [*In margin*]: Except there be an order, that every Friday shall be supplied by one of the lecture, all will be to little purpose, for by a new trick, Christmas, Easter, Whitsuntide, and the Long Vacation are made non-le[cture]. And then inconformable factious strangers supply the place and mar all that is made at other times. Some of the names of the clergymen are annotated in the margin, e.g., "He is idle and will not hold." [*Sheet of paper*.]

136. List in Secretary Dorchester's hand specifying the several orders of monks and friars; when and from whom they had their origin or commencement. [*Latin*. 5 pp.]

137. Report representing the present state of matters connected with the management and arrangement of the office of the Great Wardrobè. That there is wanting of the ordinary assignment for this year since 15th April last, 4,100*l.*, whereof 3,000*l.* was received by the Master [Earl of Denbigh] of the Wardrobe or his deputy during the time of the delaying of the establishment of the orders; and 1,100*l.* has been issued since by Sir Bevis Thelwall, [Clerk of the Wardrobe,] contrary to the orders, for things due in the preceding year, whereby the tradesmen, who have delivered in their wares in this year (which has been a time of great charges, by reason of the provisions made for the Queen's lying-in and for the

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nursery, and for want of other provisions, which should have been furnished in former years but have only been supplied since 15th April) are very much prejudiced and almost discouraged from further service. Besides, the clerks of the [several] wardrobes and stables do much suffer, in their credit, who upon taking these wares for His Majesty's service do subscribe the tradesmen's bills and books to see them satisfied for the same. That by the joining of the clerks of the wardrobes and stables with the Master of the Wardrobe and his deputy in the prizing of the tradesmen's bills, there has been much saved to the King of what was formerly allowed, and no man justly discontented. The tradesmen now, seeing the money otherwise disposed of that should give them satisfaction, do much complain that their bills were abated and that they have no certainty of their money. That by reason of the differences between the Deputies of the Wardrobe and Sir Bevis Thelwall, 2,000*l.*, part of the assignment payable out of the Court of Wards, which should have been paid in at All-Hallowtide, is not yet received; the receipt of other money due to the Wardrobe is much neglected. That the increase of liveries consumes a great part of the assignment, and much prejudices the King's service for emptions. That whereas Sir Bevis Thelwall pretends a weariness of being joined with the Deputy of the Wardrobe for the receipt and issuing of money, and labours to bring in Mr. Grimsditch in his stead, who, if admitted, would not undertake that charge without an allowance from the King for it, and so bring a charge upon the King to no purpose. If Sir Bevis should relinquish the office it would be well to confer it upon the clerks of the wardrobes and stable, both or either of whom would perform it faithfully without additional charge. This I say that His Majesty may be pleased to trust his own servant before a stranger, not out of any desire I have of the employment to gain by it, but for the advancement of the King's service. [1½ pp.]

138. Particulars of the case of Edward Prince, Plaintiff, *versus* Thomas and Ellinor Woodward and George Helliard, Defendants, in the Court of Star Chamber. The Bill is for supposed selling of iron by the Defendants, being ironmongers, with false weights, in order to undersell the Plaintiff and others of that trade, charging 14*l.* per ton, whereas the Plaintiff and others selling good weight could not afford it under 14*l.* 5*s.* the ton. And the Bill contains three particular charges, besides a general charge since August, 4 Car. The substance of the Plaintiff's proofs. The substance of the proofs for the Defendants. [1 p.]

139. Copies of three letters, with name of writer or date. One is addressed to Mr. Hulbert, and another to William Noy. In the letter to Hulbert the writer desires him to cause the letters he sends by this bearer to be delivered to his cousin Noy; also entreats him to sue out the writer's patent for the shrievalty of Cornwall,

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and to procure a warrant to discharge the present Sheriff from his office, and cause it to be delivered to him. [1½ pp.]

140. Fragment bearing this endorsement : "Richard Preston's petition to the Governors of the Charterhouse." [See Vol. CLXVI., No. 46.]

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Collection of Admiralty orders and returns respecting the conservancy of the river Thames, its cleansing and rights of fishing and oyster getting on its banks and reaches in Essex and Kent. The rights below-bridge being in the Lord Admiral, these returns were probably collected by order of the Duke of Buckingham, and his Lieutenant Sir Henry Martin, as Judge of the High Court of Admiralty. They comprise ancient copies of orders and instructions made in the reigns of Henry VIII., Edward VI., Mary, and Elizabeth, from which Edward Nicholas probably prepared his notes calendared under date March 1631 [see Domestic Calendar, Car. I., Vol. 186, No. 114], preparatory to the granting of the Commission for fishing, dated 19th July 1632 [see Domestic Calendar, Car. I., Vol. 221, No. 1]. They further comprise returns and certificates produced in the Court of Admiralty in a suit between the hundreds of Gillingham and Milton, touching the limits of their several rights of fishing, besides writs issued by Lord Admiral Nottingham [who sold his rights to the Corporation of London for 600*l.*, but as he could only transfer these for his own time, they reverted to the Lord High Admiral's jurisdiction, under George Duke of Buckingham. The latest date is July 1631.]

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Jan. 6.

1. The Council to the Earl of Danby. Transmitting a copy of the proclamation against the planting of tobacco. Requests him to see it enforced in the Island of Guernsey under his government, and to destroy the plants and herbs of tobacco already planted. If any merchants shall trade from thence in tobacco of foreign growth, either in English or stranger's bottoms, he is to take security that it be brought to London, and to no other port within or without England. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

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2. Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Art of Brewers in the City, to the Council. That men have deserted other trades for that of brewing, to the utter overthrow of the freemen of that Company and its government, and contrary to their charter and ordinances. Upon complaint made to His Majesty he signified his pleasure to the Lord Mayor for transferring such as were free of other companies to the Brewers', to which order most have conformed, but Tryamore Sparkes and a few others, having entered on the trade of brewing, refuse to conform to His Majesty's pleasure, and your Lordship's letters. Complain of words uttered by Sparkes in contempt of the Council's authority, and to petitioners' much prejudice, as by the affidavit annexed appears [*already calendared, see Vol. CLXXXIII., No. 8*]. Pray that Sparkes and the others may be cited before the Council to answer the premises and have further order taken with them. [1 p.]

Jan. 31.

3. Certificate by Sir Edward Rodney and William Capell, Justices of the Peace for the hundreds of Winterstoke, Brent, and Bempstone, co. Somerset, to the High Sheriff. We have put in execution His Majesty's order for preventing and remedying the dearth of grain and other victual. We find upon inquiry that there is not corn sufficient in this division for the necessary provision of the inhabitants, the husbandry consisting much of grazing. Since our meeting on the 10th of November last, the price of wheat has been at 7s., a noble and six shillings a bushel in Wrington market; barley and beans at 4s., and oats at 2s. per bushel. As a special means to further this service we have suppressed all the ale-houses within our division, finding that a very great quantity of grain was unprofitably and viciously wasted. Immediately upon our suppression of these houses the market was plentifully served with malt and barley, and the prices abated. Upon our acquainting the Bench at our last Sessions with the benefit which appeared upon our proceedings herein, it was generally approved, and there ordered—That all ale-houses in that county should be suppressed, except on great roads and in such towns as were not sufficiently supplied with inns to receive

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travellers ordinarily. We conceive if such course were generally taken, especially in the corn countries, it would be a great means to prevent the dearth and high prices of corn, and also other infinite inconveniences and disorders proceeding from those houses. [*Sheet of paper.*] *Endorsed*: "Received 10 March 1630-1."

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Bristol.

4. Certificate of J. Tomlinson, Mayor, and two Aldermen of Bristol. That the bearer, Patrick Hays, of Steynton, co. Pembroke, has delivered here at the quay, out of the "James," of Milford, 300 bushels of oats, 60 of wheat, and 60 of barley, all Winchester measure, all which were here sold for the use of the inhabitants. [1 p.]

Feb. 20.  
Jersey.

5. Sir Philip Carteret to Edward Nicholas. Concerning the payment of the remaining 400*l.* for the fortifications at Jersey. [*Damaged.* 1 p.]

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6. Admiralty jurisdiction. The effect of the Judges' prohibitions for freight, wages, and building of ships. It is desired that the Judges of the King's Bench would forbear to prohibit the [Lord High] Admiral to proceed, for the reasons herein stated:—  
1. In matters of mariner's wages, or freight or hire of ships. 2. For matters of building, repairing, or victualing of ships. Upon the like request in 1575 the then Judges did yield that the Admiral was properly to take cognizance of such business, as appears by the records of the Admiralty. In 19 Elizabeth, the Queen, upon some such interruption given to the justice of the Admiralty by prohibitions, granted a special commission to the then Judge of the Admiralty to hear and determine causes of that nature, expressly forbidding the Judges of the King's Bench, or other her Justices, to give any interruption therein, which commission was quietly executed for many years. If any doubt be expressed as to the truth of the reasons above said, it is desired that the Lords would inform themselves by inquiry from the subject who by lamentable experience is very sensible thereof, namely, the Trinity House and the Corporation of Shipwrights. [4 pp.]

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7. Another copy of the same. [7 pp.]

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8. Suggestions addressed by Sir Thomas Button to the Lords of the Admiralty. [*Already calendared, see Vol. CLXXXV., No. 88.*]

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Stansted  
Mountfitchet.

9. The Justices of Peace to Sir Thomas Bendyshe, Bart., High Sheriff of Essex. According to His Majesty's Book of Orders and Commission for the better execution of the laws for relief of the Poor, and well ordering and training up of Youth in trades, and for reformation of disorderly persons, together with the Lords' letters to you of the 31st January, we have met in the hundred of Dunmow and other places, and have there published

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these orders and commission, and given the same in charge to the country to put in execution. We have withal extracted out of them certain articles which we conceive most necessary to be generally communicated amongst them for the better discharge of their duties in that behalf, and have appointed days of meeting the next month to receive an account of their performance. We send you a copy of these Articles that you may make return thereof to the Justices of Assize for this county. [1 p.] *Enclosed,*

9. 1. *Copy of articles collected out of His Majesty's Book of Orders and Commission for the better execution of divers laws, which the High Constables are to send into every parish.* [2 pp.]

March 8. 10. Bond of John Bennett, of Chester, to Henry Browne, citizen and clothworker of London, for payment of 132*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.* on 25th August next. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March 11. 11. Certificate by Sir William Russell and four others, late Commissioners for the Navy, in behalf of Judith Newman, widow of Richard Newman, whose conduct was exemplary in his office as Clerk to the Commissioners. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March  $\frac{14}{24}$ . 12. Edward Dacres to Secretary Dorchester. I can do no less than inform you of my Lord's [the Duke of Lennox's] intentions for voyaging, and demand your advice. In the country there is a great famine, so we shall be put to very hard shifts. The King, with his army, has devastated the country where they have passed. I doubt France will be the furthest of our travels, for we are fallen from our hopes of seeing Italy, unless during winter we should go into Spain. At the Duke's return he purposes to pass through Flanders and Holland and to pass another winter at Paris, yet without your permission and the Duchess's leave he has no intention [to do so], because it will be as expensive at least as now it hath been. I shall endeavour that he shall spend his time as well as he may for his advantage in seeing the country. I hope the books which I sent you have come to hand, as also the "Josephus" which I sent by Hans the Dutchman. [*Defective.* 1 p.]

March 16. 13. Certificate from the Justices of the Peace in the hundred of Doddingtree, co. Worcester, to Sir Arthur Smythes, knt., High Sheriff, giving the price of corn and grain on market-day at Tenbury. We have inquired concerning maltsters, and cannot find that any malt has been made within this hundred since the last general sessions for the county, except for domestic use or by especial license. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March 18. 14. Sir Philip Carteret to Secretary Dorchester. Since my last Jersey. to you concerning the fortification of Castle Elizabeth and the money promised by the Lord Treasurer, I have received by a French gentlewoman and her husband, a Breton, most injurious

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calumniation and foul aspersions against myself and to the dishonour of His Majesty, in whose seat of justice I then sat. Causes of this nature have been always, by His Majesty's prerogative and the privileges of this island, reserved to His Majesty's cognizance and the Lords'; accordingly the King's officers and myself have appealed to His Majesty's justice. The Lieutenant-Governor has sent a relation of the passages to Sir Thomas Jermyn, our Governor [Vice-Chamberlain of the Household], who is entreated to present the cause to the Lords, and this bearer, the King's Procureur, is to attend your pleasures, who, with Mr. Nicolls, can inform more fully of this cause. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

March 18. 15. Certificate of the Justices of the Peace in the hundred of Halfshire, co. Worcester, to Sir Arthur Smythes, knt., High Sheriff, reporting the prices of the several sorts of corn and grain in the markets of Kidderminster, Bromsgrove, and Stourbridge. No malt has been made within this hundred since the last general sessions for the county, except for domestic use or by special license. [1 p.]

March 19. 16. Certificate by Sir Thomas Bendyshe, Bart., High Sheriff of Essex, delivered to the Justices of Assize for that county in compliance with the Council's letter. That he has dispersed the Books [of Orders] according to the directions in the Lords' letters, and the Justices of the Peace have distributed themselves into six divisions as herein particularized. Has received from the Justices of Dunmow a letter and certain articles, which are both annexed to this certificate. [1 p.]

March 30. 17. Advice for prevention of the Plague, containing necessary cautions how to hinder the spreading thereof, and the care that must be had when it is begun. Required by the King's command [to be] delivered by the Lords of the Council to the Physicians in Ordinary and those of the College [of Physicians] of London, the 19th of March. [*Translation from the French, already calendared, see Vol. CLXXXVII., No. 60.* 31 pp.]

March 31. 18. Sir John Heydon's objections against the Quarter Book ended 31st March 1631, in one column; and the answers of the officers [of the Ordnance] thereunto in a parallel column. Relative to the supply, prices, and management of His Majesty's stores. [6 pp.]

March. 19. Petition of Thomasine Priaulx, relict of Thomas De Lisle, and Peter de Lisle, his son and heir, of Guernsey, to the Privy Council. Relative to the seizure and forfeiture of the estate of the said late Thomas De Lisle on pretence of an obsolete law contained in the ancient "Customary of Normandy," under which all his estate was seized and forfeited to the Crown by reason of his having taken interest upon money lent within a year and a day before his death. Pray, in regard the whole of their estate is



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questioned upon a law never enforced, and which if it should be would overthrow all trade in the isle, that their Lordships would be pleased, in accordance with the reports of Sir Henry Martin and the Attorney-General, to command that all the parties interested herein may attend the present Attorney-General, and that in the meantime stay of all proceedings may be had until upon a further examination and report concerning the execution of this obsolete law, their lordships shall signify their further pleasure. They further pray that in the meantime they may be permitted to proceed in the ordinary way for recovery of their just debt against Zachary Roberts. [1 p.]

April 5. 20. Captain Thomas March to Edward Nicholas, Secretary to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. It being uncertain when the Lords of the Admiralty will hold a court, I pray you to stand my friend in preferring the letters Secretary Coke has given order for to the Lords to get them signed, and I will send for them by the Lynn post. If the boatswain and gunner do hold their resolution then I pray you to file my petition (*see* 19th March, Vol. CLXXXVI., No. 115) with theirs to the Lords, and cause them to be read both together. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

April 29. 21. Notes by Secretary Coke on the examinations of Edmond Tomkins and Robert Hunt about the letter to Mr. Wilson, at the Antwerp tavern. Reported that Mr. Wilson's man was questioned about a letter delivered to the King by the Lord Mayor. [2 pp.]

April 29. 22. [Sir Thomas Roe] to the Duchess [Dowager] de la Tremouille. I had not the ambition to trouble you for a reply to my letters; I was satisfied when I had presented my devotions to your service. Concerning the Patriarch of Constantinople (Cyril-Lucar, *see* Vol. 193, No. 9) I am sorry to confess that since my departure I have not heard of any other progress in our design, but only that brief confession [of faith by Cyril] which was sent to me, and was since published in France. I am sorry that the Dutch Ambassador with you made such haste, for I gave other counsel not to provoke the adversary by writing, but to proceed in his own church by teaching, for we see by experience it hath raised enemies; but among them I wonder at three Epistles of Tilenus printed in your last "Mercury," in which he inveighs against him, and seeks to stamp that confession for a counterfeit. I confess it matters not much what such a man writes who has once changed his party, and is therefore angry. Dispute between Cyril and Tilenus, an Arminian. The one by reading God's book found the truth, while the other by studying himself lost it. I will send your Excellence a relation of the whole proceeding between him and the Jesuits, wherein the world shall see that Cardinal Bandini doth charge him to be a Protestant, and requires of him only to renounce and curse them, and then that the Pope will receive him into favour and protection, I fear the sudden printing of that

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paper has made the Patriarch wary not to declare himself.  
*[Probably a translation from the French. Copy. 1½ pp.]*

[April.]

23. Petition of Claes Leonarts, Roskam, and Rochus Jobsen, merchants of Zeeland and owners of the "Swan," fisherboat, to the King. Represent that the "Swan," being chased by a flyboat of Dunkirk, was run aground by her master in the Humber, hoping there to enjoy the protection of your Majesty's chamber, as in former times all Kings and Queens of England have granted unto their friends, and especially to the subjects of the States of the United Provinces, your Majesty's good friends and allies. Nevertheless, Peter Carlingke, captain of the Dunkirk fly-boat, in a most bold manner towed their fish boat off your shore, and having taken out of her all the company, except one John Weale, put into her five of their own men to bring her to Dunkirk. Pray an order for restitution of their boat and furniture so taken from your Majesty's ground, and for the delivery of her master and company out of the prison at Dunkirk, that so they may be freely set at liberty without any charges or expenses. [1 p.]  
*Annexed,*

23. I. *Deposition of John Weale to the above effect, certified before the Notary Public of the Provincial Court in Holland. [Translated out of Dutch. 3 pp.]*

April.

24. Petition of William Dwight of London, Chandler, to the Council. That he having been committed by warrant from your Lordships of 2nd April last, remains close prisoner in Newgate. Fears that a letter written by his apprentice has further given offence to you for which he is very sorry. Has been much prejudiced by loss of the load of meal which was taken from him by the riotous women, and by being deprived of his trade, as well as by his imprisonment. Upon his humble submission prays to be enlarged out of prison. [1 p.]

[April.]

25. Similar petition from the same to the same, with some verbal alterations. [1 p.]

May  $\frac{5}{15}$ .  
 London.

26. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Frederick, Elector Palatine and King of Bohemia. Assures him of his devotion and hopes to take part in the universal rejoicing, when his Majesty will reap the fruits of his long patience. We have the more confidence in that we see the hand of God, who alone can establish the throne of princes, all powerful to strengthen for the good cause the armies of the King of Sweden, whose victories so opportunely obtained, are not only gratifying to the King my master, but have encouraged the sending to him such reinforcements as now they have raised here. Two days since the Marquis of Hamilton went post for Scotland, where he has 3,000 men ready, in order to give order for their despatch and embarkation. There is no other cause of delay but the ex-

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pectation of Sir Jacob Ashley, and the 12th of June is fixed for the departure of the Marquis. Good success depends upon a final conclusion with France, which is in a fair way of advancement. Then it is thought the two crowns will send and declare for the King of Sweden. In the meantime Sir Robert Anstruther and Monsieur Rusdorff will conduct negotiations and their way is made very plain by the success of these arms. [*French. Copy. 2 pp.*]

May 24.  
London.

27. Sir Thomas Roe to Elizabeth, Queen of Bohemia. How disproportionate my ability and credit here are to my affections to do your Majesty service, I will trust to the relation of your servant with whom I have often freely communicated my thoughts, and have left him somewhat to say which will not become a letter. The Marquis [Hamilton] is returned, and they say he has made some levies in Scotland [for the service of the King of Sweden], but these here do not yet appear; all that is done, is the warrant signed to inferior officers to assist his in the raising [of men]. In the meantime, and in the best season for action, the King of Sweden wants [aid] and I fear will take disdain. We speak here secretly of sending to him and of uniting with France for his support, but if your Majesty will give me leave to guess at the mysteries of State, my opinion is that we stay and defer until the first letters of Sir Robert Anstruther after his first audience at Vienna, and by such hopes as we shall receive of him, to guide our resolution, which is a dangerous course at this conjuncture; for if the Emperor find himself pressed in Germany he will say any thing to hinder us from uniting, and weaken the party much by want of that reputation and aid; and then if the King [of Sweden] and princes do prosper without us, certainly they will not take our cause into their care who would not partake in the charge and danger; but these are my fears only, and I pray to God they may be false. At this time in the Court is some working; yet did I never see any alteration make my game the fairer, and therefore I am now going into the country, where I am sure I may be chosen Whitsun-Lord without envy and hold my dignity with security. If you please to lay any of your commands upon me I dare do them, and will never believe but that my master's opinion of me is much better than he hath yet testified. The Lord Treasurer admits me and uses me friendly; there wants only one thing,—trust, in which I never failed to any that knew me. It is thought also that the Earl of Holland may be Admiral; but what will be the issue of these cabals, I cannot judge. Sure we are there are two parties that carry all from the third. This is a ground for your Majesty to ask questions, and then I beseech you burn my letter; no cabinet is faithful enough in these times, and men make my sense to their own use. When your Majesty has occasion to mention me to any of these Lords, it will do me good, and I am persuaded the greatest is your friend and servant and hath expressed it in Mr. Deynley's [John Dinley's] business, which you may please to take notice of by a letter; for so, while you give thanks, you oblige, and I was bold to use your

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Majesty's name in it for his dispatch. I humbly kiss His Majesty's [the King of Bohemia's] hands, to whom as soon as Sir James Spence shall be here arrived, who is expected from the King of Sweden, though it be not known, I will write, if but to continue the memory of my devotion. [*Copy.* 1½ pp.]

May. 28. Report of the Earl of Danby to the Council in a cause depending between John Blanch, the elder, and the widow Gardiner, inhabitants of the island of Guernsey, concerning a bargain and purchase by him made of a messuage and lands of the lady's deceased husband. [2 pp.]

May. 29. An extract of certificates returned to the Council since the beginning of January last from cos. Leicester, Derby, Notts., and Hunts., of enclosures of land and common in these several counties. *Underwritten,*

29. 1. *The Justices of the said counties are of opinion that the several enclosures of five acres and under are no way prejudicial to the good of the commonweal, or tend to depopulation, but are very necessary for the maintenance of tillage.* [2 pp.]

[May.] 30. A clause extracted out of the Charter granted to the Governor and Company of Silkworkers of London, empowering them to search, view and try all manner of silk and silk wares, gold and silver thread, and all manufactures of the same; and any which they shall suspect to be falsely or corruptly dyed, or wrought of any counterfeit or insufficient materials, the Governor or his Deputy shall cause to be burned or destroyed in some public place near adjoining, in the presence of freemen and others of that Company. [1½ pp.]

[May.] 31. Petition of the Weavers of London to the Council. Represent that by their charter, confirmed by Act of Parliament, they have had liberty for many ages to buy raw silk and to put it out for dyeing, and to work or sell the same; also to search for reformation of abuses and prevent others from using their trade unless they are free of their Company, or otherwise admitted, as by their Charter and ordinances may appear. That of late some falsehood having been practised in the dyeing of silk, it has been desired by certain committees in London, under colour for reformation, that the weavers and others should be restrained from buying raw silk. But that such restraint is against the Weavers' Charter and will turn to the hurt of the Commonwealth; preventing them from making their rich stuffs and laces for the nobility, gentry and commonalty as is fitting. That they are willing to submit to reformation and have the best knowledge of silks, besides, their Company is much prejudiced by false dyeing of silk. Pray the Lords to give order as well that they may not be restrained from buying of raw silk, as that they may continue to search for abuses practised by others

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using the trade of weaving. Likewise that they would afford the Company the like favour as to other Companies is extended in such cases, and employ a pursuivant to bring persons so offending before their Honours, if there be cause, or else before the master and assistants of the Weavers' Company. [1 p.]

June 11. 32. Letter of Attorney by Lawrence Stonynought, of Fazakerley, co. Lancaster, constituting Richard Mercer, of Walton, his attorney, to receive an obligation of 400*l.* given by him to the use of Gowen Hudson, and now by an order made in the Court of Exchequer to be re-delivered into that Court in Trinity Term to his use. [1 p.]

June 14. 33. Report by the Earl of Danby to the Council. Explaining  
St. James's. his decision in the cause depending between John Blanche and Peter Gosselin, of Guernsey. That parties appealing should give caution in the Island, which Blanche having hitherto disobeyed, he is required to conform to the practice before he be admitted to prosecute further, and in the meantime to pay to Gosselin such reasonable costs and charges for his undue prosecution as the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey shall adjudge meet. [1 p.]

June 14. 34. Pleas of inheritance in the suit of Peter de L'Isle, principal heritor of the late Thomas de L'Isle, and Jean Blanche, the first held on the 11th November 1628 before Amice de Carteret, Bailiff of Guernsey, and the second on 14th June 1631 before Jean de Quetteville, Bailiff. [*French.* 1 p.]

June 20. 35. Report of the Earl of Danby to the Council. Has heard the business concerning the suit between Zachary Roberts, of Guernsey, and Peter de Lisle, Jurat, and Thomasa Preaux, relict of Thomas De Lisle, all of that Island, Defendants. His opinion as required by their Lordships' reference [*see* March]. Particular points urged on either side. [1½ pp.]

June 22. 36. List giving the names of all such merchants' ships as have been furnished with ordnance out of the founders' store by warrant from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty since January 1628, together with their several burdens, number of ordnance and ports to which they belong, in parallel columns. Totals, new ships 59, old ships 39, together 98. Ordnance 1,477 pieces. *Dorso* : Besides divers ships of Bristol and other parts which are furnished without any order from the Lords, certificate from the Trinity House, or putting in security to the Office of Ordnance, according to the orders of the Council Board. [5 pp.]

37. Instructions given by Captain Pennington to be observed by all masters and Companies of ships going along with him for the transport of the soldiers with the Marquis of Hamilton [going to aid the King of Sweden]. *Subjoined*,

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37. 1. *Whereas I have in the former part hereof appointed the rendezvous to be at Holy Island, for many weighty reasons best known to myself, I have now altered the same and purpose to stand directly for the Sound and make Elsinore the rendezvous, whither you are to repair with all possible diligence, if by any accident you should be severed from the fleet, which I hope in God and by your care will be prevented, and for your going thither you shall be satisfied in the largest manner; for all other things you shall observe according to the former part of your order. [2½ pp.]*

June 18.  
Brecon.

38. Thomas Gwynn, sheriff of co. Brecon, to Sir Walter Pye, one of the Justices of the Great Sessions for that county. Transmitting the certificate he had received on the 18th present of the proceedings of the Justices of Peace for the punishing of offenders in the hundreds of Devynnock and Merthyr. *Enclosed,*

38. 1. *Certificate of the Justices for the two hundreds above-named. That during these three last months we have held three sessions at Brecon, at which we arranged for daily watch to be set for apprehending and punishing wandering beggars and rogues and for restraining them. Likewise giving directions for relieving such poor as are unable to work in their parishes, with the best convenience of the parishioners. Also for suppressing diverse unlicensed alehouse-keepers and punishing them according to the Statute. By reason of the readiness and willingness of all inferior officers in the due execution of their duties we have not imposed any fines upon them. Brecon, 27th May 1631. [1 p.]*

[June ?]

39. Memorandum of the service of Robert Trayes at sea in His Majesty's ships. He is now at sea in the "Henretto" [Henrietta] as gunner's mate, attending the Marquis of Hamilton and his army. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[June.]

40. Abstract of the return of the Commissioners made to Lord Treasurer Weston and Sir F. Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer, concerning the survey and decays of Windsor Castle, and for the discovery of frauds and abuses of officers belonging to the said Castle. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp.] *Annexed,*

40. 1. *Answer and defence of William Taylor to the certificate of Sir Robert Bennet and other commissioners reporting the abuses and concentration of offices held by him in and about Windsor Castle. [2½ pp.]*

July 4.

41. Order for a copy of the petition of Henry Edlin, of Addington, [see Vol. 194, No. 23], to be delivered to Sir Francis Leigh that he may be prepared to make answer thereto at the next assizes to be held at Southwark for co. Surrey. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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July 7. Grant to Edward Messervy, Esq., Advocate-General in the Westminster. Isle of Jersey, of the sole privilege of drawing out conveyances and other writings which pass under the seal of that Isle. [*S. P. Dom. Warrant Book, Vol. 33, No. 864.*]

July 17.

Bulwick.

42. [Sir Thomas Roe to Sir John Finet]. You began well by mistaking this place for one far more remote, for certainly I am here farther removed from the world and the distempers thereof than when I was in either India; and yet I can especially say I am now at home. Perhaps the moral is to teach me that this world is not my home; yet such content I find in the sweet air of a calm rest that I have determined to winter here and to wean myself from the deceitful food of fools,—hope—hope of those things that wise men should despise. I will let the ambitious see that every man's content is in his own power, and what is not<sup>so</sup> is either wages which may be given and taken away, or servitude which is the basest condition of man; and I hope to live to think that only good and noble, which no man can take from me; yet I would not be so resty as not to use my mind, nor so rural as not to know whatsoever my friends, especially of so much confidence and judgment as you, shall think fit to communicate with me; and therefore to thank you is to pay one debt and contract another, to desire you to continue the favour you have begun; and you see what return shall be made you, grateful meditations. For the news you write me, I wonder not at honour conferred that way, nor envy the German undertaker. Let him boast that puts off his armour. I see clearly in this air that I mistook in a fog of passion; I could not have done what may undo better beginnings; lastly, trial by combat is unchristian. I like it not, but I would fain know what is the accusation; and what the greater secret of the business I left in whispers and darkness: if I may not I shall not be much curious. *Endorsed*: "To Sr. Jhon Finnet, 17 July, 1631." [*Copy. 1 p.*]

July 21.

43. Statement containing the names of the captains of the regiment serving in Germany under [Donald Mackay] Lord Reay in aid of the King of Sweden, presented by Sir Thomas Conway, Lieutenant-Colonel of the regiment, to the Lords [of the Council] at London this day. The Lord Reay, whose regiment was almost all cut off at the loss of New Brandenburg, was sent hither by the King of Sweden with his commission to solicit His Majesty for leave to raise recruits to make up his regiment, of which part is already there with the Sergeant-Major, and was furnished with bills of exchange and credit to take up money for the work. His Lieutenant-Colonel being lost in the town of New Brandenburg, he has made choice of Sir Thomas Conway to be his Lieutenant-Colonel, and has treated with him to raise five companies of 150 men each, upon these conditions, viz.:—That Sir Thomas Conway, undertaking to raise and transport 750 men to Straelsund, shall be allowed 8 rix-dollars for every man, 20s. in hand, and good security to receive the rest at their landing at Straelsund,

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where they shall be presently received into the King [of Sweden's] pay, and transported to the rest of the regiment which is already there. The captains are Sir Thomas Conway, Lieutenant-Colonel, Captains Ralph Standish, Gilbert Haughton, Walter Owen, and Edward Shadwell, against whose names are grouped the counties [in which the design was to raise their soldiers]. And he humbly desires your Lordships would give him license and warrant to raise his men in these counties above-named, and to ship them at Hull, Boyston [Boston], and London, or at any of them. [1½ pp.]

Aug. 10.  
Bristol.

44. Sir Robert Phillips to the Earl of Holland. Being at Glastonbury in execution of a commission about dividing Aldermoor, a common near adjoining, between the King and some villages which have right of common in that moor, there was brought before me and other justices a man named Edmund Callow, a low fellow, charged with speaking undutiful and unjust words of His Majesty. The particulars will appear by the enclosed examination. As he denied the words we committed him to the gaol till further directions. I held it fit that he should be proceeded against as being an example to other men who are too apt with liberty to traduce public actions and persons, especially at this time when other designs of this nature about which we are employed, tending unto the public benefit, are generally beset with bold oppositions, having no other reason for it than that which humour and perverseness may seem to warrant. I pray you to acquaint His Majesty with it, and that I may be directed what else to do in it. [1 p.]

Aug. 14.

45. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Secretary Dorchester. [*Already calendared, see Vol. 198, No. 35. Copy. 3½ pp.*]

Aug. 14.  
Bulwick.

46. The same to Henry Earl of Holland. Having tasted the sweetness of rest I have removed my thoughts wholly from the great theatres [of action], and intend remaining here in seclusion until you shall be pleased to sound His Majesty's heart and purposes toward me. When I weigh myself in my own judgment, I confess ingenuously I have little merit, but in comparing myself with others I have doubts, when I see His Majesty's bounty spread like the sunbeams upon all others. I feel that perhaps my depending on your favour has made others less careful of me, nor do I repent it, for there are men of whom I would not hold a benefit, lest for it I must sell myself; but this I will say, it is your Lordship's honour to do somewhat for your friends and servants, because the world will value you not by how the King looks upon you but by what power you have and use with him, and the times have need to have truth, formerly the light of the world, to be lighted with a torch. You may please remember a proposition I made you to recover my honour by being sworn a [Privy Counsellor?]. I will not come to London to be twice undone, nor to



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be the gaze of the world, to be branded with this note,—This is the only man that the King hath not honoured, and so become Mardocheus Antipode. [*Draft.* 1½ pp.]

Aug. 16.  
Bulwick.

47. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Secretary Dorchester. Since my last I have received the enclosed from the Chancellor of Sweden, wherein I have honour enough done me, that I was the agent to bring that brave King [Gustavus Adolphus] into Germany. I doubt not but Mr. [Francis] Gordon and Mr. Eaton will largely inform you how they have transacted somewhat in a treaty with Dantzic. The [Eastland] Company sent a post to me to meet them on Friday at Woodstock, but I am well at home. I think you would do them a great favour not to suffer them to hurt themselves, for they can never trade to the profit of the kingdom, while they are like a grain of corn between the two mill stones of the Swedes and Dantzickers' emulation. Therefore there remains but one remedy, that His Majesty will be pleased roundly to declare to the Polish Ambassador that he will not endure this work of dishonour, nor the breach of the truce made by his mediation. In the meantime to require from the King of Sweden an order to the Chancellor that there may be no more exacted of his merchants than according to the general treaty upon which the truce depends, likewise to assure him that he will continue to require of the King and State of Poland an abolition of this burden and impediment of free trade. This if His Majesty shall please to do, and so far to countenance his merchants, I doubt not of a safe, honourable, and profitable issue. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

Sept. 5.  
Bulwick.

48. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Secretary Dorchester. When I troubled you with my last letters the business of the merchants wholly possessed me, and I forgot to put you in mind of the Dukes of Courland. I have lately been solicited by those princes to move His Majesty to continue his mediation for them to the designed Ambassador. This I hope he will do, and I am confident he shall prevail for the reasons herein stated. France and Denmark have been refused, and it will do honour to His Majesty's authority and care of his friends of the [reformed] religion to champion their cause, and keep up the Protestant party utterly declined in that kingdom, and perhaps avoid a war. The nobility of Poland are desirous His Majesty should overcome this difficulty for their own interest; for they would not add such a strength to this family nor the Crown of Poland to have that province made an appanage for the second son. Recommends energy to be employed in advocating this business, and names the persons to whom letters should be written. [*Draft.* 1½ pp.]

[Sept. 12.] 49. Memorandum, signed by the King, of alterations to be made in the grant to Anthony Rowse and others in fee-farm of the priory of Watton, in co. York. [¾ p.]

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Sept. 17

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Dec. 17.

50. Deposition of John Motts, Master and part owner of the "Gift," of Wells in the co. of Norfolk, of 45 tons. That his ship, laden with fish from Iceland, was taken by Captain Michael Reding, captain of the "Gally" of Dunkirk, when near to Wells. The like, dated 17th December, of Robert Hocker, master and part owner of the "John," of North Yarmouth, of 28 tons. That his ship returning for Yarmouth was taken by Captain Reding. [2 pp.]

[Sept. ?]

51. [Dr. John] Cosin to [Bishop Laud]. Complaining of Mr. Saunderson's usage of him in refusing to serve the King's warrant for the ten trees it pleased His Majesty to give Mr. Cosin out of his park of Brancepeth, co. Durham, for the necessary reparation of his parsonage house there. [*Extract.* 2 pp.]

[Sept.]

52. A remembrance touching Sir Henry Wallop's [request] to spare him from being chosen Sheriff of Salop; he having been Sheriff of Southampton this last year, and only recently inhabiting in Salop, and so knows not yet the state of that county. List of names of gentlemen fit to be sheriff of that county. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Oct. 8.

53. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Lord Treasurer Weston. I will not easily believe that His Majesty hath laid me aside like [Sir Francis] Drake's ship, though I have endured in 14 years service abroad as many tempests, and like it, brought home freight least for my own use. I know your wisdom, and perhaps a kind of reverence, without which is no love, hath kept me at a distance. The substance of my suit is that you will be pleased to let me know, not His Majesty's opinion of me, for I am confident in so just and wise a prince, but whether he have any purpose to use my service, or to justify it to the world by any mark of his grace that it hath been honest and acceptable to him. I desire that, if such be not his pleasure, I may not lose the fruits of my industry to live quietly. I have not yet nor shall for many months get my money upon your assignation for my last journey, though I am content and thankful for what you have done; yet being now desirous to come to an anchor I have entered into a purchase of 9,000*l.*, most of which is in His Majesty's coffers, as 3,500*l.* for my diamonds sold the last year, for which I have never importuned His Majesty nor pressed you; but being now engaged I hope you will have compassion on me, and find some means to help me, or give me leave to fall at His Majesty's feet, who I know will not suffer me to lie and perish there. I have troubled your Lordship beyond your leisure, a fault of my too much leisure, so I now conclude with heartfelt love. [*Draft.* 1½ pp.]

Oct. 15.  
Whitehall.

Warrant to the Commissioners of the Navy to cause William Ryfford to be entered purser in H.M.S. the "Adventure," vice John Jackson, deceased. [*Minute, see Vol. DXXXI., No. 69.*]

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54. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Secretary Dorchester. The triumphs of the King of Sweden have not awakened me though they are sung very loud, but the duty I owe to His Majesty's service and to your favours, though I were in "the Seven Sleepers' den," hath admonished me to send you the enclosed papers, though perhaps too long for your leisure. They are a copy of letters and a printed relation concerning principally the seal of our cloth at Dantzic, sent me from the Swedes' Chancellor and the Senate of Elbing. I refer you to the papers, making only this observation, that as I believe both letters are drawn by one pen, at least by one counsel, so I collect by the earnest intention upon this business, of which these are warnings and preparatives, that they are resolved to pick the quarrel to keep up the great imposition upon our cloth, which will wear out the trade and weary the merchant. I find there is an error in their complaint that while our company pretended to seek free trade, which the Chancellor could not deny, they have established a residence at Dantzic, which will never be endured by the Swedes. I understand it not so, though the Articles seem to imply such a secret purpose, which your Lordships must prevent, lest it breed a greater inconvenience than doth appear at first; for it may prove an unseasonable breach between the King and Dantzic or we must pay the cost. There is no remedy but to prosecute the suspension of the seal, which will be easy at the general treaty, which only can set all these crookednesses straight, yet they must be wisely handled and on the "by," for these nations are full of jealousy and envy. To this end I also send you a true copy of Racowsky's Instructions, which I wish I had sooner received, because in them I find as stiff and false a resolution in the Poles to maintain it. By-the-way, you may observe the punctuality of that Court, and I will no more admire their young Ambassador's orations, because I see they are made in the Chancery; and your Lordship having now both parts, and discovering the internal resolutions of both States, both in this and some other affairs, His Majesty may add to the instructions of Sir Henry Vane what shall be requisite for his service; and they are necessary for my Lord Ambassador to know, lest some part of his negotiations should be in vain. Thus you see that though I heard he should also go into Poland to finish what I had founded, to Denmark, to the King of the Swedes, and to walk in all my paths, in some of which I had some advantage of all men, yet no envy can extinguish in me the zeal of His Majesty's service, and I wish him prosperity, with this comfort—*Hos ego versiculos feci*. I beseech you to let His Majesty see the instructions, that he may be assured that even my idleness is busy to contribute anything for him, for whom I would willingly expose my life to any peril. You shall also do me a favour to confer with my Lord Treasurer how this business of the [cloth] seal may be accommodated, for I find myself interested in honour and called upon, to whom, though I write not largely, I yet send a copy that he may see they mean to seal us up, or our cloth must bear their envy. [*Copy. 2 pp.*]

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[Sir Thomas Roe] to Lord Treasurer Weston. I had not so soon again interrupted you with any remembrance of me, but that a duty to your place and person called upon me to send you the enclosed paper, which is the copy of the late Polish Ambassador's instructions sent me by the Chancellor of the Swedes. I wish they had sooner arrived that Sir Henry Vane might have known their resolution, to delude us with hopes while they mean to maintain their seal upon our cloth, which cannot stand with our trade and the peace, for it is a contravention of both. At the same time I find from the Chancellor that the Swede will not endure it, or at least make his profit cunningly of the controversy, and take the occasion, *frui diis iratis*, to lay too heavy an imposition upon us, under pretence of punishing and spite to Denmark. I will not offend against your Lordship's leisure, but knowing your great care for and wisdom in resettling the trades, I humbly beseech you to find out that temper between the extremes of the envy of those nations, that [I] may perfect that which I supposed once in a right course. To this end I have sent Secretary Dorchester the intimations of the Swedish Chancellor and other papers, who will abbreviate their substance for your Lordship. Beseeching you to impute this your trouble to my too much idleness, and to accept of more than I have words to offer, I end. [*Written on the same paper as the preceding.* Copy. 1 p.]

[Oct. 22.]

55. Petition of William Abell to the Privy Council. That, having long served as a soldier in Mont-Orgueil Castle in Jersey, he was by the Governor thereof appointed to be victualler of the castle, whereby he was to provide victuals for the prisoners committed thither, whose expenses, in case of their commitment for debt, are afterwards to be repaid by those at whose suit they are imprisoned. Craves relief for loss sustained by the escape of one Batchley, a Frenchman, who was sent prisoner for debt to the castle at the suit of Thomas Burton of Jersey. [1 p.]

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56. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Sir John Finet, [Master of the Ceremonies]. I should thank you, though your news were not so good. I have often told the King that he should see great matters done by the Swede, for there was no human reason that encouraged him to pass the sea, therefore there was somewhat else, *aliquid divinum*: at least that which transported Scipio to carry the war into Africa; his genius and youth beat Hannibal; and it was foreseen in the daring of a youth to take the Province of Spain, though Fabius mocked; and I hope the Emperor may live to make Hannibal's oration—*Si jam esset integrum optaturum se fore, ut neque Ferdinandus quicquam unquam eorum quæ sunt extra Austrias concupisset, neque Gustavus quæ extra Sueviam*. From hence you may look for nothing but joy at good news, and for news that the winter hath also in the country a variety that can please. So I wish you all the joys of London, which are full of smoke. [Copy. ½ p.]

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Oct. 27. 57. Register of the debts [in the Channel Islands] claimed upon the inheritance of Jean Blanche, senior, of which heritage Peter de Lisle is seised. *Endorsed*, "M. De Lisle's business concerning Blanch." [*French*. 6 pp.]
- Oct. 27. 58. Report made to the Privy Council by Dr. Rives on examination of Records and Writings exhibited by Petitioner relating to his claim under the will of the late William de Vic of Guernsey. [3 pp.]  
Doctors' Commons.
- [Oct.] 59. Brief in a cause in Chancery between Sir John Lambe and Walter Walker, setting forth the grievance done to Lambe in the putting him out of his office; he having been commissary to the Bishop of Lincoln and official to the Archdeacon of Leicester for these 15 years during the times of Bishops Neale, Montaigne, and [Williams] the now bishop, yet now supplanted in his office of Commissary by Walker who was lately his Registrar's man. [2 pp.]
- Nov. 7. 60. Petition of Lawrence Lownes to Sir Humphry Davenport, Lord Chief Baron, and the other Barons of the Exchequer. That finding himself much damnified by the false testimony of certain persons produced as witnesses against him in the Chancery, he preferred a Bill against them in the Star Chamber for perjury, but being advised that it would be easier and a more ready course to proceed against them by way of indictment at the Common Law, he forebore to prosecute his Bill in the Star Chamber and was therefore fined 40*l*. which he is unable to pay at one sum. Desires order for payment of some reasonable proportion yearly. *Subjoined*,  
60. 1. *Order by the Chief Baron fixing the instalments and dates of payment until the 40*l*. be wholly paid.* [1 p.]
- Nov. 20. 61. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Elizabeth, Queen of Bohemia. Your Majesty's gracious letter of July found me retired to a country life and safe harbour, after so many perils; from which place I could write you nothing, or if I had adventured, might mistake or err by passion. Now you will give me leave to render you an account of all your favours. Your first with the enclosed to the Lord Treasurer [Weston], which came very opportunely when I had some cause to suspect his respects towards me, by effects of the Court, I delivered, and it was very cheerfully received and served to piece me up, at least to open me a way to clear any suspicion; for then His Majesty had declared a new Ambassador to the King of Sweden, when I had been sent for to go, and had with all ingenuity proceeded and enlarged myself, both to the State and the Marquis [Hamilton]; but when all was fished out of me, I was forsaken, by whose fault I know not; but sensible of my own reputation, I presumed to lament myself to my master who, though with some reprehension, yet concluding with his grace and favour.

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Upon better enquiry I discovered that the man mentioned by your Majesty [Sir Henry Vane] had supplanted me enviously enough, and [one] who is a bold undertaker, though I know he cannot build on my foundations. This blow came from Vienna upon new pretences that the prosperity of the King of Sweden would make our treaty easy, if a man were employed that would advance peace, to which I was esteemed an enemy; but I must bear it, yet not without this resentment, that he grounded his fortune by assuming an opinion of power he had with your Majesty, and yet I cannot believe that he hath done all those offices which he would pretend; so that what advanced his greatness humbled mine; and I conclude, let him boast that puts off his armour as I have done mine. Your Majesty commanded me to write you some relation of the business that so much perplexed us of [Donald] MacKay [Lord Reay] and [David] Ramsey, but the matter was so tender, and I so obnoxious that I durst not enter into a forbidden secret until now that it hath had an open hearing in a court held by the Lord High Constable, [Chamberlain] the Earl of Lindsey. Particulars of the proceedings in court. I never [can] believe that in a Christian state a truth should be decided by blood; all I can say is that I wish your Majesty to suspend your opinion of MacKay and the cause; for though it be clear the Marquis [Hamilton] is innocent yet the rhodomontades and discontents of Ramsey may have given some occasion. I excuse none. Your Majesty's name was used in court in his defence by Ramsey, in my opinion not to purpose, and he was reprehended; he is not a man on whose discretion to rely, being much transported with self opinion. Your last by Sir Francis Nethersole found me in London to wait on the Polish Ambassador, but my sudden departure afforded him not opportunity to let me understand his credence nor your affairs, so that I could not serve him; but the delays of this court have given me too much time and I have omitted no occasion, as this bearer can testify, to whom I have opened myself in what concerns it. The resolution your Majesty will receive from him, yet I will take boldness to say, that if his message be not concordant with your desires, though your reasons be weighty and present, yet your wisdom will lengthen your patience, for I know his Majesty will bring the treaty to a sudden trial, and I trust none, and I wonder why some men did not see a back door open to them, to escape out of censure in case the treaty should not be performed. This night I have consulted with Sir Robert [Anstruther, Ambassador to Germany] upon the news of Prague, which may alter resolutions, in which we see God calls us, for these are not human prosperities, but the enemy hath ever a counter mine or counter rumour, in which we are not skilful. I conclude your Majesty can never safely nor wisely resolve without my master [King Charles] who cannot forsake you and who doth best judge his own affairs; this moderation is duty in me and will be wisdom in you for you cannot be protracted many days. I presume not to give counsel, for I am not come so high; then I might weigh the reasons, now I obey in an humble ignorance; yet

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I shall never change the opinion that the Lord Treasurer [Weston] will serve you, at least oblige him by believing. He useth me with a great confidence and lately vowed deeply to me in private, that he could never think this kingdom happy, safe nor rich, until your Majesty and your children were established, and that he would contribute his blood to it; but that as a [Privy] Councillor he could not give the occasion to cast the breach after so much labour upon ourselves and leave the King's honour at stake; yet he professes so far, that the King was able to perform the offers made by Fane [Sir Henry Vane] which are now only to make a league and the clause of peace and mediation retracted. I will hope well of him, because he is a wise man, and there is nothing else left but hope. If your Majesty had not money, perhaps your great solicitor had his own affairs in principal recommendation, all faults are not ever laid aright. For myself I suppose I stand in His Majesty's grace and do believe I shall have my turn, but I know God will conduct the whole business and take the honour to Himself. He that hath begun it with miracles will have no helper. If I have not part of fortune here, I have honour enough in the sincerity of my negotiations and that God hath blessed them and made me one instrument, though I boasted not until another would take my honour, of bringing the brave king [Gustavus Adolphus] into Germany, which I would rather have inscribed on my tomb than titles dearly bought with the loss of honour; from the sincere and plain ways I have walked in nothing shall deter me, and though I am not upon that altitude to promise your Majesty much service, yet I will not think I can do none, and I shall still take it to be a glory to receive your commands which can never be severed from my duty to His Majesty, and though it be too high a title, I am as much your Majesty's martyr as I do desire to be believed. [Copy. 3 pp.]

Nov. 26.  
Whitehall.

Warrant to the Commissioners of the Navy to cause Richard Ayliffe to be entered master gunner in His Majesty's pinnace the "Second Lion's Whelp" vice Richard Michell, transferred to His Majesty's ship the "Mary Rose." [*Minute, see Vol. DXXXI, No. 69.*]

[Nov.]

62. Answer returned to the Privy Council upon their reference of a petition and report in the cause of John Blanche. The writer desires that the Lords would cause a revision of the proceedings to be taken in the cause for the recovery of 30*l.* between John Blanche and Jane Harris, a poor widow, sister of Mr. William De Vic, petitioner's wife's former husband. To this end prays that a reference may be sent to the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey, together with Dr. Rives' report. [*See No. 58, above. 1 p.*]

[Nov.]

63. Petition of the worsted weavers of Norwich and Norfolk to the Privy Council. That yarn being the materials and ground of petitioners' trade, in which many thousand people are engaged, it

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is of great importance that its production should be properly regulated. It has been usual for yarn to be sold and bought by number and length, by the "hespe" dozen and gross, for which their looms are constructed, and all defective yarn to be seized. Upon complaint made by the yarn men in July you issued an order that in future yarn should be sold by weight, and you prohibited further seizure. Pray a revision of these regulations, seeing that the loss and burden petitioners endure is so great and the consequences to the city and county so serious, threatening the overthrow of their trade. By the restraint of seizure the yarn-men are so encouraged in the continuance and increase of their fraudulent dealing that petitioners pray you to take order for their protection, either by setting on foot the former orders or else to appoint a time for hearing both sides. [1 p.]

Dec. 2.

64. Petition of Peter de Lisle and Thomasine Preaux, widow, both of the Island of Guernsey, to the Privy Council. Pray that their Lordships will refer the matter in controversy between them and Zachary Roberts to the consideration of the Attorney-General. The Earl of Danby, Governor of that isle, referred the cause back to the Court there, but upon the report of their proceedings to the Council no end of this cause can be had. *Subjoined,*

64. I. *Reference to the Attorney-General as desired. Whitehall, 4th November 1631.*

64. II. *Order by William Noy, the Attorney-General, fixing St. Andrew's day for the hearing of this cause. 14th November 1631.*

64. III. *Report by Attorney-General Noy to the Council. I desired to hear both parties in this cause, but none appearing for Zachary Roberts, I cannot make such certificate as I desired. He making default I endeavoured by view of the acts past without hearing any party to inform myself of the state of the cause, and find it to stand as herein stated. I am of opinion that it is not fit that any examinations of exactions not concerning this cause should be admitted, and that there was no intention that they should be allowed, and that the parties should be left to the ordinary justice of the Isle, Bonamy excluded. 2nd December. [3 pp.]*

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Whitehall.

65. Privy Council to the Jurats of Guernsey. A petition has been presented to the Board in the name of Peter de Lisle and Thomasine Preaux of the Island of Guernsey, touching a controversy between them and Zachary Roberts; it has been referred to the Attorney-General, who is of opinion that the case should be left to the ordinary jurisdiction of the island. [2 pp.]

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66. Petition of Walter Walker, LL.B., to Sir Thomas Richardson, Chief Justice, and Sir William Jones, one of the Justices of the King's Bench. That the Bishop [Williams] of Lincoln did by



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Letters Patent dated 10th January 1630[1] grant to petitioner for term of his life the office of Commissary within the archdeaconry of Leicester; likewise that the Archdeacon of Leicester granted to him the office of Official of the same; both which grants were confirmed by the Dean and Chapter, so that he was seised thereof as of his freehold for life. That afterwards petitioner being disturbed in those offices by Sir John Lambe, he brought an action in the King's Bench against Lambe, and upon the trial a special verdict was given which was drawn up and argued on the part of petitioner; but at the motion of the Solicitor-General [Sir Richard Sheldon] for Lambe the hearing was ordered by the Court to stand over and be the first cause on the first Thursday the next Term, as by the subjoined rule appears. So soon as Lambe had got that rule he proceeded with a cause in the Court of Delegates against petitioner, questioning his right to those offices, where, although petitioner pleaded that all pleas of office for life and all freeholds were triable solely and only at the common law and not before the Ecclesiastical Judges, and pleaded also that his grants were for life and that the cause depended before your Lordships in the King's Bench, and that a special verdict was given there wherein the whole cause was found; yet Lambe hath procured Sir N. Brent, Dr. Barker, and Dr. Wood, the Judges Delegates, to reject that plea, and since the Term ended in his absence, he being gone down to Buckden, to give a sentence against petitioner and condemned him in 10*l.* costs to be paid at Christmas next and to excommunicate him if they be not then paid. Now for as much as the Judges [Delegates] had no power to judge this cause, and their sentence is notoriously against the common law of the land, and for that Lambe ought not to have proceeded there till judgment be given in the King's Bench, petitioner beseeches that your Honours would subscribe this petition and require Lambe and his proctor to make stay of that sentence and costs and all proceedings in the Delegates' Court until judgment be given upon the above-said special verdict, or at least till three or four days in Term, so that he may have a prohibition upon his case. *Subjoined,*

66. I. *Direction by Justices Richardson and Jones.* We do not make any order in this cause because it is out of Term, but let this petition be showed to Sir John Lambe, upon whose motion and by whose wilful delays the cause was stayed from judgment last Term. Therefore we do advise Lambe to make stay of further proceedings upon that sentence given by the Delegates, and not to take any course upon it against petitioner, nor cause any excommunication to go out against him for the 10*l.* costs till that Thursday [named] next Term. Otherwise if Lambe shall in the meantime, notwithstanding this our advice, proceed upon that sentence, let him then expect as speedy proceedings against him the next Term as the course of this Court and justice will admit of; and whereas this cause is set down to be the first Thursday, let it be upon

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*the first Tuesday, [being] the second day of Term, the first cause to be heard, and let Lambe take notice that if a prohibition be moved for the first day of next Term we shall be very like to grant it. [Certified a true copy. 1 p.]*

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Whitehall.

67. Privy Council to the [Jurats of Jersey], informing them of the appointment of Sir Thomas Jernyn, Vice-Chamberlain of the Household, to be Governor of Jersey, his residence in that island being for the present dispensed with by reason of his necessary attendance in England. They are further required to see that the King's revenues be levied as in former times, as well for payment of the soldiers as for the entertainment of the Governor, in which the Sheriff and Under-Sheriff are to exercise their office. [Copy. 1½ pp.]

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Westminster.

68. Warrant by the King announcing the appointment of Sir Thomas Jernyn, Knight, Vice-Chamberlain of the Household, to the government of the Island of Jersey, and dispensing with his residence at that place in consideration of his necessary attendance at Court. [Draft. 1½ pp.]

Dec. 29.

69. Statement setting forth the claim of the Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, with the reasons subjoined in the form of allegations, and the answers to each allegation made on the behalf of Edmund Windham. The paper commences with the answer given by Sir Nicholas Hyde, late Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, to the effect of Mr. Windham's petition. The Statute of 27th Elizabeth, cap. 8, appoints that a judgment given in the King's Bench in several actions therein expressed, the party may sue a writ of error directed to the Chief Justice commanding him to cause the record to be brought before the Justices of the Common Pleas and Barons of the Exchequer into the Exchequer Chamber, there to be examined, and by force thereof the Chief Justice doth certify the record accordingly, and he is the officer sworn for that purpose, and the oath which he takes as Chief Justice binds him to execute this service as part of his office of Chief Justice. This is followed by the answer on behalf of Mr. Windham, which concludes thus:—And thereupon, notwithstanding neither the Lord Chancellor nor Lord Treasurer have any fee, nor [do they] appoint clerk or ministerial officer for business of those errors; but for execution [of] the service through all ministerial Acts, a sworn officer lawfully instituted and invested hath ever performed those ministerial businesses for the merited fees, which so is meet and convenient herein. [1 p.] *Subjoined,*

69. 1. *Reasons why the office of Clerk for the Errors in the Exchequer Chamber upon the Statute of 27th Elizabeth doth belong to the judges of the Court of Common Pleas and to the Barons of the Exchequer. These reasons are formulated as eight allegations, each of which is followed*

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*by an answer on the behalf of Mr. Windham. The last answer states:—This is conceived to be a most powerful instance and reason against the claim of the Justices of the Common Pleas and Barons of the Exchequer, who by their fourth allegation set forth that the Statute of 27th Elizabeth hath made them judges for the said errors therein mentioned for the like purpose and no other than is mentioned herein. The Lord Chancellor, Lord Treasurer, and other Judges in the Exchequer hitherto never claimed to have or make their clerk for executing of any of the ministerial Acts thereupon before them as the Judges and Barons of the Exchequer do now pretend to have.*

*Underwritten,—Agreed to this 29th day of December by me Edmund Windham. [2 pp.]*

Dec. 19. 70. First portion of the preceding paper, containing only the statement of claim, and endorsed: Copy of Sir Nicholas Hyde's answer to the effect of Mr. Windham's petition, 9th June 1631. [*Copy. ½ p.*]

Dec. 30. 71. Petition of John Blanche of Guernsey to the Privy Council. Shows that the unjust sentence given against him by the Bailiff and Jurats has been found erroneous by Dr. Rives as certified. Prays that his great costs and charges in the above matter be allowed him. *Underwritten,*

71. I. *Memorandum by Sir William Beecher, Clerk of the Council, that the Lords think fit that Sir Abraham Williams shall see this petition and the report annexed, to make answer thereto before any further order be given therein. Whitehall, 30th December 1631. [1 p.]*

[Dec.] 72. Attorney-General Noy to Thomas Meautys, Clerk of the Council. I have examined the Sheriff of Bristol and the Steward of the Tolsey Court, the serjeant who arrested [John] Wragg, messenger [of the Chamber] and the clerk of the Court, and know no more to charge them withall than what is contained in their examinations which I send you. I have not yet done with Rosewell, the gaoler who kept [Wragg] the messenger without fire or candles. [*¼ p.*]

73. Names and particulars of such of the chief pursuivants as have been punished for their infamous actions and misdemeanours, [probably appended to the first petition to the King from the Roman Catholics, his loyal subjects, *see* Vol. CXCVII, No. 60]. The names of the pursuivants herein mentioned are Humphrey Crosse, Benny Wrag, Mayo, (who procured a warrant to search Catholics' houses, which was afterwards taken from him for his misdemeanour towards Lady Dormer, mother to the Earl of Carnarvon) [cr. in 1628], Newton, Dale, Waynwright, Griffin, (he became pander to

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that notorious and infamous woman Amy Holland), John Gray, Cock, Wadesworth, and Claxton. All the rest of them are known to be men of the basest condition, and live by sharking and oppressing your Majesty's subjects under colour of these commissions and your service. [2½ pp.]

74. Information certified by Peter Winder, dwelling in Holborn near the Heather Tavern, against the pursuivants, Newton, Mayo, Gray, Cock, and Cooke. [1 p.]

75. List of the fees directed by Mr. Hastings to be received by his clerk Anthony Wilson from all Clerks in Holy Orders, for every presentation, advowson, donation, grant, and collation to any rectory, parish church, chapel [of ease], prebend, canonry, deanery, arch-deaconry, subdeanery, hospital, or for any confirmation of a presentation, or for any revocation of any presentation, or for any lecture as Greek [or] Hebrew professor, in Cambridge or Oxford, or divinity professor, viz. 58s. 8d. Further particulars concerning the fees to be taken under various circumstances. Searches have not amounted this last year to 30s. [1½ pp.]

76. Brief in the cause of widow Were, relict of Captain Were, master of the ship "Phoenix," *contra* Lord Lockinvar and John Gordon, depending before the Court of Delegates. [4 pp.]

77. Petition of Peter Ozanne of Guernsey to the King. Represents that he has been sentenced to banishment for two years and never to be accepted as a witness in any cause, for having bought some goods of the value of 5s. or 6s. not knowing them to have been stolen. Pays that the rigour of his sentence may be remitted by His Majesty's pleasure signified to the Bailiffs and Jurats of that Isle.

*Dorso: Brought from His Majesty by Sir Henry Palmer.* [1 p.]

78. Petition of the Lord Mayor and Commonalty of London, and the masters and wardens of the several companies of the said City to the Privy Council. They were persuaded by the late King and the Council to undertake a plantation in Ireland, wherein they were to expend but 20,000*l.*, and for their encouragement had granted to them divers lands, fishings, and immunities. They have expended over 100,000*l.*, have lately contracted for the building of a church in Londonderry which will cost about 4,000*l.*, and have brought that country, of all other parts of that kingdom the most barbarous, to be one of the most civilized places thereof. Yet their fishings are intruded upon, divers offices granted them by the late King taken from them, many patents of privileges exercised in their plantations contrary to their grant, and their tenants more burdened with payment of soldiers than any others. In 1625, by the suggestion of one Sir Thomas Phillips, seeking to raise his fortunes in their plantations, their rents were sequestered, whereby they have lost above 4,000*l.*, and last year upon pretence that they had

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not performed their contract, he procured a commission to divers lords to examine his complaints (*see Vol. CLXXII., No. 72*). Petitioners cleared themselves so fully that the Council wrote to the Lord Deputy to take off the sequestration, whereon Sir Thomas obtained a commission of enquiry to divers gentlemen in Ireland, which is vehemently prosecuted by him and persons ill-affected to the City of London. And although the Commissioners have not, so far as petitioners know, returned any certificate, yet their rents are again sequestered by order of the Lord Deputy, and power given to distrain on their tenants' goods. Pray that that the commission may be revoked, and their rights restored to them. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

79. The same to the same. In July last, as also formerly, they petitioned the Council to accept their answers to certain articles sent by their Lordships to the Society of the Governors and Assistants of London of the new plantation in Ulster, and also to remit the sequestration of their rents and the employment of Sir Thomas Phillips, and to vouchsafe orders that they might enjoy the benefit of their contract and His Majesty's grant. Their Lordships ordered the Attorney and Solicitor General to examine the objections against petitioners and their answers, which they have done; and also referred the petition then exhibited to the Attorney-General, who has now made his report. Again beg for remittance of the sequestration and of the employment of Sir Thomas Phillips. [1 p.]

80. Petition of William Hodges to the King. Is a penitent man, sometime of Oxford, under the fatherly government of the honourable Chancellor, His Majesty's vice-gerent there. Begs to be given back to the right reverend father, who by influence of His Majesty's clemency may own the distressed suppliant as a member of Oxford once again. *Endorsed, "Arminianisme."* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *See Vol. CXCVIII., Nos. 57, 58.*]

[1631 ?] 81. Petition of Robert Acham, Thomas Wayte, William Truningham, and other inhabitants of Fishlake and Sikehouse, co. York, to the Privy Council. On complaint against Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, Sir Philibert Vernatti and their participants for loss sustained by reason of their not perfecting the drainage works at Hatfield Chase, their Lordships gave order in February last that petitioners should have recompense from the said undertakers, and that for proof of their damages they should exhibit bills before the Vice-President and Council at York, the defendants to appear and make answer within 20 days after notice, or be sent thither in custody of a messenger. Before the 10th of June last, petitioners exhibited several bills against Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, Sir Philibert Vernatti, Sir James Campbell, Sir John Ogle and sixteen other participants, and gave them notice of the filing thereof. Sir Cornelius and three others appeared and procured commissions to take their respective answers to all the said suits, and return the 24th of August last, but have

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returned no answers, and none of the other defendants except Samuel Vanpaine have appeared or answered. Being utterly ruined in estate, petitioners beg that the order of February last may be put in execution, that the parties may be sent to York in charge of a messenger, and that petitioners may proceed to proof of their losses. [1 p.]

82. Petition of Nicholas le Beyr of Guernsey to the King. Was authorised by William le Breton and others, in June 1622, to prosecute the recovery of their right in a common in that island, and for satisfaction of his charges in the business had an order from the Court there for 360 *livres tournois*, whereof William Le Breton was to pay 31 *livres*. Has sued William, his son and heir, who, instead of paying, accused petitioner of perjury, but he was freed, and Breton imprisoned and punished for his false accusation. Breton has since appealed to the Council, and upon some reference and report obtained 30 *livres* costs against petitioner, which has been paid, yet he still continues his unjust proceedings. Begg reference to the Lord Privy Seal. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

83. Petition of Edmund Bradshaw, plaintiff in the Court of Star-chamber against Sir John Price and others, to the Council. Five years ago petitioner exhibited a complaint against Sir John Price in the Star-chamber and obtained a warrant for his apprehension, but Sir John fled beyond seas. He has now employed one Newton to sue out his pardon, which said Newton has spread injurious reports that petitioner had boasted of his intimacy with Lady Price, for which reason Sir John had left the kingdom. Petitioner disclaims to have made or had occasion to make any such allegations, and begs that Newton may be ordered to procure Sir John's appearance, and that meanwhile his pardon may not pass the Great Seal. [1 p. See Vol. CCV., No. 59.]

84. Petition of John Browne, the King's gunfounder, to the same. His Majesty, for the preservation of the sole making of iron ordnance and shot within his kingdom, prohibited the departure of all men versed in that mystery, as a thing of great consequence and not fit to be imparted to any other nation, but one Nathaniel Edwards, by cover of a warrant from the King, has enticed away divers of petitioner's workmen to go beyond seas in discovery of the said mystery to other nations. Begg a warrant for the taking of the said Edwards and enjoining him to produce the men enticed away, a hearing for his cause, and also that some course may be taken for the amendment of the highways, hitherto kept in order for the passage of ordnance and shot for the kingdom's service. [1 p.]

85. Petition of John King, master of the "Christopher and Mary," of London, to the same. Was hired in October last by Samuel Vassall, Peter Andrews, and other merchants of London, to go to Virginia, and was promised 90*l.*; but on his return was

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constrained to take tobacco instead, which has been lying ever since at the custom house, as he has not money to pay the duties. As their Lordships lately ordered that the customs should be abated, and as the tobacco is spoilt by having lain so long, he begs that it may be passed free of duty. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

86. Petition of Walter Morrell of Hatfield to the King. Petitioned the late King with a proposition of his own, for perfecting whereof Commissioners were appointed, including most of the Lords of the Council, divers knights, and the chief customers and clothiers of the kingdom. He attended the Commissioners three years, and the matter passed both the late King's and his present Majesty's signature, but has not yet been put into execution. Begs for reference to the Lord Keeper, the Lord Treasurer, the Earl of Dorset and Viscount Dorchester. [1 p.] *Annexed*,

86. I. *An explanation of the purport of the instrument, viz., to give each county a Corporation to enable them to govern and establish manufactures and other weighty business, for the increase of trade, the hindrance of exports hurtful to His Majesty's subjects, and the establishment of loving societies among the same. In the late King's reign, many propositions were made for the public welfare, but impediments have now rather increased than decreased, as appears by the several proclamations for the employment of the poor, preventing transportation of wool and corn, suppressing of drunkenness, and distribution of corn in this time of scarcity.* [2 pp.]

86. II. *Material heads for the scope of the instrument, viz.: to provide employment for the poor; to improve the value of wools in the manufacture of draperies; to establish corporations in the counties for the increase of clothing and providing labour for the poor; to maintain manufactures in a loyal manner, preventing merchants from trading in foreign parts, to the yearly loss of His Majesty's customs; to give the gentry and farmers quicker sale for their wool, and merchants a more plentiful supply of manufactures; to provide a source for improving pious donations to charitable objects; and to settle not only the above manufactures, but any other trade.* [1 p.]

86. III. *The effect of a bill containing a grant from His Majesty to erect a corporation in co. Essex, with directions thereunto annexed for ordering the manufacture of drapery, allowed by the Privy Council.* [1 p. See Vol. CCIV., No. 22.]

87. Petition of Stephen Rehbrooke [Raybrooke?] and Robert Broome, on behalf of themselves and other poor inhabitants of Colchester, to the Privy Council. By letters in May last, their

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Lordships appointed John Morton, Robert Caylcote, William Mott, John Eldred, John Marshall, Henry Barrington, John Langley, Robert Buckston, Thomas Reynolds, Edmond Thirston, Samuel Mott, and John Cox, or any six of them, to take such course for raising the wages of the poor as was taken at Sudbury. The said persons have found by experience that the raising of the wages cannot advance the relief of the poor, but will prove inconvenient, for that they will not be set on so much work as if the wages were at the usual rate. Beg that the above-mentioned persons may be nominated to the Lord Keeper, and a commission issued to them to execute the King's orders in the business. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

88. Petition on behalf of Zachary Roberts of Guernsey to the same. Petitioner has long been molested in a tedious suit, as appears by his former petition, on which their Lordships granted the annexed letter [*missing*]. This petition he is ready to justify when his witnesses are examined, but, as he is now absent, it is prayed that the adverse parties may be stayed until their Lordships' letter is put in execution. [1 p.]

89. Petition of Zachary Roberts, of Guernsey, to the same. Prays that in the cause depending on appeal between himself and Peter de Lisle, jurat, and Thomasa de Preaux, widow, their Lordships would order the witnesses to be duly examined, and also that the said De Lisle should make use of no other writings against petitioner but the original bills or bonds pretended to be due. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

90. Petition of Captain Andrew Westcott to the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord Chamberlain, the Earl of Arundel, Lord Carew, and the Master of the Rolls. Has followed a suit to them for three years and more, which, with what he has spent, the money lent in the King's service, his loss to the Hollanders, and the loss of his lieutenantship, whereof the Lord Deputy of Ireland deprived him in his absence, has cost him almost 500*l.*, being all the means he had to maintain himself and his family. Begs relief from the moneys received by the Lord Primate of Ireland from the recusants, or out of the revenues of Ireland. [1 p.]

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91. Petition of John Berrow to the Privy Council. The sheriff of co. Wilts, being instructed to remove a rebellious force unlawfully withholding a possession from Mr. Hopton Haynes, sent to the Mayor of Bristol for ordnance and a gunner. The gunner, on coming to the place, behaved himself perfidiously by interleaguering with the rioters and letting fall treacherous speeches, as appears by the second letter of the sheriff to the Mayor and Aldermen of Bristol hereunto annexed [*see Vol. CCX., No. 20*], desiring them to send him other ordnance and two more gunners. Petitioner was chosen, with his son to assist him, and possession was delivered to Mr. Haynes, yet, on the Wednesday before



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Christmas Day last, petitioner was summoned in Bristol by Ely, a messenger, to appear before their Lordships, and compelled to give bond for his appearance and to pay heavy fees. Has come up from Bristol at the hazard of his life and to his great charge, being 74 years of age and a very poor man. He conceives that he is taken for the first gunner. Begs discharge without fees, and recompense for his vexation and charges. [1 p.]

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Bulwick.

92. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Sir John Finet. I am well, and the better for your letters, which are like David's good man, who ever brought good news. The Austrians will find that there is a God who can raise a tempest, *ab Aquilone*, that will shake their great galleon, and now, methinks, Pharoah's chariot wheels are taken off, so be it, *fiat, amen*. I did not write last week because the noise of fiddles was not out of my head. I have begun to restore the ancient liberty of England in good fellowship, and have had a houseful of lords and ladies, and have danced away cares and the gout and a worse disease, inhospitality. And you will not believe how the variety of life hath pleased me, for this is a new voyage and a new country to me, *vidi mores humoresque virorum*. I have a letter from the Chancellor of Sweden, who desires me to witness to the King that Mr. Gordon's report was neither vain nor false. He doth justify the fact with many more circumstances than Gordon related, in respect of the destruction of the images and altars in divers churches, and of the decoronation and decapitation of that image which I know our blessed lady [the Queen of Bohemia] hates, for all fell upon the heads of their idols, if I may so call them, with pious scorn. He doth justify that procession, the cause of the Queen's death [Queen of Denmark?], and the hobgoblins of Luther, Calvin, and others, *cum multis aliis*, which in general I give you for truth's sake, and will show the letter to the King when I have the honour to see him. My other letter was from a great and good man, the Burgrave of Dantzic, invoking me, in the name of religion, of the State of Poland, that city, and the reformed churches of Germany, to move His Majesty to settle a general peace between that kingdom and the brave Gustavus, and to mediate some things with him concerning the churches of our profession. We are not admitted in Germany with the Luthers, with whom prosperity now runs, and they have just cause of fear that, without some treaty of His Majesty, the other will give them as ill neighbourhood as the papist. But, as you know, they pray to one who was a saint in their eyes, but the Court and you know me a poor tree, with as little power as any other stick or stone. But *absit*. Let me be anathema for my love's sake, which is the distressed church. The last letter was from Prince Ulrick, only to thank the King and Queen for his entertainment, which he accounts a great honour and obligation. This is the sum of my advices, and the sum of my letter is that I am glad His Majesty has looked so right upon so honest and deserving a man as my sweet Boswell; glad for the King's sake, our neighbours' sake, and his own. [Copy. 1½ p.]

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[Jan. 28 ?] 93. Warrant by the Lords of the Admiralty to the Officers of the  
Wallingford Navy to fit out for sea, in a warlike manner, the "Convertive"  
House. and the "Assurance," to be ready by 1st of March next, with  
complement of 160 men for each; also the 2nd and 10th "Whelps,"  
with 60 men each. [*Minute. Damaged.*]

Jan. 28. Like warrant to Lord Vere, to cause an account to be taken of  
all stores formerly aboard the above-mentioned ships, and to furnish  
them with ordnance and gunners stores. [*Minute, on same sheet  
as preceding.*]

[Jan.] 94. Petition of Mathew Brookes, clerk, to the Privy Council.  
A petition of the Dean and Chapter of Norwich to the King  
against the bailiffs and governors of Great Yarmouth, whereunto  
petitioner had annexed certain articles, was referred by His  
Majesty to their Lordships, and an order was made on the 21st of  
this January for calling up of witnesses and appointing a day of  
hearing, but was not signed. Petitioner learns that his adversaries  
would put off the day of hearing, set down for the 13th of February  
next, or would get the examination to be made by commis-  
sion in the country, whereby it would be delayed. Begg the  
day of hearing may stand, and that the order for bringing  
up the witnesses may be signed. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCX., Nos.  
65, 66.]

[Jan. ?] 95. Petition of the same to Lord Keeper Coventry. His  
Lordship having allowed William Buttolph and others, of the town  
of Great Yarmouth, to present articles against the Dean and  
Chapter of Norwich and petitioner, they have, in the said articles,  
made Benjamin Cooper, Thomas Cheshire, and John Dasset parties  
to the cause, thereby depriving petitioner of his witnesses. Begg  
the benefit of their testimony, and is content to accept the said  
articles, so far as concerns the Dean and Chapter and himself.  
[ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Feb. 15. 96. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Lord Holland. I promised yesterday to  
desire your patronage for one near me in blood, now I cannot neglect  
myself upon an occasion of mortality, and such natures as yours  
have not the less favours for doing them, for a torch never grudged  
light. His Majesty hath encouraged me by saying he would  
remember me. If your Lordship thinks fit, and if you will please  
to deliver it, I will write to him, which my present infirmity will  
excuse. I shall say that for myself, with modesty, that cannot  
displease him, not of my merit, for that were Popery, but with  
protestation of my faith and diligence, if he please to try me. Thus  
he may make me his own creature, for I have neither children to  
infect me with desire of riches, nor affections or obligations to  
divert me from the true ends of his honour and service. In general  
I will present His Majesty with that which perhaps another will  
have, if he make not his own choice, and I will be really thankful  
to your Lordship, whom I have loved for the candidness of your

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mind, and whether in a cell or in a court I will live and die yours.  
[Copy.  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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The same to the King. Your Majesty hath from the abundance of your own grace given me so much assurance that you would vouchsafe to look down upon me in your own opportunity, that it hath warranted to me this boldness, to seek immediately to the fountain and not to hope for a refreshing in the lesser streams and rills that flow from you. Your Majesty hath now some ways open by which you may call me to your nearer service. I have no helps, no dependance, none near you that have cause to take care of me (so I have none I fear) like the cripple at Bethesda, only an angel must do it, yet in this simplicity I shall be the more disinterested, and owe all my faculties to your Majesty's service. I shall only acknowledge, only be captivated to you. Desire of riches shall not ensnare me, them I have neglected in all my ways, and I have no posterity to infect me; ambition cannot, for I know no greater honour than your service, so that I may vow with an open heart I have no other end but *recte vivere fideliter servire*. How far I am able I myself know not, and your Majesty hath not tried me, but may easily teach me. This only I can die in, that your Majesty shall never find more zeal, more sincerity, nor more truth and honour. You shall dispose of me. No man shall receive your sentence with more humility than he who will in any other solitariness equally pray for your Majesty's eternal happiness.  
[Copy, written on same sheet as the preceding.  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Feb. 17.

97. The Privy Council to [the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey]. By letters of the 29th June last, we remitted back to your Court the cause of Zachary Roberts against Peter de Lisle and Thomasa de Preau, to be proceeded in according to certificate of the Earl of Danby, to whom the cause had been referred. We are given to understand that our directions have not been obeyed, through the opposition and power of the said Peter de Lisle, being a jurat there. We cannot but blame you, and let you know that the commands of this Board are not to be neglected or delayed. You are therefore to proceed in the matter without delay; as regards Zachary Roberts by a legal examination of his witnesses, and in what concerns the King, touching those extortions and unconscionable practices of which the said De Lisle's father stands charged. And we require the King's advocate to proceed with all care and diligence on His Majesty's behalf. [Copy.  $1\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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98. Another copy of the same. Signed by T. Meautys, Clerk of the Council. [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Feb. 18.

99. Order of the Commissioners for Enquiry of new erected Offices and exacted Fees, to Robert Sharpe, messenger of the Chamber, to warn the churchwardens of St. Giles in the Fields for the year 1627, when the new table was made, and the churchwardens ever since, that they are to certify this day week to the said Com-

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missioners at the Council Chamber in Mr. Currance's house in Fleet Street, how much has been paid by each of them in the years of their office, out of the fees of the new table, for the re-building of their church, or for the debt incurred by reason of the same. *Endorsed*: "Mr. Robert Hope, Mr. William Okey, " Mr. William Chapman, Mr. Richard Bigg, Mr. Thos. Sheppard, " Mr. Jeremiah Turpyn, Churchwardens." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

March 1.  
London.

100. [Sir Thomas Rowe] to the Queen of Bohemia. I promised last week to write my thoughts to your Majesty, and now I would willingly send you some news. Of ourselves we have none, nor do we ground our counsels upon ourselves, but upon such advices as come from beyond the seas. What they are, I know less; but there is much come, as we suppose, by an express post from Frankfort, but so enclosed in buff and fortified with engines of war that none can penetrate it, and few dare ask, for the courier is the famous Mr. Gyfford, who is gone post to Newmarket, silent in all but his horn, a person of whom, if your Majesty have not heard his description, were as difficult and strange a theme as any monster of Africa, and would be a whole subject of a large discourse. But I will leave him and tell you the moral of the fable, that now all business is shut up in so few breasts that we know nothing what is done or doing, only we are satisfied of the safe arrival of the King of Bohemia with his troops, and of his cheerful reception and welcome from the brave King of Sweden, in despite of the rumour that he was neither expected nor could be grateful; a rumour so gross, that I do not believe it got any entrance into His Majesty or any wise man. Now he may treat his own affairs, but I am persuaded as he shall see clearly, so he shall gain more by his presence than by mediation. I am now going back to my rest, not ambitious of employment except it proceed natively from my master's own breast, on whom only I depend, and trust not in saints and angels, if there be any such about him. Almighty God conduct the King to that end to which he is now in the way, and send your Majesty more happiness than the bounds of my thoughts can comprehend, and above the malice of your enemies, that they may not hope to change it, as I shall never my devotion. [*Copy.* 1 p.]

March 3.  
London.

[The same] to the Earl of Holland. Distracted between two passions, sorrow and joy, for your fall and your escape, I cannot choose but lament the one and congratulate the other. This fall hath lifted you up and made you know how to value yourself, whom you find so valued of all good men, and I hope it will lift up your thoughts to Him who can only save in danger, who watcheth over His servants by a tutelar angel, because He knows from Paradise itself man will fall. I beseech you, fright us no more, afflict us not with love and fear that we may lose you, in whom a kingdom and the best cause hath so much interest that you venture more than your own. I have such a share of sense, if you fell, as if you would have left me a public orphan, without friends, for you know too late I lost one, and you are now all the stock. I had a

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purpose to wait upon you, but though I am confident there is room in your heart for my love, I did doubt my presence would more prejudice me, that now hope nothing, than it could serve you. [*Copy, on the same sheet as the preceding.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

March 5. Warrant of the Lords of the Admiralty to Captain John Pennington, to appoint what ships under his charge may soonest be ready to repair to Margate, there to take aboard the Abbot de Scaglia, Ambassador from the Duke of Savoy, now about to return home, with certain of his train, servants and trunks; and also to waft such vessel as he shall provide to transport the rest of his servants and horses to Dunkirk or some other port of Flanders; after doing which, Captain Pennington is to return and guard the narrow seas. [*Minute, see No. 93 of this volume.*]

March 12. 101. Earl of Holland to Sir Henry Vane, Lord Ambassador to  
Newmarket. the King of Swethland [Sweden]. By the hands of your son, I received an expression of your favour and remembrance; by him I return my humble thanks and my wishes that all your negotiations may prove as full of good success as they are weighed with care and wisdom by you, which will bring honour to you and satisfaction to all. *Endorsed by Sir Henry Vane*: "From my Lord of Holland 12 March. Newmarket. Rec. the 16 April." [1 p.]

March 23. 102. Earl of Leicester to [the same]. If I had known how to  
Baynard's make my letters acceptable or myself useful, I had often presented  
Castle. your Lordship with my humble service since you went from hence, but I apprehend so much the greatness of your business that I thought I should be guilty of a fault if your hand lost so much time as to open my epistles. But now I have your letter to witness that I am obliged to return thanks for your favour. *Endorsed by Vane*: "From my Lord of Leicester, 23 March 1632. Rec. the 16 April." [1 p.]

March. 103. Petition of the Cutlers' Company to the Privy Council. By grant from the late King, petitioners have power to search all shops and privileged places for wares belonging to their art, to seize base wares, and to carry them to their Hall to be viewed and defaced. The brokers in Long Lane, being ignorant of the art, buy, sell, and trim as cutlers do, thereby harming petitioners and cozening the public, and petitioners have lately found in the shop of one Edmond Phillips and Thomas Backe swords and halberts which are base and insufficient. Beg that the offenders may receive such punishment as may deter others. Signed by John Benyend, Francis Fulwell, Warden, Robert South, George Moore, and William Cave. [1 p.]

[March.] 104. Certificate to the same that Philip Hinnnes has been and is so ill of an ague that he cannot travel a mile from home without apparent danger of his life. Signed William Briers, Thomas Balle, William Arnold. *Endorsed*: "Philip Kinnes (*sic*) sent for by warrant." [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

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105. Henry Salusburye, Roger Mostyn, and Robert Davies to the Lord Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer. Having received a commission and the roll of subsidy, with a letter from the Privy Council to us and others to compound with such subjects in co. Flint as did not attend the coronation to receive knighthood, we have directed the sheriff of this county to summon all the subsidy men to appear before us and make their compositions, but only a few appeared, and those poor men or under age at the time of the coronation, and some had already paid their subsidy. We find that almost all who are above 20s. in the King's books have already paid; the rest are poor men of not above 5*l.*, 10*l.*, or 20*l.* year. The reason for their summons was that we received so many directions from Council to enhance the subsidies and it could not be done without putting in mean men. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

April 28.

106. Request by Sir Philip Carteret that one of the "Whelps" may convey him to Jersey, and cruise about the Islands, to drive away the pirates lurking round them. *Endorsed by Nicholas on above date*: "Sir Philip Carteret for a guard for the isles of Jersey and Guernsey." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

April 29.  
Whitehall.

107. Petition of Thomas Burton of Jersey to the Privy Council. In 1628 one William Bachelay, a Frenchman sojourning in the Isle, being sued by petitioner for debt, was committed to Montorgueill Castle, where he continued about two years, and then escaped. Sir John Peyton, the late Governor, having admitted the chief gaoler, Buckrell, to his office without oath or bond taken, and the petitioner being defrauded by the negligence of the said Buckrell, he begs an arrest upon the goods of Sir John Peyton, to satisfy his debt and charges.

*Underwritten.*—Reference to Sec. Coke, dated as above. [1 p.]

June 2.

Warrant of assistance by the Lords of the Admiralty to enable Francis Bassett, Vice-Admiral of Cornwall, William Courtney, Arthur Basset, James Peade, and others, appointed Commissioners, to examine all suspected of embezzling ordnance and merchandize belonging to a ship from the Barbadoes, wrecked within the Vice-Admiralty of North Cornwall in February last, no man belonging to her being saved. [*Minute, see No. 93 of this volume.*]

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Whitehall.

Like warrant to assist Sir Edward Seymour, Sir James Bagg, Sir John Bodville, Sir Francis Vivian, and others, appointed Commissioners to enquire into the matter of the "St. Anthony" of Dublin, said to have been taken by Captain Downes, Captain Stone, and Captain Nutt, and brought by them upon the coasts of England and Wales, where they have sold and bartered wines, fruit, salt, and other commodities to the inhabitants, the said Commissioners having power to examine witnesses, seize the goods, and discover any persons who have bought or sold with pirates or sea-rovers, binding them over to answer for the same. [*Minute, see No. 93 of this volume.*]

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June 11. 108. Copy of letters from Jersey delivered to Mr. Secretary Coke by Sir Philip Carteret. Intelligence has been received by one of the King's "Whelps" that certain pataches are near the islands. The French king has four ships at St. Malo ready for sea, and the Prince of Condé has lately been there. He came in private, leaving his retinue two leagues away, and stayed a day, and was feasted by the burghers. Something is brewing in France, but the preparations are too great for these islands. *Endorsed by Nicholas.* [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

July 19. Copy, attested by Nicholas, of the Commission addressed to Lord Treasurer Weston and others, constituting them the Society of the Fishery of Great Britain and Ireland. *Latin.* [16 pp. *Already calendared under this date. See Case H. Car. I., No. 1.*]

[July 23.] 109. Minute of proceedings [of the Council of the Society for the Fishing]. A clerk or registrar to be appointed, and a book to be provided wherein to enter the charter, the names of those that swear, and the names of those that from time to time shall be admitted into the Society. With note that Mr. Edward Nicholas was named for clerk. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *See also Vol. CCXXI., No. 21.*]

July 27. 110. Certificate signed by Capt. J. Pennington and 13 others, that Abraham Sampson has served as master's mate in several merchant ships; that he was taken by the Turks, and was a bondslave for two years; that since then he has been master's mate on the King's ship, the "Red Lion," under command of Captain Pennington, and boatswain in the "Fourth Whelp," and that he is a fit man to discharge the office of boatswain in any of the King's ships. With note by Ken. Edisbury, dated 4th October 1633, that he has been put on the list of serviceable boatswains. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

July 28. Warrant of assistance by the Lords of the Admiralty to aid Robert Barker, John Cawse, Jacob Stevens, and William Alsoppe, appointed Commissioners, in appraising the "Hopewell" of Hamburg on behalf of the Marquis of Fontenoy, ambassador of the French king. [*Minute, see No. 93 of this volume.*]

[July ?] 111. Notes by Edward Nicholas of business to be done at the Assembly of the Council of the Society for the Fishing. To consider a proclamation concerning the business; to appoint a seal to be made; to consider a form of oath; what course shall be taken for admission into the Society; what officers will be needed, and to appoint them; and to take order that none but the Society shall have rights of fishing on His Majesty's coasts. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[July ?] 112. Petition of George Coks to the Council. Is a Benedictine monk, and has been a prisoner in the "White Lion" in Southwark for eighteen months. Being ill and in danger of his life by reason of the closeness of the prison, he prays to be removed to the Clink. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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113. Petition of the Woodmonger's Company, and other traders in coals in and about London, to the same, for an order concerning the abuses in the sea coal business of Newcastle. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Sept. 30.  
Hampton  
Court.

114. The Council to the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey. John Blanche of that isle having complained to us that Peter de Lisle, a jurat there, had possessed himself, during Blanche's absence in London, of his estate in houses and lands to the value of 1,000*l.*, whereas he was indebted to De Lisle only in the sum of 51*l.*, we find it strange (if the petitioner's allegations be true) that such unequal courses should be taken in that isle. We therefore require you with all convenient speed to hear and examine the case, and if you find good cause for it, to give the petitioner relief according to equity, or to certify to us in writing. [*Attested copy.* 1 p.]

Oct. 15.

115. Petition of Daniel Spier to Sir Humphrey Davenport and the other Barons of Exchequer. Having been fined 200*l.* in the Star Chamber, and being utterly unable to pay the same, he begs to be allowed to pay by small proportions yearly. *Underwritten.*

115. I. *Note by Sir John Denham that the fine is to be divided into parts and a certain sum paid each Hilary term until the 200*l.* is satisfied.*

115. II. *Order to this effect, signed by Sir Humphrey Davenport Sir John Denham, Sir John Trevor, and Sir James Weston.* [1 p.]

[Oct.]

116. Petition of Robert Lesley to the King. Petitioner has spent 3,300*l.* in His Majesty's service, great part of which he was obliged to borrow. His creditors seeking the extremity of the law, and the Lord Treasurer not having present moneys wherewith to satisfy him, he begs protection for a year. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p. *The protection was granted on 29th October. See Calendar of that date.*]

Dec. 2.

117. Warrant from Francis, Lord Cottington, to Sir Thomas Fanshawe, Remembrancer of the Exchequer, or his deputy, to send particulars of the lands of William Younge of Woodspringe, co. Somerset, as found by inquisition upon his outlawry at the suit of Nathaniel Mitchell, on the Monday after the feast of the Epiphany, 1630, and referred into the Exchequer. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

Dec. 5.

118. William Noy to John West, [Deputy Remembrancer of the Exchequer]. There is occasion to use a record of Richard I. which is in your office, for His Majesty's service. It will take some time to write, and may be needed shortly. I desire that it may be transcribed as soon as may be. *Endorsed:* "Mr. Attorney's letter " to have a copy of a record out of a little book in the chest at " Westminster where the red book lieth of Richard I." [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

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119. Copy of the petition of Peter de Lisle, heir of Thomas de Lisle late of Guernsey, deceased, and Thomasine, relict of the said Thomas de Lisle, to the Council praying for a hearing in the case



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between themselves and John Gibaut [Sir John Gibault ?], intermeddler in the succession of Thomas Guille, deceased, and of the order of the Council, dated as above, referring the case to the Solicitor-General. [2 pp.]

*Underwritten.—Certificate in French by J. Foupper, King's Serjeant [in Guernsey], that he has delivered this word for word to Sir John Gibault. 22nd March 1633.*

Dec. 7.

120. Copy (partly crossed out) by Henry Sherfield, of a receipt by Robert Ramsey for 130*l.* from Henry Gibbe, upon a bond wherein the said Henry Gibbe and Sir Thomas Hatton stood bound to John Jostlyn. With note that the part not crossed out is a copy of the receipt which his son Ramsey gave to Mr. Gibbe. [1 p.]

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121. Petition of Benjamin Moore to the Council. When Sir John Caswell went into the service of the King of Sweden, petitioner lent him 300*l.*, and for security received the King's warrant for making a baronet, with Sir John's bond for the 300*l.* if the King did not pass the warrant, which he now refuses to do. He has in vain demanded his money, and Sir John is shortly going again to the King of Sweden. Begs that he may take his lawful course against Sir John, and that the latter may be summoned to say whether the warrant was under the King's hand. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

122. Petition of William Wright, Nicholas Eastwood, Robert Southwell, Henry Terrywest, William Dixon, Richard Grice, Swithin Kemp, and about 250 poor labourers employed in dyking at South Eye and elsewhere in the great Level near Crowland, to the same. Petitioners were set to work by Robert Burton, the paymaster appointed by the Earl of Bedford, but are in arrears 399*l.* 0*s.* 2*d.* for wages due to them between May 14th and June 14th last, besides 27*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.* salary to the paymaster. Understanding that there is much money due for the draining of the level by sundry persons, whose names and debts Mr. Latham, the auditor of those accounts, can show, they beg for speedy payment. [1 p.]

123. Blank form of receipt by Captain Thomas Jackson. [2 lines.]

124. Sir Robert Anstruther to [Secretary Coke ?]. Your favours encourage me to watch all occasions to witness my thankfulness. I wish I were so happy that I might but attend your honour one day, when I would declare much concerning the public and also solicit my own particulars. God enlighten His Majesty's eyes, as also the Lords, to resolve that which may conduce to his glory, the honour of the King, the security of the state at home, and the general good of Christendom. Like a seaman, I have my eyes to heaven, my hands to the helm *et dominus providebit*. For the .....

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public I do not despair but believe it will go well. I wish of God our King and state had the honour of it also. Whether the King of Bohemia be come up with his Majesty's consent and what Mr. Comptroller [Sir Henry Vane] doth treat, is wholly unknown to me. [1 p. *This letter is endorsed 1635 by mistake, but it must have been written between January and September 1632.*]

125. Calculations as to the saving that would be effected by coining half the silver of the year into groats and threepenny pieces. [2 pp. of figures.]

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126. Blank form of Letters of Institution, used by Bishop Corbet of Norwich. *Latin*. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p., parchment. Duplicate of Vol. CCXXIX., No. 115.]

127. Schedule of goods, viz., cloths, mercers, grocers, and haberdashers ware, lead, pewter, timber, hops, leather, calf skins and wool, with their customs and imposts, headed, "The allowance which the inhabitants of the Isle of Jersey desire over and above their charters." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

128. Another like schedule, with coals, malt and soap added. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Annexed*,

128. i. *A list of proportions allowed to the inhabitants of Jersey by their charter, being provisions for the Castle of Montorgueill, and beer, leather and calf skins for the island, with as much wood, coal, and other necessities as shall be reasonably required.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

129. Assessment of the parish of St. Mary Bothaw, in the ward of Wallbrooke. 24 names, total, 1*l.* 18*s.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

130. Certificate by Sir Hugh Hamersley, Governor of the Muscovy Company, that Richard Wiche was not included in the last assessment made by the Muscovy Company for the payment of their debts. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

131. List of defaulters in co. Norfolk for not showing their arms, viz., William Peecke of Spixworth, Richard Hamond of Ellingham, Thomas Thorisby, Thomas Goafe of Samtony [Saham Tony], William Oliver of Moulton, William Cooke of Tharston, Thomas Hobbs of Wymondham, Gilbert Lewin, and John Creamer. Signed by Charles Cornwaleys, John Hobarte, and Robert Jownstone. [1 p.]

132. Reasons to induce the Lord Treasurer to allow the Plumbers' petition, viz., that it is necessary for them to have a large circuit of search, most plumbers' work lying beyond London, in churches, colleges, and noblemen's and gentlemen's houses; that other companies have such circuit of search; that plumbers' work in the country is unsufficiently done by men without skill, which vagrant

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workers should be suppressed by this Corporation; that some, not being workmen, have found a device for making thin lead, which will endure neither weather, time, nor true workmanship; and lately Sir Walter Cope, making use of such lead at Kennington, was forced to send for a plumber from London to take it up and lay other; that the Attorney-General has granted the circuit of 100 miles, and that the plumbers are humble suitors that their charter of incorporation may extend so far. [*Copy.* 1½ pp.]

133. Petition of John Blanche of Guernsey to the Privy Council. Their Lordships referred the examination of a cause between himself and Jane Devick [De Vic] which was brought over to England on appeal to His Majesty's Advocate [Dr. Rives] who made report thereon. This report was referred to Sir Abraham Williams (*on 30th December 1631, see No. 71 above*) who made another report, and by both, the cause is sent back to the bailiff and jurats of Guernsey. Jane Devick is now dead, but has left her son Peter Hary her heir and executor. Prays for letters to the bailiff and jurats accordingly. [½ p.]

134. Petition of Walter Hungerford, porter of Montorgueil Castle, Jersey, to the same. Having been sent to England by Sir Philip Carteret, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to solicit supply of military stores for defence of the Island and also for money for the fortifying of Castle Elizabeth in the said isle, he prays allowance for his attendance on that service during six months. [¾ p.]

135. Petition of Merchant Strangers to the same. It was declared by a proclamation of His Majesty that the mixture of sand with madder was the reason that the cloth dyed frets and the sooner decays, yet notwithstanding [George] Bedford's suggested skill to reform the madder, he must needs suffer both sand and madder to be sold together, as it is impossible to separate them. He gives an estimate of what he thinks fit to be rebated for the sand, and for this mere pretence receives as much benefit as his Majesty does from the Customs, though he does nothing for the advance of the revenue or the good of the Commonwealth. Madder has continually been brought into this kingdom conditioned as it is now, and the dyers have bought the same and very seldom found fault therewith, and if they have, the merchant has given them an allowance. Now dyers will not buy petitioners' madder by Bedford's allowance, but will have of the merchants such allowance as they had formerly, so that they are put to unnecessary charges. Also their correspondents beyond the seas have consigned the greater part of their madder to France and other places to the hindrance of his Majesty's Customs and damage of his subjects, who are like to have their prices thereby enhanced, so that it may fall out none will be sent at all. Pray that the cause may be re-examined, and that some other persons experienced in madder may be joined to the former referees, whereby order may be taken that this impertinent surcharge may cease. [1 p. See Vol. CCXXIX., No. 33.]

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136. Petition of Jeremy Stephens, M.A., chaplain of All Souls' College, Oxford, to the King. William Bennyon, M.A., of the same college, was presented by his Majesty to the parsonage of Wotton, co. Southampton, but found much molestation by suits in law, moved by others pretending a right to the same. At great charge Bennyon maintained his Majesty's right and kept possession, but being better provided for in another benefice, and weary of the litigious suits to which Wotton was subject, he made a legal resignation thereof to petitioner, who prays presentation to the benefice, and promises at his own charges to maintain to the uttermost of his power His Majesty's title thereto. [1 p.]

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Jan.  $\frac{18}{26}$ .  
Frankfort.

1. John Durie to Sir Thomas Roe. Since I have been in the Palatinate with the Duke of Two-brigges [Deuxponts] I have received yours, in which you show me your care to advance the work with the best divines, and in particular with my Lord of Canterbury, to offer me necessary maintenance, and to clear the name of the King of Sweden concerning the restitution of the Palatinate. You tell me that I must have letters not only from our side but from the Lutherans to the Divines of our Church, which, in respect to the death of the King of Sweden, will be more difficult than formerly. I wrote to you from Offenbach last November that I had an open entrance to the King himself and his chief preachers, but now that door is shut. I will seek out all means, but it will be a hard matter for me as a private man, for they are all disjointed among themselves. Some means have been used to procure a meeting of the reformed divines. The Landgrave of Hesse did labour to this before the King went to Nuremberg to meet Wallenstein; but partly the strait in which all public affairs were then, partly Pappenheim's march through Hesse to Saxony, partly the absence of the Elector of Brandenburg in Prussia hindered the meeting. I then took the next course, to procure letters from each church by itself, hoping that one side might be united under the King of Bohemia, and dealing with the other side by means of the King of Sweden, but it has pleased God to disappoint all these purposes by their doleful deaths. I am now dealing with every province severally, and if they write to entreat our church to join in this work and take the lead of it, I hope it will not be refused. The ground I have for believing that the King of Sweden would have united the Churches is his own promise to me at Wurzburg, when he told me that he thought himself called of God and bound in conscience to do it and offered to give me address to Sweden if I might further the work there, and letters to the Princes of Germany, which I should have got if he had lived. If you will hear more of this, ask of Sir Thomas Dishington, who was with him before his death, and can give you better assurance. Touching the restitution of the Palatinate, I know it with such evidence as no impartial man can make doubt of. You know Sir James Ramsay, who reconciled the mistake between you and the King of Sweden at your first meeting in Prussia. He is my author, and I have debated the matter thoroughly with him. As concerning any public edict against Calvinists, it was never heard of, but by command of the Lord Chancellor the revenues of the Palatinate are taken up for his use, or for levies of men, so that the preachers have been defrauded of maintenance. I have written to Mr. Hartlib and sent him printed verses. The Administrator, the Palsgrave Ludovic [Duke of Simmeren], has got a son who is to be baptized next week and named after our King. [3 pp.]

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2. Receipt signed by Edward Hodgson, clerk of Robert Bateman, Chamberlain of London, for 30*l.* from the Bishop of Chichester, being his second payment towards the repair of St. Paul's.

*Underwritten.*—*Note by Clement Mosse that it was entered in a ledger book in Merchant Taylor's Hall. [Printed form filled in.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*

Jan. 30.

3. Receipt by A. C. of the bond of John Scott, D.D., delivered up by John Payne. [*Scrap.*]

[Jan.]

4. Ellen Underwood to George Gardiner, at the sign of the "Golden Anchor," above York House. We are continually threatened about this business [*margin*: the murdering of Browne] by one especially [*margin*: Morgan, a priest] who has been censured for taxing the judges of the circuit where he lived with treason, and now he says the King had need look about him that his crown and life be not brought to the stake, by whom we know not, nor for what cause. [*This letter is alluded to, Vol. CCXXXI., No. 65, under date 28th January.*] *Underwritten.*

4. I. "George Gardiner: 7th Feb. 1632/3. John Broadbent prisoner in the Fleet, wrote this letter by direction of Ellen Underwood, and he heard the words mentioned in this letter, and divers more of worse nature, and he likewise saith that divers more heard the same words." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Feb  $\frac{4}{14}$ .  
Frankfort.

5. John Durie to Sir Thomas Roe. You speak of the need of my procuring letters from the Lutheran divines to the Church of England, which I should have done had not my purpose been cut off with the life of the King of Sweden. Since the hope of a general meeting of the reformed divines, which the Landgrave of Hesse intended to procure by means of the King of Bohemia, is frustrated, I have gone back to my first proposition, that the schism must be healed by a mediator, who might be found in the Church of England. Letters to this end have been written by the churches of the Palatinate and of Hanau, the Church and University of Cassel, and some of the confederates of the Wetterau, to wit, those of Isenburg, Braunsfels, and Hungen. Those of Nassau, Solms, and Witgenstein have appointed Dr. Irlen to meet me, and, lastly, those of Twobriggs will write, and also Prince Ludovic [Duke of Simmeren] as administrator [of the Palatinate]. I have hope yet of a general meeting, at which the direction of the matter may be offered to our King. The Lutherans must be brought together by Denmark, Saxony, and the Lord Chancellor Oxenstiern, and if His Majesty speaks in the name of the reformed side, viz., the Low Countries, France, and Helvetia, the matter may come to a happy issue. The imperial towns must be considered, but they commonly follow the example of their neighbour princes. After I have been to the Diet of Ulm I will let you know more. The administrator of the Palatinate,

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Palsgrave Ludovic, is a zealous and godly young man, somewhat more resolute than his brother, the King of Bohemia, and he hath good counsel about him. My lord ambassador [Sir Robert Anstruther] is not yet come; the Hollander's ambassador is come to Collen (Cologne), as Mr. Pergens tells me. Your hundred rix-dollars have carried me so far, and now your second supply is come to hand. If I go to Ulm I must have a horse and a man. The desolations of the country have made everything extraordinary dear. The ordinary news Mr. Hartlib will tell you. [2½ pp.]

- [Feb. 4.] 6. Paper by Durie, headed S. R., probably enclosed in preceding. The King of Sweden intended to restore the Palatinate freely, but Sir Henry Vaue was like to have marred the whole business, for, after the King was irritated by his proceedings, he began to let the Chancellor deal more boisterously with the government there. The King would fain have had Sir Henry out of the way, and said openly to the King of Bohemia, "Brother, I see that you and I must make an end of the business alone." I am credibly informed that when he was at Munich, and Sir Henry had made a quarrel for Lord Archibald Douglas' sake, he wrote to England to have him called back, and, when they were at Nuremberg, he devised conditions intolerable to the King of Bohemia only to put Sir Henry out of hopes to do anything, and so hasten him away. When he was gone the Chancellor said that his master's determination was, if Sir Henry was at the treaty, to stand upon the conditions of Nuremberg, but, if not, he should give his brother all he desired freely. While Sir Henry was here the King of Sweden hindered the King of Bohemia from levies, but afterwards entered into a treaty to give him the whole archbishopric of Mentz (Mainz) and the Elsass, with command of the armies there, viz., the army of Baudisson, which was below, and that of Field-Marshal Horne, which was above Mentz, in and about the Palatinate. Lastly, I know that by means of Sir James Ramsay, and the informations he gave to the King of Bohemia and Mr. Colbe, things in the treaty were changed as black is from white, and Prince Palatine Ludovic, when I was last at Lauteren, did mention to me what great good Colonel Ramsay's advice had done his brother. Now the Lord Chancellor is in Brandenburg, and has had private meetings with the Duke of Saxony and neighbouring princes. The common news shows that hitherto our side has had the better in the field. The armies are thus divided—The Landgrave William of Hesse is with 14,000 men in Westphalia pursuing Gronsfeld, who is not far from Dusseldorf, with 5,000 men or thereabout. Baudisson is a little below Coblentz, with a small army, which now Birkefeld [von Birkenfeld] is going to command. Kniphausen is in the land of Brunswick; the Chancellor Oxenstiern is gathering troops about Halle; there is an army in Silesia, partly Swedish, partly Saxon, of about 30,000, and another marching towards Bamberg out of Saxony, under

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Duke Bernard of Weimar, who is sickly. There are troops sufficient hereabouts to block up Heidelberg and keep the Elsass, and the Field-Marshal is in Bavaria with a victorious army, so that if God bless us with unity we shall be no weaker than our enemies, except they gather more forces than they are likely to have or keep while they are always retiring. We hope that in a few days Heidelberg will be rendered to Prince Ludovic, and that some, such as Wolfenbuttel and Hamelin in Brunswick, will be forced to seek conditions at last. You may tell S. R. that the King of Sweden never published any edict against the Calvinists, but all the evil they got was that in the Palatinate some Lutherans were brought in by authority in places where a congregation of Lutherans had been formerly. There is a thundering fellow, Dr. Donner, whose thunderbolts prove blunt, because all reasonable men are ashamed of him, so that the Stadtholder of Mentz, Stellin Morvay, did rend a writing of his before his face, and charged him to abstain from such dealing in time to come. All this I have from the chief counsellors of the Prince Palatine, Dr. Tossanus and Dr. Meisterley. [2 pp.]

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7. John Drury to Sir Thomas Roe. The enclosed [missing] was given to me to be sent to you by a preacher, who was a counsellor of the late Landgrave Maurice of Hesse while he lived, and who now, to gratify his sons, and solemnize his name, has got, from all the Universities of our religion in Europe, epitaphs and verses made to his praise. I told him that you had spoken much good of him [the Landgrave] to me, and I thought you had been acquainted with him, he therefore entreats you to favour his tomb by commendations to some of your acquaintance at the Universities, that he may have from thence some verses to add to the rest. He saith he has verses in his praise in all the languages which the Prince could speak or understand, viz., Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Chaldee, French, Italian, High Dutch and Low Dutch, except only Spanish and English, and so presumes to entreat you that his name may be honoured by our Universities also. I hope the Lutheran Churches will be more easy to deal with than heretofore, because the Duke of Saxony is much inclined to see the Palatinate restored, and the Lord Chancellor has openly professed to Dr. Spina and Lieutenant-General Colbe, (who were sent from the Administrator to Dresden at the meeting), that he received a commission from his King, before his death, to restore the Palatinate, that the death of the King of Bohemia did hinder it, but that now he would perform it. Dr. Tossanus told me a letter was come from Oxenstiern to Prince Ludovic, offering all fair means of agreement. These appearances are fair, but the meeting at Ulm will shew the effect of all. I sent you with my last a bill of exchange, charging you with 100 rix-dollars which Mr. Pergens gave me upon your credit. I shall hope to try some further motion in my work, chiefly if Sir Robert Anstruther will give way to some of my propositions. Mr. Hartlib has all other news. [1½ pp.]



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8. Draft, corrected and endorsed, by Nicholas, of the warrant of the Lords of the Admiralty to the Commissioners in the Isle of Purbeck touching the "Salmon," a Dutch ship cast away there. [2 pp. *Calendared under this date. See Vol. CCXXVIII., fol. 17a.*]

Feb.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
Hague.

9. John Dinley to [Sir Thomas Roe]. Silence has been the best way to express our sorrows. Death upon the heels of death, and one wave on the neck of another, has not given us time to distinguish our afflictions. Her Majesty (of Bohemia), the most afflicted of women, and yet the greater for her trials, has passed through fire and water, sighs and tears, though not without some marks of her agony. The first who came to her relief was the excellent Prince of Orange, no worse a comforter of ladies than conqueror of his enemies. The next were the States, firm in their affections, but the next was our gracious sovereign, who exceeded in all demonstrations of love. Sir Francis Nethersole brought it over in haste, my Lord Marshall [Earl of Arundel] in solemnity, and Sir Robert Anstruther in all sincerity. Though her heart before was petrified with grief, these cordials have made it supple and willing to be preserved for her children. The young Elector is a prince of promise. The Duke of Simmeren has taken the administration upon him with cheerfulness, and is now bestirring for his pupil. The Elector of Brandenburg is earnest in the cause, all our doubt is of the Duke of Saxony, lest strife should fall between him and Sweden, for direction of the war. Sir Robert Anstruther has gone by Maestrecht to the Administrator and from him into Saxony, unless the Chancellor prove in his way. Your acquaintance Mr. Charnasé is here and assures the Queen that the King, his Master [Louis XIII.], and the Cardinal are wholly for the restitution of the orphan Prince. I have let Her Majesty know that you have no sooner recovered your legs, but they would be walking towards her. I can assure you she will take much comfort in your company. [2½ pp.]

Feb. 16.  
Jersey.

10. Sir Francis Rainsford, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to Mr. Hardy. You are to appear before the Lords of the Council 40 days after date hereof to answer concerning the possession of certain lands belonging to the rectory of St. Martin's, Jersey. *Endorsed, "Sir Philip Carteret touching Mr. Hardy of Jersey."* [1 p.]

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11. Warrant from Francis, Lord Cottington, to [John] West, to issue a Commission to inquire concerning all Chantry lands possessing rents within the Bishopric of Durham which heretofore came to the Crown, or are now withholden. The Commissioners to be Humphrey Wharton, Receiver-General [for Northumberland and Durham], Hugh Wright, Edward Wright, Thomas Wharton, Henry Birkbeck, Tobias Ewbanke, Anthony Moxton, William Conyers, Hugh Walton, and John Markendale.

*Underwritten.—Note by C. Harbord, Surveyor-General, that this was drawn up by request of Mr. Auditor Brinley.* [1 p.]

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12. Sir Thomas Roe to the Queen of Bohemia. After so long a silence, I cannot expect any acceptance without a pardon. I will make no excuses, they are too great, and such as cannot speak. Sir Francis Nethersole is best able to give you an account of how your affairs are governed here. I am persuaded that the love of His Majesty is entire towards you and that his will is to employ his authority in the best way if all matters were represented to him in true lights. Your invitation hither was full of affection, and divers judgments have been made of your resolution, and some who presumed best to know your mind had least reason for it. It is unsafe to trust to paper, and though I desire nothing more than to see your Majesty and to discharge my heart to you yet I know not what fears or causeless jealousies shut me up. Seeing that His Majesty does not trust me, I dare not trust myself, though I have no thought opposite to his true service. Experience has assured me that your great danger will arise from delay, for though a sense of honour keep up the cause while the memory of the King of Sweden and the shadow of his glory and prosperity last, yet if these begin to cool, divers ends and fears, and jealousies insinuated with Spanish gold and Austrian flatteries, will quickly evaporate them. I cannot believe that the Germans will change their nature and old maxims, and when they remember the severe hand of the Swede, they will take up the cry, *out with the stranger*. And indeed the stranger cannot maintain himself now, and must look homeward where much work may be spun for them by the Poles. If, therefore, as they cannot keep your estates, they might be induced to deliver possession of them to His Majesty for the use of the Prince your son or to the administrator, and assurance given them reciprocally to assist them, this only will awe the Princes of Germany, and make them constant to the common end of a safe peace. If you can procure any places of strength to be put into the hands of the King, we shall then discover whether the Emperor, Spain or Bavaria will attempt to dispossess His Majesty and declare a breach with England, which were a great gain, by letting the King know their falsehood. Without this course to make your son considerable by a declaration in arms all treaties will fail you. One principal cause of the ruin of the reformed Princes of Germany has been the division of Luther and Calvin, and that there has been as virulent a hatred between them as with the common enemy. For three years I have laboured to re-unite the parts of one church. This I know the King of Sweden would have agreed unto, and I am assured that Oxenstiern will not oppose it. It was approved by the King of Bohemia, the Landgrave of Hesse, the Earls of the Wetterau, divers churches and learned men, and by the conference at Leipzig. And it will now need your help, to countenance it, and to be as content to admit them as they will be to receive us, that we may grow into one body, and under the common denomination of *Evangeliques réformés* enjoy the privileges granted to the first confession. For as there is no bond so strong as that of religion, nor any separation so opposite as contrariety in

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conscience, for which ill men will die like good, so there is no hope of keeping Germany in balance against the common enemy, nor of procuring spiritual liberty of conscience, and temporal liberty of laws, rights, and possessions, but by taking away the schism, and acknowledging that they are one church in the foundation, and one in common defence. This may appear difficult, but I am confident it may be effected, if we will govern ourselves by the rules of charity, which St. Paul has joined with faith and hope, and they are inseparable. [*Copy, 3 pp.*]

Feb. 25. 13. Sir Francis Nethersole to [Secretary Coke]. Finding that your appointing for me to attend this morning proceeded from your own well-wishing, and not from direction of the Committee, I take the liberty to represent to you that for divers considerations I would not appear further in this business than is necessary for the King's service, and that I find no manner of necessity of my appearing this morning, seeing that I have deposed all I can certify, and all I can say more is contained in my letter to His Majesty written at the time to which my depositions refer, and which I beg may be read to-day. I shall be in your chamber at Whitehall ready if the Committee should find cause to call for me, but pray that my letter may be read before or at my coming. If I am asked what I think best to be done with Sir Dudley Carleton hereafter, I shall wholly refer myself to His Majesty's pleasure. [*2 pp.*]

Feb. 27. 14. Lord Vere to [Secretary Coke]. I have received yours of The Hague. 15th February, sent to me by Mr. Boswell, by which I understand that his Majesty is well pleased with me and the preacher of my regiment [Stephen Goffe, see *Vol. CCXXXII., No. 23*] for using our book of Common Prayer. Upon coming out of the field, my preacher sued to the Lords of Holland for the entertainment allowed to him by them, but not having an act from the Council of State, who are to approve of such ministers as are employed in the field, his answer was that he must come acknowledged by them, before he could have his entertainment. When he made his address there, he found complaint made against him for what he had performed in his ministry, and they gave him answer that such ministers as received entertainment from them must conform to the church here. My preacher gave it under his hand that he had done nothing that did not agree with the church here, upon which, they have given him their act, and those of Holland the money that was due. For many years I have had no minister but such as have been conformable to our church, but their practice has been according to the church here. When I was governor of Brill, his late Majesty instructed me that the preacher of the garrison was to conform himself to the church government of the States here, and this has been the practice for the most part since I have known these parts. Some of my countrymen here have not been altogether conformable to our church, but their carriage has been so peaceable, that I think you

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may do a work of charity in passing by them favourably. *Endorsed by Secretary Coke*: "Lord Vere from the Haghe, received by 15th March." [2½ pp. *Evidently dated old style.*]

March 1. 15. Certificate by Isaac Gogan and Thomas Ellwood, Customs Officers, of malt and beans laden by John Athaw on board the "Primrose" of Sandwich, Leonard Culmer, master, for London. [*Scrap.*]

March 6. 16. Sir Francis Rainsford, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to the Privy Council. According to your commands of 31st May 1632, I called before me John Hardy, gentleman of this Isle, against whom Mr. David Bandinell, Dean of Jersey and Rector of St. Martin's parish, presented a complaint that he had occupied certain parcels of glebe land belonging to that rectory. After hearing the matter, I required Hardy to surrender possession, but this he refuses to do without satisfaction, wherefore I have ordered him to answer before your Lordships within 40 days of date of the intimation. [1½ pp. *See No. 10 above.*]

March 7. 17. Petition of Henry Little to the Commissioners for Enquiry of exacted Fees. Last November I was arrested on an extent out of the Court of Wards, for a debt pretended to be due to the King. On 14th November I removed myself by habeas corpus into the King's Bench, whence I got my discharge 27th February, but Sir John Lenthall, the Marshal, detains me for fees. I paid 32s. and offered to make it up to 5*l.*, but his bill includes 6*l.* for 15 weeks' lodgings, and 28*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.* "fines for actions," which is for not wearing irons and is an unlawful extortion. Begs directions. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

March. 17. I. *List of fees paid in the King's Bench by Thomas Haward and Gregory Parker.* [1 p.]

March 31. 17. II. *Replies to complaints made by Little, Haward, and Parker of the fees demanded in the King's Bench by—*  
*Sir John Lenthall, Marshall.*  
*Thomas Dudson, his deputy.*  
*Edmund Pike, paper clerk.*  
*John Jones, steward.*  
*Thomas Benson, porter.*  
*Thomas Allen, chamberlain, garden-keeper, and butler.*  
*Lenthall explains as to Little's complaint of 28*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.* for actions that he was charged with 1,908*l.* 11*s.* for executions at 3*d.* a pound, and 800*l.* actions at 1½*d.* being the regular charges.* [6 pp.]

March 9. 18. Petition of Sir James Perrot, Deputy Vice-Admiral of South Wales, to the Admiralty Commissioners. Has been Deputy Vice-Admiral under the present Earl of Pembroke and his late brother for 18 years, but is molested by Sir Thomas Cannon, who procured a commission to survey the proceedings of the Admiralty officers in those parts. On complaint, this commission was ordered to be

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reversed, but your petitioner allowed it still to stand that his innocence might be proved. A year ago last summer certain pirates brought linen cloth to the coast of Pembrokeshire and sold it to the country people, which cloth petitioner seized for His Majesty's use, and committed two traders with the pirates, called Hitchins and Stone. But the next morning after coming into the country, Sir Thomas Cannon, being then drunken, re-examined them and said petitioner had no authority to commit them. Also he said that a Vice-Admiral had no power to appoint a deputy, and has told some there that they have no need to serve on juries at the Admiralty Court, calling it a frivolous jurisdiction. *Underwritten,*

18. I. *Order signed by Francis Lord Cottington and Secretaries Coke and Windebank, referring the petition to Sir Henry Martin. [1 p. A copy of this order is calendared under this date, Vol. CCXXVIII., fol. 31; see also Vol. CCXXXIV., No. 41.]*

March  $\frac{1}{20}$ .  
The Hague.

19. Elizabeth, Queen of Bohemia, to Sir Henry Vane. Honest Harry, the wind doth so press me for this bearer's going as I have little time to say anything, but he will tell you all, and I pray help all you can to a good and a speedy dispatch. I can say little to any thing. The greatest news here is that there is great love betwixt squinting Mons. de Venise and the Princess of Orange. They never fail meeting together here. I pray do not fail to let her know this. Hauterive is now here, and encountered this night here with Charnassé; it was made right, for they were both out of countenance. I will say no more at this time but continue your affection in helping this honest man to a dispatch. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Seals with arms and crown.*]

March 11.  
King's Lynn.

20. The town of Lynn to the Privy Council. Having received your Lordships' letters requiring us, on complaint of Michael Gaby, to allow him, as a maimed soldier, a yearly pension or to certify to you sufficient cause of refusal, we certify that about nine years since, the said Gaby, being found vagrant in the town, was pressed, amongst others, to serve under Count Mansfeld, and was shipped into Holland, but soon after returned, without doing any service or receiving any hurt. Nevertheless, that he might not beg or do worse on his journey homeward, our then Mayor gave him 10s. to bear his charges into his own country. He afterwards served as a soldier in the voyage to the Isle of Rhé, and has since been travelling about as a petty chapman to sell pedlar's wares. Signed by Barth. Wormell, Mayor, and 12 others. [*Sealed with the town seal. 1 p.*]

March 21.  
St. Martin's  
Lane.

21. Sir Francis Nethersole to [Secretary Coke]. Finding that I already suffer much in my reputation for doing my duty in the business touching Sir Dudley Carleton, and forseeing that I may do so more hereafter, when I may be less able to rectify mis-reports, I have digested a relation of the whole proceeding, and now send you a draft of the principal part, that if I have mistaken anything, you may correct it. If it is without error, it may please you to underwrite an attestation that it is agreeable to His Majesty's pleasure. *Underwritten,*

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21. I. *Note by Secretary Coke*: "To this letter I answered to  
"Sir Francis Nethersole's servant that His Majesty had  
"not commanded me to deliver anything in writing."  
[1½ pp.]

March 22.  
St. Martin's  
Lane.

22. Same to the Same. I am sorry if I have made an unfit request, but to my end it will suffice if you will cross through any words I may have mis-remembered in the writing I sent you. As I cannot foresee any inconvenience can come to you, I hope you will do me this favour. *Endorsed by Coke*: "Sir Fran. Nethersole, from St. Martin's Lane." [1 p.]

March 24.

23. Declaration made by Henry Jermyn before the Earl Marshal, the Lord Chamberlain, Lord Wentworth, and both the Secretaries. States the circumstances of his taking the message from the Earl of Holland to Lord Weston, and what afterwards took place between Mr. Percy and the Earl of Holland. [*Copy by Secretary Windebank. Another copy is already calendared, Vol. CCXXXVI., No. 43. iv. 1½ pp.*]

March 25.

24. List of ships, with their measures and burdens, and the number of men appointed for each, also the number of men proposed by the Trinity House for the coast and for foreign service. [*Other copies are already calendared, Vol. CCXXXIV., Nos. 51-54. Underwritten,*

24. I. *Warrant by the Lords of the Admiralty to the officers of the Navy, that His Majesty's pleasure touching the number of men is to be duly observed. April 6th, 1633.*

[March.]

25. [Sir John Coke] to the Mayor of Newcastle. His Majesty has taken notice of the late seditious riot in the town of Newcastle, and approves your endeavours in suppressing it and apprehending some of the malefactors. If you had set a better guard on them, and terrified the rest by proclamation and by raising the trained bands, your service had been greater and the tumult sooner settled. For further punishment of the delinquents, you are to send to London those of chiefest note amongst them, and if any of their masters are discovered to have had part in this disorder, they above the rest are to be sent up, with some man of discretion bringing good certificates to inform against them and justify the charge. [1½ pp. *Copy, in Coke's hand. The answer to this letter is calendared, Vol. CCXXXIV., No. 56.*]

March.

26. Complaint from Jersey to the Council that six or seven pataches of war, of several nations, having no commission, but living by piracy, infest the seas near the Islands of Jersey and Guernsey. Their lordships are prayed to send a ketch and one of the "Whelps" to secure the Islands, and also to request the French Ambassador to take order that the pirates be not harboured in the ports of Normandy and Brittany, especially in a little island called Chosye lying betwixt the islands and St. Malo. *Endorsed by Nicholas*: "Complaint of piracies committed by Jersey and Guernsey, delivered by Sir Philip Carteret." [1 p, 3 lines.]

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April 11. 27. Paper containing notes relative to the proclamations of October 1631, for the better direction of those who wish to repair to the Court for the cure of the king's evil; of November 1631, forbidding the resort of the people to Court for the cure of the king's evil until the middle of Lent, and to restrain the access of others from infected places; and of January 1632, ordering the execution of laws made against eating and selling flesh in Lent and certain other times. *Latin*. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Unfinished.*] *Dorso*,

27. I. *Memoranda dated as above. Books signed. The farm of the Customs for the year 1629. Mr. Jacob for the tobacco for 1627, 1628. Sir John Wolstenholme for the impositions for 1628 and 1629. Mr. Baldwyn's account for 1630. The wardrobe accounts. The funeral.*

April 11. 28. Certificate by Isaac Gogan and Thomas Ellwood, Customs Officers, of barley and wheat laden by Henry Lawes on board the "Speedwell" of Milton, William Dannell, master, for Maidstone from Sandwich. [*Scrap.*]

April 16. 29. Certificate by Edmund Dean, Chief Customer of Jersey, given at the request of Mr. John Hardy, that there has been no passage from that Island to the eastern parts of England since 19th December 1632. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Underwritten*,

29. I. *Certificate by Sir Philip Carteret and E. Dumaresq attesting the mark of the chief customer.*

29. II. *Overleaf.—Note by John Wolley that this paper was delivered to him at the Council Chamber at Whitehall by Sir Philip Carteret on 28th May 1633.*

[April ?] 30. Opinion of William Noy, Attorney-General, to the King, concerning the duel between the Earl of Holland and Lord Weston. He affirms that by the laws of England it is unlawful for a man to fight a duel or to carry a challenge; narrates the proceedings of the Earl and of Henry Jermyn [see Vol. CCXXXVI., No. 43], and declares that the said proceedings of the Earl (who, as a member of the Privy Council, Justice in Eyre on this side Trent, and Justice of the Peace for co. Middlesex, ought to have been more than ordinarily careful of the preservation of the peace) were in high contempt and disobedience to His Majesty's inhibition and laws. [8 pp.]

May 3. 31. The city of Norwich to Sir Thomas Coventry, Lord Keeper, praying permission to elect William Bussey as their Mayor. *Latin*. [*Slip of Parchment.*]

May 11. 32. Bond by Sir John Wake, of Salcey Forest, co. Northampton, to William Ireland, junr., of Sutton Bassett in the same county, for 60*l.*; with note [in English] that if Sir John Wake, his heirs or administrators pay the sum of 36*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, to the above-named William Ireland, his attorney or executors, upon the 25th of this month of May next coming, this obligation shall be void. Signed

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by Sir John Wake, and witnessed by Francis Cooke and Thomas Green. *Latin*. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 23.  
Doncaster.

33. Declaration of the King that, having given order for a voluntary contribution for the aid of his sister, [the Queen of Bohemia], he shall esteem such of his servants and subjects best affected to him who shall show themselves most forward in furthering the said contribution. [*Signed by the King. Other copies are calendared in Vol. CCXXXIX., Nos. 28-36.  $\frac{1}{4}$  p.*]

June 7.

34. Petition of John Sandbrooke and Mary his wife, late wife of Captain Henry Ramsay, deceased, to Thomas Lord Coventry, Lord Keeper. Last Hilary term, petitioners obtained a decree in Chancery against Roger and Robert Ramsay, whereby Robert Ramsay was ordered to assign a bond to them, but instead of doing so, he obtained a reference to Sir Robert Rich, and now to Sir Edward Clarke. Beg that he may be compelled to assign the bond. *Underwritten*,

34. I. *Note by Lord Keeper Coventry that he does not think Ramsay has committed a contempt, as, if his deposition be true, he offered to deliver the bond upon warrant, but he is now to give it up, and so both references may rest.*

34. II. *Note by John Sandbrooke of receipt of the bond from Sir Edward Clarke.* [1 p.]

34. III. *Endorsement [by Henry Sherfield ?]:—"16th July 1633, "I had this of Sir Edward Clarke for my son Ramsay "to see, and to be returned to him again."*

June 30.  
Court at  
Edinburgh.

35. Warrant by the King to Sir Henry Vane, Comptroller of the Household, and Sir Henry Knollys, Clerk Comptroller of the same, to pay such wages, board wages, and other entertainments owing to the King's servants as they shall think most necessary out of the 2,000*l.* surplus of the 10,000*l.* assigned for the expenses of the journey to Scotland. [*Signed by the King. 1 p.*]

June.

36. Table of the fees of the Marshal of the King's Bench, confirmed by the Judges as due according to ancient records. [1 *Sheet. Copy, attested by John Dibley and Henry Davison 22nd February 1636.*]

[June.]

37. Information of John Spencer, gunner in the Tower, to the Council, that in the Castle of Norham, co. Durham, there are or should be 12 pieces of ordnance, but one has been stolen and carried to Scotland, and those remaining are hidden in a vault. He begs to be employed to put them on board the "Dreadnought" now bound for Scotland, as there is much necessity for brass ordnance for the two ships last built and others now a-building. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCXL., No. 42.]

[June ?]

38. Statement of the case against Mr. Carier, a minister of the Church of England. Contrary to law, he got into his hands, in the name of his wife's father, both the farm and the office [of director



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of the lead-mines at Wirksworth, in the Peak], whereas he, a churchman, is incapable either of the farm or the office, which are both lay fees. For this he was justly indicted and condemned at the assizes at Derby, and found no way to free himself, but by procuring a dispensation under the great seal, which was not a clearing but a confession of his offence. The charges proved against him are oppression, extortion, riot, and scandal against the Government and the doctrine and practice of the Church and religion, for all which crimes he has been deeply censured by this Court. The writer advises revocation of the dispensation, and that the censure of this Court [of Star Chamber?] be transmitted to the High Commission, and his cause there recommended to a just and severe proceeding. [17 pp. See Vol. CCXLI., No. 75.]

July 2. 39. Order of Francis, Lord Cottington, to John West, Deputy Remembrancer, that the cause between the Attorney-General and Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Warmestrowe and others, shall be set down the first cause for Thursday next, and then fully determined. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

July 24. 40. Petition of John Rawlin and Thomas Romerill, on behalf of  
Whitehall. themselves and other soldiers of the Castles of the Isle of Jersey, being twenty in number, to the Privy Council. Having served for many years under Sir John Peyton, and being 160*l.* in arrears of pay, they beg that Sir John and his attorney, Joseph Lovering, may be called before the Attorney and Solicitor-General, that justice may be done. *Underwritten*,

• 40. I. *Order, dated as above, that the Attorney and Solicitor General are to hear the cause, and either determine it or report.*

40. II. *Order signed by the Attorney and Solicitor, and dated 27th July, that the parties are to be at the Attorney's chamber in Lincoln's Inn on the 3rd of October.* [1 p.]

July 26. 41. Petition of John Derves of Jersey to the Council. Sentence having been given on erroneous grounds against petitioner on behalf of Elizabeth Hue and John Laell, he prays a hearing, or examination of the cause. *Dorso*,

41. I. *Reference to Dr. Rives, his Majesty's advocate. Whitehall, 26th July 1633.* [1 p.]

[Aug. 1.] 42. The clothiers of co. Gloucester that make red cloth to the Justices of the Peace, giving reasons why they cannot employ so many workfolks as heretofore. [3 pp. Copy of Vol. CCXLIV., No. 1 IV., 1.]

Aug. 1. 43. Note by John Spencer, one of the gunners of the Tower, of 18 pieces of brass ordnance, delivered to him by Sir George Dalston, captain of the citadel [of Carlisle], and Sir Richard Fletcher and Sir William Musgrave, Deputy Lieutenants for the county. He has viewed the citadel, the walls of which are in good repair, but

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the timber of the roof is much decayed and so is the lead. He has also viewed the Castle, which needs little repair, but the portcullises and drawbridges must be renewed, and the moat scoured out. The wall round the town is good, and, for the most part, a yard and a half thick. [1½ pp.]

Aug. 1. 44. Certificate by Sir John Corbet, Justice of the Peace for Salop, of the presentments made by the Constables of five of the allotments of the north part of the hundred of Bradford, co. Salop; viz., in Hodnet, Moreton Saye, Stoke and Arcol, Drayton and Cheswardine, from 4th July to 1st August 1633, concerning vagrants. Also that all defaults of constables, churchwardens, and overseers of the poor, with all misdemeanours of all housekeepers and other offences have been punished by him according to their several natures. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *With note that the certificates were delivered to Sir William Jones, Judge of Assize, on 6th February 1633–34.*]

Aug. 29. Like certificate by Sir Rowland Cotton and Sir Andrew Corbett, from August 1st to 29th. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Annexed to preceding.*]

[Aug.] 45. Notes by Secretary Windebank of business to be transacted. How the revenue belonging to His Majesty's houses is employed; the gardens and housings being so much in decay; B[ishop] L[ondon?], Commission concerning the Church of Westminster. To speak to Inigo Jones concerning a house for Vandyke. To send for the messenger that was to carry the letters to the Judges. To send for the messenger that keeps Arismendi, and likewise the Lord Montague's servant that conveyed the letter (*see Vol. CCXLV., Nos. 1 and 5*). To speak to His Majesty that my Lord Chamberlain now upon view of the lodgings in Whitehall may appoint some place for the records of the Signet. The brewhouses in Westminster to be removed. To write to the D[ean] of Salisbury as well concerning Henchman as the *Scire facias* (*see Vol. CCXLIV., No. 55*). London Bridge. His Majesty to be moved for the Church of Plymouth, that upon the resignation of Wallis, a conformable man may be preferred. Mr. Drake hath the advowson, who is at the disposal of Stroude. The poorness of the stones of the Tower and decay of the fabric. The danger of the powder there as it now lies; some other place to be thought upon. The ditches there to be scoured, and the tenements upon the ditch side to be removed. Transportation of fullers' earth: that none be put to sea but in little hoys, or none at all be carried by sea but in carts from town to town. [1 p.]

[Aug. ?] 46. Note from Nicholas to Sir William Becher, Clerk of the Council. To acquaint the Council that the barges coming from Burcot to Woolwich and Deptford with the King's timber must pass Wallingford Bridge, which no barge above the breadth of 16 ft. 4 in. can do, yet they are charged the same as larger barges at the locks on the river, and so lose upon every freight; and to move their Lordships that the larger barges below Wallingford

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Bridge shall contribute in some proportion to the carriage of the timber. [1 p. See Vol. CCXLIV., No. 9.]

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47. Queen of Bohemia to the King. My only dear brother, the lady Eleanor Douglas, being come into this country, hath intreated me at her going from hence to recommend her case to your favour. I could not handsomely refuse a woman of her quality so small a request, and if it be as she saith, her case is to be pitied, which I leave to your judgment, only I beseech you to pardon me the trouble I give you in reading this, having so lately troubled you with many long and tedious letters of my own unfortunate business. [1 p. *Seals with arms and crown.*]

Sept. 21.

48. Petition of Leonard Vowe of Halloughton, diocese of Lincoln, to the Archbishop of Canterbury. Complains that the records in the Bishop of Lincoln's registry are kept in his lordship's own house at Bugden, and that there is no registrar, but that his servant, Mr. Walker, who denies that he is the registrar's deputy, takes upon him the custody of the records, many of which are records of institutions and others of great consequence. Petitioner cannot obtain certificates and other papers which he needs in a cause against William Street, in which, after two commissions had been returned to his lordship, he granted an intimation for all interested to appear in St. Mary's Church, Leicester, before Mr. Warre, Archdeacon of Leicester, to show cause why the seats in the church of Halloughton should not be assigned according to the certificates of the said Commissioners. Begs that the Bishop may be ordered to send up the documents. *Underwritten,*

48. I. *Note signed by Archbishop Laud that the petition is to be shown to the Bishop of Lincoln, as he can hardly believe that the records should remain in the hands of any but the registrar or his deputy.*

48. II. *Statement by the Bishop that the records of institutions have been kept in the house for a hundred years past; that Walker did not deny being registrar, but deputy registrar, and that the intimation which petitioner asks for was never returned to him, nor can any more be found in the Registry than is certified.* [1 p.]

Sept. 28.

49. Certificate by Myles Edgar and Laurence Lomax, bailiffs of Eye, co. Suffolk, to the Council, that they cannot learn that any money has been collected in their town for the defence and recovery of the Palatinate, except what was gathered for the relief of the distressed ministers there, which was paid into the hands of Thomas Burgess, vicar of the said town. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Sept. ?]

50. Petition of David Ramsey, groom of the Privy Chamber, to the King. Bartholomew Frumman of Cheyne [Cheam] co. Surrey, lodged for three nights in August last, one Henry Flood, alias Francis Smith, alias Rivers, alias Seymons, a Jesuit, who was apprehended there on the 18th of August. Drue Lovet of Gray's

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Inn Lane did also lodge one Herbert, a seminary priest, for nine weeks in March and April last. Prays for a grant of the benefit to accrue when they are convicted. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See a like petition but with Thomas Killigrew joined to petitioner, Vol. CCXLVI., No. 99.] *Annexed,*

50. 1. *Notes concerning Smith, Frumman, and Lovet. Smith was first taken in Nevill's Alley in Fetter Lane, in a private place between a chimney and a wall, five or six years since, and brought before the Bishops of Norwich and Lichfield and other Commissioners, and by them committed to the Clink. Afterwards going abroad without licence, he caused himself to be arrested, as for debt, and by an habeas corpus removed to the Fleet. In July last, by virtue of a certificate from Dr. Moore, a recusant, the Lords (of the Council) not suspecting him to be a priest, but only a debtor, granted him a warrant to take the air abroad, whereby he has exercised his functions in divers places.*

*List of persons whom he has perverted or carried abroad.*

*Frumman is said by the High Constables of Cheyne to be never without a priest or Jesuit in his house, which has a private place for hiding.*

*Lovet is a common entertainer of recusants and priests and keeps an ordinary for them. He is also their common bail and at this time stands bound for Herbert, Baker, Popham, and others.*

*Endorsed, "David Ramsey, referred to the Commissioners for recusants." [1 p.]*

[Sept.?

51. *Notes by Sir John Lambe concerning Mr. Holdsworth's election as Master of St. John's College, Cambridge. Holdsworth's election was against the form of the statute, as the late Master died on the 5th of June, and the announcement was not made till the 7th instead on the next day, as the statute requires. Twenty voices were excepted against and 29 were unexcepted against. A motion was made to lay aside those excepted against to which all consented, and of the 29 left, Lane had 16 and Mr. Holdsworth but 13. The protestations made on Mr. Holdsworth's part were not repeated or pursued, but on Mr. Lane's part it was otherwise. The senior fellow ought to pronounce for the election, which was not done for Mr. Holdsworth. For Dr. Lane it was. Mr. Holdsworth went not into the chapel to say prayers and give God thanks, as by the statute is required, but Dr. Lane did. The two senior fellows ought to present the Master elected to the Vice-Chancellor. So it was done for Dr. Lane, but not for Mr. Holdsworth. Wherefore we consider Mr. Holdsworth's election not to be according to the statute. In case no election was good, no devolution was to the seniors, to the Bishop of Ely, or to the Chancellor of the University, for that by the statutes, if the fellows differ at the first scrutiny (as they did), they should have had a*

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second meeting, which they had not. Then it falls to the King, both by his prerogative, and for that all elections of Abbots, Bishops and the like, not otherwise appointed, devolved to the Pope, whose power now rests in the King. [1 p. See Vol. CCXLIX.]

Oct. 4. 52. Opinion of the Attorney and Solicitor General on the petition of the soldiers of Jersey [see No. 40 of this volume] for arrears of pay. The Viscount of Jersey is to consider the question, examining the receivers and the books of accounts. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[Oct. 14.] 53. Petition of William Osborne, Henry Seward, Giles Thornborough, and Edward Thornborough, canons residentiary of the Cathedral Church of Salisbury, to the Archbishop of Canterbury, against the admission of Dr. Henchman. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. A draft of this, by Nicholas, calendared under above date, see Vol. CCXLVII, No. 79.]

Oct. 24. 54. Minutes by Secretary Windebank of business to be transacted by the Council. Tuesday next. Chester. Sir Henry Martin and Sir John Lambe to advise on difficulties in the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of bishops. The letter to be sent if the King approve. The lords to speak to the Attorney-General to follow it closely. A new warrant to the Attorney for the High Commission. The hearing of St. Gregory's business next Sunday afternoon. Sir Henry Martin and Sir John Lambe to be there, and to command the counsel for the parish to attend. The Lord Keeper to be added to the committees for wakes. Dr. Lane's petition: St. John's College. Lord Daubigny. The resident of Spain. The deputy of the States. Lady Villiers. Patrick, the King's footman, desires lands in the new plantation; Cooke and Wanham, grooms of the chamber, recusants' goods. The Bishop of Kilfanora, for his liberty. Bishop of Killalla, for a commission to recover lands belonging to his bishopric. John Chambers for waste ground towards maintenance of a minister for a chapel in Denbighshire. Mr. Windham, the nurse's husband, desires reference to the Earl of Dorset. Oliver Ridge pretends to be one of Sir Miles Hobart's heirs, if the conviction of his father for piracy do not make a corruption in blood; desires reference to the Judges and Mr. Attorney. Dr. Carrier. The Apothecary's petition for a licence of mortmain for a hall in Blackfriars. A warrant to the Attorney-General to renew the Commission Ecclesiastical.

Further notes, overleaf. Chester. Committee to examine Lady Davis. Lord Deputy. Peter Lombard's book concerning O'Neale. To write the Lord Deputy concerning Duke of Lennox. That the Duke shall be used as well as the Earl of Carlisle. That the Earl Marshal be used fairly. To write to the Lord Deputy concerning Chester; the King and he deceived. To speak to the Lady Villiers. Sunday next a Council for the posts and St. Gregory's. The King himself will be there, if both parties can be ready. Vandyke's house rent, &c. Bishop of Chester's bond. Henshaw. Howell. Sir H. Mildmay. Privy Seal. To take no

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jealousy at the D[uke] of Fer[ia] coming into Germany. The Palatinate shall be reserved for the King of England. Conde di Oniate, Ambassador in Germany, to treat of a straiter league with the Emperor, into which the King of England to be invited. Nicolaldi promised to have been sent for on Tuesday last. [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

[Oct. ?]

55. Petition of Richard Holdsworth, B.D., sometime Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge, to the King. Was discharged about a month ago of his attendance upon the Commission concerning St. John's College, but has waited for the despatch of the reference to the Privy Council. Prays confirmation of his election to the Mastership of the said College. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *The Commission was issued in August 1633, and was sitting in September. See Vol. CCXLIX.*]

Nov. 4.

56. Notes relative to legal proceedings taken against John Everard or Everett S. T. P. of Fulham, in co. Middlesex, for non-payment of subsidy. *Latin.* [1 p.]

Nov. 7.

57. Petition of Leonard Vowe of Halloughton to the Archbishop of Canterbury. The note endorsed by the Bishop of Lincoln as an answer to your Grace [*see No. 48 above*] does not satisfy the following points. 1. Whether the Bishop received the certificate sent him by Dr. Hill and Mr. Burden. 2. Whether he granted a commission to Mr. Warre alone, or to Mr. Warre and others. 3. Whether this commission was returned to his Lordship's registry at Bugden [Buckden]. 4. Whether his servant Walker be his registrar or deputy registrar at his house at Bugden. 5. Whether his Lordship will send up an inhibition issued out of the Audience Court, whereby he was cited, but did not appear. *Underwritten,*

57. I. *Note signed by Archbishop Laud that the petition is to be shown to the Bishop of Lincoln, who no doubt will cause any parcels returned to his office to be sent up; and that the registrar or his deputy at Bugden being a public person, should be publicly known, so that persons may know of whom to demand such records. As to the inhibition, the Judge of the Audience is to see to that if it be true.*

57. II. *Answer by the Bishop of Lincoln, begging that the petitioner may be referred to his ordinary course in law, and stating that he has sufficiently implied that Walker is the Registrar at Buckden and consequently the person who is to give satisfaction in these particulars. 21st November 1633. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]*

Nov. 9.

58. Warrant to allow Charles, Lord Howard, and Thomas Howard, sons of the Earl of Berkshire, about to travel for three years, to embark with them one horse and two geldings. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

*Overleaf.—Note that they were embarked in the "Mayflower" of Dover on above date.*

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Nov. 13. 59. Receipt of Sir John Denham, Baron of Exchequer, for 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* from John Harvy, Receiver-General for county Lincoln, as his half-year's fee, up to Michaelmas last, for declaring the accounts of the said Receiver-General. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Nov. 14. 60. Warrant from Lord Cottington to John West, Deputy Remembrancer in the Exchequer, to issue writs of supersedias to the sheriffs of London for stay of execution upon the several processes of extent gone forth against John Hayes, James Baker, and Thomas Monk; and the like to the sheriffs of Surrey as regards Jacob Troughton and Robert Barefoot, concerning the business in the Star Chamber. [4 p.]
- Nov. 21. Certificate by Sir Andrew Corbett, Justice of the Peace for Salop, of the presentments made to him by the constables of the north part of the hundred of Bradford, county Salop, concerning vagrants, &c., from 24th October to 21st November. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See No. 44 of this volume, above.]
- Nov. 25. 61. Accounts of moneys levied on persons attainted of felony in counties Devon, Berks, and Cornwall, 14th June 1632, 18th February and 25th November 1633. *Latin.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- [Nov.] 62. Petition of Sir Theodore Mayerne to the King. States the abuse in the oyster trade caused by foreigners buying up the best, and leaving the refuse. Begg a patent for 31 years, to lay beds of oysters, for which he will pay a rent of 40 marks per annum into the Exchequer.

*Underwritten.*—Reference to the Lord Keeper and Lord Privy Seal, signed by Secretary Windebank. [Copy. 1 p. See Vol. CCL., No. 36.] Annexed,

62. 1. *Reasons against the petition.* If petitioner means to lay oysters freely for the fishermen, it is a good charity, but if he intend to have any property in them, he will wrong either the lords and owners of the creeks or the fishermen. The fishermen are ordered by law, at times appointed, to lay oysters, so that bedding of them for increase is needless, unless for gaining the patent, and giving licence to strangers, which might interfere with His Majesty's foreign treaties, and cause much inconvenience. At this time there is in Kent a general restraint of selling to the Dutch, because the store of oysters is much decayed by the Dutch overlaying and enhancing the price at sea, which occasioned the late scarcity, now much amended, since the restraint; 2, because the Dutch under colour of trading for oysters did steal out goods without paying customs; 3, that they have got the trade of pickling oysters away from the English, which trade might employ many more vessels and mariners, and so bring much more to the Customs than the petitioner offers. No patentee could look so well to abuses as do the officers of

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*the Admiralty Fishing Courts and Courts Leet, near the coasts, and it would be either a burden to the poor fishermen, or the country must pay dearer in the markets.*  
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63. Fair copy of both preceding papers. [2½ pp.]

[Dec. 3 ?] 64. Notes of the presentment of Robert Barrow, of the parish of All Saints, Leicester, before Robert Bayley, Clerk Surrogate of Sir John Lambe, Archdeacon of Leicester, on 23rd May 1633, for keeping company with Henry Kempe and his wife, Thomas Clarkson and William Bottomley, and for being present with them at a conventicle in the house of the said William Bottomley; with the further proceedings in the matter, and also of the presentment of Eliza, wife of the above, before Sir John Lambe, and the proceedings thereupon, the last date given being 3rd December. *Partly Latin.* [1¼ p. *Attested copy.*]

[Dec. 7.] 65. Warrant of the Admiralty Commissioners to the Officers of Whitehall. the Navy to enter Richard Cole as purser on the "Black George." [½ p. *Copy.* See Vol. CCLII., No. 25.]

Dec. 19. Certificate by Sir John Corbett and Sir Rowland Cotton, Justices of the Peace for co. Salop, of presentments made to them by the constables of five of the allotments of the north part of the hundred of Bradford, co. Salop, concerning vagrants, &c., from 21st November to 19th December. [¾ p. See No. 44 of this volume.]

Dec. 66. Memorial of Sir Philip Carteret to the Privy Council, complaining of the injury which he sustains by the daily slanders uttered by one Fyott and his wife, and praying that they may be restrained from further vexatious proceedings against him. [*Draft.* ¾ p.] *Annexed,*

[Dec. ?] 66. 1. *Memorandum by Sir Philip Carteret of the committal of one Andrew Harris of Guernsey to the Marshalsea, in the year 1585, for using indecent words against the Justices of Jersey.* [Probably enclosed in above memorial. ½ p.]

Dec. 67. Copy of the same. [¾ p.]

[Dec.] 68. Relation of the losses sustained by Robert Powlett, his partners, and the company of the "Dove" of Minehead, from Captain Michael Cornelius T'Kint and the company of the "St. Peter" of Rotterdam. [1 p. *Already calendared, Vol. CCLIV., No. 20 1.*]

69. Petition of the Dean and Chapter of Lincoln to the King. The vicarage of Workworth [Wirksworth], co. Derby, lately became void by the deprivation of one Carrier, the incumbent, for divers crimes and enormities, of which simony was not one, wherefore the title to present to the vicarage belongs to petitioners.



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But one Mr. Hudson, on pretence of simony in the said Carrier, has obtained letters patent for presentation to the same, and has brought a *quære impedit* against petitioners. He has sued forth a writ of *ne admittas* to the Bishop of Coventry to stop the admission of petitioners' clerk, and seeks to have himself admitted to the church by a special mandamus from His Majesty. Pray that the mandamus may not be issued until the truth of the title appear, and that meanwhile the profits of the Church may be sequestered. [1 p.]

70. List of the feoffees of the unappropriations of Dunstable, Hertford, and Cirencester. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Two like lists already calendared, Vol. CCLV., Nos. 11 and 12.*]

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71. Passages extracted from Prynne's work entitled "Histrio-Matrix," supposed by the reviewer to militate against the King and State, also such as occur against the Church and clergy. The passages are grouped under the seven following headings: 1st. Words of unchristian censure and general offence, wherein all ranks and sorts of people are included. 2nd. Particular passages tending to the dishonour of the present State and the magistrates therein. 3rd. Such scandalous passages as aim at the discredit of the King's Court, and the customs of it. 4th. Odious and undutiful speeches, tending unto the scandal and dishonour of the King's person. 5th. Scandalous and offensive speeches reflecting personally on the Queen's Highness. 6th. Dangerous and disloyal passages which may be used to the destruction of His Majesty's most sacred person. 7th. Titles of honour bestowed by Mr. Prynne upon the Puritans, their innocency, loyalty, and piety. At the end of each chapter is a summing up of the inferences that arise from the passages quoted. The heading only of the 2nd part, "Such passages as occur against Church and clergy in the same author," is given. [34 pp., of which 9 are blank. *Probably used in the proceedings against Prynne in this year. See Vols. CCXLVI., No. 108, and CCLX., No. 120.*]

72. Copy of report by Sir William Russell, Sir John Wolstenholme, and Sir Kenelm Digby, to the Lords of the Admiralty, concerning the complaints and examinations sent in against Mr. Hilliard and Mr. Stevens, saltpetremen, and their servants.

[*Report already calendared under date 30th April 1630, Vol. CLXV., No. 38. This copy probably made for the proceedings in the Star Chamber in 1633.*]

73. Fra. Gillermo, alias William Barret, to [Lord Cottington?]. I beg your Lordship that the names of Bancroft and Widdrings [Witherings] may be crossed out in the paper, as otherwise, the lawyer or anyone whom you consulted about it might give notice to the opposite party of what is urged against him, by which my friend's claim would be lost. Nor should the said contrary party know that anyone is petitioning the King for the part which he has asked for, as Mr. Widdrings says that in such case his opponent

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would spend thousands of pounds in order to suborn the judges. This paper contains the names of the most famous lawyers in London, with whom Mr. Widdrings has consulted, and they say that he will certainly gain the case if he can make good friends of the judges, and if, when judgment is to be pronounced, someone will come from His Majesty to say that he has had notice of the suit, and that he charges them to proceed with all rectitude. As for me (as Mr. Widdrings says that this suit may last until the day of judgment), I think I had better procure my 100*l.* from the Treasurer, in order to start as quickly as possible. If your Lordship is inclined to ask His Majesty for another 100*l.* for me on that judgment, you might use the following reason, saying that I do not wish to go to Spain without a letter from you to the Count of Olivares, declaring that I have not received from His Majesty more than 100*l.*, as without that declaration I fear they would all think in Spain that I had received some great reward from the King of England, which might do me harm in my suit over there; and that it appears to you just to write as I wish, to prevent my being injured, and yet that you dislike to write that His Majesty has given me so little, and that you have found a judgment upon which, without injury to the Treasury or His Majesty's own purse, he might grant me more than the 100*l.* already allowed me. If your Lordship in that way can obtain for me some part of the above-mentioned fine, anything above the 100*l.* would be at your disposal, as I think I may with a very good conscience give to whom I please any part of the bounty which His Majesty may bestow upon me. I beg you to pardon my troubling you so much, and I trust that these good works which your Lordship does of your kindness, may be the means that the Lord will abundantly shew his mercy to you. I shall come this evening to kiss your hands. Monday morning. *Spanish*. [2½ pp.] *Enclosed*,

73. 1. *List of the lawyers consulted in the suit against Bancroft, viz., Mr. Noye, Sergeant Hendon, the Recorder of London, and Mr. Calthrop.*

74. Angela Porter to her son, Endymion Porter. When I wrote to you the other day, I was ill, but now, thank God, I am beginning to recover. I beg you not to be vexed with me for writing to you so much, but I cannot help it when my neighbours ask me. This John Reyland is poor, and has met with a case which he says your word alone can settle in his favour, which I doubt not you will be able to do. He will tell you what it is. Greet my daughter-in-law for me, and do not forget me to my grandchildren. I pray that God may bless you all. Your sister and brother-in-law send greetings to you and to your wife. *Spanish*. [1 p.]

75. The same to the same. This poor man has asked me to write to you once more in his favour, as an order has been obtained to throw him into prison. He will pay his debts as quickly as he

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can, but if they put him in prison he cannot do so, and his wife and sons must perish. The man who persecutes him has not much cause to do so, as he has paid the greater part of his debt. The poor man has a good character and is not a drunkard, but he has had the ill-luck to get into debt, and has nothing but what he earns by his butcher's shop. If you can help him, I am sure you will. Your sister greets you, and has sent you two turkeys to eat on Shrove Tuesday, a dozen black puddings, a ham, and a collar of brawn. It is so small that she was ashamed to send it, but if you like it she will send more. Your brother-in-law means to see you soon, so does not write. My greetings to my daughter-in-law. May God bless you and your dear children. *Spanish.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

76. The same to the same. You have sent me all the comfort possible, and if I only had good news of my daughter-in-law's health, nothing would be lacking to me. I beg you to order your servant to send me word on the first opportunity, as I know how busy you are, and I cannot be so happy with these dear children as I ought until I hear that she is well again. I wish you could see me seated at table with my little ones, one on each side of me, as if I had been occupied in this way all my life. I delight to see them in bed at night and getting up in the morning. The little boy is the image of what you were at his age. You may feel quite easy about them, as this part of the country is very healthy, and they shall have every care. As to their food, they have butter and cheese in plenty, which my good cows give, and before the children came a sheep was killed every week, and beef sent for to the market. The calves and lambs are sometimes sold and sometimes killed. My little boy is going to bed. The Lord bless you. *Spanish.* [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

77. The same to the same. Although I wrote to you the other day, I know you will like to know that your dear children are, thank God, perfectly well. The little boy is very charming and a great rogue. I wish to give you an account of what has happened since your servant left. I well know that money is somewhat short with your sister just now, and knowing your wishes, I told her that you have once said that Dike [Richard] Bee might give her some, so he has given her five pounds. Greet my daughter-in-law for me, send me word that her health is restored, and tell her how delighted we are with her dear children. Your sister and brother-in-law thank you a thousand times for the wine and the herrings, which last are the best I have ever eaten, but they do not mean to try the wine till you come. *Spanish.* [1 p.]

78. The same to the same. I know that I can send you no better news than that your dear children are well. Philip is as merry as possible, and my great friend. When I take him to bed he will not leave my arms until he has pulled all the pins out of my hair and my collar as well, and before we separate we have a

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dance. I have to do all that he tells me. There is not such a child in the world. Many a time I wish that you and his mother could come to the door to see the play that we have at night before he goes to bed. Mr. Sheldon and Mr. Savage have been here to see the children. Give my daughter-in-law a hearty greeting from me. I hope I may soon have news of her improvement. I adjure you to tell her not to meddle much with doctors, for, if the fever has left her, good food is the best thing for her. The Lord be praised for the birth of the prince. Let me know when he is to be baptized. Mrs. Gibson says that if he is as pretty as Philip all the poets in England will have to write about him. She asks me to give her respectful greetings to you and her mistress, and to all the rest of your servants. *Spanish. Postscript in English.*—"You must make them loke over Mr. Bater's bed, for on of the jaketes was left beheingd." [1 p. *These letters are none of them dated, but were probably written about this time. The last must have been written either in 1630 or 1633.*]

79. List headed, "Bookes to be drawne up":—

1. The Royal scale, given to the King heretofore.
2. A tractate for the Prince's highness of geometry and arithmetic.
3. The Prince Elector's exercise.
4. Practical fortification.
5. A help to navigation.

[No. 1 is probably the treatise called "*Grammalogia or the Mathematical Ring*," written by Richard Delamain, to explain the instrument invented by him, and presented to the King in 1630, or perhaps its enlargement (see Vol. CCXXXIII., No. 19). The list is apparently in Delamain's handwriting, but none of the other books seem to have been produced.]

80. Paper concerning the allowance of 5s. a ton to the builders of ships above a certain tonnage, and the nomination of a surveyor and tonnage masters to visit the ports and harbours and take account of the ships belonging thereto. With regulations concerning the building of ships of less than 200 tons. [2½ pp.]

81. Another copy of the same. [2¼ pp.]

82. Announcement of the nomination of surveyor and tonnage master [blank space left for name], with recital of the duties to be undertaken by him, and of the manner in which ships must be built. [2 pp.]

83. Paper containing charges against some builder of ships. *Endorsed by Nicholas*, "Memorandum for the Navy." [1 p.]

84. The King to the Company of Grocers. Having lately sent you letters requiring you to forbear to present any clerk to the

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rectory of St. Stephen's in Wallbrooke, void by the preferment of Aaron Wilson, late incumbent, till we should nominate one to you, your conformity whereunto is very acceptable unto us, we now recommend to you Thomas Howell, D.D., one of our chaplains in ordinary, requiring you forthwith to recommend him to the said benefice. [*Copy.* 1 p.]

85. Interrogatories concerning some tenements in London, by Attorney-General Noy. When and by whom was any building first erected there; [*margin*: "for every several defendant, viz., Clarke, Hunt, Russell, and Lowe"]; when and by whom was the ground first enclosed; was it any part of the waste ground of the city, or upon the Thames; who now enjoys the tenements; were they purchased of Sir Edward Stanley; what sums of money were paid to him, and by whom. Sir Edward Stanley himself to be asked whether he sold any. *Endorsed*, "Mr. Noy's directions for the London business to draw interrogatories." [1 p. *In Noy's handwriting.*]

86. Gyles Porter to his son, Edmond [Endymion?] Porter, at Mickleton. I have been at Beaconsfield to see my cousin, Nicholas Porter, who is very ill. I have tried to persuade him to make a will, or at least set down what he would dispose of to his children, and this he says he will do when my cousin Catesby comes up. I pray you, therefore, either go or send to him, to confer with him concerning your both coming up as soon as possible. I go to London to-morrow. [1 p.]

87. Memorandum of the parts, fittings, and cables of ships. *Endorsed*, "Brother Luke concerning ships." [2 pp.]

88. Answer of Robert Talcott to the information of [John] Tendring, [Peter] Witham, and William Holloway. Some 16 years ago he leased a croft of land in Colchester from Thomas Lucas, deceased, through which he gave petitioners leave to lay pipes to convey water into the town, they covenanting to pay him 20 shillings a year, and also to pay for any damage sustained. They have from time to time come into the croft, cutting up his corn and letting the water run about, but he has had neither rent nor damages. Petitioner forfeited his lease to Mr. Lucas, never intending the destruction of the waterworks. The townsmen only signed the petition on the earnest request of the undertakers, and most of the information in it is false. [1 p. *See Vol. CCXLVIII., No. 4.*]

89. Petition of Thomas Hilliard, saltpetre man, to Sir John Coke. Has been complained against for pretended misdemeanours, and ordered to purge himself in the Star Chamber, which he doubts not he can do; but, as he has been at great charges, begs that he may carry on his work until his cause be heard. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *See No. 72 above.*]

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90. Petition of Morris Lewis, servant to Mr. Thomas Lunsford junr., prisoner in Newgate, to the Council. In October last their Lordships gave order that, on bond of 2,000*l.* by Mr. Thomas Lunsford, senr., for petitioner and others, for the keeping of the peace towards Sir Thomas Pelham, petitioner should have his liberty, but Mr. Lunsford refuses to enter the bond. Prays commiseration, as his only fault was to attend his master in an unfortunate action. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

91. Petition of Thomas Lunsford, prisoner in Newgate, to the same. Was granted an order for enlargement on bail, but was unable to procure the bail. His health has suffered much by being kept in close and noisome places. He begs to have reasonable bail assigned, and that the business be directed to some lord staying in town, as he is informed that their Lordships meet no more for this long time. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCLIX., No. 14.]

92. Petition of George Rookes to the King. The late King, by letters patents of 13th August 1622, granted petitioner the office of searcher of the port of Sandwich, to be held during good behaviour by himself or his deputy. One Dawson afterwards obtained similar letters from your Majesty, and by an order obtained by misinformation, exercises the said office, to petitioner's manifest wrong, he having the prior title. Prays order to the Lord Treasurer to settle him and his deputy in the possession of the office, and that the Barons of the Exchequer may take his oath and security for due execution of the same. [1 p.]

93. Petition of Robert Tray of Rochester, gunner, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has been gunner's mate in the "Mary Rose," "Assurance," "Victory," and "Antelope," with sufficiency in his art, as appears by the enclosed certificate. Begs for the place of master gunner which shall next fall void in one of His Majesty's ships. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCL., No. 67.] *Enclosed,*

93. 1. *Certificate by John Reynolds, master gunner of England, in favour of petitioner.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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94. Copy of a Commission from Sir Thomas Fanshaw to Sir Charles Harbord, Surveyor-General, to survey the lands called Hatfield Chase and the Level, in the counties of York, Lincoln, and Notts, concerning which a contract has been entered into with Sir Cornelius Vermuyden and others, dated Westminster, 10th July 1632; and of Sir Charles Harbord's return thereon, dated as above. *Latin.* [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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95. Order of the Lords of the Admiralty to Sir Henry Martin, &c., to compass a reglement for the preservation of His Majesty's sovereignty in the narrow seas. [*Copy.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Already calendared.* Vol. CCLIX., No. 17.]

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96. Petition of Peter Ray, purser of the "10th Whelp," to the Lords of the Admiralty, to be appointed purser of the new ship now building at Deptford. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCXXVIII., fol. 112A.]

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97. Petition of Sir Francis Nethersole to the King. Having had good time and great occasion to examine his conscience, sufficiently awakened by His Majesty's high displeasure, and which yet absolves him from having had any other than a good meaning in those passages justly ill-taken by His Majesty and the Lords of the Committee, he begs for pardon and restoration to liberty. [1 p.]

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98. Statement by George Henley and Augustine Phillips of London. About the end of March last [1633. See Vol. CCCLII., No. 47] they freighted the "Pelican" of London, John Dowrish, master, for a voyage to the Western Islands, with goods worth 5,000*l.* consigned to their factor, Thomas Dodson, at the Island of Treseries [Terceira]. After unloading, she proceeded to the island of Fiall [Fayal] where she took in 177 chests of sugar for Henley and Phillips, and about 80 more for others, but on her way home was taken by a man of-war of Flushing and carried thither. A petition to the Council for redress was referred to Sir Henry Martin, who advised Henley and Phillips to go over to Holland to demand their ship and goods. Phillips went over, and Sir William Bosville, His Majesty's agent at the Hague, procured him a letter from the States General to the Admiralty in Zealand, at Middleburg, where he remained until the end of December last, but could get no satisfaction, by reason whereof they are forced again to petition Council. [1 p.]

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99. Petition of Edmond Needham, the King's servant, to the Privy Council. Understanding the unkind proceedings of the masters, wardens, and assistants of the Trinity House, by certificate delivered to the Clerk of the Council Table, petitioner begs for a speedy reading thereof, and that the complainants may be summoned before their Lordships to give the occasions of their ridiculous answers against a gentleman and a traveller. The Wardens of the Trinity House have reported that petitioner sought to take the ballasting of ships from them, which is not true, as he has sought to maintain their privileges, providing they take their ballast out of the river, according to their charter, and convert the sums of money which they receive for ballast to the maintenance of poor seafaring men lamed and hurt in his Majesty's service. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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100. Petition of William Stone to the Lords of the Admiralty for the place of purser to the "10th Whelp," void by the removal of Peter Ray. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,

100. I. *Certificate of the Navy Officers in his favour.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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101. John Legard to Mr. Ward or Mr. Elliot at Sir Thomas Fanshawe's office, Warwick Lane. There is a charge against

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divers lands in Thorp, co. Lincoln, on which an inquisition has been returned into your Court. Let me have a copy of it by Monday, when we are to move for a discharge thereof. Also send me Thomas Settle's bond. *Endorsed with receipt of two bonds against Godfrey Cooke, bailiff, and William Chapman.* [Scrap].

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102. Order by John Packer to the Clerks of the Petty Bag, to deliver to the bearer, William Hawkins, such moneys as they have received for fees due to the clerks of the Privy Seal in Hilary term last. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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103. Petition of Robert Ridley of Langbark, co. York, to the Privy Council. On certificate of Sir William Pennyman, Deputy Lieutenant, petitioner was fetched up by a messenger for default in not showing his arms at a general muster. Being heartily sorry for his offence, and promising not to offend again, begs order for his discharge. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCLX., No. 110.] *Annexed,*

103. i. *Copy of a letter from one of the Deputy Lieutenants of Yorkshire, charging Ridley with said default.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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104-106. Three copies of the Reglement for ships passing or trading in the narrow seas. [*Already calendared, Vol. CCLX., Nos. 127, 128.*]

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Lincoln's Inn.

107. William Noye to the Auditors of counties York, Westmoreland, Northumberland, and Cumberland. Pray certify how the lands in the two papers annexed stand in charge before you and what leases of them are in being. [Scrap.]

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108. Petition of Robert, Viscount Cholmeley, to the King. On several suits depending between petitioner and Sir Randall Crewe, in the Exchequer Court in Chester, and before the Justices of Assize there, his Majesty ordered the Earl of Derby, Chamberlain of the county, to call to his assistance the said Justices, and to make an end of the causes, whereupon they made a final decree debarring petitioner from his remedy at common law for trial of his right, which he believes did not sort with his Majesty's intention. Begs that his Majesty will signify his intention not to abridge petitioner of any benefit of law. *Margin, note by Nicholas: A letter to be "written."* [1 p.]

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109. The King to the Earl of Derby, Chamberlain of co. Chester. On several suits depending between Viscount Cholmeley and Sir Randall Crewe in the Court of Exchequer at Chester, we required you to call to your assistance the Justices of Assize, and make a speedy end thereof. We understand that you and the said Judges did conceive our pleasure to be that you should then make a final decree, thereby debarring the said Viscount from taking his remedy at common law, which was contrary to our intention. And having seen a certificate under the hands of divers of our learned Counsel that the Viscount has a good estate in fee simple on the lands and



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other things in question, we hold it fit that he should enjoy the benefit of his trials at common law, and also shall be left to the said common law for further trial of his right to the same; the said decree notwithstanding. And we require you to cause these our letters to be annexed to the decree. [*Draft. See Vol. CCLXXIII., No. 6 I. 2 pp.*] *Annexed,*

109. I. *Certificate above mentioned by the law officers of the Crown in the case between Viscount Cholmondeley and Sir Randall Crewe, concerning the fees of the Countess of Warwick and one Audley in the town of Nantwich, co. Chester, parcel of the Barony of Nantwich. The Lord Cholmondeley claims the whole Barony as his inheritance, whereof the Countess of Warwick's fee is a sixth, and Audley's fee is two parts of a third of the said Barony, and the wastes and fairs and markets of Nantwich, and all the tolls of corn and salt, horses' stallage, waifs and strays, Courts Leet and Baron, hundred Courts and Courts of Pypowder. Sir Randall claims the seriancy of the said Countess of Warwick's and Audley's fees, and hereby the fees, seignories, and manors themselves. We are of opinion that Lord Cholmondeley has a good estate in fee simple of and in the countess of Warwick's fee and Audley's fee, and that the seriancy of Warwick and Audley's fees is an office only. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]*

[March 30.] 110. Notes for the preceding letter. Our pleasure is that the Lord Cholmeley shall have and enjoy the benefit of his trials heretofore had at law, concerning the premises and all such liberties as he hath thereby recovered, notwithstanding the decree, and that he be left for the further trial of his right to the lands, liberties, and other matters in question between them, unto the common law, and that this present signification of our pleasure be annexed unto the decree and made parcel thereof. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March. 111. Petition of John Giffard to Sir John Coke. Petitioner has authority to make saltpetre in Bristol and within 10 miles thereof, in the county of Somerset, and set up his works in Bristol, but the ground there is weak, having been wrought within five years, and he has lost 100*l*. Hopes that other parts of Somerset will yield more, and begs a grant of the residue, undertaking to deliver 2 cwt. of saltpetre weekly. [*Endorsed by Nicholas, "March 1633." A similar petition to the Lords of the Admiralty is calendared Vol. CCLX., No. 38.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.*]

[March.] Interrogatories to be put to the witnesses to be examined for and on behalf of [Philip Mainwaring] and others, owners of [the waterworks] in Chester, plaintiffs, before the Privy Council, against Francis [Gannell and Edward] Whitby, defendants. [*The depositions of the witnesses are calendared, Vol. CCLXIII., No. 7. [Four strips of parchment, mutilated. See Car. I., Case B., No. 19.]*]

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112. Viscount Falkland to his "noble cousin" [Thomas Carew ?]. I must not lose the benefit of your promise, which will make me rich in spite of poverty, for I shall find no want as long as my thoughts are busied with the perusal of that excellent work. In truth you did little less than owe it to me, for you have taken away all the pleasure I was wont to take in things of that kind, for when I compare them to yours, I cannot delight in them. But you have made all up again in suffering me at leisure to enjoy this. I shall say more of it when I have read it, but the while I must say this, both of it and the great actress of it, that her action was worthy of it, and it was worthy of her action, and I believe the world can fit neither of them but with one another. I hope you will now lend it me, under my faith that no living creature shall have it out of my hands, only I desire leave to read it to a friend or two, that are judges, if it be possible, fit for it. [*Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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The same to the same. I have here returned what I had much rather have kept but that I am enjoined to restitution, and my comfort is that the parting with this will purchase me the reading of the rest. If I valued it so high at the single hearing, when mine ears could not catch half the words, what must I do now, in the reading, when I may pause upon it, but what should I do if I might enjoy a copy of it, or have leave to copy it, which favour I hope I shall one day obtain. I wish I could do you the like favour, only I will tell you these news, that one of the fairest, wittiest, and newest widows of our time, my lady Dorothy Sherley, longs extremely to read it, and hath sent to beg a sight of it, and had she seen it, I am sure she would confirm my judgment. *Under-written.*—"The Lord Faulkland's letters." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Copy, on same sheet as the preceding. Lady Dorothy Sherley's first husband, Sir Henry Sherley of Stanton Harold, died 8th February 1634; and on the 18th of the same month Carew produced a masque at Court "Cælum Britannicum," to which it seems probable that these letters refer.*]

[March ?]

113. Certain passages transcribed out of Mr. Salisbury's sermon upon St. Matthew xxiv., 6. *Endorsed by Laud.* [ $4\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

April 14.

114. Certificate of the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey to the Privy Council. They find that the proceedings of Peter de Lisle against John Blanche have been lawful and reasonable, and that the last sentence, given after five years suit, was grounded upon two several submissions under Blanche's own hand. The value of the estate, given by the plaintiff as 1,000*l.*, is not half that sum; and the debts, said by the plaintiff to be but 51*l.*, amount to a far greater sum than the land is worth. Moreover de Lisle offered in open court to render up to Blanche the said lands on payment of his just dues, which Blanche seemed to accept but performeth nothing. The charges in Blanche's petition against de Lisle and his deceased

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father were but slanderous, and when Blanche was called upon to justify the allegations in open court, he recoiled and said he never intended to charge the said de Lisle's reputation nor his father's to have received any hard dealings at their hand. Signed by J. de Quetteville, bailiff, and seven jurats. [1½ p.]

[April ?] 115. Notes of sentences [in the Court of Star Chamber] in the case of Sir James Bagg v. Lord Mohun. Bill of October [1633? see Vol. CCXLVII., No. 7], twelve cleared Sir James Bagg and three fined him, and it was not understood what Secretary Coke meant. Bill of November, nine cleared Sir James Bagg and four fined him. At another meeting, no date given, five cleared Lord Mohun and seven fined him, and six of them gave Sir James Bagg 5,000*l.* damages. [See Vol. CCLXVI., No. 59. 1 p.]

May 3. 116. Petition of William Marsh, late Captain of the "Sea horse," to the Lords of the Admiralty. Petitioner has been long suitor for his wages and was to have satisfaction on the coming up of Sir James Bagg, who took the said ship into his custody. Sir James being now in town, he prays speedy relief for himself and the rest of the company. *Endorsed by Nicholas on this date: "Sir James Bagg is to give account of this business." [½ p. A like petition is in Vol. CCLXVII., No. 66. It is also endorsed by Nicholas, but as received on May 9th.]*

May 9. 117. Order that the examinations of witnesses, taken by commission in the case of John Tighe against Peter Tetley, clerk, and others, which were to have been read this day, be read next Tuesday; the counsel for both sides to attend. *Endorsed, "Mr. Sheppard." [Scrap.]*

May 28. 118. John Bonamy to Mons. de Tousin. I have received yours of the 9th about the debt. I have paid 30*l.* and will pay the rest as soon as I can. Particulars of debts due by Sir John Gibaut, Thomas Guille, and others. The solicitor will send you his report to satisfy the Lords of the Council. *French. [¾ p.] Annexing,*

118. I. *Warrant [by Sir Richard Sheldon, Solicitor-General], summoning John Gibaut and all others concerned, to appear before him in his chamber in the Inner Temple, between the 6th and 28th of June, to answer concerning the case between Thomasine, widow of Thomas de Lisle of Guernsey, and the said John Gibaut. 7th March 1634. [Draft. 1¼ p.]*

118. II. *Statement by P. Gosselin, registrar, before Bailiff Amice de Carteret and six others, that on Saturday last the officers of justice went to the house of Thomas de Lisle to take an inventory of the moveables of his succession, but his only son and executor Peter, and his widow Thomasine, refused to present his debts and obligations. They appearing on summons, and being ordered to present the*

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same, appealed, when it was ordained that publication should be made in the market-place, and in the parishes of the island, that all debtors should register there, but that no debts or rents should be paid to Lisle's executor or heir. [3 pp. Translated from French.] 4th June 1627.

118. III. *Testimony of 47 persons relating to the payment of the said debts.* [6 pp. Translated from French.]

118. IV.-VI. *Three certificates made by J. Foupper, King's serjeant, relative to the said debts.* 28th February 1630. [French.]

118. VII. *Record of the depositions taken thereon.* 29th April and 11th May 1630. Endorsed, "*Judgment against James Guille, John Gibaut, and Samuel Bailleul.*" [French. Parchment.]

118. VIII. *Suits of heritage before Amice de Carteret, and five others in the same case, 11th November 1628. Also before John de Quetteville and six others 14th June 1631.* [2½ pp. Translated from French.]

[May ?]

119. Case of the "Robert Bonaventure." There being peace between England and Spain but hostility between Spain and the United Provinces, certain merchants of London laded a ship called the "Robert Bonaventure" with tobacco for Amsterdam, but she was taken by a Dunkirk man-of-war, Captain Peter Jansan Norman, and carried to Dunkirk, where she was detained on the ground that the tobacco was victuals, and therefore lawful prize or booty. The English used the mediation of their King and his agent there without effect. They were advised by the Lords of the Council to repair to Dunkirk and seek legal reparation, but by sentence after appeal at Brussels, the tobacco is adjudged to the takers for good prize and the English condemned in charges. The question is whether both the sentences be not unjust. [Copy, attested by James Gresham, public notary. 1 p. See Vol. CCLXVIII., No. 31.]

June 30.

120. Certificate of issues in the cause between Sir Edward Alford and Lady Mary his wife, plaintiffs, and Sir Daniel Norton and Edward Tooker, defendants, in the Court of Wards and Liveries. [¾ sheet.]

[June.]

121. Surcharge delivered into this Court [of Wards] by Sir Edward Alford, Lady Mary his wife, and Elizabeth Viscountess Camden, creditors of the late Sir John Cowper, to three accounts of Sir Daniel Norton and Edward Tooker, with particulars of the goods of Sir John which came to their hands, and are liable for his debts, clear value 5,483*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* [2 sheets.]

[June.]

122. Answer by Sir Edward Alford and Lady Mary his wife, late wife of Sir John Cowper, to the charge and surcharge of Sir Daniel Norton. [1 sheet.] Annexed,

122. I. *Three papers of notes relating to the said accounts.*

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123. Petition of Richard Shrimpton, on behalf of Edward Lingen, his brother, to the Council. On a former petition, the Lords directed a letter to Lord Scudamore for the body of Mr. Lingen to be brought up, that they might judge of his pretended lunacy. Lord Scudamore having directed his letters to that purpose, petitioner repaired to Lingen's house to accompany him to London, but was reviled by his wife and threatened with imprisonment. She also refused to furnish horse, moneys and other necessities for Lingen's coming up, though much desired by him, so that the order is eluded. To show that the poor gentleman longs to be free of his bondage, petitioner got him, in the presence of three witnesses, to sign the copy of a petition to the Archbishop of Canterbury to that effect, not having then the copy of that presented to the Lords, which he would as willingly have subscribed. Prays a warrant to bring him up. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCLXIX., Nos. 25, 73, and Vol. CCLXX., No. 20.]

[June ?]

124. Petitioner of Richard Shrimpton to Francis, Lord Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer. Notwithstanding a former petition on behalf of Edward Lingen, his brother, and the order of the Lords thereupon for bringing his body before them, the said order is eluded, and the poor gentleman kept still in duress, so that petitioner is forced again to address the Lords. Prays Lord Cottington to procure such a warrant as may not be resisted. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[June ?]

125. Query, whether or no Henry Bedingfield has, for 11 months, from 1st July 1633 to 16th June 1634, been guilty of not repairing to his parish church, St. Clement Danes, co. Middlesex, or to any other church or usual place of common prayer and divine service, without reasonable cause of absence. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 15.

126. Laurence Squibb to John West. The Lord Treasurer desires to know what security the receivers give for their receipts, and also what the receivers of the recusants' rents and of the first fruits do enter into. Send a note of as many as you conveniently can this night, as I am to give his Lordship notice early in the morning what I can learn thereof. *Endorsed by West as received on the above date and answered the same night. Underwritten,*

126. i. *Notes of his reply.* [1 p.]

July 26.

Farige.  
[Eridge.]

127. Lord Treasurer Portland and Francis Lord Cottington to Thomas Brinley, Auditor for co. York. You are to allow Thomas Viscount Wentworth, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and President of the Council of the North, and collector for compositions for knight-hood in the northern countries, 6d. in the pound for all moneys by him paid into the Exchequer, in satisfaction for the portage thereof. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

July 29.

Bulwick.

128. Copy of part of a letter [from Sir Thomas Roe] to the Bishop of Durham, concerning the affairs of Germany and the treaty

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of ecclesiastical peace. I observe very specious intentions on the part of the Emperor to take off the Duke of Saxony, and when I consider the enclosed treatise of Dr. Hoe, his chief divine, I doubt he may betray the cause. If he be laid asleep, his neutrality may change the balance, and the Princes must take protection of the King of France, which would be a great evil to the Church and the Palatinate. Much will depend upon the success of Ratisbon, besieged by the King of Hungary. If it hold out, it will waste the imperial army, so that the Princes may refuse the French and stand upon themselves, without Saxony; but if that be taken, they must accept of any aid, and to avoid the nearest evil, venture as bad, more deferred. All the hope that remains is in a general peace, to which our ambassador is applied at the diet, but I fear that having refused to help them in the war, they will scorn to need us when they resolve to make peace. We are much in fault for having sent Oxenstiern home, *rebus infectis*. We have enforced the Swedes to make any peace, without respect to the Palatinate or our interest. Concerning the ecclesiastical, and peace of the churches, you will see the malice of the writing [Dr. Hoe's treatise] seeming to be made to satisfy the Elector in conscience, but indeed striking at any accord, temporal or spiritual. Mr. Dury thinks it will do good; that the Lutherans are displeased at it, and that it will make the moderate more unite; but he desires a confutation. I know not who will do it, and should be glad of some champion; but lest none should, I am provoked, like David by a Philistine, and am resolved to do it myself, by a letter to the Duke, *modo meo*, presuming not to believe it to be Dr. Hoe, but the vomit of some malicious stomach, set on by the Emperor, and in this way I will fling my stone at this monster, and may hit him, for there is in his pamphlet neither truth, proof, nor learning. [1½ pp.]

July 30.  
Welbeck.

129. Endymion Porter to Secretary Windebank. I have delivered your letter to His Majesty, and he has written the enclosed (*missing*) and desires you to send him back an answer with what convenient speed you may. *Endorsed by Windebank*, "Mr. Porter with a letter from His Majesty." *Seal with arms.* [½ p.]

*Dorso*.—"This day in hunting the Duke fell, and hath hurt  
"himself very ill. The King had also a dangerous fall, but,  
"God be thanked, is not the worse."

[July ?]

130. Petition of Captain John Reade to the King. Petitioner was some five years ago extremely troubled in the country by some Justices of Peace for matters of religion as they pretended, although the true reason was a private spleen between them and petitioner which fell out in the Duke of Buckingham's time. They did persecute petitioner with such violence after the death of the said Duke, that if His Majesty had not by his royal clemency moved him hither, he would certainly have suffered the extremity of the law in that behalf. He has now urgent occasions to repair thither, and prays that a Privy Seal may be drawn up to command the said

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Justices not to molest him on any of the penal statutes concerning religion. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCLXXI, No. 59.]

July.

131. Petition of Robert Powlett, sometime Customer of the Ports of Bridgwater and Minehead, to the King. More than three years since, petitioner sustained great losses by the piracies of certain Dutch of Amsterdam, having lost above 4,000*l.*, and has had no address, albeit his Majesty wrote several letters to the States General, requiring speedy satisfaction, as the said losses happened in the service of his Majesty, the merchants and others who in the time of the late hostilities traded from the above-mentioned ports. As his creditors daily threaten to arrest him, petitioner prays consideration for his affairs, and in the meantime his Majesty's protection that he may follow his business. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See an earlier petition, Vol. CCLXVIII., No. 35.]

Sept. 18.  
Guernsey.

132. Jurats of Guernsey to the Privy Council. In obedience to your letters of 31st July, we have released John Blanch the elder from prison upon good security given for his appearance before your lordships, and have signified your pleasure to Mr. Bailly, requiring him to go over to England as he is commanded by your letters, in relation to Dr. Reeve's report. [1 p.]

Sept. 21.  
Court at  
Hampton Court.

133. Petition of John Greenway, of Crewkhome, co. Somerset, linendraper, to the King. About five years ago, one William Owsley, of Shipton-Beauchamp in the above county, died intestate as was credibly affirmed, and having neither wife nor child, letters of administration were granted to his only sister, petitioner's mother; but shortly afterwards one Robert Owsley, kinsman to the deceased, proved a will and got the whole estate into his hands, before petitioner's mother had received any benefit thereby. After the repeal of the letters of administration one Christopher Owsley, pretending a debt of 120*l.* to be due to him by deceased, brought an action at law against petitioner, whereby he is like to lose the said sum. Begs that the examination of the cause may be referred to Sir John Stowell, Robert Henly, Henry Drake, and John Syms, which gentlemen are all neighbours to both parties. *Underwritten*,

133. I. *Order for the Commission as requested, signed by Sir Thomas Aylesbury, and dated as above.* [1 p.]

Sept. 29.

134. A list of Assart rents due to Sir John Pennington, for the year ending at Michaelmas 1634 within the counties of Bucks, Essex, Hunts, Notts, Northampton, Oxford, Rutland, Stafford, Salop, Worcester, and Wilts. Total 121*l.* 6*s.* 5*d.*, but with deductions for fees 113*l.* 5*s.* 5*d.* [1 p.]

[Sept. ?]

135. Petition of John Binet, a Norman, residing in the isle of Guernsey to the Privy Council, praying that certain words in Dr. Rives' report on the difference between Peter le Febure [Fevre] and petitioner may be omitted. [1 p.] *Annexed*,

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135. 1. *Report of Dr. Rives to the Privy Council. I have considered the difference between Mr. le Fevre and John Binet, and have brought them to submit their cause to four arbitrators, viz., Capt. Nathaniel Darell, Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. James Guill, Mr. Thomas Andrews, and Mr. John Perchard. If these cannot agree, Mr. John Quetteville, bailiff of the island, is to be umpire. I recommend that you should take bonds of the parties to appear, and require the arbitrators to give speedy hearing to the cause. 24th September. Endorsed, "Benet's petition recommended to Mr. Trumbull. [Attested copy. 1 p.]*

Oct.

136. Petition of Captain John Burleigh, father of Mabell, the wife of Thomas Worsley, and of Emme, the wife of Edward Leigh and mother of the said Thomas Worsley, to Lord Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer. Last Easter term Thomas Worsley, being but then of full age, repaired to London to sue out his livery and confirm a jointure ordered by the Court of Wards to his mother, and there fell into the company of riotous and ill-disposed persons who diverted him from his good intentions, concealed him from his friends, and persuaded him to make over his estate to them, which he did, and came down into the country to sell part of his lands, without making any jointure for his mother, or provision for his wife and child. Hearing that the conspirators intended to send Worsley over to France, petitioner, on a warrant from the Earl of Lindsey, had him arrested, together with one Littlebury, whom they put in security to appear before the Council on the 15th of this instant October. Petitioners are strangers, dwelling in the Isle of Wight, with no friend to give them assistance, and pray his Lordship, if he be present at the Council, to see that due provision is made for them before Worsley and Littlebury are discharged. *Endorsed by Windebank: "John Burghley, delivered by Lord Cottington."* [1 p.]

Oct. 13.

137. Attestation by Elias Dumaresq, Lieutenant of Sir Philip Carteret, Bailiff of the Isle of Jersey, that Elias de Cartaret has appointed his son, George de Carteret, to be his attorney. Signed by E. Dumaresq, T. Lemprière, A. Herault, and J. Durell, and sealed with the Bailiff's seal. *French.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Oct. 19.  
Hampton  
Court.

138. The King to the Corporation of the City of London. Sir Richard Sheldon having surrendered the place of Solicitor-General, and we intending to bestow the place upon Edward Littleton, your now Recorder, as a special mark of our favour for his good services to us and you, whereby the place of Recorder of our city will now become void, and it nearly concerning us and you to have the place supplied by a person of eminency for integrity and discretion, we recommend to you Robert Mason of Lincoln's Inn, he being a very well deserving man and fit for the charge. We have found you so ready heretofore



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to gratify our recommendation that we doubt not of your conformity, especially as we have made the place void by preferring Mr. Littleton. [*Draft. 1 p.*]

[Oct. 27.] 139. Letter from the Council to the Earl of Warwick concerning the capture of a fly-boat of Norway by Peter Simpson of Ostend. [*Copy.  $\frac{3}{4}$  p. Already calendared, Vol. CCLXXVI., No. 34.*]

[Oct. ?] 140. Petition of John Robins of Yarmouth, merchant, to the Lord Keeper, the Earl of Manchester, the Lord Privy Seal, and the two Secretaries of State. Petitioner being unexpectedly brought from his employment and having under his hand several offices for the town, it being now the time of the audit, of which he is an accountant, was by reason of his sudden departure constrained to leave the business of the town, his own affairs, and his family without guide or order; he has attended ten weeks, to his great undoing; and he was not the author, nor never intended the least hurt in that whereof he is charged; only relating what was reported by another. Prays permission to depart. [*1 p. See Secretary Windbank's notes, Vol. CCLXXVI., No. 17.*]

[Oct. ?] 141. Petition of the Goldsmiths' Company to the King, praying him to prohibit the importing, making, selling, or buying of counterfeit pearls and stones, or any goldsmiths' work, gilt, coloured, or enamelled in brass, and the wearing of the same, and also to restrain brokers, foreigners, pedlars, &c., from melting, burning, buying, selling, or pawning any gold or silver plate, fringes, laces, &c. [ *$\frac{3}{4}$  p.*]

[Oct. ?] 142. Petition of Thomas Crosse, on behalf of himself and the whole body of goldsmiths in England, to like effect, but praying also that true pearls and stones may not be exported, and that the King will issue a proclamation on the matter. [*1 p.*]

[Oct. ?] 143. Another copy of the same petition. Printed. [*1 p.*]

[Oct. ?] 144. Report of Lord Keeper Coventry on the above petitions. Is of opinion that counterfeit pearls and stones, being of small bulk, would, if prohibited, be brought into the country by stealth, whereas now coming in open-faced, with other toys of amber, jet, &c., they pay duty. Does not believe that men are deceived by them, and knows no more reason why they should abate the value of true ones than that candlesticks and cups of pewter should abate the value of silver; moreover, if all were supplied with rich jewels who now conceive themselves well enough furnished with counterfeits, it were like to waste a great part of the treasure of the kingdom. The like reason applies to studs of brass, gilt, coloured or enamelled, in general use for coaches, harness, bedsteads, &c., the prohibition of which would also undo many poor tradesmen. As regards the exporting of true pearls and stones, they are mere merchandise, rising and falling in price, and duly paying customs, and not to be

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reputed part of the treasure of a kingdom, wherefore there is no cause to bar their exportation. And for forbidding brokers and others from buying, selling, or pawning gold and silver of any kind, and so forcing men to take all to the goldsmith's shop, he sees no reason to bar a man from pawning or selling a piece of plate, a ring, or gold and silver stuff to a neighbour, more than to bar him from selling or pawning his bedding to any but an upholsterer. All good means, however, should be used to suppress the melting of plate by foreigners and others not goldsmiths, and the use of coarse gold and silver by goldsmiths and others; as also to restrain those men and women who go about for ends of gold and silver, they being for the most part but receivers of stolen goods. The wardens of the Goldsmiths Company have ample power for the reformation of these matters, and the Lord Mayor and Aldermen would no doubt give assistance, as they did by an order of the 8th July 1602. The Council might give order requiring more strict observance of the statutes against these offenders, but he does not conceive it needful for his Majesty to grant a proclamation. [2 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp. *The order was given 3rd November 1634. See Vol. CCLXXVII., No. 122.*] *Enclosed,*

144. I. *Copy of the above-mentioned order of [Sir John Gerrard] the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London, dated 8th July 1602. [1 p.]*

[Oct. ?]

145. Petition of John Carveighe, of Foy, co. Cornwall, to His Majesty's Commissioners [for Exacted Fees]. Petitioner has been for four months wrongfully imprisoned here [in the Gatehouse] by one Captain Jewell, and having procured a discharge, he has ever since been detained close prisoner by Aquila Weekes, his keeper, in the Common Gaol, who debars him from visitors and does not allow him so much liberty as those who are in for great felonies, by reason of which tyrannous usages (as will appear by the annexed articles), petitioner, who formerly commanded ships of his own in His Majesty's wars under letters of marque, has been dangerously sick, and wanting all necessities, and being 300 miles from his friends, is like to perish. Prays to be sent for, with his keeper, that their Lordships may hear, face to face, the cruelties he has suffered. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Annexed,*

145. I. *Warrant to Aquila Weekes for the discharge of John Carveighe, signed by J. Joseph and dated 10th October 1634. [Scrap.]*

145. II. "*Articles against Aquila Weekes, Keeper of the Gate-house, and his servants, done and used in the lower wards or gaol,*" viz.: 1, *selling drink by the blackpot and jug, a pint for a penny*; 2, *drinking and tippling in time of divine prayer on the Sabbath and disturbing the prisoners*; 3, *not attending to the business of the prison, whereby some that come on business to the prisoners*

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*cannot gain entrance to them ; 4, depriving the prisoners of the charcoal fire in a chafing dish, wherein they used to burn pitch to lessen the smells and damp of the prison ; 5, taking 4d. a week for each person, though they lay three in a bed, and three beds in a room not ten feet square ; 6, not suffering petitioner, though he had his discharge, to go with a keeper to Westminster ; 7, lodging women at the same rate in a room not above three feet (sic) in height ; 8, suffering men of means to live upon the charity of the basket, to the great prejudice of poor prisoners ; and lastly, making an assault on the prisoner after he had given evidence in a case of cruelty, and, to teach him to tell tales out of school, wounding and bruising him, and casting him for thirty hours into a hole not fit to put a dog in. Endorsed : "Petition of John Curreghe against the Keeper of the Gatehouse," in the handwriting of John Reynolds, Clerk to the Commissioners for Exacted Fees. [1 p.]*

[Oct. ?] 146. Petition of Henry, Lord Morley and Monteagle to the King. Prays his Majesty to cast his gracious eye on the information put into the Star Chamber, with the answer thereto, and to accept petitioner's humble submission and sorrowfulness for his offence, who had he been himself, would rather have sacrificed estate, life and honour, than so justly have incurred his Majesty's indignation. Begs him to take the cause into his own hands, and to give order for the dismissal of the charge. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Oct. ?] 147. Petition of the same to the same. Thankfully acknowledges his Majesty's clemency in declaring his intention to pardon and remit the late heavy censure in the Court of Star Chamber [see Vol. CCLXXV., No. 66] and will obey his command to pay 1,000*l.* to Mr. Bray besides the 1,000*l.* damages to Sir George Theobald. Prays that in respect of his great bulk of debts, and having given satisfaction to both the aforesaid parties, he may be released from his Majesty's fine, and restored to favour and to liberty. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Oct. ?] 148. Phineas Pitt to the King, setting forth what provisions are necessary to begin to build the great ship at Midsummer next. [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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Nov. 1. Portsmouth. 1. Jonathan Fletcher to Edward Nicholas. I have received the letter from the Lords [of the Admiralty] to our diocesan, and according to your direction I attended on his Lordship. After some private conference, he was pleased to vouchsafe me this testimonial [*see Vol. CCLXXVI., No. 43*] which I presume will satisfy the Lords and obtain what is further required. [*Endorsed by Nicholas as received on the 5th of November. ½ p.*]
- Nov. 2. 2. Warrant from Lord Cottington to Sir Thomas Fanshaw, Remembrancer of the Exchequer, or to John West, his deputy, to send him a perfect particular of the manor of Bushton, co. Wilts, being parcel of the lands of William Hunton, as it was found by inquisition at Salisbury, in February 1627. [*½ p.*]
- [Nov. 4 ?] 3. Petition of Ralph Chessen, gunner of the "5th Whelp," to the Lords of the Admiralty, that as the place of gunner to the pinnace does not afford him competent maintenance, he may be appointed to the master gunner's place in one of the ships now building, or that shall next become vacant in any of the King's ships. [*⅔ p. See Vol. CCLXIV., fol. 43A. Annexed,*  
3. 1. *Certificate by John Reynolds that Ralph Chessen is fit to take charge of the ordnance in a ship of good sort. Endorsed by Nicholas : "To be removed." ½ p.*]
- [Nov. 5 ?] 4. Brief of the cause of the clergy of London, represented in a petition to the King, showing that before the 25th of Henry VIII. the benefices in London were great, by reason of tithes, churchlands, obventions to saints and images, obits and mortuaries, easy recovery of the parsons' duties, and the great conscience that citizens and others then made for the compensation of tithes and offerings neglected or forgotten, as appears by their last wills and testaments. But now the benefices in London are poor and mean, some being not 30*l.* per annum in tithe, the greater part not 70*l.* and very few above 100*l.*, the reasons being that the tithe is reduced, that the Lord Mayor is both party and judge in the case, that privy tithes, oblations, obventions, obits, &c., are now ceased, and that many frauds have been put in practice to defeat the ministers. The remedies submitted are, that the decree for tithes may receive exposition in doubtful points, in favour of the Church, that prohibitions may be restrained, so that suits in the Ecclesiastical Courts may proceed, that proceedings before the Lord Mayor may be regulated, and that his Majesty would command by proclamation the payment of a tithe of 2*s.* 9*d.* in the pound on the rent of houses, shops, &c. *Endorsed* : "Instructions for our counsel, 2*s.* 9*d.*" [*2½ pp. The petition alluded to was presented in May 1634, and is printed in Rushworth's Collections, Pt. II., p. 269. The case was heard by the King in Council on 5th November.*]
- [Nov. 5 ?] 5. Statement of the case touching tithes in London. *Endorsed* : "Touching the ministers of London." [*2½ pp.*]

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Nov. 20. 6. Petition of Edward Midlemore to the Council. Petitioner resides in Barton-on-Humber, co. Lincoln, and at a court held last March twelvemonth, was nominated one of the ale-tasters for the said town, but the same being an unfit place for a gentleman of quality he did not perform, whereon he was amerced about thirty shillings. Begs for relief from the said amercement, and that orders may be given to free him from such mean places.  
*Underwritten.* — Order, signed by Nathaniel Tomkyns, to William Gwynne, Auditor for co. Lincoln, to discharge the above amount. Denmark House, 20th November 1634. [1 p. Damaged.]
- Nov. 27. 7. Letters patent granting to William Hebborne the office of preserving game of all sorts of fowls about the river, from Wandsworth bridge to Croydon, in the county of Surrey, in place of Eustace Hannaway, who has relinquished it. [Attested copy. 3½ sheets.]
- [Nov. ?] 8. Petition of the Governor and Company of the Silkmen of London to the Privy Council. Since the government of this trade, which employs above 200,000 poor people, has been entrusted to them, they have used their best endeavours to keep the poor at work and to maintain the trade, without the corruptions generally used in the false dyeing of silk, and have continually searched in the dyehouses and shops at home and in the fairs and markets abroad where they have suspected fraud, the charge whereof has been very great, and made the former debt of the Company about 3,000*l.*, which sum is so left upon a few, who have become bound for or lent the same, that if their Lordships shall not order some way, both for the payment of this, and the levying of 1,136*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for the yearly charges of the Company, they who have not neglected anything in their power and will be willing without the least reward to spend their utinost endeavours therein, cannot perform the work. Pray a hearing. [½ p.] *Annexed.*  
8. i. *Schedule of the causes which have hindered the government of the Company.* [1 p.]
- Dec. 4. 9. Petition of John Eaton, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the Commissioners for Exacted Fees. He has satisfied the cause of his imprisonment and is detained only for his fees. The keeper's demands being excessive, he prays an order for his release, and that he may pay only what is justly due. Signed by Jane Eaton, by mark. [½ p. Damaged.]
- Dec. 10. 10. Memorandum by Christopher Hanworth that he has received 600*l.* for the use of himself and Nicholas Murford of Yarmouth, upon articles between William Sandys and themselves, to be used in a salt work, upon the conditions expressed in the agreement. [Scrap.]
- Dec. 20. 11. Paper endorsed by Archbishop Laud on this date: "A copie  
" of Cardinall Poole's preface to his statutes made for the Universitye  
" of Cambridge when he visited thear as Legat a Latere, in Queen  
" Marye's tyme." *Latin.* [1 p.]

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Dec. 20. 12. Copy of a mandate of Richard II., dated 21st December 1385. *Endorsed by Archbishop Laud*: "Mandat to the Arch-bishop of Canterbury, against their sendinge out of anye "inhibitions to stopp proceedings at Cambridge, which was 1390 " (*sic*), *tempo* Boniface 9." *Latin*. [1½ pp.]

Dec. 24. 13. Certificate by the Bishop of Bath and Wells concerning the difference between Archdeacon Heliar, farmer of the impropriation of East Coker, co. Somerset, and Mr. Ford, vicar of the church there, about a chapel, commonly called the chapel of St. Mary the Virgin, in the said parish. The cause was heard and examined by the Bishop on the 16th December at Wells, Dr. Wood and Dr. Godwyn, Canons of the Cathedral Church, being also present. Mr. Heliar, being old and infirm, appeared by proctor, and alleged reasons why the vicar of East Coker should read divine service in the chapel; to which the vicar in person made answer. The Bishop certifies that the chapel is distant from the parish church only about a quarter of a mile; that the Dean and Chapter of Exeter do not meddle at all in the matter, but only Mr. Heliar; that the chapel has been profaned divers ways and at divers times by wedding dinners kept there, and by dancing in the chapel at those weddings, and by laying of hemp and other commodities in it, and that it has been defiled by vagrants and cattle, but it was repaired about seven years since by the benefit that was made by a church-ale, and 40*l.* or thereabouts has been bestowed in making seats and in beautifying of it. *Endorsed by Dell as received on December 24th*. [4½ pp.]

Dec. 30. 14. Sheet folded and stitched like a small book, inscribed "Portus Fowye," and containing a list of the passengers to St. Christopher's in the ship "Barnard" of Fowey, Aaron Wallish, master, dated 16th December 1634; also an entry, dated 30th of December, that William Doncaster of St. Mawgan, aged 19 years, took the oath of supremacy, being bound for St. Malo in the "Lydia" of Fowey, Thomas Goodall, master; "these being as "many passengers as have been transported out of this port of "Fowey since I received the letters patent. Wm. Hitchings, "deputy." [16 small pages, of which 14 are blank.]

Dec. 15. Certificate of the Justices of Peace for Westminster to the Council. According to your orders of the last of October and the 4th of this instant December, we called before us James Pattison and John Wycliffe, the two vintners of Covent Garden certified to continue their taverns, and ordered them to take over the wines from the other four vintners at a reasonable price, or if they could not, then Thomas Goffe and William Clifton were to do it in their stead. Four other vintners, two of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields and two of St. Margaret's, Westminster, were chosen to prize the wines, and made certificate on 11th November that they amounted to 768*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* It was desired by all the vintners in Covent Garden that they might have till the last of November to consider

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the matter, and then Pattison and Wycliffe promised by the 7th of this month to pay in the moneys; on which day Pattison tendered his part, amounting to 350*l.*, and Wycliffe offered speedily to fetch his. But the other vintners all refused to assign over the wines, wherefore we gave directions to a constable of Covent Garden to see all the other taverns suppressed without delay. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

16. Notes concerning the metropolitical visitation, from the Registry of the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of St. Mary, Lincoln, tending to show that the Archbishop has no right of visitation. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

17. Another copy of the same. [2 pp.]

18. Extracts from the registers of Simon Islip, William Courtney, and Thomas Arundel, Archbishops of Canterbury, with notes thereupon, made for the metropolitical visitation in the diocese of Lincoln [*Rough draft, partly by Sir John Lambe.* 3½ pp.]

19. Copy of the same. [ $4\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

20. Notes by Sir John Lambe of the proceedings of Boniface, Kilwardby, John Peckham, Walter Reynolds, Simon Mephram, Simon Islip, William Courtney, and Simon Sudbury, Archbishops of Canterbury, taken from the Archiepiscopal registers and from Bishop Godwin's *Catalogus Episcoporum* and Archbishop Parker's *Antiquitates Britannicæ*, made for the metropolitical visitation in the diocese of Lincoln. Cranmer's name is added, but no notes given. [*Probably a rough draft for the notes more carefully arranged, calendared Vol. CCLX., No. 89.* 5¼ pp.]

21 Copy of the same. [ $5\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

22. Further extracts and notes, partly by Sir John Lambe. [2 pp.]

23. Title-page of a book by John Andrews, preacher of God's word, entitled "The converted man's new birth; describing the direct way to goe to Heaven." Printed in London by J. N. 1634.

24. Copy of the indenture for the great farm of the Customs, for the years 1633-85. *Endorsed*, "To find out the main covenants by folio. 1634." [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

25. Part of a case against Mr. Burdett, lecturer in Great Yarmouth, giving part of the 7th and the 8th and 9th heads against him, viz., that he set an ill example by not receiving the Holy Communion at Easter 1633; that he had been admonished by his Ordinary, on 12th July 1633, to conform to the Church of England, and in particular to bow at the blessed name of Jesus; and that he had not done so, but in a prayer before a sermon

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prayed thus:—"O Lord God, thou art a spirit, and wilt be "worshipped with spiritual worship; thou regardest not the "bending of the knee, nor the bowing of the body, nor any other "hypocritical service; thou lookest only upon the heart." With proofs by witnesses, viz., John Coldham, Robert Harwood, Thomas Robinson, Samuel Grosse, Thomas Cheshire, John Dassett, Miles Hull, and George Tillyard. [*Draft. 1 p. The case began early in 1634, but sentence was not given until 5th February 1635. See Acts of Court of High Commission, Vol. CCLXI., fol. 165b.*]

26. Notes of the metropolitical visitation of part of the diocese of Lincoln, viz., the deaneries of Goodlaxton, Gertre, Goscote, Framland, Akeley, Leicester, and Sparkenhoe. [*16 small pages, stitched like a book, 3 of them blank. In the handwriting of Sir John Lambe.*]

27. Copy of the same, with outside leaf, on which is written, "Directions:—1. The exhibits to be in a book by themselves, to be "brought by me to Rowell. 2. Take the bills and bring them "likewise. 3. Remember in taking the exhibits to call for the "compositions and ordinations of vicarages, the exemptions for "peculiars and the dispensations for pluralities, and that they "be all transcribed." [*20 pp.*]

28. Another copy, in different order, and contents not quite the same. [*16 pp., 3 of them blank, In Sir John Lambe's hand.*]

29. Petition of Peter Wonham, of London, baker, a poor prisoner in Ludgate, to the Council. Has had dealings with Edward Goodwin, of Dorking, Surrey, for parcels of wheat, and has given him bonds at an extortionate rate, by means of which and other losses, petitioner became insolvent. In March last Sir Hugh Hamersley, Sir George Whitmore, and Sir Nicholas Raynton were authorized by the King to call petitioner's creditors before them, when they ordered petitioner to pay certain sums at Midsummer last, the Michaelmas after, and at Christmas next, and to give bond for a further payment at Midsummer 1635, in full discharge of all demands. To this Goodwin assented, yet within eight days of the order, and three weeks before Midsummer, he caused petitioner to be arrested, and still detains him. Prays that Goodwin may be summoned before them to answer his contempt. [*2 p.*]

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30. The King to [the Barons of Exchequer]. We understand that a cause is ready to be heard in our Court of Exchequer, between Lord Craven and the Cathedral Church of Worcester, concerning a portion of tithe and a tithe barn, whereof, as we are informed, that church has been possessed ever since the foundation of a deanery there. We recommend you to take especial care that the said church receive no prejudice in the trial, but that you yield them such furtherance and favour as in equity you may. [*Draft, 2 p. See Vol. CCLXXXI., No. 79.*]



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31. Paper endorsed, "From Mr. Tromball. Note of the order for the linen yarn." It is advised that the King resume the patent for linen yarn, and that the patentee receive such recompense as his Majesty shall think fit, continuing his grant and receiving the profit until he be compounded with. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

32. Answers of the Merchant Adventurers to the articles of complaint exhibited against them by divers clothiers of Gloucester to the Justices of Assize and of Peace there, and by them sent to the Privy Council. They state that the wasting of the clothiers' estates is due to the condition of the times; that if the clothiers have remainders of cloth, they should bring them to the market in Blackwell Hall, where the Adventurers could buy them; that they would be well content if there were a better rate of workmen's wages, but the clothiers seek amends, not only out of the price of wools, but out of the labours of the poor; that they are better able to buy than formerly, but cannot employ themselves in a trade that is become less by the half; that they do not prohibit the stranger's trade; that they have no order prohibiting trade with Englishmen beyond seas, although they have given orders against selling to one man who dealt ill with them, and also in the like case with the Dutch merchants; that whereas they used only to ship cloth twice a year, they now ship it all the year long; that their ancient order of stint has not been in use for the last twenty years; that the clothing in Germany and the Low Countries, and the great impositions laid on English cloth, from which their own in free, are great causes of the present decay in the sale of cloth in those parts. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

33. List of names, viz., Richard Ireland, alias Bradshawe; Jerves Poole, alias Marcum; William Barlowe, alias Charnock; William Latham, alias Captain Thompson; Thomas Dutton, newly come from Rome by the name of Captain Thomas Ireland; Mr. Thomas Winckle, alias Wrighte, alias Tavey; Mr. Chamberlyn, alias Maxfield; Thomas Pettinger, alias Jarrett. *Endorsed by Sec. Coke*: "Warrant for Wainwright. Names of Priests and Jesuits." [*Scrap.*]

34. List of Commissioners, viz., Sir Richard Chaworth, Sir William Turner, Sir Edmund Bowyer, Mr. Dolben of the Temple, Dr. Pell, chaplain to the Archbishop of Canterbury, Mr. Smith, secretary to the Archbishop. [6 lines.]

35. Notes by Richard Wainwright, pursuivant, of services done by himself, John Griffith, and John Gray. They have apprehended William Sterley, one Wadsworth, two seminary priests, the monk Vallentine, and one Newton (Sterley, Vallentine, and Newton being now in Newgate), and have seized books and a cross in Mr. Whyte's house in Whitefriars. Also, on order by the Council to apprehend all English, Welsh, Scotch, and Irish who came to mass at Durham House, the French ambassador's, they apprehended divers, but the French gentlemen and servants of the ambassador rescued them.

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The Lord of Durham came and checked the said gentlemen, yet the pursuivants were committed to the Gatehouse for three weeks, and it cost them 10*l.* before they were released; and this to give the French content. [1 *p.*]

36. Request by William Frizell in the matter between Thomas Witherings and himself, touching the office of postmaster (for foreign letters). The King granted the office to himself and Thomas Witherings, who thrust in his name instead of Anthony Witherings. They pledged the office to John Hatt, but on condition of redemption, and Frizell is ready to pay in his part of the mortgage. He prays to be restored to his moiety of the office, to have an account of the profits received by Witherings since the sale by [Mathew] Dequester, and to be allowed his part of moneys expended in settling the office. Witherings proposes to take the charge of the conveyance of all packets of state, if he may have the office, but being a home-bred shopkeeper, without languages, tainted of delinquency, and in dislike with the foreign correspondents, he is no fit person to carry a trust of such secrecy and importance. [1½ *pp.*]

37. Petition of Sir Sampson Darell, Surveyor of Marine Victuals, to the Council. John Thorne and Thomas Philpot of Arundel, co. Sussex, bargained with petitioner for a great quantity of beef and pork for his Majesty's service, and received money in earnest of the same, which bargain they now refuse to perform. Also one Ochender, cooper, and Robert Stephens of Shoreham, William Brupple of Brighthempston, William Grenvell, William Furlonger, and John Sturt of Billingshurst, co. Sussex, did tumultuously take away corn bought by petitioner for his Majesty's service. Prays that the parties may be called before their Lordships. [1 *p.* *Blotted.*]

38. Petition of Sir Sampson Darell, Surveyor of Victuals, to the same, by way of answer to the petition of Startup Jackson. Jackson holds a tenement on Tower Hill as tenant to petitioner, and used to pay 40*s.* per annum rent; but he procured an inquisition to be found, entitling the King to it as part of Tower Hill, whereas the King had it as part of the Abbey of Graces, and in that right petitioner holds it by virtue of his office. On Jackson refusing either to pay rent or to give up possession, petitioner obtained a judgment in the Exchequer, but forbore execution, out of compassion to Jackson's wife, and left her in possession. Jackson's friends then gave petitioner a bond for 10*l.*, yet he has now procured a lease from his Majesty, and has commenced a suit in the Exchequer in support of his claim. Petitioner has got possession delivered him by the sheriff and has taken an extent upon the bond, but the extent remains with the sheriff and is not yet executed. There are some of Jackson's goods in the house which shall be delivered up on payment of the arrears. Begs that Jackson may be left to his remedy at law. [1 *p.*]

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39. Petition of William Glide, senior, on behalf of the inhabitants of Southgate Street, Exeter, to the King. The street which petitioners inhabit has always had an undoubted right to the serge-market weekly held in the city, and has for the most part enjoyed it, in spite of frequent attempts of the mayors to remove it to the streets in which they themselves resided, which attempts were disowned and annulled both by Queen Elizabeth and the late King. But the mayor and his brethren, having purchased the cloisters, burying-place, and chapter-house of the Cathedral Church of St. Peter, in the said city, have now perverted these to a market-place and alehouses, and have removed the serge-market thither, to the great prejudice of petitioners, who have more poor to maintain than any other parish in the city. Pray confirmation of the Act of King James, and letters patent to establish the serge-market in Southgate Street. *Endorsed*, "Sir Richard Ford. Thomas Kendall, Esq." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCLXXXI., No. 21.]

40. Petition of John Griffith to the same. Two years since, one Robert Brinker of co. Carnarvon died, leaving his daughter and heir under age, whose friends obtained a commission from the Court of Wards to find an office and entitle his Majesty to the wardship. Having delayed a year and a half, they did, on the 7th of March last, execute the same, but found no tenure for his Majesty, and obtaining a writ of *melius inquirendum*, would have cleared the said heir from wardship; but David Edwards, deputy feodary for the said county, did certify the Master of the Wards how his Majesty was like to be prejudiced thereon, whereon the Master discharged the writ and granted a new one, which petitioner prosecuted, and there is an office found for his Majesty. The said friends still suing to compound the wardship, he begs that the Master of the Wards may be ordered to despatch a composition with him, and that, in consideration of his trouble and expense, he may be favourably used. [1 p.]

41. Petition of John and Thomas Holt, sons of Henry Holt, late deputy victualler at Portsmouth, to the Council. In December last, being in great misery by the death of their father, and the want of the sum of money owing by his Majesty and allowed upon Sir Allan Apsley's account, but never yet paid, they petitioned the Lords, and obtained a protection royal for John Holt for the space of one year, now nearly expired. Beg a renewal of the protection, and that Thomas may be joined therein.

*Underwritten*.—"Nihil." [1 p.]

42. Petition of Samuel Hunton, of London, draper, to the same. Petitioner has long traded with the Jersey and Guernsey merchants and trusted them with great part of his estate, but can recover neither principal nor interest. He sent special letters of attorney to Guernsey, but Nicholas White [Blanch?], John Touper, John de la March, Thomas Oliver and others opposed him in the Court of

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the island, causing them to be declared insufficient, whereon the rest of the petitioner's debtors refused likewise to pay anything. He next sent over his own servant as attorney, but again Blanch and the others have obtained his letters to be declared insufficient. Prays examination of his grievances. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

43. Petition of Thomas Jackson of Croydon to the King. His Majesty sold a house and a parcel of land called Handley, co. Northampton, to Sir Simon Bennet of Betchington, co. Bucks, who at his decease reserved them to his widow for life, with remainder to University College, Oxford. They have now fallen to the College, and are to be let by the Master and Wardens. Prays letters to them that he may have the house and lands on such terms as may content them. *Endorsed by Windebank*: "Thomas Jackson: lease from University College, recommended by Lord Holland." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCLXXXI., No. 54.]

44. Petition of Henry Jermyn, his Majesty's servant, to the same. In humble and sorrowful sense of having offended his Majesty he acknowledges the justice of his long imprisonment, sincerely professing that his Majesty's displeasure has been the most grievous punishment that could have been imposed on him. Prays for the hearing and determination of the business, and for delivery out of his languishing condition. [1 p.]

45. Petition of Edward Lincoln to Secretary Windebank, praying for a warrant to take Nicholas Fitzjames, a goldsmith, for whose debts petitioner has been sued and imprisoned. Three years ago he caused Fitzjames to be arrested for a debt due to him, but the said Fitzjames, who is said to be a Roman priest, by some private way got himself out of prison, and is now about the Town. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCLXXX., Nos. 25, 26.]

46. Petition of Hugh May, his Majesty's servant, to the King. The revenues of Windsor Castle have hitherto supported all the annual charges, but by reason of the contentions of the officers there, who load themselves with employments, and consume the revenues in delays, many complaints have these few years past arisen. The principal offender has been suspended by order from the Exchequer, but his substitute does no better. Begs to be made receiver and surveyor for three years, undertaking from the revenues to pay all past debts, all wages yearly, and all works monthly. [1 p.]

47. Petition of Thomas Witherings, postmaster for foreign parts, to the same. About three months past, his Majesty gave order to Lord Cottington and Secretary Coke to take security of petitioner to maintain the expresses, settle the stages in France, and perform all other his agreements, which being done, the sequestration of his place was to be dissolved. He accordingly became bound, with ten of the principal merchants of London, and

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his security was entered in the Exchequer. But Secretary Windebank having signified his Majesty's pleasure that before the sequestration was removed, petitioner should pay all moneys due to the Earl of Arundel, Mr. Kirkham, and Mr. Frizell, he procured divers meetings of Lord Cottington and Secretaries Coke and Windebank, offering to pay the moneys, yet the sequestration is still continued. Prays order to deposit into any of the Lords' hands such moneys as are due to the Earl of Arundel, and that thereupon the sequestration may be dissolved and Dequester ordered to pay petitioner the profits of the place which he has received during its continuance, his own reasonable charges first deducted. *In the margin, monograms supposed to be in the King's handwriting.* [1 p.]

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48. Documents numbered 1 to 11, and ranging in date from May 1625 to 4th February 1635, concerning a cause between Abraham and John Payne, sons of the late Edward Payne of Jersey. John Payne, the younger brother, claims 1,000 crowns from his elder brother Abraham, on a contract of marriage given to him by his father. In 1625 the brothers submit themselves to arbitration. On 29th December of that year, the arbitrators declare that they cannot decide the cause, but that the parties have consented to an amicable agreement, by which Abraham is to pay John 400 livres tournois in full discharge of all claims, both on the contract of marriage and what he might demand of the personal effects of his father. Subsequently, Abraham finds a receipt for the money, signed by his brother, from whom he demands acknowledgment thereof. John acknowledges the receipt, but claims the benefit of the agreement made by mutual consent. Abraham obtains an order for the examination of witnesses to prove that John has received the money, whereon John appeals to the King and Council. Abraham next demands that his witness Thomas le Mestre being dangerously ill, his deposition shall be taken at once, as his death would mean loss of the cause. The order is granted by all the arbitrators in the case excepting Elias Dumaresq, lieutenant bailiff, who protests on the ground that the cause is under appeal. On 4th February 1635, J. Hampton certifies that he has taken the deposition of Thomas le Mestre, who declares that immediately after the death of Edward Payne, and before he was buried, John Payne told him that he had a contract of marriage from his father, for the sum of 1,000 crowns, but that he demanded none of it, and that he had already been paid. Finally, there is mention of a further arbitration, to which they both agree to submit. *French.* The papers are as follows:—

48. I. Proceedings in the case in the years 1634 and January 1635. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

48. II. Partial statement of the case, with copy of proceedings of 29th December 1625. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

48. III. Another copy of the proceedings of 29th December 1625. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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48. IV. Another copy of the same, on parchment, attested by Elias Dumaresq and John le Hardy. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
48. v. Proceedings, on various dates, from June 1625 to December 1627. [1 p.]
48. VI. Another copy of the same. [1 p.]
48. VII. Further proceedings in December 1633 and January 1634. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
48. VIII. Proceedings in 1633-35, partly the same as some in Nos. 1 and 5, with certificate by J. Hampton, of the taking of Le Mestre's deposition. [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]
48. IX. Another copy of Hampton's certificate. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
48. x., XI. Two copies of an extract from the Acts and Customs of Normandy. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Feb. 7. 49. Commissioners for Enquiry of Exacted Fees to the Lord Treasurer and the Chancellor of the Exchequer. The King having referred to us the petition of John Dibley, his Majesty's clerk, and others attending our Commission, we have set down some allowances to be made to them severally, amounting in all to 615*l.* (*altered to 620l.*) whereof 365*l.* is upon service of the Commission, and 250*l.* upon the prosecution in the Star Chamber. We beg your Lordships to give order for the payment of the same to John Dibley and the rest, as their pains have been very great and deserve much more. With note by the Commissioners that they have framed this certificate, directed to the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer, to be signed if their Lordships think fit. [*Draft. 1 $\frac{1}{4}$  pp.*] *Annexed,*

49. 1. *List of allowances, &c., alluded to above.* [1 p.]

Feb. 17. 50. Warrant from Sir Richard Weston [Baron of Exchequer] to Mr. Joscelin, forbidding proceedings against the inhabitants of Ryton, co. Warwick. [*4 lines, damaged by damp.*]

Feb. 23. 51. Indenture between the King of the first part, Robert Parkhurst, Lord Mayor, and John Highlord and John Cordell, Sheriffs of London, of the second part, and Sir William Russell, Treasurer of the Navy, of the third part, witnessing that the said Lord Mayor and Sheriffs of London, out of the assessment made for furnishing seven ships, by virtue of the King's writ of the 9th of December last, have paid to the said Treasurer the sum of 11,475*l.* for providing two of the said ships, of which sum the Treasurer acknowledges the receipt. Signed by Sir William Russell, and witnessed by Thomas Latham, Edw. Rennick, and William Elliott. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March 4. 52. List, by Nicholas, of brass pieces of ordnance conceived fit to be taken out of the castles and forts, being those in the castles of Gravesend, Tilbury, Upnor, Deal, Camber, Southsea, Calshot, and Hurst. The Lords are to be moved to give orders to the Master of the Ordnance to cause the ordnance to be taken out for the supply

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of the ships, and iron ordnance of the like sort to be sent instead. [1 p.]

March [4]. 53. Copy of the petition of the boatswains, pursers, gunners, &c., serving his Majesty in harbour, to the Lords of the Admiralty, concerning pay for ministers and barbers; and of the warrant thereupon, dated 25th March, already calendared under respective dates. *Endorsed by Nicholas as received March 1636.* [1½ pp.]

[March 14 ?] 54. Certificate by Sir Sampson Darell [to the Lords of the Admiralty] that John Bunckley is a fit man to be purser of the "8th Whelp" in the stead of Daniel Bisbrick, who is ill. [½ p. See Vol. CCLXIV., fol. 93.]

March 17. 55. Captain Nathaniel Butler to Nicholas. The Lord Treasurer  
Coventry. promised me a command in one of the ships now in preparation, answerable to that command I last had at Rochelle, but it is now reported that his Lordship is dead, and as by this unhappy accident I have lost that means to present my humble service, I beg that you will be pleased to make known to the honourable Commissioners that I am most ready to live and die in his Majesty's service. *Endorsed by Nicholas, "Capt. Nath. Butler for employment as Captain."* [1 p.]

March 21. 56. Order of the Commissioners of the Fleet prison that the warden's counsel should be heard at their next meeting according to his request. *Endorsed by Nicholas, "Order that the warden of "the Fleet's counsel shall be heard touching the order of the 19th "of this month."* [½ p. See Vol. CCLXXXV., No. 18.]

March 28. 57. Thomas Squire, York, to his brother-in-law, Walter Wood,  
York. at his house nigh to the King's chapel in Westminster. At the end of last assize I wrote to Dr. Mottershed touching some business concerning my place in the Admiralty, but before my letter could come to hand he was on his way to York, so I ordered the bearer to leave it with Mr. Mundy, the doctor's brother-in-law, who lives nigh to St. Peter's Hill. Some question is likely to arise between me and the deputy Vice-Admiral of Yorkshire touching the fourth part of all wrecks, which for time out of mind have been allowed to me and my predecessors, registrars of the Admiralty, at least if the wrecks did not exceed the value of 20*l.* If this be taken away, I should as good give over the place, for I protest that in two or three years I did not get so much as my charges to London and procuring the patent cost me, neither have I received the value of 40*s.* for wrecks in all the five years I have been registrar. The deputy pretends he has made an account to the Earl of Mulgrave, who has tendered it to the Lords of the Admiralty, and that it would not be accepted till satisfaction was given for what was allowed to me and the Marshal. I believe you have some acquaintance with

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Mr. Nicholas, secretary to those Lords, or Mr. King, his man. I pray you speak to one of them and procure a copy of the account. If they do not know all the proceedings therein, you may learn thereof in the registrar's office of the Admiralty, in a little lane not far from Doctors' Commons. Mr. Thomas Wyan is registrar, and I fear our deputy Vice-Admiral and he are too kind, therefore you must inquire as covertly as you may. I wrote for process for the Mayor of Hull, as will appear by my letter to Dr. Mottershed. Sir Henry Martin is already acquainted with the business. Entreat Mr. Mundy to procure that warrant and send it. If your brother John be in town I shall beg his assistance, for though the thing be but small, I would not be fooled out of it. *Endorsed by Nicholas*, "Received 10th April 1635. Mr. Wood from Mr. Squire, concerning the Earl of Mulgrave's account." [1½ p.]

[March 30.] 58. The King to the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs of London, forbidding them to meddle with any cause proceeding from matters on or beyond the seas. [*Draft by Nicholas*. 2 pp. *A copy of this already calendared under this date.*]

March 31. 59. John Cannon to Walter Hillary, Clifford's Inn, London. Southampton. You complain that the King's moiety has not been paid on two seizures of wool. It was paid on one to the sheriff more than a year since. As to the other, give me time to examine into things, and let nothing be done to charge me with payment, for I am confident I do not owe the King the money. A fortnight since a process came to me for a seizure, of which we have found the discharge. Do not let me be further wronged. [¾ p.]

[March ?] 60. Note of the estate of Mr. Alderman Jay, deceased, and of his debts, bonds, &c. *Endorsed*, "A note out of the Court of Orphans [Wards] in London"; and *by Nicholas*, "From Mr. Serjeant Jones." [½ p.] *Annexed*,

61. Inventory, in Nicholas's handwriting, of the furniture, apparel, linen, plate, &c., of the said Alderman in his several houses, together with his leases, good and bad debts, &c. [*Incomplete*. 16 pp.]

[March ?] 62. List of debts discharged by Sir Nicholas Salter since his troubles began, amounting to 29,342*l*. [1 p. *Probably connected with the preceding, as Sir Nicholas owed Alderman Jay money. See Vol. CCLXXXIV., No. 74.*]

[March.] 63. Petition of Robert Jenour, one of the sons of Sir Kenelm Jenour, Bart. Begs for a purser's or some other place in one of the ships shortly to be employed. *Endorsed by Windebank*, "Jenour for a purser's place in some of the ships, or else a lieutenant's place. Lord of Canterbury's man's kinsman." [½ p. *The appointment, dated 30th March 1635, is in Vol. CCLXXXV., No. 58.*]



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64. Statement of the hard courses and proceedings used by the Attorney and Chamberlain of the Court of Wards against Nicholas Roberts, defendant at the suit of Sir Simon Harcourt, viz.:—That Mr. Attorney suppressed the examinations of his witnesses; that Mr. Chamberlain, being a friend of the plaintiff, erased the notes which the Registrar of the Court took in his book at Easter 1633 of the verdict which the first jury gave for the defendant; that Mr. Attorney declared that the first jury had given a verdict contrary to their evidence, and ordered a new jury to appear, and the order was to guide the new jury what verdict to give, and he also would not hear one Mr. Hollywell, a chief witness for the defendant; that the second jury did omit to find the defendant's title to the manor of Stanton, which was proved unto them, and this was done by special direction of Mr. Attorney, in the absence of the Master; that defendant's counsel produced divers deeds and other writings proving certain payments, the witnesses being dead, whereunto Mr. Attorney (the Master being silent) said vehemently to the jury that no recitals in deeds testifying payment are sufficient proof, but the same must be by witnesses *viva voce*; that Frances, the mother of Sir Simon Harcourt, and interested in the cause, was deposed as a witness to prove that her husband promised to settle Stanton upon her and her children, which was a thing most unusual; that it was further alleged by defendant's counsel that Robert Harcourt had confessed that he received of one Ailworth a great sum of money for Stanton, whereunto Mr. Attorney (the Master being silent) said that that might be two shillings, or five shillings, or ten pounds, which showed little indifferency in Mr. Attorney; that the defendant's counsel cited the case of one Wilks, in the Court of Wards, and Mr. Attorney said that case was nothing to the purpose, whereas the case of Wilks and this of Harcourt are in a manner one and the same; that Mr. Attorney said earnestly that none of Harcourt's deeds or releases, or his answer in Chancery, were to be believed, for Harcourt was a man that would say or do anything for a little money, but the proofs of the payments must be *per testes viva voce*, but how is that possible when the witnesses are dead? that at the going out of the second jury Mr. Attorney (the Master being silent) used these words, viz.: "for proof of any moneys paid by Ailworth for the land, there is none, nor any colour at all made thereof," whereas it was abundantly proved that he received of Ailworth for it 8,000*l*. *Endorsed by Nicholas on above date*, "Note of pretended hard usage to Mr. Roberts in his suit in the Court of Wards." [24 pp.]

April 15.

65. Report of Attorney-General Bankes to the Privy Council, on the reference to him of the petition of John Blanch, of Guernsey. Recites the reference of the case between John Blanch and John Huitvile and others, to the late Attorney-General Noy, and to the Earl of Danby. Blanch has now come over and attended according to their Lordships' order, but neither Huitvile nor the rest have

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appeared, although they had notice thereof. Recommends that Blanch be allowed to proceed according to Attorney Noy's certificate. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

April 15. 66. Information by John Rosse against George Willingham, citizen and painter stainer of the parish of St. Mary Bow, ward of Cheap, London, for illegally and against the statute carrying on the trade of a pewterer without having been apprenticed thereto. *Latin*. [*Draft*. 5 sheets.]

[April 29 ?] 67. Copy, attested by Nicholas, of the order of the Lords of the Admiralty, dated Whitehall, 28th January 1632, on the petition of the fishermen of Milton, sued by Lady Teynham in the Court of Wards; and also of the letter from Sir Henry Martin to Nicholas on the subject. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Duplicate of Vol. CCLXXXVII., No. 59.*]

[April.] 68. Petition of Richard Rookby to the Archbishop of Canterbury. With others of the town of Boston, in the diocese of Lincoln, he was presented [before the Court of High Commission] for nonconformity to the Church of England, by one Gawen Johnson, and being condemned with the rest in the costs of the suit was rated to pay as great a part as those who are able men of estate and aldermen. Begg that in consideration of his poverty his share of the costs may be borne by the others. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *See Acts of Court of High Commission, Vol. CCLXI., fol. 205 and 211b.*]

May 7. 69. Petition of Sir Robert Philipps and other inhabitants of the hundred of Tintenhull, co. Somerset, to the Council. The sheriff of the county in March last imposed a tax of 20*l.* on the maritime places in their hundred, and though not having any such places, yet they submitted, and the constables, taking unto them two sufficient men of every parish which Mr. Sheriff was pleased to interpret to be maritime, made an assessment, which the most of them have paid, as may appear by the notes of rate hereunto annexed. But the sheriff, finding a friend of his, one George Smith, of Ilchester, to be rated, upon good reason, higher than the rest, rejected the former rate, refused to receive their moneys, and yesterday, the 6th of May, sent out another warrant, directed to John Napper, constable of this hundred, by which he assigns to every place the sum it shall pay, and by that, subtracts from Ilchester one part of three which they were formerly rated at, and which is for the most part already collected. Beg letters to the sheriff requiring him to receive the moneys already collected according to the rate made on his warrant of 28th March, and to execute his writ upon those pointed out to him for being insolvent. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

69. 1. *Rate alluded to above, made for raising money towards the service of shipping, by virtue of a warrant from Henry Hodges, sheriff of co. Somerset, dated 28th March 1635.* [2 pp.]

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May 19. 70. Examinations of Richard Webb and William Knott, barge-men, John Johnson and Edward Jecks, potters, and Michael Topliffe, baker, all of Lynn, co. Norfolk, concerning the manner of their being pressed for seamen by Mr. Miller, J.P. for co. Norfolk. [1½ p.]

May 25. 71. Report of Attorney-General Bankes on measures for settling the government of the island of Jersey. Advises that accessories after the fact in murder and felony, hitherto unpunished, should be punished by fine and imprisonment; that, as the island is much weakened by partitions, the lands there descending two parts to the sons and one to the daughters, power should be given to those who wish it to entail; that every messuage should have four acres, Jersey measure, attached to it, except in the towns of St. Hillary and Port St. Aubin; that, as special care is to be taken of the education and estates of orphans, all tutors and guardians should, within forty days of their appointment, present an inventory of the orphans' estates to be registered, that they may be answerable to the children at their full age; that some Lords Committees be appointed to hear appeals; that all laws and orders not repealed should be duly executed; that no man should buy or contract for any debt or other thing in action; that the number of taverns, cyder-houses, and ale-houses should be reduced, drunkards should be punished, and none permitted to retail wine, beer, or cyder without license; that a house of correction be provided for rogues and vagabonds; that the names of strangers should be given to the Governor within 24 hours of their arrival, and that they should not be allowed to dwell or marry in the island without license; that the Governor and his deputy should be present at all sentences in matters concerning the King's interest; that the sheriff and other officers of the island should only levy the crown revenues by distress at the appointment of the Governor or the Receiver, and the same yearly and duly to answer, and that the King's rent of wheat from the mills called the Grand Vaulx ought to be paid, notwithstanding any order or assignment by Commissioners. [¾ sheet.]

[May 27.] 72. Warrant from the Lords of the Admiralty [to the Navy officers] to call for the accounts of the late Sir Sampson Darell, surveyor of His Majesty's victuals, concerning the fifteen ships lately set forth on the present expedition; to take a survey of the provisions remaining at London, Rochester, and Portsmouth; to enquire for how long the ships appointed to guard the Irish coast are victualled, and what money has been received by Sir Sampson for that purpose, and to return certificates of these services without delay. [1½ p. *Two drafts differently worded, the second being in the handwriting of Sec. Coke. A copy of this latter already calendared under this date, Vol. CCLXIV., fol. 131.*]

[May ?] 73. Petition of the Master and Wardens of the Merchant Tailors of the fraternity of St. John Baptist, in the City of London, to the

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King. State that in 1608, articles of agreement were made between the then ambassadors of the States and elders of the Dutch and French churches on the one part, and the petitioners on the other part, that only 24 (foreign) masters should be tolerated in the city, employing only 34 servants, and that when they died, no more should be allowed. There are only four or five of these now living, yet the number of Dutch and French tailors has so increased that the members of the Tailors' Company cannot be set on work, and in regard to their personal attendance and charges in the city are in worse case than the strangers. Unbeknown to them, the States ambassador, on the 2nd November 1626, obtained letters from his Majesty for the stop of all proceedings against the Dutch and French, which letters were delivered to petitioners only on the 17th of June last [*sic*]. Beg to be allowed to take their legal course for the restraint of the number of Dutch and French tailors. *Endorsed by Windebank*, "Merchant Taylors. Strangers, for revocation of His Majesty's " letters in favour of the Dutch and French in prejudice of their " privileges." [1 p. See Vol. CCLXXXIX., No. 44.]

[May ?] 74. Notes by Nicholas, headed "That before the Commissioners " of the Treasury be dissolved and a Lord Treasurer be made, these " businesses, being matters of great importance for the honour, " service, and safety of His Majesty and the kingdom, may be " settled." That the debt owing to owners of ships for freight, being about 100,000*l.*, may be paid or agreed for. That the magazines of the Navy may be replenished. [*Margin*, "If the " country continue to set forth 20 ships yearly and the estimates " be made complete, the remains of sea stores will in a little time " replenish the magazines."] That the ordinary of the Navy in harbour and the four ships appointed yearly for guard of the narrow seas, amounting to about 32,000*l.* per annum, be settled on a good assignment, which a Lord Treasurer may not have power to alter. That a constant assignment be established for payment of the gunpowder-makers and saltpetremen, and for the ordinary of the office and the ordnance, and also for the repairing of all the castles and forts on the coast, beginning with those in the Downs. [*Margin*, "If these charges could be brought within the " writs to be discharged by the country, it were happy both for the " King and kingdom."] [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

*Overleaf*.—Further notes by Nicholas headed "Some particulars to be considered of concerning the shipping business." 1. That the writs may be sent out in June or July at the furthest. 2. That in them may be expressed not only the burden of the ships, the number of men and the time they are to serve, but also the ordnance and ammunition necessary for them, and (if legal) the sum requisite for fitting each ship, that the business may not be delayed as formerly by second assessments and levies. 3. That the estimates for each ship may be made complete, with the advice of the officers of ordnance and the victualler, as well as of the officers of the Navy. 4. That the writs for

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assessment may be directed not only to the sheriffs of counties, mayors, bailiffs, &c., of towns, but also to the deputy lieutenants or justices of the peace of each division in every county. 5. That as the assessments will be made in one sheriffs time and the levies in another, choice be made of well-affected men to be sheriffs for the next year, and that the sheriffs that make the assessments be ordered to deliver these up to their successors, with an account of what moneys they have levied, and also to deliver up the money they have received. That the judges of assize in their circuits are to charge the sheriffs, &c., to lay the assessments on all places and persons indifferently, and to take care that none but men of good ability be assessed; for the inequality of the assessments and the charging of poor men this last year not only retarded the business but begot much clamour. [1½ pp. *The writs for the second levy of ship money were issued on 4th August 1635.*]

[May ?]

75. "Breviat [by Edward Misselden] of the matter to be discourst with Mr. Edwards." That his Majesty requires an account of the service I imparted to the Governor Deputy and others of the Company [of Merchant Adventurers]. The deputy may object the want of a deputy in that place, which is their own fault, or that the town of Rotterdam is not yet agreed with, which is also their own fault, as they would put their weak deputy there upon it, who does nothing but make the matter worse; but for answer to that I am ready to undertake it, if they give me encouragement. That the King's pleasure therefore is that the deputy and chief men of the Company confer with me, and because it will be long ere a deputy can be chosen at Hamburg for Rotterdam, that Deputy Edwards, by private letters to Hamburg, give notice of the service I am about to undertake. [1 p. *See Vol. CCLXXXIX., No. 4.*]

[June 4.]

76. Articles by the Commissioners in Ecclesiastical causes against Edward Thurman, pretended rector of Hallingbury Magna, co. Essex. They declare that Thurman's predecessor, Mr. Amadis, came to be rector by simoniacal means, promising the lease of the corn tithes to Lady Morley and Monteagle, who enjoyed them during all his incumbency; that Thurman was aware of this, and conferred with one Mr. Vaughan, who offered him the presentation to the rectory on the same terms, Lady Morley to allow him 40*l.* a year instead of the tithes, to which he agreed; that on the death of Amadis in 1629 he promised with solemn vows to give the corn tithes to Lady Morley, whereon he was presented, the value of the tithes being 200*l.* or 300*l.* per annum; that in his usual talk, or at least very often, he has taken God's name in vain, uttering fearful oaths, to the great scandal of his office; that he has brought divers suits against his parishioners on frivolous matters, and is accounted of a very contentious and wrangling disposition; that he frequents ale houses and taverns, and has been often overcome by excessive drinking, so that he could not get home but must lie all night in an infamous alehouse; that he churched one Margaret

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Troth, knowing her to have had a child unlawfully begotten, before she had done penance; that she afterwards had another child, of which he is reported to be the father, though he did accuse his manservant, Thomas Golland, thereof; that drinking in an alehouse, and one Nathaniel Watson saying that it became not a man of his habit to be drinking so long nor to swear such great oaths, he answered these or the like words, "We parsons when we are in the pulpit speak the word of God, when we are in the alehouse we speak our own words"; that he has at sundry times or at least once refused to administer the holy sacrament to divers of his parishioners, and especially, at Easter last, did turn away the wife of Henry Chapman of Hallingbury, without legal cause, to the great grief of the woman and scandal and offence to his ministry; and, lastly, that on Palm Sunday last he administered the Holy Communion without a surplice. [14 pp. *Much damaged by damp. Thurman appeared to answer articles on 4th June 1635, see Acts of Court of High Commission, Vol., CCLXI., fol. 217B.*]

June 6. 77. Warrant to Robert Sharpe, messenger of the Chamber, by direction of the Commissioners for Inquiry into newly erected Offices and Exacted Fees, to give notice to [George] Bingley, Auditor of prests, to perfect the last account of Bartholomew Baldwin or certify the Commissioners at their chamber in John Dibley's house, Covent Garden, where the stop is, that it may be removed. [*Certified by Dibley, Clerk of the said Commissioners. ½ p.*]

June 10. 78. Account by Dame Elizabeth Felton, one of the Committee Court of Wards of Sir Henry Felton, King's ward, of her receipts and disbursements and Liveries. since her last account. [*4½ sheets.*]

June 18. 79. Petition of Dorothy Croydon, widow, to the Commissioners for Exacted Fees. For five years petitioner has employed Henry Harvey of Bridgewater, co. Somerset, an attorney of the Common Pleas, as her attorney and solicitor in several suits in the Star-chamber and other Courts, and has paid him 500*l.* in costs and fees, being 200*l.* more than was due, as she believes, yet he has brought an action of debt at common law against her for 94*l.* pretended to be due to him. Begs further direction. Signed by Edward Croydon, her son.

*Underwritten, but torn away.—Order upon the petition.*

*Dorso.—List of payments by Harvey, noted, "He prayeth he may set down divers particular sums he hath laid out."*  
[1 p.]

June 18. 80. Warrant from Francis, Lord Cottington, to Sir Thomas Fanshaw, to appoint Sir Ralph Conyears, John Heath, Ralph Hutton, James Marshall, and Clement Barnes as Commissioners to inquire of Articles touching concealed lands within the bishopric of Durham. The Articles are:—(1) To find out all concealed lands and tenements; (2) To discover the quantities, qualities,

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names, and yearly values thereof, in whose hands they are, who receive the profits, and in what parishes or lordships they lie. (3) To inquire of all circumstances for the better finding out the truth concerning these matters. [1 p.]

June 26.  
Whiteball.

81. Warrant from the Privy Council to Captain John Paperill, the King's chief engineer, to survey the fortifications of Castle Elizabeth in the Isle of Jersey, and to advise thereon with Sir Philip Carteret, the Lieutenant-Governor, for the better finishing and perfecting of the same. [*Copy.* 1 p.]

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82. The King to [the Council of Scotland]. Having taken notice of the wrongs represented to us in the enclosed petition, being far contrary to the harmony which ought to be observed amongst our subjects undertaking that way of fishing which we have intended for the public good, and to which purpose a Commission is interchangeably expedited under the Great Seal, we desire you to call the delinquents before you, and, if you find that they have done wrong to the petitioners, we require you to see that the goods unjustly taken be restored, and that the delinquents be exemplarily punished. And that the Lords or Barons of the loughs of the western islands of our kingdom of Scotland be sent for unto you at Edinburgh and bound over to restrain their tenants and servants from committing any outrage hereafter against our good subjects. And that all duties and demands for ground leave may be settled by you, and in particular with the Earl of Seaforth, at reasonable rates. [*Draft.* 1½ pp. See Vol. CCXCI., No. 6.]

[June ?]

83. Suggestions concerning the levying of ship money? (1) That all members of the House of Commons who obstinately laboured against a parliamentary and usual way of supply for the preservation of the kingdom be put out of commissions of peace and lieutenantships at this next sessions, and be not admitted again by the space of two years. (2) That every Lord Lieutenant be spoke withall by some of his Majesty's Privy Council to settle commissions for the raising of such moneys as shall be thought fit for the safety of this kingdom by land and sea. (3) That some one knight or gentleman of the best knowledge and judgment in every county shall inform the Lieutenants of the ablest men of every county for their estates, whereby the moneys may be levied, and yet the poor towns very reasonably charged. (4) That, as the attendance of soldiers on the sea-coasts may be long and chargeable, the rates for their furnishing with apparel, arms, and conduct money may be at the rate of 10*l.* or 12*l.* for every man, besides the levies for the setting forth of the navy, both for defence and offence. (5) That London especially, and all maritime cities and towns who chiefly receive the benefit of trade by this defence, be set at a round proportion of moneys over and above the charges of soldiers as before. (6) That every commission on this behalf do plainly

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express these just allegations of the necessity of the State. *With note by Nicholas*, "For Wales the Lord President alone can finish." [*Draft. 1½ pp. Date very doubtful.*]

July 8.

84. Order of the Privy Council on a report by the Earl of Danby and Attorney-General Bankes, to whom was referred the petition of John de Quetteville, Bailiff of Guernsey, against John Blanch. The report is recited, and order given thereon that Quetteville be discharged from further attendance until Blanch shall have given good security to the Jurats of the Isle of Guernsey for all costs and charges, and that all orders in favour of the said Blanch shall be suspended. [*Copy. 1½ pp.*]

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85. Another copy of the same. [*1½ pp.*]

July 9.

86. Request concerning recusants who have compounded in the Northern counties. By letters patent of 14th March 1632-3 the King granted to Sir Arthur Mainwaring and Andrew Pitcairn the benefit of certain arrears of recusants, but expressly excepted all those who had compounded, or should hereafter compound, with his Majesty's Commissioners. It is desired that nothing may be done to countermand this clause, for then those who have compounded cannot pay their rents, and so the revenue will fall, and others will be discouraged from compounding. [*¾ p.*]

July 9.

87. Answers to the demands of Sir Arthur Mainwaring and Mr. Pitcairn. [*½ p.*]

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\* 88. Statement that by letters patent of 14th March 1632-3 the King granted Sir Arthur Mainwaring and Andrew Pitcairn a patent of all moneys forfeited for recusancy, which had been levied or received by pretext of any writs issuing before the 27th of June 1627, and which before this said day ought to have been paid and were not, and of all other sums of money levied upon inquisition for recusancy, which were due before the said 27th of June, and ought to have been answered to his Majesty but were not. And it is his Majesty's pleasure that notwithstanding the commission granted to the Lord President of the North, the patentees are to have the money forfeited by recusants in the Northern parts, excepting only such compositions as were made with recusants there before the granting of the said letters patent. [*1 p. Copy.*]

July 20.  
Oatlands.

89. Petition of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Burgesses of Southampton, to the King, touching a dispute with the Merchant Strangers as to the importing of wines.

*Underwritten.*—Reference to the Lords of the Treasury to give order, if they think fit, to the Attorney-General to prepare a grant for his Majesty's signature. [*1 sheet. Copy already calendared. Vol. CCCIII., No. 67, I. and II.*]



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July 31. 90. Petition of Hans Hartberger of Slusburgh, in Germany, to  
 [1635 ?] Secretary Windebank, for a pass to Germany, in order to look  
 after his late father's estate. *Underwritten,*

90. i. *Note from Robert Reade to [John] Dickenson, that if he  
 will draw up passes for petitioner and Roger Faussitt,  
 Sec. Windebank will sign them. Westminster, 31st July.  
 [No year given. ½ p.]*

[July.] 91. Order to the Attorney-General to prepare a bill for his  
 Majesty's signature, granting [to John Brown, Master Gunner] the  
 sole making, selling, and transporting of iron ordnance, shot, iron  
 pots, backs for chimneys, &c., and further to prepare another bill  
 containing a proclamation to inhibit the transportation of iron  
 ordnance and shot by any other, and to restrain the importation  
 of any foreign ordnance, shot, &c., or the making thereof in this  
 kingdom, except by the above. [*Draft by Nicholas, torn. ¾ p. See  
 Vol. CCLXIV., fol. 154.*]

[Aug. 3.] 92. Warrant from [the Lords of the Admiralty] to Sir Henry  
 Whitehall. Martin, to cause a patent to be drawn up for the appointment of  
 Matthew Wilson to be Marshal of the Vice-Admiralty of the county  
 of York. [*Copy. See Vol. CCLXIV., fol. 156A. ¼ p.*]

[Aug. 12.] 93. Warrant from the King to the Lords Commissioners of the  
 Treasury, and to the Treasurer and Under-Treasurer of the Exchequer,  
 to pay 1,000*l.* out of the Exchequer to Sir William Howard as a  
 free gift; the clerk of the signet to draw up a bill for his Majesty's  
 signature. [*The privy seal was dated 12th August, see Vol. CCCI.,  
 No. 55. Copy. ½ p.*]

[Aug. 12.] 94. Paper endorsed "A clause for the two Universities of  
 Oxford and Cambridge," but mentioning Oxford only, being the  
 special clause added to the instructions sent with the writ of  
 ship-money to the sheriff of the county, exempting the masters,  
 fellows, and scholars of the Colleges from payments in respect of  
 their incomes from the possessions of their Colleges, which are  
 taxed where they lie. [*¾ p. See Vol. CCXCV., No. 55.*]

Aug. 27. 95. Notes of triennial visitation in the diocese of Lincoln, with  
 presentation, at Melton, of persons from Asforby, Grimston, Sibley,  
 Hoby, Wicum-[Wykeham]-cum-Condell, Frisby, Dalby, Prestwold,  
 Tilton, East Norton, Twyford, Loseby-cum-Newton, Southcross,  
 Ashby Folville, Barsby, Hungerton, Thrussington, and Seagrave, in  
 the deanery of Goscote; and Conieston, All Saints, Leicester, Earls  
 Hilton, Hinckley, Higham-super-Montes, Markfield, Ratcliffe,  
 Ibstock, Stanton-sub-Bardon, Witherley, Thornton, Nailston-cum-  
 Barton, Shakerston, Appleby, Sheepy Magna, Bugworth, and  
 Market Bosworth, in the deanery of Sparkenhoe. The greater  
 number of persons are accused of being recusants and excom-

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municate, and the other charges are chiefly neglect to attend church or improper behaviour there, immorality, or drinking in ale-houses in time of divine service. Thomas Wright of Ibstock is presented for not giving in an account when he was churchwarden; John Cramp of Sileby for allowing swine to graze in the churchyard; Joan Chapard for winnowing wheat on the sabbath-day. There are many complaints that only a small part of the impropriations is used for the support of the clergy. At Sileby the parsonage is said to be much out of repair, and though the impropriation is worth 160*l.*, there is no vicar, but only a curate, who has 14*l.* per annum. At Loseby the minister is not resident upon the benefice, in respect of the insufficiency of the means; and at Southcross, though the incumbent was presented to the whole profits of the parsonage, yet he enjoys but a moiety, to the value of 40*l.* per annum, and pays all duties to the King and dues to the Bishop and Archdeacon, the impropriator paying nothing, but claiming half the parishioners' offerings, and pretending a right to half the churchyard. [3¼ pp.]

Aug. 27. 96. Certificate, unsigned, by Sir Edward Wardour, that Arthur Condall of Westminster binds himself to appear before the Council at the first sitting after Michaelmas, to answer for having built near the Old Palace of Westminster. *Latin.* [*Strip of parchment. Another copy already calendared. See Vol. CCXCVI., No. 40.*]

Aug. 30. 97. The Earl of Northumberland to [Lord Conway]. Until  
Petworth. I met Mr. Steward at Penshurst last week, I hoped that the small occasion there is at present for the keeping abroad of so great a fleet as is now with you would have brought you home sooner than was intended, but by him I understand that you are not to be expected till the end of October, and this is confirmed by Captain Rossingham, who wrote me word that you had sent your bottles to London to be filled again. Of our Court friends I can give you no good account, not having been there since the King went towards the New Forest; my lord of Carlisle has been a constant courtier with the Queen all this progress time, and my brother has also given his attendance in that Court. In my Lord Goring's condition there is little change since you went away, but I hear he is so ill-pleased with it that he has many disputes in himself whether he should go and trail a pike under his son in the Low Countries or continue in the state he is in. We have had my Lord Marshal and his lady at Arundel twice this summer, but they were gone again out of the country before I could see them, their stay not being above a night or two at most. Mr. Garrard has a sad time here, one terrible night of thunder and the weather so wet that he cannot bowl, so as now he entertains himself with reading tales out of a chronicle to my wife and her midwife. [1½ p.]

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98. Petition of Edward Sydenham, his Majesty's servant, to the King. It appears by a certificate of Edward Watkins, chief searcher of the port of London, that the sum of 1,471*l.* 17*s.* was lately shipped thence, the moiety being his Majesty's. Begs grant of the said moiety, and order to Sec. Coke to prepare a bill accordingly. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*

98. i. *Certificate by Edward Watkins, that he has seized of gold which was shipped and cleared outwards by the searchers of Gravesend, the sum of 1,471*l.* 17*s.* 27th August. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]*

[Aug.]

99. [Law Officers of the Crown ?] to the King. We have heard the petitioners Burrells and also Humphrey Streete and others and their counsel, and have perused the patent granted to Laneere [Alphonso ?] Ferabosco and Lydeard, under which the Burrells claim, and we find that no rent is reserved upon the said patent to your Majesty, and that the patent will have continuance but for six years. We are of opinion likewise that the soil, sand, and gravel of the Thames belong to your Majesty.

The parties have agreed that the petitioners shall assign the patent to Humphrey Streete and his assigns, for the yearly rent of 200*l.*, and we conceive it a good service for your Majesty to make a lease to Streete and his assigns for 31 years, the said lessees to answer to your Majesty for 466*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* during the six years and afterwards for a thousand marks per annum. The said Humphrey Streete prays to have twopence the ton, as heretofore allowed from the City of London ; yet nevertheless he is to pay 200*l.* per annum to your Majesty after the said six years of Burrell's patent are ended. [*Copy.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[Aug.]

100. Order to the Attorney-General to prepare a grant to Streete according to the preceding recommendation. [*Copy.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCXCV., No. 62.]

Sept. 10.  
Guernsey.

101. Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey to the Privy Council. According to your order of 29th July, requiring us to examine witnesses in a case of perjury between William le Breton and Nicholas le Beyr, both natives of this isle, we appointed a day of hearing, at which time Le Beyr appeared but alleged nothing why we should not proceed to the examination of the said witnesses, so that we took their depositions and present them to your Lordships here enclosed. The latter part of your order required me, the Bailiff, to tax such costs as is usual in such cases upon Le Beyr for not obeying the Advocate's warrants and towards Le Breton's long attendance. I acquainted Le Beyr with the demands of Le Breton, but when the day appointed came he refused to appear, and sent me word that he had counsel given him not to appear before me. Signed by J. de Quetteville, Bailiff, and Samuel de la Place and Thomas Milot, Jurats. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Enclosing,*

101. i. *Depositions of John Le Page, James Ozanne, Thomas Godefroy, John le Feyure (Fébre), John Breton, son of*

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*Etienne, Collas le Jersies, John Mourain, John Breton of the mills, and Peter le Roy. Le Page, Le Fèvre, Mourain, and Breton of the mills, sign by their mark. [2½ pp. Seal.]*

Sept. 10.  
Jersey.

102. Sir Philip Carteret to Nicholas. The warrant you obtained got me the "Whelp" that Captain Lindsey commands to pass me to this island. I could not have fallen into a more noble gentleman's hands, whose care and entertainment of me and those of my family has been far more than I could expect. He is civil, religious, not given to any scraping or undue lucre, and I think will prove an able seaman. I find all the gentlemen of Normandy gone to the wars, having taken leave of their families with much regret, unusual to the nobility of France. The most have engaged their lands for money; those that are left, old and decrepit, pay near the third of their estate towards the war. The country is in a miserable state and like to continue long, howsoever the issue of the wars may prove. *Endorsed by Nicholas*, "Received 17th September 1635. "Sir Philip Carteret commends Captain Lindsey. News from "Normandy." [1 p.]

Sept. 11.  
Castle,  
Elizabeth.

103. Report of Captain John Paperill to the Privy Council, on his survey of Elizabeth Castle, made according to their warrant of 26th of June. Sir Philip Carteret has cut off part of the little island where the castle stands, and made a fair stone wall about it twenty feet high. States what works will be needed, as the raising and strengthening of walls, building of gates, portcullises, bridges, &c. An old chapel, very much ruined, may be made useful for storehouses, and if a wall were made about it, would be a second fortification. Soldiers' lodgings must be built, and new lodgings for the Governor are much wanted. Sir Philip Carteret has demanded 200*l.* and 100 tons of timber, which will be no bad bargain for their Lordships. The whole sum required will be 1,238*l.*, besides 100 tons of timber. [2 pp.]

Sept. 24.

104. Extracts from the Journal of the Earl of Lindsey on certain days in June, August, and September, the last being 24th September. [4½ pp. *The journal is calendared Vol. CCXCIX., No. 28.*]

Sept. 26.

105. Sheriffs of Middlesex to the Privy Council. We have received your letters, dated at Hampton Court, the 21st of this month, requiring us to make a new assessment for the shipping money, upon information that the hundred of Osulston is overcharged. On receipt of his Majesty's writ on 25th August last, with your Lordships' letters of instructions, we summoned the Chief Constables and divers discreet and able men of the several parts and parishes in the county to meet in Westminster Hall on Thursday, 27th August, and having openly read the writ and letters, we did then and there assess upon the city of Westminster

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the sum of 1,300*l.*, and upon the rest of the county the sum of 4,200*l.*; and gave time to the Constables and others until the 7th of September to consider the most fit way for the equal assessing of the hundreds. At which day we all met again, but finding much difference in their opinions, we again adjourned till the 14th of September that we might consider the rates that had of late been made in the county. Upon inquiry we found that there had been three rates, the first for building a house of correction and providing a stock, &c., the second for maintenance for the same, and the third for the relief of maimed soldiers, all which we considered, and herewith send your Lordships the calculations, together with the like for Brandford [Brentford?] Bridge, now sent to us in your Lordships' letters, but not then spoken of. These rates differ much in themselves, and are all of them land rates, so that to raise this sum according to them would lay a very unequal burden on most of the five remote hundreds, three of them being very small, while the hundred of Osulston lies round the city of London, the land and people are of much better value, and the hundred is very large and populous. We then perused the subsidy rolls, by which the proportion we had laid upon Westminster fell out right, and those of Westminster are very well content, for aught we know, and there were no reasons alleged by those of the hundred of Osulston but such as might be applied to the city of Westminster also. Believing this to be the most equal way, we assessed the hundreds accordingly and sent warrants to the Chief Constables to proceed to assessing the parishes, but upon your Lordships' second letter we have given warning for another meeting on Thursday next, that they may receive what your Lordships may determine. Signed by John Highlord and John Cordell, Sheriffs of Middlesex. [*Seal with impression of a Greek head.* 1½ pp.]

Sept. 27.  
Salisbury  
House.

106. Warrant from Lord Cottington to Sir Thomas Fanshaw, Remembrancer of the Exchequer, to appoint Anthony Howe, Richard Procter, Daniel Beningfield, Nicholas Turberville, and Robert Chambers, to be a commission to enquire what lands or tenements the late Thomas Lewen had in the city of London or elsewhere, in whose possession they now are, and by what title they are held, and whether they ought to have come to His Majesty by virtue of the Act of Parliament, 1 Edward VI., or any other Act since made for the suppressing of chantries and seizure of lands or tenements given to any superstitious uses. Also to issue a mandamus to the sheriff of London or any other sheriff whom it may concern to impanel a jury for the said Commissioners at such time and place as they may appoint. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Oct. 5. 107. Bill of Etienne Berblock, attested by A. Vandevalde. *Dutch.* [1 p.]

Oct. 5. 108. Petition of the county of Norfolk to Lord Maltravers, Sir John Holland, Bart., Sir Anthony Dring, and Thomas Talbot,

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justices of the peace, for the relief of the county against the oppressions and extortions of the saltpetremen, who by their disorderly and riotous behaviour in alehouses and elsewhere, as also by their breaking up houses and barns, receiving of bribes, and forcing of carriages to remote places, are a burden to the county. 13 signatures. [*Attested copy.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Oct. 15. 109. Copy of part of a letter from Guernsey. A sad accident has happened to this island, for two of our ships, returning from Terra del Fuego, have been taken by the Turks, in which ships were fifty of the best masters and sailors in the whole island. Navigation is so dangerous on account of these Turks that one dare hardly go so far as Rochelle or Bordeaux, the French, it is said, giving them shelter in their harbours. The daring of these infidels is so great that, if our King does not give order thereon, these islands will be in danger. *French. Endorsed both by Nicholas and Windebank.* [*Scrap.*]

[Oct. 26 ?] 110. List of assessments for ship money in various towns in co. Northampton, showing that there is a surcharge upon the hundreds in the eastern division of the county.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp. [*Probably enclosed in Lord Montagu's letter calendared under this date.*]

Oct. 111. Petition of Roger Grindon, Serjeant to the Sheriffs of London, to the Privy Council. On the 12th of this present October, petitioner arrested one John Reynolds, at the suit of Mary Allison and of James Cardus, and brought him to Mrs. Allison, to whom he showed an order from their Lordships, committing him to the custody of Henry Collins, a messenger. But Mrs. Allison refused to discharge him, whereupon petitioner was forced to detain him six or seven days until both Reynolds and himself were sent for by warrant directed to Mr. Butts, a messenger, in whose custody petitioner has remained since Wednesday last. Prays that Mary Allison and James Carodus may be sent for, and himself discharged. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[Oct.] 112. A like petition, somewhat differently worded, and probably sent a few days later, as Grindon speaks of having been in custody "this ten days." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[Oct. ?] 113. Petition of Sir Sackville Crow to the King. Since he resigned his letters patent, the manufacture of iron ordnance has been in much uncertainty, and the Sweden merchants have got great advantage. Last June he petitioned concerning a small satisfaction granted him seven years since, and Brown, his Majesty's founder, petitioned also, on both which petitions his Majesty gave a like reference, directing a hearing, at which he himself would be present. But Brown obtained a certificate from the Ordnance Commissioners, and upon that a grant from his Majesty. When the King was at Oatlands on his late progress, petitioner informed

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him concerning this, and he ordered the grant to be stayed till he was better informed, yet since he went for Royston [October 1635] he has ordered the Lord Keeper to pass it. Begs that his Majesty will hear the cause himself. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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114. "Waste Book of Orders, beginning ultimo Octobris 1635," being a draft order book [of the Commission for inquiring into fees] from 31st October 1635 to 30th May 1636. The Commissioners named as present are :—

Aiscough, —.	Ingram, Sir Arthur.
Brett, [Owen].	Slingsby, Sir William.
Bridgeman, —.	Spilman, Sir Henry.
Canon, Sir Thomas.	Wimbledon, Viscount.

[Oct. ?]

115. Certificate by the Justices of the Peace for the county of Lancaster to Sir George Vernon and Sir Robert Barkeley, Judges of Assize, touching the proceedings at their monthly meetings within the hundred of Blackburn, upon the statutes for the poor, rogues and wanderers, binding apprentices, ale-houses, and repair of bridges and highways. The said justices have duly kept their meetings at Whalley once a month, to which meetings they have called all the constables of the townships within the hundred, ordering them to make search twice every week for wandering rogues, vagabonds, and idle persons, on whom punishment has been inflicted by whipping, stocking, and committing to the house of correction. Constables neglecting their office, and those who harboured vagabonds, have been fined, and the money paid over to the churchwardens for the use of the poor within every parish. Watch and ward has been duly kept, and much pains has been spent in execution of the statutes of the poor. In the last few years 200 apprentices have been bound, poor boys and girls which before begged or whose parents were not able to maintain them, and the aged and impotent poor have been relieved, so that there are few who beg unless they are foreigners from other counties, and these are restrained as much as can be. Superfluous and ill-governed ale-houses have been suppressed, and all offences found to have been committed in the licensed ale-houses have been punished. The highways have been repaired, so far as the season and weather would permit, those parts being naturally deep, foul, rugged, and mountainous ; divers bridges have been repaired, and a new stone one has been built at a place called Lawde bridge, where was formerly a bridge of wood, greatly decayed, being in a frequented highway. Signed by John Braddyll, Radcliff Assheton, and John Starkie. *Noted as delivered at the autumn assizes, 1635.* [1 p.]

Nov. 5.

Star Chamber.

116. Note that when several persons are made defendants in one bill and charged with combinations or other offences, this Court usually orders that certain of them be examined as witnesses and their testimonies used at the hearing of the cause, in case no matter then fall out to be confest by them or proved

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against them. Signed by M. Goad, Clerk, and John Arthur, Deputy Registrar. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Nov. 10.

Informations taken by the undersigned Anthony Van de Velde, of Bruges, Hengues de la Rose, and Ingelbert Derley, on several days between 11th May and 10th November 1635, touching Flemish goods seized by virtue of Letters Patent of the King of Great Britain, specifying the names and marks of the merchants to whom they belonged. *French*. [*Parchment, 17 folios. See S. P. Dom., Car. I., Case C., No. 17.*]

Nov. 26.

117. Petition of James Hargrave to the Commissioners for Exacted Fees. I was bound in 600*l.* to Sir John Lenthall, Keeper of King's Bench prison, for the true imprisonment of Robert Sturges, committed for debt three years since, but only a prisoner three weeks, order being forthwith taken for discharge of the debts, yet though he had only six meals in the house he paid Lenthall 14*l.* But Lenthall, pretending that the discharge was not formal, arrested me on my bond for 600*l.*, so that to free myself from prison, I had to pay 20*l.* and give a bond for 40*l.* more, which he pretended to be due for Sturges' diet and lodging three years, though Sturges had not been in the house, and his omission of discharging the book was in ignorance. I pray that he may answer the premises.

*Underwritten.—Order that he give in his answer this day week. Annexing,*

117. I. "*A note concerning Mr. Hargreaves,*" being Lenthall's reply to the above, and his account relating to prison fees due in King's Bench by [Robert] Sturges, committed 7th May 1632. *The charge is 2s. 6d. a week for lodging with a bedfellow, or 10s. for a chamber, to be paid whether the prisoner sleeps there or not.* [1 sheet.]

[Nov.]

118. Certificate of William, Bishop of Bath and Wells, and George, Bishop of Bristol, to the King. You referred to us on 28th October 1635 the hearing of differences between Sir George Winter, impropiator of the rectory of the church of St. Philip and James', Bristol, and John Pearse, Vicar, concerning tithes in the parish. After a full hearing of both sides, we conceive the said tithes are vicar's tithes, but because by the kind of husbandry used, the impropiator lost in his tithes of corn and hay, we thought the tithes of cabbages and roots should be divided between them. This the vicar accepted, but the impropiator refused. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Nov.]

119. Certificate in favour of Joseph Hinde, M.A., Minister, stating that he is of sober carriage, painful in his calling, and conformable to the Church of England. Signed by Thomas Cartwright, M.A., William Osney, M.A., John Tapsall, D.D., John Grant, D.D., and William Jackson, B.D. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *His case was before the Court of High Commission in November 1635.*]



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120. Minute of order of the King to the Lords and others of the Court of High Commission that if the Earl of Chesterfield be guilty of the courses of life charged against him, they are to call him before them and proceed against him, and his Majesty's Advocate is to prosecute. *Endorsed by Windebank*, "Earl Chesterfield, Sir Rich. Lydall." [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

[Nov. ?]

121. Certificate of John Pocklington, D.D., Reginald Burden, parson of Ainhoe [co. Northampton], and John Hill, parson of Holdenby, Commissioners appointed to examine witnesses in a cause depending in the Court of High Commission between Mr. Forsyth, and Francis Nichols and others. They certify that Mr. Bagshawe and Mr. Downes interfered with the testimony of the witnesses, both by suggesting what they should say and by fitting interpretations to what they had said, threatening some of them with censure in the Star Chamber, to which purpose they had a book ready to show that it was so resolved by Judge Coke. And whereas one article did concern conventicles said to be held by Mr. Nichols and others, Mr. Bagshaw would not let the witnesses set down their own words, but bringing with him the book of canons, pressed them to speak particularly to the canon concerning conventicles, whereby they were puzzled and confounded, and quite beaten off from speaking to the purpose of the article. By these means, the Commissioners conceive the truth touching the whole business to have been greatly prejudiced. *Endorsed by Sir John Lambe*, "Note for a certificate in cause Mr. Forsyth and Nicholls." [*Draft, corrected by Lambe. 1 p. Francis Nichols was before the Court of High Commission in November 1635.*]

[Nov. ?]

122. Petition of Thomas Bushell to the Commissioners of the Treasury. Petitioner, together with Charles Mordant and Huett Leate, stands bound in the sum of 2,000*l.*, with condition to be responsible to his Majesty for a proportion of the profit of the Silk Office, in which office Thomas Carleton, servant to the King, was joined with petitioner and should have sealed the said bond. But he, having received 575*l.* of the said moneys, has converted them to his own use, and has not paid them in, whereupon process has issued against petitioner and Mordant, although petitioner has paid in all his receipts, and has not received one penny benefit out of the said office. Prays that as Carleton receives wages from the King, they may be stopped to his Majesty's use until the debt is paid or else that petitioner may pay in instalments of 50*l.* per annum and Carleton's wages be assigned to him for that purpose. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Dec. 1.

123. Proposition by John Browne, Master Gunner, to make and deliver into the Stores by March next 30 tons of brass ordnance,

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for the sum of 4,178*l.*, which he calculates is 600*l.* less than his Majesty would have to give at the market rates.

*Underwritten.*—Warrant from Secretary Coke to the Clerk of the Signet to prepare a Privy Seal for the payment of the above sum into the Ordnance Office for the making of the ordnance by Mr. Brown. Whitehall, 10th December 1635. [2 pp.]

Dec. 2.  
Eginton.

124. Gilbert Wakelin to John Gell (Sheriff of co. Derby), at Hopton. By your direction, our constable distrained a cow of Robert Holden's for the 20*d.* that he was levied, which he paid, and so had his cow, but he has caused the parties that took his cow to be served with processes to answer for it, saying we cannot justify the doing it without your warrant. *Endorsed by Nicholas*, "Received 14 Dec. 1635. The Sheriff of Derbyshire that a man "that he employed to distrain the goods of Rob. Holden is served "with process out of the King's Bench." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Dec. 2.

125. Lord Cottington to [John] West. Statement of inquiries needed about rivers and salt water in certain lands, co. Durham, with order to issue a commission to Sir John Conyers, Bart., and nine others named, to inquire into the case. [1 p. *Much damaged.*]

Dec. 3.

126. Petition of Sibella Stambery to the Commissioners for Inquiry of Exacted Fees. Petitioner complains that Thomas Hicks, Mayor of Launceston, co. Cornwall, Degory Kinge, the Town Clerk, and Philip Geffery and Nicholas Gynn, serjeants and keepers of the prisoners, have exacted very excessive fees from her husband and others, viz., 20*s.* for one night's imprisonment within the prison of Launceston, and that likewise John Symonds, Mayor of Tintagel Bosseny and Trevena, Richard Luxton, the Town Clerk, and Henry Hicks, serjeant, take unwarrantable fees for that corporation and prison. Begs that the said parties may be required to certify what fees they claim.

*Underwritten.*—"Granted." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

Dec. 10.

127. Order by the Commissioners for Exacted Fees, that the Wharfingers of London bring in on Monday next certificates of all fees claimed and taken by themselves and their servants in their several offices and places, and present the same in the Commission Chamber at Mr. Dibley's house at the east end of the Earl of Bedford's garden wall in Covent Garden. Robert Sharpe, messenger, is to give notice of this order to the Wharfingers. [1 p.]

Dec. 16.

128. Notes by Windebank of proceedings of the Council this day. Thomas Davies of Yarmouth to bring in his patent for gauging red herrings next Friday. The petition of Drinkwater and others, soap-makers, to be recommended to the new corporation of Westminster. The petition of Sweetering referred to the farmers of customs. The petition [of the Mayor] of Totnes referred to the

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Earl of Bedford, Lord Lieutenant of the county. The complaint of Lord Belhaven against certain inhabitants of Mortlake, for cutting down bushes and young trees in the ground near Richmond and Mortlake, which his Majesty designed to enclose for a park, referred to the Attorney-General. [2 pp. *Compare proceedings of Council calendared under this date.*]

Dec. 17. 129. Warrant of Lord Cottington to the Remembrancer of the Exchequer, to send him a particular of the lands and tenements of Sir Richard Baker in co. Oxon, as they stand seized into the King's hands for the several debts of John Temple, Sir Richard Brooke, and Daniel Groome. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Dec. 18.] 130. Information by Sir Robert Phillips to show that the parish of Northover, in the hundred of Tintenhull, co. Somerset, is no part of the borough of Ilchester, and should not be assessed with it. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Probably the paper stated to have been annexed to Sir Robert Phillips' petition of this date. See Vol. CCCIV., No. 60.*]

[Dec. 23.] 131. Draft by Nicholas of the order of Council concerning ship money, a copy of which is already calendared under this date, Vol. CCCV., No. 1. [2 pp.]

Dec. 30 132. Petition of Robert Symonds of Boxley, Kent, to the Privy Council. Is complained against for default of arms at the last muster, but having now provided them will be ready for the future, and begs to be freed from any further attendance. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *He appeared before the Council on this date.*]

Dec. 133. Receipt of Lawrence Squibb for 5*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* from Sir Thomas Fanshaw for entry books for the collectors of the new impositions in the ports, of the impost on tobacco, and of the new imposition of 3*d.* in the pound, from Christmas 1635 until the same feast following. Also for the like books for the Surveyor-General and the collector and comptroller of the pretermitted customs in the port of London. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[Dec. ?] 134. Petition of John Forsith, vicar of Avebury, co. Wilts, to the King. There be a thousand vicars and curates in this kingdom who serve daily at the altar, but have not sufficient maintenance out of the impropriations, whereof some are worth from three to six hundred a year or more. Further, the lands and tithes of the cathedrals of this kingdom, if they were not stated out, are worth above 200,000*l.* per annum. Beseeches his Majesty to consider hereof. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *See Vol. CCCIII., No. 82.*]

[Dec. ?] 135. Submission of Samuel Ward. Having been questioned before the Court of High Commission for sundry speeches uttered in the pulpit, was found guilty, and sentence of suspension was passed against him. Acknowledges that as things stand certified

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against him, the sentence was just, is heartily sorry that the said speeches were offensive ; promises to study and pray for the peace of his mother the Church, and will avoid whatever may tend to the disturbance thereof. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Copy of this calendared Vol. CCCV., No. 102.*]

136. Draft of a Proclamation against the use of the net called a trawl. Whereas the said net has been of great injury to fishing, by reason of the straightness of its meshes, the speedy sailing of the vessels to which it is annexed, and its closeness to the ground, causing it to take all the small fish, and to move the slime, fry and spawn, as well as the brood of oysters, mussels and other fish, and whereas in the reign of Edward III., a similar net called a wondrychon, which did the like harm, was forbidden, it is his Majesty's pleasure that from the 1st of November next, no more use shall be made of the instrument or engine called a trawl, and that up to that date, it shall be used only in deep water. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *Apparently a draft for the Proclamation issued on 2nd April 1635, see Coll. Procs., Car. I., No. 190.*]

*Dorso.*—Notes, partly by Nicholas, of points to be included in the proclamation, also a rough sketch of a trawl.

137. Order by the King that the proceedings and decree of the Court of Star Chamber in the late suit between Sir Anthony Pell and Sir James Bagg and others, by which decree sentence was pronounced and entered against the said Sir James Bagg, be vacated and cancelled. [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

138. Foulke Reed to Edward, Viscount Conway. I have spoken with Mr. Kite for 3,000*l.* for your lordship, and understand that he has greater sums than that, but cannot call the money in before the end of Michaelmas term. He promised however to do his best to take up 1,000*l.* in London to supply your immediate occasions. He desires to be your tenant at Ragley for five years more if you will permit it, and I believe that if he may receive his interest money out of this holding, he will be the more willing to satisfy your desire. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Damaged by damp.*]

139. Statement [by Christopher Wren, Dean of the Chapels of Windsor and Wolverhampton] of the case between him and Thomas Levison, son of Sir Walter Levison, deceased, and sometime his Majesty's ward. In the lease of the Dean of Wolverhampton's manor and prebend to Sir Walter Levison, the proviso is that if the rent of 48*l.* be left unpaid for 47 days, the lease becomes void, and that neither he nor his assigns shall demise it without license from the Dean. Sir Walter demised it to his brother Thomas Levison, in trust for his son, Thomas Levison, the late ward, who, when he came to 22 years, took on him to be tenant without license and refused to pay rent unless the Dean acknowledged him as such. The Dean signed a lease of ejectment to Mr. Edward Latham, his commissary there, but Mr. Levison has obtained an

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injunction from the Court of Wards to stop proceedings. To this Mr. Hales has made answer, and the Dean has put up a petition to have the injunction dissolved, and for Levison to sue out his livery. [1 p. *The petition alluded to is in Vol. CCCX., No. 43.*]

140. Petition of W. B. to the King. If writs be hereafter sent forth to the maritime parts, for setting forth ships as this last year for guard of the Narrow Seas and the King's subjects trading to the same and that the counties shall send in money for performance of the said services, and if it shall not be thought fit that the Treasurer of the Navy receive the said moneys as formerly, petitioner begs to be appointed receiver of the moneys, with such allowances as his Majesty shall think fit. [*Draft, in the handwriting of Nicholas, and apparently intended originally to have been his own petition, as E. N. has been altered to W. B. 1 p. and two lines.*]

141. Petition of the Mayor, Burgesses, and Commonalty of Bristol, to the same. A Bill has been exhibited by petitioners in the Court of Exchequer against Richard Morgan and divers of his under-tenants, for erecting a great number of alehouses at Crewkerne Pill, co. Somerset, near to a place called Hung road in the port of Bristol where the King's ships lie in harbour. The mariners and seamen are daily drawn to these houses, and there spend their time in idleness, neglecting their duties on shipboard; whereby his Majesty is much deceived in customs and other duties. Also these houses and enclosures are built so near the river that at high tides the men cannot haul ships past them without going in mire, dirt and water, up to their very knees. Beg that his Majesty will recommend the cause, which is to be heard in Trinity term next, to the special care of the Court of Exchequer. [*1 p. Before Trinity term 1635. See allusion in Order of Council, 5th May 1637, Vol. CCCLV., No. 80.*]

142. Petition of Stephen Humfrey, Mayor of Chichester, to the Council. The city of Chichester, being more heavily taxed for shipping than in the previous year, petitioner was told that this time the clergy also were to be taxed, and that they would have the Dean and Chapter joined to them. Hereupon he repaired to the Dean and acquainted him with the intent of taxing the clergy, who opposed it not, but only desired moderation in the tax, yet when the collector waited on them for payment, the said Dean and Chapter used him very ill and refused payment, which has caused great numbers in the said city also to forbear, so that the petitioner is like, instead of returning money, to return the imprisonment of many men. The Dean and Chapter deny that they are any part of the city, whereas the Close is within the said city and has time out of mind been joined with it in subsidies and other payments. Begs reversal of their Lordships' order given on petition of the Dean and Chapter, and a hearing both of the Church and City. [*1 p.*]

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143. Petition of Elizabeth Souter to the Archbishop of Canterbury. Is the most desolate helpless woman that can be made by man, yet far from despair and confident in the living God. For fourteen years she has continued weeping and praying for the conversion of Dr. Murray, by whom she is a mother. His promise was that all should be as she desired, but he knows not good from evil. Her heavenly father has sent her to wiser men, and she humbly beseeches both God and man to change her weeping and praying to singing and praising, in helping her to marriage, that she may have the comfort of her child and his father. God's judgment is truth. What she desires is praise and glory to him. [1 p.]

*Underwritten note from William Dell to Sir John Lambe.—*  
*"Here are some touches in this petition which make me forbear*  
*"to shew it my Lord, but I have acquainted his Grace with the*  
*"sum of it and he desires you to take this poor bearer into*  
*"your consideration and to give her the best furtherance you*  
*"can, that she may have some speedy end of this naughty*  
*"business." [1 p. See Acts of Court of High Commission,*  
*"Vol. CCLXI., fol. 208b.]*

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144. The Warden of the Fleet to [— Harvey?]. A benevolence was given by your worthy father, Sir William Harwaie [Harvey?] deceased, for relief of poor prisoners of the Fleet, which as it seems is by you neglected as touching the payments, besides which you have one Burneley in execution at your suit, a man most miserable, lying now upon the dead palsy, with no means but the charity of the house. I would entreat your due respect of your father's intention for performance of his bequest so charitable, and that you will not suffer so poor an old diseased man to die under your pleasure of imprisonment. Thus much at the entreaty of the poor men of the Charity, of which company the said Burnard (*sic*) is. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

145. Nine articles to be subscribed unto and by the Ministers in and about London. Already calendared Vol. CCCVIII., No. 43; where there are two more articles given, and the wording is somewhat different.

146. Part of a paper concerning the receipt of ship-money. Sir William Russell, Treasurer of the Navy, is to receive the moneys from the sheriffs and other officers, and give acquittances for the same, which are to be brought to A. B. Clerk of the Council, specially appointed to keep the account thereof and entered by him in a book. The treasurer is likewise to pay out of the said moneys such sums as shall be appointed, to the Surveyor of Marine Victuals and the Lieutenant of the Ordnance, and for provisions, wages, and other necessities for the ships and service, and the Treasurer, the Surveyor of Victuals, and the Lieutenant of the Ordnance are each to make perfect accounts of all their receipts and disbursements, and bring them to the Council Board to be examined. The warrant under the great seal to be a sufficient discharge to all whom it may concern. [*Rough draft, finished and corrected by Nicholas.* 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

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147. Copy of the same, also corrected by Nicholas. [2½ pp.]

148. Letter endorsed: "Mr. Fawtrait's note of instructions touching Castle and Jersey rectories." Arriving here from Jersey in November last, I found a letter from Mr. William Castle, giving me notice that in Michaelmas term last Mr. Gerance James and Mr. Ezech. Johnson were both deprived of the rectory of Paulerspury, co. Northampton, simony having been proved against Mr. James. I consulted counsel, Mr. Levett at the corner shop by Gray's Inn, and Mr. White in the Whitefriars, about my title to the rectory, and also Sergeants Wilde, Clarke, and Mallett. I was advised to make a lease to some honest man of the rectory, to sue for the former tithes, and to try my title at common law. Mr. Castle recommended to me one Mr. Thomas Staverton, who lives at the "Bear and Ragged Staff," by Charing Cross, to whom I made a lease of the rectory, by virtue of which he has prosecuted recovery of it at the common law, whereby I have been liable to the censure of the court of High Commission, whose merciful favour I crave. [Draft, corrected by Sir John Lambe.]

*Underwritten.*—Note by Sir John Lambe that there are twelve parishes in Jersey, all called rectories, in the presentation of the Governor, Sir Thomas Jermyn, vice Chamberlain, whose deputy is Sir Philip Cartwright [Carteret], and these rectories are instituted by the Bishop of Winchester, one of whose officers is rural dean of Jersey. They have tithe of corn, apples, lambs wool, and some glebe, but no hay or milk; but the tithe belongs to the King, and the Governor hath it. [1 p.]

149. List of causes appointed to be heard "this sitting day" [in Star Chamber?], viz., George Cutler [referred to the Attorney-General]; Francis de Champs [dismissed], William Cleyton [dismissed], Richard Rowe and William Tapson. [1 p.]

150. Notes by Windebank of proceedings in the above cases, excepting the first. [2½ pp.]

151. Proposals, apparently by a Roman Catholic. That at assize and general sessions the points touching religion be omitted in the charge to the grand jury. That a patent be granted to some persons by his Majesty of all benefit which may accrue to him or his successors by reason of certain statutes [recited]; that neither the Attorney-General nor any other officer of the Crown shall admit any suit concerning default against the said recited statutes without allowance from the patentees; that pardons and exemptions shall from time to time be given under the privy and great seals when required by the said patentees; that it has been the gracious custom of kings to accompany subsidies given by subjects with pardons; that such were his Majesty's intentions if not hindered by the practice of some Parliament men, as his Majesty has touched in his late proclamation; that as his Majesty intends to command the benevolence of his subjects, he makes it known by proclamation

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that they may take out pardons under the great seal, at a moderate charge, with no exceptions of recusants or recusancy; that therein the offences of recusancy, hearing of mass, or other practices of the Catholic religion, may for the time past be pardoned, without mentioning it in express words, to avoid the scandal whereof turbulent spirits seek occasion; that his Majesty will direct his judges that no indictments against recusancy be persecuted, but by warrant of the Attorney-General; that the Archbishop of Canterbury be directed that all excommunications and censures in the Bishops' or High Commission Court be foreborne until his Majesty's further pleasure be known. With precedents to show that the King may pardon any offence wherein none has interest but himself, may make exemption against any statute before the act, so that the doing or not doing thereof is no fault, notwithstanding a statute to the contrary; and that Kings have ever used to grant anything of their prerogative, at their will and pleasure. *Endorsed by Archbishop Laud, "An irreligious project."* [Draft. 3½ pp.]

152. Notes for a proclamation concerning cloth. All the laws from 2 Edward III. to 4 James concerning the length, breadth, and weight of cloth are repealed by the statute of 4 James. The Aulnager's office is now out of use and his duties performed by the searcher, therefore all laws concerning the Aulnager's office are to be applied to the searcher. The Aulnager's seal to be put on all cloth before it is sealed, and the word "faulty" not to be put on for defects of length, breadth, or weight, but only when the cloth is falsely made, viz., wasted in the hull, squally, rowy, baudy, holes, and the like. The clothier first to set his seal before the Aulnager puts his, and the latter to keep a short register how he seals every cloth. A competent allowance to be made to the searcher. The justices of the peace to give the oath to the searchers to do their utmost to see the laws observed. The clothiers and tuckers to find leaden weights instead of stone ones. Every clothier to have a separate mark for his cloth. All market spinners to be declared clothiers, ordered to register their names with the nearest justice of the peace, and not to sell any yarn but such as shall be spun in their own dwelling-houses. No white cloth to be hanged upon any tenture with two bars. All gigg-mills or mosing-mills to be defaced, their use being forbidden. Co. Worcester to be put into the commission or stop list, but co. Gloucester to be excepted from the same. The Commissioner to give power to bring to trial all white cloth not thus sealed. Thrum gatherers and gatherers of metal and old cards, and all such wanderers of the nature of petty chapmen, to be forbidden. Butter, grease, &c., not to be used by market spinners instead of oil. Any one buying or selling lamb's, fell, or combed wools for broadcloth to be forbidden to spin for the market. Milling again after sealing to be declared counterfeiting of the seals. Whether red and other coloured cloths shall be sealed and a register thereof kept, according to the toleration by the searcher's



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service, since the Aulnager's is exempt. [1 p. *Probably connected with the revival of the Aulnager's office, see Vol. CCCVI., No. 24.*]

153. Paper headed: "A vow and covenant to perform and practice certain articles underwritten," and containing resolutions for the performance of religious duties. *Endorsed*, "By Mr. White of Dorchester." *And by Laud*, "Catechismus ante Eucharistia." [1 p.]

154. Petition of John Beere, Robert Houme, John Harris, and Simon Tranckmore, to Secretary Windebank. Having been lately robbed of all their estates, to the value of about 400*l.*, by French pirates, now lying in the Marshalsea, and the King having referred their case to Sir Henry Martin, they beg commiseration of their wrongs and speedy restitution of their losses. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

155. Petition of the Governor, Assistants, and some of the Society of French Merchants in Exeter, to the Council. For the avoiding of damage from Turkish pirates, they made an Act last July that the society should ship goods to St. Malo and Morles [Morlaix] only in appointed ships, and did appoint a ship accordingly, engaging to pay the owner 150*l.* for freight. But certain of the society, to defraud the society of the moneys to be paid by average, make entry of their goods in the Custom House under other names, and have caused one John Calle, of Topsham, master of a small bark, to enter their goods in his name, and have laden their goods in his bark, thereby damaging petitioners. Beg aid in discovering the offenders and recovering damages. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Annexed*,

155. I. *Note that petitioners' desire is that the Mayor of Exeter may bind John Calle and the other refractories to appear before their Lordships, in case he will not discover the names of the offenders.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

156. Petition of Jane Hooper, wife of Thomas Hooper, to Sir John Lambe, Dean of the Arches. Last year went to the ale-house of Alice Stevenson to seek her husband, when the said Alice so provoked her, she being a crazy woman, that she broke into passion and uttered words for which she has been sued in the Arches. Has come into Court and made confession of her fault and done penance for it, and being a very poor woman and forsaken of her husband, begs favour and the taxing of her charges. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *There is a similar petition, somewhat differently worded, Vol. CCCVIII., No. 29.*]

157. Petition of George Lilborne, agent for the cities of Durham and Sunderland, and other places in co. Durham, to the Privy Council. In the reign of Edward VI. the town of Gateside [Gateshead] and other grounds in co. Durham were made part of the town of Newcastle, but in the first year of Queen Mary were restored to co. Durham, since which time the town of Newcastle has taken all occasions to encroach upon the said county. His

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l Majesty, having issued a writ to the sheriffs of cos. York, Durham, and Northumberland to make ready a ship of 800 tons, with 250 men, which writ has been duly executed and returned, the town of Newcastle endeavours to draw a great part of co. Durham to a dependency of Newcastle to be assessed in aid thereof. Pray that the maritime places in co. Durham may be assessed as part of the said county. [1 p. *The writ here alluded to is the first, dated 20th October 1634. See Vol. CCLXXVI., No. 2.*]

158. Petition of the Mayor, Sheriff, and Aldermen of Norwich, for themselves and the citizens, to the Privy Council. Plead the miserable and desolate condition of the city, by inundations of water, the grievous contagion of the plague, and the departing of gentlemen from the city, many hundred houses now standing empty; also the loss sustained by the tradesmen in stuffs and stockings from deceased and decayed Londoners by the late contagion of the plague there, and the charge of fatherless children and widows and impoverished handicraftsmen without work; by all which things they are so weakened that they can hardly bear their own taxations for the relief of the poor. Notwithstanding these they have subscribed to the loan of five subsidies. In August last, they were ordered to contribute a third part of the setting forth of two ships from the port of Yarmouth, the cost whereof will be 3,000*l.*, and have lately received letters from the bailiffs of Yarmouth touching the same, but in consideration of their miserable weak estate beg discharge of this heavy burden. [1 p.]

159. Petition of George Rookes to Secretary Windebank. The King was pleased to order that the words omitted in a former patent granted to petitioner's son Thomas should be supplied at the seals, but Turbeville Morgan, petitioner's adversary, hearing thereof, has used Windebank's name by entering a caveat in the signet office for stay thereof. Prays discharge of the said caveat, and orders to the Clerk of the Signet to amend the signet by the bill signed according to the King's pleasure. Also pardon for any words by which he has offended.

*Dorso, notes by Windebank, "Rogers, a turner at Covent Garden. A sheetmaker in the lane going from the Fleet to the Old Bailey." [½ p.]*

160. Petition of Walter Walker, bachelor of law, Commissary and Official for co. Bedford, to Archbishop Laud, that in the triennial visitation for the Bishop of Lincoln by Sir John Lambe, petitioner may be employed in the dispatch of such business in co. Bedford as shall not be undertaken by Sir John himself, or sent up to London for special audience. [½ p.]

161. Petition of William Webb to the same. A bond entered by petitioner in the Vicar-General's Office was assigned by

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his Grace to one George Winch, on pretence that his daughter was prejudiced and hindered in marriage by a contract made between herself and petitioner. Petitioner has cleared himself of the contract at great expense, but Winch still prosecutes him on the bond, although his daughter is since married, and thereby no way hurt or hindered in her preferment. Begs his Grace to reassume the cause into his own hands or refer it to Sir John Lambe, and moderate the penalty of the bond to a reasonable sum, to be converted to some pious uses. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p. *Possibly the William Webbe who pays towards the repair of St Paul's, 27th May 1635. See Vol. CCLXXXIX., No. 53.*]

162. Petition of Andrew Wilkinson, post of Boroughbridge, co. York, to the Lords Commissioners for the Treasury. There is due on his fee of 3s. 1d. a day for keeping the said stage the sum of about 300*l.*, besides arrears owing to his late father, who had the place before him. Prays that half may be paid to him and half to his mother. [1 p.]

163. Examination of witnesses (at Laechengulden ?) concerning certain articles specified by number. *Dutch.* [3 pp.]

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Jan. 6.

1. Petition of John Mesurier of Guernsey, mercer, to the Privy Council. One Andrew Neale, being imprisoned in the castle of Guernsey at petitioner's suit for debt, did of revenge accuse him of robbery and perjury, in February and March last, whereon he was arrested and forced to give caution to appear. Albeit a Court is held every week, Neale has never made proof of anything, but is now escaped out of prison into England, while petitioner has been committed prisoner ever since August last. Begs that his counsel may be heard, and that he may have redress. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Overleaf,*

1. I. *Reference of above to the Solicitor-General, dated Whitehall, 20th of January.*

1. II. *Report of Solicitor General Littleton. Neale, being questioned by Mesurier for debt, accused him of oppression and perjury, and produced witnesses in support of the charge, but on Mesurier excepting against the witnesses, they were not heard. Wherefore Neale prays their Lordships' directions to the Bailiff of the Island to hear the witnesses and proceed to sentence, the rather for that Mesurier is too powerful there for the poor man Neale; but Mesurier opposes the petition upon occasion of some orders of the*

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*Council to bar appeals in criminal cases. Both sides desired that Littleton should report the case specially for a rule to be made thereon by their Lordships, which he has accordingly done. Dated 1st of March. [1 p.]*

Jan. 13.  
Paris.  
Wednesday.

2. Lord Scudamore to the Earl of Leicester. As Secretary Coke requires an account from me, I was desirous to read the papers which are to be transmitted lest it might be imputed to me as levity to join in the transmission of things of consequence when I know not what they are. And if I should see anything likely to delay the treaty, I should ask your Lordship to consider whether it were not better to endeavour an alteration with the ministers here before they are sent. Your Lordship says that after they are gone I may advise. I conceive, when the thing is past, the season of advice will be over. *Endorsed, "Copy of the Lord Scudamore's letter to the Lord Leycester," and by Windebank, "Received with " the Lord Scudamore's letters of the 1<sup>st</sup>/<sub>3</sub> Jan., the 21st of the same, " our style, at Hampton Court." [1 p.]*

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3. The King to [the Earl of Leicester]. There being divers sums of money owing to us by our good brother the French King and his ministers of the portion of our dear consort, as well for arrears of rent accrued by the 800,000 pounds [livres] French money assigned to us on the aids of France as for a sum of 25,000 pounds for restitution of a ship, the "Capduciel," and lastly the sum of 62,111 pounds lost in the price of the transaction of 800,000 pounds abovesaid, we require you to use all diligence possible to have satisfaction of all those sums. *Endorsed, "A draft of a letter to be written to the Earl of Lester." [1 p.]*

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4. Petition of James Priest to the Council. About July last, being distempered with wine, he spoke against the reverend Bishops, and was committed by Alderman Cropley of Cambridge to the prison there, and afterwards to the Fleet, where he has been ever since. Begs for pardon and release. [1 p. *See Vol. CCXCIII, No. 97, and Vol. CCXCVI, No. 45.*]

Feb. 13.

5. Warrant from Lord Cottington to Sir Thomas Fanshaw or his deputy to send him a particular of the lands of Thomas Coyney, of Weston Coyney, and Sampson Coyney his son, found by inquisition upon an extent in co. Stafford, and returned into the office of the Exchequer. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Feb. 17.

6. Letters patent from the King for a general collection in the southern counties towards rebuilding the parish church and tower of Deddington, co. Oxon, which tower, in which was a very good ring of tuneable bells, fell in March last, breaking the bells and knocking down a great part of the body of the church. [*Printed sheet.*] *Dorso,*

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6. I. *Note by Richard Todd, Vicar, and Richard Burcher and Christopher Pinchley, churchwardens, that 5s. 6d. was collected in the parish of Wellington.*

6. II. *Memoranda of 1645.*

Feb. 17.

7. Another copy of the same. *Dorso,*

7. I. *Note that 2s. was collected in the church of Brilley on Trinity Sunday, and at the householders' houses by Walter Acton, clerk, and William Webb and Rees Powell, churchwardens.*

7. II. *Memoranda of the year 1645.*

Feb. 22.

8. Warrant by Sir Richard Weston, Baron of the Exchequer, to Sir Thomas Fanshaw. The Bishop of Winchester has paid into the receipt at Westminster the sum of 424*l.* towards the last payment of the first subsidy granted to his Majesty by the clergy in the third year of his reign, being near the whole charge of his collection. As divers persons have not yet paid the said subsidy, and it would be prejudicial to his Majesty's service if the Bishop were forced to pass his account this term, he is to have a day to clear his said account until the beginning of the next term. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Feb. 23.

March 4.  
Madrid.

9. Thomas Windebank to his father, Secretary Windebank. I am exceeding glad to understand by yours that you and all my friends are in so perfect a state of health. Within this day or two I shall begin my journey towards the Escorial and other places of note hereabout; by Easter I hope to be back, and soon after to set out for Italy. My pleasure here cannot be of consideration since I must lose my patron, Mr. Hopton. My brother is well and means to write to you. Present my duty to my mother, my affections to my sisters and brothers, and my service to Sir John Lambe. *Endorsed by Windebank, "Tom, received 3rd April; answered 11th."* [1 p.]

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March 4.  
Madrid.

10. Christopher Windebank to the same. My brother has lately received a letter from you, wherein I gladly participate of your and my mother's good health. I know there cannot be so ill a secretary as myself, which is the occasion I write so seldom, and now do desire your pardon for it. Pray give my duty to my mother, my love to my brothers and sisters. *Endorsed by Windebank, "Kitt, received 3rd April, answered 11th."* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Feb. 29.

11. Petition of Nicholas Payne of Dover to the Commissioners for Exacted Fees. I was arrested two years ago by two of the knight marshal's men and carried to the Marshalsea, where I was a fortnight under the keeping of Mr. Lane. My bedfellow and I had to pay 15*s.* 8*d.* a week for our bed, beside chamberlain's demands. At my coming out I paid 3*l.* 6*s.* 0*d.*, all the money I then had, and had to promise 20*s.* for expedition money, which was not due, but for which I am arrested; I beg you to call for Mr. Lane, enquire if the money is due, and if not get me cleared of it. *Margin,*

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11. *I. Order that Lane be required to bring an answer, and further order 10th March, that Lane show what is due to him and his receipts thereon, and that petitioner prove his payments. [1 p.]*

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12. Statement in the suit against Mr. Stone, schoolmaster and official at Wimborne Minster, co. Dorset. The corporation of Wimborne Minster are governors of the Free School there, and are to choose the schoolmaster, and for any offence remove him and put in another. They are likewise to choose the official of the peculiar jurisdiction there. Mr. Stone having misbehaved himself in his officialship by taking fees unlawfully, by allowing profanation of the church and by favouring factious ministers, Thomas Hanham promoted articles against him in the Court of High Commission, now more than a year and a half since, but the suit was delayed by a false pretence on Mr. Stone's part that he was not allowed to peruse the Acts in the registrar's office in Wimborne, and he twice obtained orders for books to be sent up to London. This Hilary term he has demanded certain documents which are not in the office, whereon the registrar [Thomas Barnes] has come up to London bringing such books as he has, and has moved for his charges, he not being a party to the suit. But although he has made oath that he never denied Mr. Stone to peruse the books nor take copies, yet Dr. Duck on misinformation affirming the contrary, he cannot get his charges. [*See Acts of Court of High Commission 2nd February 1636, Vol. CCLXI., fol. 314.*] Nor can Mr. Hanham get a day appointed for hearing of his cause. [*There are many notices of this suit in the books of the Acts of the High Commission Court in the years 1634–36. 2½ pp.*]

[Feb. ?]

13. Estimate of the charge of 26 ships and pinnaces in the first fleet, and 10 ships in the second fleet in the winter, each for six months' service, for the year 1636. Total 123,788*l*. [*1 p. The estimates were ordered on 1st January and are mentioned in Nicholas's notes of Admiralty business on 18th February.*]

[March 1.]

14. List (alphabetical as to first letter) of the counties of England from Bedfordshire to Lincolnshire, and including London, with the distribution of ships to each, and their tonnage and charge. The charges vary from 16,000*l*. for London, down to 1,000*l*. for Berkshire, and Cumberland and Westmoreland. [*1 p. See similar lists, Vol. CCCXV., Nos. 10 and 11.*]

March 4.

15. Petition of John Mesurier of Guernsey to the Council. The cross petitions of Andrew Neale and of petitioner having been referred to the Solicitor-General, who on the 1st of this month returned his certificate thereon, petitioner begs to be heard by counsel upon the said certificate. [*1 p. Received on this date.*]

March 4.

16. Petition of Nicholas le Bier of Guernsey to the same. In a cause between petitioner and one William le Breton, both

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parties were suitors to their Lordships, who, in October last, referred the matter to the Earl of Danby. But he, before ever he heard petitioner's counsel, retired into the country, and returned his report by Sir Peter Osborne, deputy governor, condemning petitioner in the payment of certain costs. Begs that his counsel may be heard, and proceedings stayed in the meanwhile. *Underwritten,*

16. 1. *Whitehall, 19th March. The petitioner is to rest contented with the order given by the Earl of Danby. Edward Nicholas. [1 p.]*

March 10. 17. Certificate of Robert Chester and Francis Taverner, Justices of the Peace for the half hundred of Hitchin, co. Herts. Since last summer assizes they have apprenticed six poor children in the town of Hitchin and one in Hippolletts, and have provided for the poor in the country villages; have punished and sent on 72 rogues, and punished in the house of correction six sturdy vagabonds, one that feigned to be dumb, an apprentice who ran away from his master, and four others for hedge-breaking and cutting of wood; and have fined two unlicensed ale-house keepers, two drunkards, three persons for absence from church, and one for swearing. With names of the apprentices and their masters. [1 p.]

March 12. 18. Sir Philip Carteret to Nicholas. I did not forget your commission concerning diaper, but when I came here the plague raged so much in Normandy that I durst not send for any. I now send you some by Mr. Hungerford. The French hasten their preparations, and the Bishop of Bordeaux has run over all the sea coasts from Bordeaux to Newhaven [Havre de Grace]. I think he has been also at Marseilles. A French gentleman has lately passed this way, suspected to be a spy on our navy. *Endorsed by Nicholas, "I received by Mr. Hungerford according to this letter and the bill enclosed the diaper for which I this 9th of May 1636 paid "Mr. Hungerford 8*l.* 12*s.*" [1 p.] Enclosed,*

18. 1. *Bill for 101½ ells of diaper, with note by Nicholas that he has paid it. [½ p.]*

March 16. 19. Order of the Privy Council that John Mesurier and Andrew Whitehall. Neale, whose petitions have been read, are to attend in the Council Chamber at Whitehall on 23rd March instant. [Draft. ¼ p.]

March 16. 20. Like order that the Solicitor-General explain a report made Whitehall. by him on the difference between Peter Priaux and Peter Beauvoir, both of the island of Guernsey. [¼ p.]

March 21. 21. Like order on a petition of William Gruffeth, serjeant-at arms, presented to the King against Dr. Field, Bishop of Hereford, and by his Majesty referred to the Council. Finding that there were words of great scandal charged by the said Bishop upon Gruffith, they intended to lay a heavy censure upon him, but as the Bishop is pleased to pass them by, upon Gruffith's submission, they

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will not press the matter further. And for the German clock and watch in question, the Bishop is to deliver back the German clock and Gruffith is to keep the lesser clock, and both parties are to give up their several bonds. Signed by Archbishop Laud and the Earl of Manchester. [1½ pp. *A draft of this order is calendared under date.*]

March 21.  
Standen.

22. Francis Goddard, late sheriff of co. Wilts, to Nicholas. I hoped to have given you an account of what the clergy were assessed in co. Wilts for ship money, and sent to the constables for it, but as I am out of office, and not in the Commission of the Peace, they pay no regard to my letters. The present sheriff or the bishop of the diocese may be able to give satisfaction thereof. Herewith I send the account required of how the money was assessed on the several hundreds of the county. Although I charged more than the 7,000*l.* upon the county, I received but 6,542*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, which I paid to Sir William Russell, and I have given to Sir George Ayliffe, the present sheriff, a return of those who have not paid. The sum of 7,000*l.* will hardly be reached, for some are dead, some removed, and some unable to pay. I did not charge the county more than 7,000*l.* for my own advantage, but to advance his Majesty's service, and should have bestowed the overplus according to their Lordships' directions. *Endorsed by Nicholas*, "Received " 23rd March 1635. Mr. Francis Goddard, late sheriff of Wilts, " sends a list how the hundreds are rated. That he cannot certify " what the clergy was rated." [2 pp. *Seal with crest.*]

March 22.

23. Privy Council to the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey. Peter Clungeon, of Southampton, having petitioned us concerning a debt which he claims from Thomas Dobree, his late apprentice, and showed us that the suit has continued nearly three years, yet you deny to judge the same, we hereby order you to proceed to a sentence according to justice and equity. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

March 23.

24. Order of Council. The several petitions of Andrew Neale and John Mesurier, both of the Island of Guernsey, having been referred to the Solicitor-General, and he having returned his certificate thereon, their Lordships have this day heard counsel on both sides, and now order that the parties be dismissed and the cause remitted back to the Court of the Island of Guernsey. [*Draft.* 1½ pp.]

March 23.

25. Order of the Privy Council reciting and ratifying the report of Solicitor-General Littleton of March 1st, in the case of Peter Beauvoir and Peter Priaux, of Guernsey, but referring a certain point therein to the Earl of Danby. [*Draft.* 1½ pp.]

March 28.

26. Memorandum that John le Geict has entered an appeal before the Privy Council touching a sentence given against him and in favour of Thomas Lempriere by the Court in Jersey. [½ p.]



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March 29. 27. Lists, in tabular form, of lands in Kent, found by two inquisitions taken at the Castle of Canterbury, March 17th and 29th, before Sir Thomas Palmer, Bart., Sir Francis Oxenden, and Mr. Edward Boysy, of Bunnington, by virtue of a commission from the Court of Exchequer. The lists give the parishes, occupants, number of acres, and values. *Endorsed*, "Inquisitions, Mr. Bowles," and also, "A perfect abstract of the two inquisitions taken 11th and 12th [*i.e.*, March 17 and 29, 1636] year of K. Car. "I. of lands gained from the sea in the county of Kent." [12 pages of which 7 are blank.]

[March.] 28. Petition of Sir Peter Osborne, Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, to the King. Complains of the slow and refractory proceedings of the jurats of Guernsey in the re-hearing of the case between Andrew Neale and John Mesurier, and states that they have sent an imperfect process to his Majesty, which the bailiff disavowed and refused to sign or seal. Begg that the case may be sent back again to them, and that John Bonamy, formerly deputy-bailiff, who has been openly charged with bribery and has not cleared himself, may be suspended from his place of jurat. [1 p.]

[March?] 29. Notes by Nicholas, chiefly touching the setting forth of the Earl of Northumberland's fleet. The principal ones are:—To set down the proofs and particulars mentioned in each attestation [*i.e.*, the oaths to be taken by the captains] to every head of the Earl of Northumberland's articles. Particulars for the victualler, what victuals, and what quantity and kind in each ship. The fault of the present case and the remedy. Set down to Rainborow. Bad cordage. To let the Lords know that I have but copies of the attestations, and I doubt whether I have all, for some, as Stradling's and others, are very short. Payments, taking 2s. for clothes, for ale, &c., for money lent and the particulars thereof, as 200*l.* of Hulsted. To take notice of unserviceable decayed ships. What reparations to some, and to which. What defects to be amended as to girdling, galleries to be shortened, &c. That a letter be written to the Commissioners to examine the state, government, and abuses of the chest. [*Apparently written on the fly-leaf of a letter.*]

April 8. 30. Sir Richard Gery, sheriff of co. Bedford, to the Privy Council. Bushmead. The sheriffwick of this county came to me so unexpectedly that most of my time has been exacted in fitting myself for the business of the office. The residue which I could snatch I have employed in mastering the difficulties of the business of shipping, and at this present am wholly employed in it; but my predecessor having gathered up what was willingly paid, the residue left to collect has to be compelled, or is not to be had, making it a work of time and difficulty. I will not be wanting in my utmost endeavours to expedite the service. [1 p. *Seal with arms.*]

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April 20. 31. Estimate by the Ordnance officers of munitions of war for the Ordnance Office, furnishing of the "St. Andrew" (in the place of the "Ann Royal" unfortunately sunk) and the "Swallow," amounting to 2,396*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* [1½ pp.]

April 29. 32. Petition of John Blanche, of Guernsey, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the Privy Council. His appeal having been referred to the Attorney-General, who has reported thereon, he begs the Lords to consider the said report and make an end to his sufferings, he having already been imprisoned nine months. Prays them to tax the costs of his seven suits, or else to refer the matter to six jurats (named) of the island of Guernsey. *Underwritten,*

32. i. *Note by Sir William Becher that Mr. Attorney, taking into consideration the reports of himself and the Earl of Danby, is to consider this petition and certify his opinion.* [1 p.]

April. 33. Scrap of paper, endorsed "Easter, 12 Charles. Mr. Worfield's bill and answer," but having on it only the words "Return immediately P. Fabian," twice written, and "Return about two of the Clock. P. Fabian."

[April.] 34. Notification by Thomas, Earl of Arundel and Surrey, and Earl Marshal of England, to the King, that he has appointed his son, Henry, Lord Maltravers, to be his deputy in that office during his absence beyond seas. And certificate that Henry, Lord Maltravers has appeared before the King [*blank space left for date*] in the 12th year of his reign, and been by him admitted to the office of Earl Marshal during the absence of the Earl of Arundel. *Latin.* [Draft. 1½ pp. *The Earl of Arundel left England at the beginning of April.*]

May 3. 35. Certificate from the Earl of Newport to the Privy Council Ordnance Office, concerning powder, &c., for Castle Cornet in Guernsey. [¾ p.]

[May 12?] 36. Petition of the eleven Masters in Chancery to the King. In the High Courts of Justice in Westminster, the Chancery is one of the chiefest, the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal sitting there as judge and the Master of the Rolls and petitioners as assistants to the Court. The services of the eleven Masters are most necessary, their labours great, and their attendances continual, for recompense whereof divers fees and great profits did anciently belong to them. But these are now taken away, and by a late Act of Parliament they are debarred from receiving anything from those in whose causes they are employed by the Court, be their pains therein never so great. They have now little more left them than a bare allowance of 6*l.* 14*s.* apiece by the year, which would not content the meanest servant to a poor clerk, wherefore most of the Masters have slackened their attendance in Chancery and applied their times to other employments. Beg restitution of their ancient profits or some other relief. [Draft. 1 p. *The resolution on this petition is calendared under 12th May 1636, see Vol. CCCXXI., No. 1.*]

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Guernsey.

37. Peter Priaulx to Jasper Cornelius, Southampton. Thanks for the care you took of me. I was sorry not to take leave of you. I hear that the Earl of Danby is not coming here, so I beg you to request the Lords of the Council to give order for the examination of my witnesses; and also to have another Commissioner appointed in place of Lord Danby, or have some one joined to the Commission to answer for us and send us copies of the process. I hope to see you this summer. I send you a little pot of butter. *French.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

May 14.

38. Account of the fishing made in the years 1633, 1634, and 1635, by the Association whereof the Earl of Arundel is chief, giving the sums received and disbursed, the amount of fish taken, and sundry reasons why the Association has not been more successful, as want of hoops and salt, disagreement between the captain in charge and the fishermen, and the loss of some of their ships. *Endorsed* "Account of the Fishing, drawn out 14th May 1636." [ $2\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

May 19.

39. Certificate of George Longe, Justice of Peace for co. Middlesex, giving the names of those in the parish of Clerkenwell who neglect to pay their assessment for the relief of the infected (with the plague), viz., Lady Penelope Gage, Sir Humphrey Mildmay, Lady Resby, Sir Francis Byondey, Mrs. Mary Pagnam, and Mr. James Lemetaier. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

May 25.

40. Receipt of Lawrence Squibb for 15*l.* from Sir Thomas Fanshawe, for sealing the blank books for the customers, controllers and searchers in the ports of England and Wales, for a year at Christmas last. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 26.

41. [George Rawdon to Viscount Conway]. In my last, which I think came to you in the packet to the Downs the same day you went from here, I writ you that Lord Cottington had given me a likely answer, and told me that the business should be done in the like manner as arrears had been granted to others. I desired to know to what year we should go, but they would not give your Lordship any longer time than was already granted to others, the latest of which is 6 Charles, except the Lady Saltoun's, which is with such restrictions that it is not worth the charge of passing a grant if it were given; and, besides, we must not have anything to do with the Court of Wards. This is Lord Cottington's resolved answer. The next morning, my Lord Treasurer told Mr. March of his own accord that he was sorry your business could not be done. I must now see the utmost such a grant can do by searching what debts are in the Exchequer, and if they will be any good. I conceive we may come as late in time as the latest, and be free of some restrictions which Lady Saltoun and others have (see *Vol. CCCVI., No. 20, and Vol. CCCXXV., No. 68*). The sickness spreads daily. It is in the Old Exchange and Broad [Street], though in the total number it has not much

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increased this last week. Schools are dissolved, so that Mr. Conway must leave the [town]. My Lady wrote I should be careful to procure him some safe place in the country. I have answered, your Lordship directed he should come [to her], but if her Ladyship was not so pleased, I would provide him elsewhere. Lady Harley has importunately invited him, and so has Sir William Pelham. I perceive that Sir Francis Popham will not understand that it is fit for my Lady to consent to that suit. I hope there will be no great question made of it by Sir Robert Lee. By a letter from Mr. F. Read I hear that Mr. Spencer passed by that way, with his [daughter] and Mrs. Aylworth, for Ireland. Mr. Egiock was also going, but was left behind very sick, and my Lady has directed that Mr. Norton should be sent down to her. Mr. Little is come to town three days since, a forerunner of my Lord Deputy, who is expected with this wind. He has compounded the Lord of Cork's suit for 1,500*l.* fine, and 700*l.* per annum to be restored to the College of Youghal. The Lord Moore is well. I have sent you the case as it was put to Sergeant Hendon, and his resolution therein. He says the case is clear; it was adjudged this term, and we may throw them out. But it would be a far shorter way, if it please my Lord Deputy, to grant the presentation by lapse to others than that you brought your own suit by *quere impedit*.

*Dorso*.—"Honourable cousin, I confess I have reason to take the fault upon myself that I have given you no better account of the esteem I bear you, and the service I owe you, which you may freely command." [3¼ pp. Damaged by damp.] Annexed, apparently a postscript to the above.

41. 1 I think Mr. Basseny will be your Lordship's correspondent here if the sickness drive him not away, which I hope we shall know in two or three weeks. The next term is put off. In Newcastle it is better. There happened a quarrel on Monday at Mr. Obaston's tennis court. Mr. Uvedale and another gentleman looking on, a gentleman of the Earl of Hertford, Mr. Brooke, came between them, whereat Mr. Uvedale took exceptions. Mr. Brooke answered he knew not [why] he might not stand there, some other words passed, Mr. Uvedale struck him with a ca[ne], Brooke requited with a ———, which caused Mr. Uvedale to bleed. [He] spoke big words, and Brooke told him he knew him not, but his name was Brooke, and he was to be found at the Earl of Hertford's. Afterwards, Mr. Uvedale spoke some words of the Earl, which came to his ears, who was then in the ground. So his Lordship and Mr. Uvedale went presently to the Park. Mr. Cary, suspecting a quarrel, sent up after them. His keeper found them putting off their spurs, whom they spying, drew on him, but the longstaff beat down both their swords, Mr. Uvedale's out of his

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*hand, and so no hurt was done. The Marshall's messenger has Brookes, but Mr. Uvedale is not found. [1½ pp. Damaged by damp.]*

May 30.  
London.

42. Answer by Sir James Bagg to objections concerning the goods of the "St. James," "Lady of Help," and "St. Anthony;" certain wine sold; a derelict to which Captain Daniel pretends; and various sums of money paid or asked for. The agreement with Sir William Alexander, now Earl of Stirling, and Cassamart, was made by the late Lord Treasurer, as was also that with Sir Samuel Rell. [3 pp.]

[May ?]

43. Considerations upon a petition to the King for reformation of abuses in the sale of silk stockings and waistcoats, woven and knitted. Gentlemen would be greatly advantaged by having a mark of distinction between woven and knitted goods, and would be content, in the laying out of three or four pounds, to give a shilling more for the certainty that they were not deceived; the common people could not object, it nothing concerning them; nor the tradesmen, they having no corporation, and being only delinquents in the abuses complained of. *Underwritten,*

43. 1. *Memorandum, that there can be found no way so plain and easy, whereby the abuse in selling woven for knit silk stockings may be discovered, as this mark of distinction. [1 p. Probably connected with Katherine Elliot's petition of May 15th of this year. See Book of Petitions, Dom. Car. I., Vol. CCCXXIII., p. 7.]*

June 1.  
Inner Star  
Chamber.

44. Petition of Peter Bonamy the elder, of Guernsey, merchant, to the Privy Council. After a long suit in the Island, petitioner procured sentence against Martha Devick, procurator for William Briard and his wife, for a debt of 45*l.* 15*s.*, with interest and charges. The said Martha, on the 8th of August 1635, appealed to their Lordships and summoned petitioner to attend on the 24th of May last, which he has done. As Briard and his wife are both in England, and petitioner is come over of purpose, and the sickness increases, begs reference to some of his Majesty's counsel. *Underwritten,*

44. 1. *Reference to the Solicitor-General, signed by Nicholas, and dated as above. [1 p.]*

June 2.

45. Account of the ordnance, powder, and other munitions of war remaining in Castle Elizabeth, Jersey, and of that delivered to the Castles of Elizabeth and Montorgueuil, on 2nd June 1636, in virtue of an order made at Star Chamber by the Lords of the Council, bearing date 24th April 1635. [6 pp.]

June 7.  
Whitehall.

46. Warrant of assistance from the Privy Council to the Sheriffs, Justices of Peace, &c. The Treasury of the Chamber being about to be removed from Whitehall, they are to provide a

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cart and horses on demand of John Hurd and William Harrison, Yeomen of the Guard, for the conveyance of the said office and treasure from place to place as occasion shall require; providing lodgings safe from infection for the officers in attendance thereon. *Endorsed* : "7th June 1636. A warrant for Sir W. Uvedale's office." [*Draft, with the names of the Lords in Windebank's handwriting. 1 p.*]

June 21.  
Creek.

47. Thomas Harrison to William, Lord Treasurer, and Bishop of London. I wish to make known to you a design I have pitched upon after many years' study. If his Majesty will allow me to present a petition thereon, a discovery will be made of such proceedings as will tend to a discharge of a true subject's duty. I am possessed (so I write because of some speeches uttered by your Lordship to my brother George, concerning a lapse of Creek) of a moderate church fortune for a private person. If my estate in this benefice is weakened, I will build no promise on a sinking foundation, otherwise I will risk my all if I make not good my undertakings, lest I be called to a strict account for hiding this talent. [*1 p. Seal with device.*] *Overleaf,*

47. 1. *A bill of 10l. 10s. 11d. for drugs, &c., receipted by Charles Lathom.*

June 26.  
July 6.  
Hague.

48. George Goring to Lord Conway at sea. There is news come that Piccolomini is marching to the assistance of the enemy. If that be so, the other I sent to my Lord Northumberland will prove false, and the continuance of this westerly wind will have the same effect; but I defy any alteration in Christendom to change me from being constantly your faithful servant. [*1 p. Seal with arms.*]

[June 30.]

49. Petition of John Harriat and Robert Beeton, Chief Constables of co. Northampton, to the Council. Having been sent for by warrant by a messenger, they beg a hearing. [*½ p. They appeared before the Council on this date. See Vol. CCCXXVII., No. 97.*]

June 30.  
Oatlands.

50. The Privy Council to the Bailiff and Jurats of Jersey. Solomon Tourneaulx, tutor to the children of Sarah Lempriere, petitioned that the said children were much indebted but had an estate more than sufficient to satisfy their creditors, and obtained an order for examination thereof, but the creditors refused any other satisfaction than ready money. You are to call both parties before you, and if you find these complaints to be true, are to see that the orphans' inheritance is kept free from those who have an aim thereto. If there have been any proceedings against Tourneaulx, you are to esteem them void, and if any creditors refuse to obey these directions you are to take bond of them to appear before us. [*Draft by Windebank. 1½ pp.*] *Underwritten,*

50. 1. *Note of a warrant with general directions like to that for Mr. Savage, &c., and in the behalf of Sir Baswell [Basill], Brook and William Weld, to dig for ore in the counties of Cumberland, Westmoreland, York, and Lancaster.*

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51. The Privy Council to the Bailiff and Jurats of Jersey. We send you the petition of Guyon Ahier, John le Percy, Peter Goupill, Clement Hampton, and John Fatte [Fiott ?] of Jersey, complaining of the hard course practised against them by their creditors. They say that their estates exceed their debts in value, and offer to sell as much as will give their creditors their just due, yet these refuse all ordinary satisfaction. You are to call both parties before you, take order for the satisfaction of what is justly due to the creditors and see that the overplus is quietly enjoyed by petitioners ; certifying to us any of the said creditors who oppose our directions. *Draft by Nicholas.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*

51. 1. *Note that this is directed to Sir Philip Carteret, Elias Carteret, Lieutenant Bailiff, Philip Carteret and Thomas Lempriere, Jurats, and James Cousteur, receiver, or any three of them, whereof Sir Philip Carteret to be one.*

[June ?]

52. Petition of the merchants and owners of ships of the ports of Exeter, Plymouth, Dartmouth, Totnes, Barnstaple, Southampton, Poole, Weymouth and Melcomb Regis, and Lyme Regis, in cos. Devon, Dorset, and Southampton, to the Privy Council. Hearing that the King is about to grant a charter to the Spanish merchants of London, which they conceive will be prejudicial to their own trade and to his Majesty's service, they beg that both parties may be called before their Lordships and the business heard. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *See Vol. CCCXXV., No. 28.*]

July 6.

53. Report of Solicitor-General Littleton on the appeal in the case of Peter Bonamy and William Briard. Having heard counsel on both sides, he conceives Briard's objections against the sentence pronounced on him to be of no force, as he accepted the goods and ought to pay for them [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *See No. 44 above.*]

[July 11.]

54. Petition of John Blanche, prisoner in the Gatehouse for twelve months, to the Council. Having had many suits against one John de Quetteville, he was committed to the Gatehouse upon false actions. His case has been examined by the three last Attorney-Generals and the Earl of Danby, who reported in his favour. Begg that they will consider the annexed report, commiserate his wrongs, and set him free. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

54. 1. *Report of Sir John Bankes, Attorney-General, certifying that Blanche was imprisoned upon a commission of rebellion out of the Court of Star-chamber, and upon a bill for 500*l.* at the suit of Mr. Quetteville, and recommending that he should be permitted to return to Guernsey, security being taken for his answering the suits.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[July.]

55. Petition of Peter Bonamy the elder, of Guernsey, to the Privy Council. In July 1635 petitioner obtained sentence against William Briard and his wife for recovery of a debt of 45*l.* 15*s.* due

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from them, but the said Briard appealed to their Lordships, and summoned petitioner to attend on them, which he has done. Briard never entered his appeal, and, in respect of the contagiousness of the time, petitioner applied to their Lordships for relief, who referring him to the Solicitor-General, this latter made certificate in petitioner's favour [see Nos. 44 and 53 above]. Having been in town near two months, and at great charges, he begs order to the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey to proceed in the execution of the sentence, and to give him recompense for his molestation. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Sept. 1. 56. Petition of Peter Fautras, minister, and Philip Brock, both of Jersey, to the Privy Council. A case between petitioners and Peter Fiott was referred by their Lordships to the Earl of Manchester and Sir Thomas Jermyn, who found that Fiott had no just cause to appeal, and allowed petitioners 12*l.* apiece for their charges. Fiott, by an unjust affidavit, has procured letters to David Bandenell, Dean, Thomas Lamprey (Lempriere), and others, friends of his own, to re-examine the cause. Beg that letters may be directed to Sir Philip Carteret, Elias Carteret, Elias de Marick, [Dumaresq] and Abraham Herault, to be joined with the other Commissioners. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[Sept. 1 ?] 57. A similar petition, but naming Helier Carteret as one of the Commissioners, and Sir Philip Carteret to be umpire in case the parties shall not end the cause. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Sept. 1. 58. Petition of Andrew Nicholls, of Jersey, master and part owner of the "Peter," to the Council. About 21st of June last his vessel, being laden with merchandise by Abraham Herault, amongst which was 4 cwt. of whalebone, consigned to John Herault of Southampton, was forced by stress of weather into the Downs, and he had to alter his course for London. Being come into the river, one Maberly, on pretence of a proclamation restraining any but the Greenland Company from importing whalebone, seized the parcel. Begg pardon for his offence, ignorantly committed, and restoration of the whalebone. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Sept. 4. 59. Captain Christopher Osborne to Edward Nicholas, Sunning-  
Greenwich. hill. I am bold enough to ask you if a ship has been appointed to fetch Lord Danby and my brother from Guernsey, as the season of the year draws on towards foul weather. If no directions have yet been given, I beg you to put Secretary Coke in mind of it at your next meeting. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Seal with arms.*]

Sept. 8. 60. Sir Philip Carteret to the Privy Council. I have received your Lordships' commands concerning Jane Lee. She has concealed from you that, on 4th December 1633, her complaint was dismissed by your Lordships, who judged it not reasonable she should demand satisfaction for hurt soldiers, it being manifest they were hurt not in service but in private quarrels. She is a wilful



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and clamorous woman, whom no reason can satisfy. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]  
*Enclosing,*

60. I. *Copy of Order in Council, of date 4th December 1633, concerning the complaints against Sir Philip Carteret by divers of the Isle of Jersey, and in particular by Peter Fiott and Mary his wife, and also concerning the complaint of Jane Lee, widow of William Lee, which was dismissed by their Lordships.* [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

Sept. 22.  
Cardigan.

61. Justices of the Peace of co. Cardigan to the Privy Council. Your Lordships having required us to send in the names of all popish recusants in this county, we have employed the services of the constables and churchwardens in their several limits, but cannot learn that there be any such recusants in the county. Six signatures. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Sept. 27.

62. Receipt of William Chislett, Deputy Auditor, for 13s. 4d. paid by Antony Newlove as fee farm rent for lands in Helpringham, co. Lincoln, for the year ending Michaelmas 1636. [*Latin form filled in.*  $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Oct. 4.  
Marlborough.

63. Order of the Court of Sessions for co. Wilts. on complaint of William Penny, that Edward Shoard, Constable of Maiden Bradley, having wrongly levied rates without consent of the churchwardens of the parish, and not having made proper submission, be bound over in 100*l.*, and two sureties also bound in 50*l.* apiece, to appear at the next sessions, and that in the meantime he pay back the moneys he has collected, and pay also the moneys rated upon himself. And upon certificate by Sir Henry Ludlow of his conformity the Court will give further order. [ $2\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

[Oct. before  
the 10th.]

64. Petition of George Kirke and others to the Council. It will appear by the letter of the Justices of the Peace for co. Lincoln (*see Vol. CCCXXXIII., No. 11*) that they committed six of the rioters [in the West Fen], delivering two of them to the under sheriff, and giving him a warrant to apprehend the other four. Mr. Snowden, one of the justices, charged him to send the two speedily to the gaol, but the next morning Mr. Coney, another of the justices, met him taking a prisoner to Lincoln gaol, and, asking him why he did not take the other two, he said this prisoner was of consequence, and left the other two to be brought at leisure by a bailiff. The other four are not yet taken. Pray letters to the High Sheriff to apprehend the four rioters, and also to the justices thanking them for their care of the service, and desiring them to find out the rest of the rioters. [1 p. *See No. 73 below.*]

[Oct. 20.]

65. MS. copy of a pamphlet entitled, "Newes from Ipswich, " discovering certaine late detestable practices of some domineeringe " lordly prelates to undermyne the established doctryne and " discipline of our church, extirpate all orthodox sincere preachers " and preachinge of God's word, usher in popery, superstition, and " idolatry with their late notorious purgations of the new fast

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"booke, contrary to his Majesty's proclamation and their intolerable affront therein offered to the most illustrious Lady Elizabeth, the King's onely sister and her children, even whiles they are nowe royally entertayned at Court in blotting them out of the Collect, and to His Majestie, his Queene, and their royall progeny in blotting them out of the number of God's elect." Printed at Ipswich, An. 1636. [*Written by William Prynne under the pseudo name of Mathew White. There are three copies of this in the British Museum, of which the earliest is dated 20th October (press mark 4103d). This MS. copy is dated 12th November. 8½ pp.*]

[Oct. 26 ?]

66. Petition of William Bushee and Thomas Greenor, paper-makers for co. Middlesex, to the Privy Council. About ten weeks since [August 17th, see No. 76 below] petitioners' works were ordered to be shut by reason of the infection then increasing in London and other places, whereby they receive 10*l.* damage every week, they keeping upon their hands all their servants, with their families, 36 in number. Beg allowance for the past ten weeks and until they may begin to work again. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Nov. 5.

67. [William Dell] to the Earl of Danby. The King has lately heard that in the time of King James, the churches in the Island of Jersey were brought into conformity with the Church of England, but that the like was not done for Guernsey. He is of opinion that as great, if not greater, care of conformity ought to be had of this island, both because there is a fairer haven for traffic and because the island stands nearer to this kingdom, and prays you to take the business into your consideration. *Endorsed by Dell on above date*: "A branch of my letters to my Lord the Earl of Danby concerning the Isle of Guernsey." [*Copy. 1 p.*]

Nov. 7.

Lords of the Admiralty to Sir Henry Mervin, Admiral in the "St. Andrew," appointed to guard the Narrow Seas. You are to repair to Portsmouth and there receive from Sir John Pennington his Majesty's ship the "St. Andrew," together with the "Unicorn," "Bonadventure," "Garland," "Swallow," "10th and 3rd Whelps," and "Swan"; and with your best diligence are to guard the Narrow Seas from the Start westward and from the Start to the Downs, and thence northwards, that they may be secured from all pirates and sea-rovers. [*1 p. Copy. Vol. CLVII., fol. 148B.*]

Nov. 22.  
Hunstart.

68. Edward Conway to George Rawdon, Lisnegarvy. Thanks for your love in urging me in my duty to my father. I hope he expects no more from me than my time and age can afford. It is a good while since he came from sea; we expect him here daily, and I shall be wondrous glad to see you also. Thanks for your care of my colt. [*1 p.*]

Nov.

69. Petition of Captain Francis Wrenham to the Council. There being rents and arrears amounting to 1,000*l.* due to his Majesty from Sutton and Gedney Marshes, co. Lincoln, the moiety of which

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Lady Saltoun claimed by grant from his Majesty, one William Wise, in Easter term 1635, contrived to have the whole sum laid on 500 acres of Sutton Marsh, held by petitioner, leaving the residue thereof, about 5,000 acres, free. He was aided by one Richard Fincham, and by Sir Walter Norton, Bart., the then sheriff, who in October 1635 stript petitioner of so much of his crop of corn as was worth 1,400*l.*, which he sold for but 150*l.* to one Downham, said to be a deputy of his own, though at that time, not only petitioner's crop, but that of 3,000 acres besides, stood seized for the King's arrears, by a commission out of the Exchequer executed by a messenger. Sir Walter ought to have assisted him, but a month since he had not even paid in the 150*l.* to his Majesty. He also pressed 400 carts to carry away the corn in hot haste when it was sold, causing barbarous destruction thereof. Petitioner's suit in the Star Chamber against the said defendants not having proceeded, he begs reparation, the rather that Wise, on the 6th of this November 1636, said that he would not make answer in the Star Chamber. [1 *p.*]

[Nov. ?] 70. Petition of Captain Francis Wrenham to the King. The miscarriages of William Wise, Richard Fincham, Sir Walter Norton, Bart., John Hull, and others, Sir Walter's deputies in the time of his sheriffalty, being more than can be contained in a petition (a relation whereof, annexed to a petition to the Council, is now in the hands of Sir Dudley Carleton), petitioner begs a hearing, and that the above-mentioned be ordered to attend. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

[Nov. ?] 71. Order of the Privy Council, after reciting the case of Captain Francis Wrenham, as given in his petitions, that petitioner is to address himself to the Court of Exchequer for reparation of the losses sustained by him in the carrying off of his corn, and that William Wise, Sir Walter Norton, and the other confederates are to be prosecuted in the Star Chamber. [*Draft.* 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  *pp.*]

[Nov. ?] 72. Petition of Richard Kilvert to the King. The informations against the Bishop of Lincoln in the Star Chamber are sufficient ground for the Court to impose a great fine, and the cause has been ready for hearing ever since the beginning of this Michaelmas term; but a certain information, whereof petitioner was ready to make proof, has been taken off the file, so that the bishop scoffs at him, and threatens to take revenge upon him, all which petitioner feels bound to make known to his Majesty. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

[Nov. ?] 73. Petition of George Kirke and others to the Privy Council. By letters of about the 10th of October last, their Lordships ordered the High Sheriff of co. Lincoln to apprehend Henry Fleming, John Southwell, Robert Clay, and John Layton, rioters, according to a warrant given to the under-sheriff at the quarter sessions at Horncastle on the 3rd of October last, but they are not yet taken, whereby the rest of the rioters, as yet undiscovered, are encouraged to molest and threaten petitioners' workmen. Beg order to the

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present High Sheriff to apprehend the said rioters and to keep safely Edmund Clipsham and William Richardson, already in Lincoln Gaol. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

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The Hague.

74. Elizabeth, queen of Bohemia, to Archbishop Laud. If my Lord Marshal returned without my letters to you, I should commit no small fault. I think no man could have done better than he has done, for though he could not obtain what we desired, he has discovered our enemies' false dealing, which is more than others have been able to do, therefore I doubt not but that the King, my dear brother, will let him see, by his gracious usage to him, that he approves his actions. For myself, I cannot enough express how much I esteem him, and the obligations I have to him, and entreat you to help me in letting him know it. I entreat you to continue your good offices that the King may do something for his own honour and nephew's good. I protest I do not desire him to do more than he is able, God forbid I should be so unreasonable, but I only desire that some way might be found out that my son may be put into action personally, else he will never be considerable, but be despised, and left out in all treaties or mentioned to his prejudice. I write this freely to you because I find you so much my friend, and I most earnestly entreat you to do all you can in it, and speedily, for summer will be here instantly, and for him to be longer out of action would be very prejudicial and dishonourable to him. *Endorsed by Laud as received on 7th January 1637*: "From the Queen of Bohemia: 1, Hir opinion of the L. Marsh: 2, To put hir sonne in action this summer." [*Seals with arms.* 1 p.]

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75. Examination of John Landell and Roger Heward, Constables of Bugden and Sturtlow, co. Huntingdon, before the Bishop of Lincoln, one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace and Quorum for the said county. On the 23rd of December they made complaint against William Shelley for deceitfully getting from them, in an ale-house, the assessment made on the inhabitants of the constablerick for ship-money, and the next day he was brought before the Bishop, who, on his refusal to give up the assessment, made out a warrant for his committal to gaol; but petitioners, at his entreaty, carried him to Godmanchester, before Sir Robert Osborne, who bailed him. The Bishop then got the High Constables to come to Bugden to meet the neighbours, to make a fresh assessment, and at that meeting Shelley was sent for, but refused either to give up the old assessment or to help to make the fresh one. It is said that he has now gone to London. Signed by the two constables, by mark; and by the Bishop of Lincoln, John Peniall, messenger of the Chamber, and six others. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp. See Vol. CCCXXXVIII., No. 4.]

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76. Petition of Edmond Phippes, Henry Harris, Richard West, Thomas Greenor, and William Bushee, paper-makers of cos. Middlesex and Bucks, to the Council. By order of 17th August last, petitioners were forbidden to work their mills on account of

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the plague, and on petition for relief of their losses, their Lordships on 6th November last ordered that money should be raised for them in the hundreds in which the paper mills stand, requiring Baron Denham, the Attorney-General and the Justices of the Peace to put the order in execution. The Justices having made order accordingly on the 8th of this December, petitioners pray that it may be put in execution for the time past, and that, the sickness being now abated, they may work in their mills again. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

77. MS copy of the pamphlet entitled "An humble remonstrance to His Majesty against the taxe of shipp-money imposed, laying open the illegallity, abuse, and inconveniencie thereof, &c." To which is appended "A list of the ships to be raised in England and Wales to be ready the 1st of March 1635-6." [132 pp. Dated 1639. *This pamphlet was written by William Prynne, 1636, during his imprisonment in the Tower; printed without his privity in 1641; "set out by a true copy agreeing with the original," 1st Sept. 1643. See copy in the British Museum (E. 251). Partially printed in Rushworth's Collections. Pt. II., p. 359.]*

78. Another MS. copy of the same. [88 pp.]

79. Petition of Victor Johnson, mariner, a poor distressed stranger, prisoner at Plymouth, to the King. Was steersman in the "Love" of Horne in Holland, bound for Farnambaco (Pernambuco) in Brazil, and being in Plymouth harbour did deny some Englishmen to go ashore, who by way of revenge, falsely accused him of uttering words in dishonour of his Majesty, for which he has suffered long and grievous imprisonment. Begs for pardon and release. *Endorsed by Windebank, "Victor Johnson, Hollander, stayed at Plymouth."* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *See Vol. CCCXXVI., No. 75.]*

80. Petition of Sarah Whetston, widow, Gilbert Keate, Thomas Jenings, Richard Leigh, Richard Middleton, James Mann, Henry Erberry and others, owners of the ship "Pearl," to the Council. About Michaelmas last they petitioned [*see Vol. CCXCVIII., No. 76*] concerning their ship taken on Whitsunday, 1635, in the roads of Saphia in Barbary, by three of the French king's own ships, of which Mons. Du Chelart, one of the French king's immediate servants, was the chief commander. Petitioners had performed all requisite sea rights, as is proved by the depositions of three Dutchmen who were present at the fight, and by the confession of William Fenner, Englishman, captain of one of the French ships. The master of the "Pearl" (Luke Whetston) and thirteen of his mariners were slain in the fight, the rest of them being wounded and some of them having lost their limbs. His Majesty long since directed his letters to the French king, which petitioners sent by special messenger, who, after thirty days' waiting, obtained for answer that on the return of Mons. Du. Chelart and the ships justice should be done. It was likewise promised to his Majesty's

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ambassador in France that, upon the arrival of the men, the cause should be examined before him and one of the Secretaries of State; but when the men went there, they were carried like thieves and pirates from Rochelle to Paris, where they were laid in prison for almost a month, and were threatened to be put to the rack by the allies of Mons. du Chelart, the principal officers of the French admiralty, because they would not subscribe their extorted confession made at sea, the which if they would not there have done, the said Mons. du Chelart (as the custom of the French is) would have tied them back to back and thrown them overboard. Mons. du Chelart also took a small Dutch ship in the roads of Saphia, and carried it to France, but upon suit of the States ambassador, it was restored. The French have offered to restore the hull of the "Pearl," but in its present state, spoiled and pillaged of all its furniture and tackle, it would not be worth bringing home. Petitioners have lost over 10,000*l.*, besides the charges of their men in France for nearly 10 months, and beg redress. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.] *Annexed,*

80. I. *Copy of the affidavit of John Rycken, Dirick Jacobs, and Claus Jans, of the ship "Noah's Ark," made before John Waernaerts, public notary at Amsterdam, reciting the circumstances of the taking of the "Pearl" by the French ships, of which they were witnesses. [1 p. Another copy already calendared, Vol. CCXCVIII., No. 76 I.]*
- 80 II. *A true copy of the letter sent by his Majesty to the King of France concerning the ship "Pearl." We have lately received a petition by Sarah Whetston and others which represents to us the outrageous and barbarous cruelty committed upon the company of the said ship, being but 44 persons in all, by three of your ships, over which Mons. Chelard was commander, wherein were 300 or 400 men, who violently assailed the said ship, killed the master, and slew or wounded all the rest except six, whom they yet detain, together with the ship and goods. We request that you will cause our aforesaid subjects yet living to be released and sent us, restore the ship with its goods, and exemplary punish the offenders, which we doubt not but you will be pleased readily to accomplish at these our requests, being an action of justice and honesty tending to the maintenance of peace and amity between our crowns, and the prevention of letters of marque and reprisal, which, without such satisfaction as is desired, we cannot, out of our princely duty to our subjects, deny. [1 p.]*
80. III. *Copy of the reasons given by the French to justify the fight of Mons. du Chaslard [sic], the King's ambassador to the King of Morocco. The fight in June last happened not through ill will, there being no war between England*

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and France, but only for considerations of the rules observed upon the sea, the first of which is that if the ships of sovereign princes meet, the stronger makes the weaker obey and pull down his flag as a salute, and, when merchant ships meet a man-of-war, they should in honour salute willingly, as the English captains cause to be done. And if they meet in a road, he that arrives first can demand of him who cometh after who he is and whence he comes. But the master of the "Pearl" refused to put down his flag or to give satisfaction that he was a merchant ship and not a pirate, and, when summoned to do so, answered insolently to provoke Mons. de Chaslard to fight, who would have been dishonoured if he had failed of his duty in the presence of the King of Morocco, who was come to Saphia, and would have had an ill opinion of the King and of his Council, to have sent unto him to treat of the affairs of peace a cowardly ambassador. Also the ship of the said Whetstone was laden with Jews and their merchandise, and particularly prohibited commodities, which all Christian princes do defend to be carried to the Turks, mortal enemies of the Christian faith. Wherefore the King of Great Britain has no reason to complain, and the ship is well gotten for the King and Mons. de Chaslard by the blood of his brother, of Captain Bragault, of Captain de la Roque, and a number of good soldiers slain, and a greater number wounded in this fight. Translated from the French. [1½ pp.]

[1636 ?] 81. Breviate of depositions taken before the Judge of the Admiralty Court, touching a fishing buss named the "Experience" of Yarmouth, set forth to sea by Lord Maltravers, Sir Nicholas Fortescue, Sir Basil Brooke, Sir Richard Weston, Sir James Bagg, and George Gage, and in hostile manner taken by the Hollanders. [1 p. See Vol. CCCXLI., No. 7.]

82. [Lord Conway] to [Secretary Coke?]. According to your commands we are here at sea. We stayed no longer at Yarmouth than to take in pilots, and were assured there that at this time of year there is no sailing farther northward than Cromer. The small fisher boats of Yarmouth fish nearer the sands than the Dutch, taking their mark for shooting their nets in the evening by the lights in the Dutch busses. Although my Lord of Northumberland could not hear of any busses, and a ship that came for Camphere in the Low Countries said that the States had commanded them not to go to fish this year, yet, lest it might be thought that his eyes would see better than any others we put to sea, where we have had foul weather and were forced to anchor, which the "James" durst not venture to do, and the "Nonsuch" was driven from her anchor and forced to set sail. We know not what has become of them. [1 p.]

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83. Statement of abuses in the office of the Clerk of the Pipe. That the Clerk of the Pipe has removed divers sheriffs' debts from them to farmers and tenants. That he has not caused summons to be issued for the answering of divers debts conveyed into the great Roll. That he has conveyed charges upon divers counties into other counties. That he has allowed tallies of reward, which ought not to be allowed. That he has given false allowances upon sheriffs' accounts [*margin: Dallison and Wentworth's accounts*]. That *quietus ests* have been given to accountants, and the money which ought to have been paid into the Exchequer, put into a private clerk's purse of that office [*margin: Jarvis*]. That he has not charged divers rents and revenues in his office. That he charges uncertain revenues, as greenwax, with certain revenues, as fee-farm rents. *Underwritten,*

83. I. *Request that the Commissioners of the Treasury will refer the matter to Sir Edmund Sayer, Mr. Auditor Phillips, and the Surveyor-General, to whom the Barons of the Court (of Exchequer) have referred some of the particulars already.* [1 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

84. Undertaking by George Smith, by outward and reverent gesture in divine service, to testify his inward acknowledgment that the Lord Jesus Christ is the only Saviour of the world. [6 lines.]

85. Memorandum that the King in Council has this day ordered that a Commission be granted to the Governor and Company of Soapmakers in Westminster to compound with certain persons called Bobbers, who have made soap contrary to his Majesty's proclamation. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p., partly in handwriting of Nicholas, partly in that of Robert Read.]

86. Paper on the breeding of seamen. It is usually said that the shipping and navigation of England are the walls of the kingdom, which shipping has its sap and nourishment from the seaman trading to Newcastle, and the fisherman to foreign parts, therefore they are both to be cherished. Yet it is not well for the fisherman to make great gains, while the King and navigation suffer great loss, the reason whereof is the trade between the fishermen in Newfoundland and foreigners, who give extraordinary prices for herrings and pilchards, and carry them much more cheaply than the English. The King of Spain has proclaimed that no Dutch ship is to come into any port in his dominions, but he gives liberty to all to bring them victuals and ammunition, so that if the Dutch did not lade their ships with our fish they would want the trade of Spain, and the English might hereafter supply them with Spanish commodities, whereby our Customs would be advanced and our navigation increased. The Dutch at Yarmouth yearly are a hindrance to our fishermen, bringing in great quantity of herrings, victualling themselves and going out to sea again, whereby the town gains, but the Dutch eat the bread out of the fisherman's mouth ;



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yet the Dutch provide better for themselves, for if an Englishman take herrings into their ports he loses his herrings and must pay 25 or 30 guilders for every barrel. If the Dutch were prohibited to bring fish to any port of England, it would encourage the fishermen to follow their trade more diligently. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

87. Opinion on a reference by Archbishop Laud and Bishop Juxon of London, Lord High Treasurer, of the petition of David Waterhouse, touching a controversy between himself and Sir Arthur Ingram concerning certain moors, part of the manor of Halifax and Heptonstall, co. York. [*Imperfect.* 2 pp.]

88. Certificate of the Mayor of Reading and seven others to the Privy Council, that there are four houses in the town infected with the plague, and two others suspected and shut up. For ten days past no one has died of the plague, nor above 13 persons in all from the beginning of the visitation. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

89. List by Nicholas of ship moneys, on the writs of 1635, from cos. Essex, Gloucester, Hants, Herts, Kent, Lancaster, Lincoln, Northampton, Northumberland, Norfolk, Oxon, Notts, Somerset, Surrey, Sussex, Suffolk, Stafford, Salop, Warwick, Worcester, Wilts, and York, with the sums contributed in the principal towns in each county, the amounts ranging from 12,000*l.* in Yorkshire, which furnishes two ships, to 2,100*l.* in Northumberland. [ $5\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

90. Brief of the Judges' certificate, in the case of Dr. Bancroft, Bishop of Oxford. They certify that the Bishop had a judgment in the Exchequer for 2,000 marks, besides costs, upon which Sir Edward Heron was committed to the fleet; that the Lord Chief Justice [Richardson] set him at liberty, without calling the Bishop at the bail taking; that bail was procured for money by one Harbin, a prisoner in the Fleet, and was insufficient; that Sir Edward was not bailable by law; and that Sir Edward Coke, when Lord Chief Justice, was fined 2,400*l.* by King James for delivering one Hawkeridge upon insufficient bail. With reasons why Lord Richardson's abuse of his office is far greater than that of Sir Edward Coke. *Endorsed*: "1, The brief of the Judge's certificate; "and, 2, The difference between the Lord Cooke and the Lord "Richardson's proceedings. In the case of D. Bancroft, Lord "Bishop of Oxford. [2 pp. See Vol. CCCXL, No. 13.]

91. Breviate of the petitions of certain counties and towns desiring to be eased in their assessments (*for ship-money*) with the reasons why they should be rated lower; viz., Ipswich, rated at 240*l.*, but amount increased by the sheriff to 450*l.* (*see petition of 30th October 1635, Vol. CCC., No. 59.*) Co. Chester, rated too highly as compared with co. Lancaster (*noted by Nicholas that Sir Thomas Aston, by his letters of 1st June last, said it was 1,500*l.* too high*). Northumberland, rated too highly considering that the town of Newcastle and part of co. Durham, which do not contribute, lie in the county and are the fruitfulest

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part thereof, and also that there have lately been great charges for the repair and rebuilding of Coo bridge. Shrewsbury, the town greatly impoverished by the plague and the rate too high in proportion to the whole county (*see petition of November 1635. Vol. CCCII., No. 130*). Bristol, rate twice as high in proportion as in Exeter, Gloucester, or London. Bedford, rated too highly in proportion to the county. Canterbury, rated too highly in proportion to the county (*see petition of April ? 1636, Vol. CCCXIX., No. 95*). Warwick, rated too highly, seeing that their town consists of poor artificers and there is no common road whereby to reap benefit of travellers (*see Vol. CCCXV., No. 68*). [2 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

92. Complaint of Hugh May, Clerk of the Market, to [Lord Treasurer Juxon ?]. Has served in this office for 20 years and ever endeavoured to bring all weights and measures to the unity of his Majesty's standard, agreeably to the laws of Magna Charta and other statutes, but though he has brought many things to the better, yet nothing has succeeded happily by reason that those to whom his Majesty's trust is committed use it only to advance their private estates. His comfort is that reformations as well as ruins are the fruits of time, which his Lordship's happy entrance into office may promote. *Endorsed by Windebank, "Mr. May, Clerkship of the Market."* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *See Vol. CCCXI., No. 44, but the date of this paper is very doubtful.*]

93. Petition of Edmond Bradshaw, on behalf of himself and the poor English captives in Barbary, to the Council. A collection was made through England for the release of his Majesty's subjects made captive by the King of Morocco, whose grievance is the traffic of four or five English merchants with his rebels, on account whereof about 150 mariners were captives in May last, besides those who have been taken since, eight of them having been circumcised perforce, and tortured to turn Moors, and the rest threatened. The moneys collected were delivered to those who are the chief traders with the rebels, and have been in their hands two years without their doing anything for the release of the captives, who will never be freed, nor any debts paid (as to petitioner in particular is due from the King of Morocco, upon good security, 5,965*l.*), till the trade of the aforesaid merchants with the rebels be prohibited. Prays that the captives' moneys may not be wasted, and that the ancient league with the King of Morocco may be renewed. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

94. Petition of Henry Elsing, son of Henry Elsing, deceased, late Clerk of the Parliaments, to the King. The office of Clerk of the Parliaments was granted by letters patent of the late King to Henry Elsing, senior, in reversion after his uncle, Robert Bowyer, and then in reversion to Thomas Knivett, half-brother of the said Henry. Since which time petitioner's father has been at great charge to breed petitioner in the University of Oxford, and to train

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him for the said office, and almost ever since the last Parliament he has travelled in foreign parts, to gain languages, whereby he might be the more fit. On his return he found his father dead, and that one Daniel Bedingfield had procured the reversion of the office after Thomas Knivett, who then enjoyed it, and is lately dead. Begs the reversion after Daniel Bedingfield. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

95. Petition of Arthur Evelyn, son of George Evelyn, deceased, late one of the six clerks of Chancery, to the King. Two years and a half ago petitioner's father, for the sum of 2,500*l.*, obtained for petitioner the reversion of his office, after his own and Mr. Caesar's death, declaring that petitioner was to discharge 2,000*l.* of his debts, for the payment whereof petitioner entered into bond about twelve months ago last August, and now offers 3,000*l.* more by Sir Dudley Digges, Master of the Rolls. Prays order to the Lord Keeper and the Master of the Rolls to procure his admittance to the office. [1 p. *See a very similar petition in Vol. CCCXL, No. 5.*]

96. Petition of William Hanson, Henry Austen, James Symonds, Thomas Holt, and other creditors of Sir Sampson Darrell, deceased, late surveyor of his Majesty's marine victuals, to the Council. Their Lordships referred a previous petition [June 1635] to Sir William Becher, Sir Edward Wardour, and Mr. Edward Nicholas, who have called petitioners before them, and in presence of Lady Darrell, widow and executrix to Sir Sampson, assisted by Sir John Parsons, and Mr. Alcock and Mr. Dannet, agents for her husband in his lifetime, have heard and received petitioners' accounts, and certified that Sir Sampson had received payment from his Majesty for provisions delivered by petitioners into his Majesty's ships in 1635, but died suddenly, leaving them unsatisfied for the same. Pray order to Lady Darrell to pay them their just debts. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Probably anterior to a similar petition, Vol. CCCXL, No. 55.*]

97. Petition of merchants and owners of ships in the ports of Exeter, Dartmouth, Plymouth, Barnstable, Southampton, Poole, Weymouth and Melcomb Regis, and Lyme Regis, in cos. Devon, Dorset, and Southampton, to the same. Their coasts are much infested by Turkish pirates from Algiers, and especially from Sally in Barbary, who in these few years have taken 87 of their ships, worth, with their loading, 96,700*l.* and retain in miserable captivity 1,160 seamen besides about 2,000 taken in other ships. Petitioners dare not trade to foreign parts as they otherwise would, and are burdened with the wives and children of the captives. Beg to propose that a number of nimble ships be sent to ride before Algiers and Sally, to hinder the coming forth of the pirates; that commissions be granted for the taking of Turkish and other pirates, and those Christian ships that furnish them with provisions of war; that some nimble ships may keep the English and Irish coasts, and that seamen only may be appointed to command them; that a commission dormant may be granted to Exeter and the other ports to fit out a ship and

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press men for the service, and that all ships going southward may be searched in port for provisions of war. [1 p. *Another petition of similar import is calendared under date 2nd September 1636, Vol. CCCXXI., No. 7.*]

98. Petition of Peter Richaut, Charles Lloyd, John Parker, William Cutler, and other merchants, to the King, touching the taking of a bark belonging to Robert Adams, with goods belonging to petitioners, which the Admiralty of Zealand refuses to release unless the "Sampson," under arrest at Hull with three of her men, be freed. They beg for release of the said ship, or else for letters of reprisal against those of Zealand and Holland. [1 p. *Duplicate of Vol. CCCXLI., No. 5.*]

99. A similar petition, but asking for letters of reprisal only. [1 p.]

100. Petition of Robert Richardson and James Maw to the Council. Richard Massey, clerk, has petitioned their Lordships against divers of his parishioners, who are now present to answer, but Massey does not appear, intending to procure warrants against them after their going down into the country, and fetch them by a messenger from their abode, 120 miles distant from London. Beg order for Massey's appearance. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *See Vol. CCCXXIV., fol. 7.*]

101. Petition of Robert Rives to the King. Understanding that the accusation made against him by [Henry] Hastings, of having murdered his son, William Hastings, minister, has been given in charge to Lord Chief Justice Finch, he begs that the annexed paper may be sent for his Lordship's perusal, wherein the truth of the proceeding is set forth, and that Hastings died long after, by the visitation of God, and not of any hurt given him by petitioner. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Annexed,*

101. i. *Statement by Rives, that, being steward to Mr. Freke, he was sent, on St. Mark's day, to Burton, for the dividing of tithe lambs between Mr. Freke and Mr. William Hastings, the parson. Gives details of his quarrel and struggle with Mr. Hastings, and declares that, shortly after, the latter took a journey of 300 miles; that he was at sheep-shearings, and rode about the country, and that when he was taken ill he confessed to the physicians that his going late in the evening to swim in the sea brought him to a shaking, which grew to a fever, of which he died, eleven weeks after the struggle. The persecution of Rives has been plotted by Mr. Tregonwell, who is not of kin to Hastings, out of a former malice to Rives.* [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

101. ii. *Note [by Mr. Tregonwell?] that he cannot but interest himself in the wrong done against the life of the son of Henry Hastings of Dorsetshire, his ally, by Robert Rives, servant to John Freke, the High Sherifff. As no stone*

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*will be left unturned to hide the truth, he begs that the cause may be taken into serious consideration, and no delay of the trial allowed. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]*

102. Petition of the parishioners of St. Gregory's, near St. Paul's church, to the King. Petitioners have received a command from the Bishop of London, Lord Treasurer, and from Lord Cottington, for the taking down of their church and erecting of it elsewhere. The church and rectory has been long appropriated to the twelve canons of St. Paul's, and by them leased to petitioners, who have lately laid out large sums in beautifying and repairing it, and have neither means nor ability to take it down and erect a new one, a good part of the houses in the parish being taken down already. Pray that the church may be permitted to stand, fitted, if it may be, to the work intended for St. Paul's. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

103. Petition of Richard Seawell, gunner, to the Lords of the Admiralty, to be appointed gunner of the "St. Dennis," in place of one Jones, now a prisoner in Maidstone Gaol. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Probably a little later than the petition calendared Vol. CCCXLII., No. 103.*]

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1. Petition of William Gedeon, in right of his wife, a native of Jersey, to the Council. On his appeal of 11th of June last, petitioner's cause was referred to the King's advocate, who has examined it and made report. But as, by the law and custom of the Isle in cases of appeal, the party delinquent ought to pay costs to the party wronged, he prays further order to the Advocate to examine the charges of the suit. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Underwritten,*

1. I. *Reference to the Advocate-General, to certify the laws and customs of the Isle. Court at Hampton Court, Jan. 15th, 1636-7.*

1. II. *Certificate by Dr. Rives that petitioner should be allowed reasonable charges. [The order on this certificate is calendared Vol. CCCXLIV., No. 94.]*

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2. Note that William Stroud, of Barrington, co. Somerset, having been sent for by warrant from the Council, has this day entered his appearance, and is to give attendance until discharged. *Endorsed, "January. Mr. Stroud's appearance." [Five lines. See Vol. CCCXLIII., No. 17.]*

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3. List of petitions not dispatched, left at the Council Chamber:—Captain Henry Keyes; Jacob Vandebrouck; Lawrence Butler; Hugh May; Robert Foard; Edward Kellie; Jane Lee;

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Lord Mayor to his Majesty about coaches; prisoners of the Marshalsea.

Letters and certificates left at the Council Chamber:—Mr. Stroud's answer; Sir David Kirke, description of Newfoundland; letters from the High Sheriff of Somerset about the town of Taunton; Lord Falkland about the allowance to his mother; Deputy Lieutenants of co. Wilts to the Lord Chamberlain; Mr. Batten and Mr. Brumfield in a difference about Hulsey Marsh; the Mayor of Colchester about one that counterfeited His Grace of Canterbury's hand; Justices of the Peace of Surrey about the poor there; the Earl of Suffolk; report of the Attorney and Solicitor-General concerning the christening of strangers' children; letter from Sir Thomas Leigh and Sir Thomas Lucy about a difference between the Earl of Leicester and the children of Sir Robert Dudley; letter from the High Sheriff of Huntingdon about W. Shelley; certificates from the Bishop of Lincoln about Shelley; letter from Lord Derby to Lord Cottington; papers concerning Mr. Justice Heywood; account of Nicholas Pye's service.

Petitions dispatched January 1637:—Otho Stapp, Mayor of Bodmin in Cornwall; John de la Barr, merchant; Mary Burrell; wholesale tradesmen of London; the answer of John Apsley, executor to Sir Allen Apsley; Thomas Coo, Anne Lee; Dame Mary Wandesford; greater number of the 40 messengers; churchwardens and scavengers of the parishes of St. Clement Danes and St. Mary Savoy; Nicholas Wykes, deputy bailiff of Westminster; 24 cursiters of the Chancery; John Ash, clothier; Captain John Milward of London; Sir William Russell, Bart.; Philip, Earl of Chesterfield; Peter Egerton, Esq.; William Godeon [Gedeon] of Jersey; Francis Lippencot and Richard Mayne of Exeter; High Constables of the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth, co. Middlesex; John Watkins, Lieutenant in the Low Countries; Jo. Burls and Robert Spicer; Leonard Holmes of Yarmouth; Will. Emott, solicitor to the Earl of Leicester; inhabitants of New Windsor; Sir John Shelley, of Michelgrove in Sussex; Henry Rason of Windsor, maltster; William Shelley, with examinations taken before the Bishop of Lincoln; wholesale tradesmen of London that go to Bristol; William Reynolds and Jo. Foster; Sir Richard Levison's wife, the daughter of Sir Robert Dudley; Hugh Lewis, searcher of Bristol; Mayor, &c., of Barnstaple in Devonshire; Dame Elizabeth Dorrell [Darell], executrix of Sir Sampson Dorrell, her late husband; clothiers of Coggeshall in Essex, in Mr. de la Barr; inhabitants of the precinct of St. Martin's; papermakers; bailiffs of Yarmouth. [2½ pp.]

[Jan. ?]

4. Petition of the greater number of the 40 Messengers of his Majesty's Chamber to the Privy Council. Beg the payment of arrears of wages and also allowances for the extraordinary services

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in which they have been employed, viz., the business of knight-hood, the letters for the repair of St. Paul's, the business of malting, letters concerning alehouses, the commissions of sheriffs, and principally the several writs and letters concerning shipping. [1 p. *Probably the petition mentioned in the list above.*]

[Jan. ?]

5. [Secretary Windebank] to Lord Scudamore. I sent a letter to the Earl of Leicester by the servant who went from hence with his Majesty's letters for your revocation, wherein I represented to him the intelligence with which you have honoured me since your employment in those parts, and that now I should have little knowledge of the state of affairs there, considering my colleague's reservedness, unless he would take me into his consideration. He showed great willingness to give me satisfaction, and as your Lordship without question has established divers intelligencers, I should be glad if you would assist him to such instruments as you have found useful. The French ambassador has complained to his Majesty of the treaty at Brussels, the Venetian ambassador, who solicits for the King of Hungary's passports in Germany for the general treaty of peace, having published that the King of Hungary has remitted the treaty for restitution of the Palatinate, and therefore has refused to grant any pass for the Prince Elector Palatine. The King has commanded Secretary Coke and myself to repair to the French ambassador and satisfy him that there is no such treaty on foot, and therefore they must not make the report of the Venetian ambassador a ground to perplex the present treaty with them. But we are likewise to let him know that some overtures have lately been made to his Majesty from the Austrian party concerning the business of the Palatinate, and that if his Majesty find anything really offered that may tend to the peace of Christendom and the restitution of his nephew, he will hearken to it. And to this purpose there is a despatch made to the Earl of Leicester, and he in an audience is to represent this to that King [of France] or to some of his ministers. I wish your Lordship this and many more returns of happy and prosperous new years. [Draft. 2½ pp.]

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6. [Secretary Windebank] to the Earl of Leicester. The expressions of your Lordship in your letters of the 24<sup>th</sup> of December, honouring me with the acceptation of a particular intelligence, are so full of generosity and nobleness, that I find myself no less obliged to you for the manner than for the favour itself. Through the retentive faculty of my colleague, I cannot expect that more shall pass to my knowledge than what he cannot keep from me, and from him I seldom come to the understanding of anything of moment but at the foreign Committee, which his Majesty has commanded to meet every week, and he husbands that so thriftily that unless the King call us upon some special occasion, once in a month or six weeks, we never otherwise come together. Yet I must not give your Lordship the trouble of a weekly communi

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cation of what passes at your audiences with that king (of France) or in conferences with his ministers. All I desire is that you would cause a copy of such occurrences as are weekly gathered for Secretary Coke, together with the printed gazetteers, to be sent to me; and for what passes at audiences or conferences, and are fit to be sent me by the hand of one of your servants (for I have not so little manners to expect you should descend to this yourself) I shall be likewise glad to receive them, that so I may not be altogether a stranger to your negotiation. I shall not fail to give you from time to time a diligent account of what passes here. I have written to Lord Scudamore, as of myself, in conformity to what your Lordship proposed, and asked him to give you address to such instruments as he has made use of. I forbear to acquaint you with what has lately passed here, between His Majesty and the French ambassador, concerning the imaginary treaty at Brussels, Secretary Coke having special order to acquaint you particularly with it, and to instruct you with what the King will have done in it. [*Draft.* 2 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

Feb. 24. 7. Petition of Nicholas Todd to Sir John Finch, Lord Chief Justice of Common Pleas, and Justice of Assize for co. Hants. Petitioner is indebted to one William Singleton, who in 1634 sued forth an extent against his lands and goods, directed to the Sheriff of Hants. The writ being brought to William Wilshire, under sheriff, he demanded 38*l.* present money before he would execute it, which 38*l.* petitioner has been constrained to repay to Singleton. Prays that Wilshire may be summoned, and ordered to refund the money. [1 p.] *Dorso*,

7. i. *Order by Sir John Finch that Wilkshire [sic] is to attend him and give satisfaction.*

[Feb. ?] 8. Paper addressed to the Archbishop of Canterbury [by — Burgis], headed, Answer to Dr. Gray's petition. [Dr. Gray] would charge the town (of Saffron Walden) with nonconformity, but his predecessors, Dr. Dove, Bishop of Peterborough, and Mr. Bayley, were reverent, grave divines, and the town was left by them as conformable and peaceable as any in the diocese. I never joined with Thomas Burton or any other in opposition to him, nor intruded any silenced ministers on him, neither know I of any who have been intruded on him by others. For unconsecrated places where sermons were made in his parish, I know of none, and was never at a conventicle in my life. Dr. Gray accused me to Dr. Martyn, Master of Queen's [College, Cambridge], when he first sought to work me out of the school, before whom I gave sufficient testimony to the contrary, and the same thing was alleged against me under Edmund Turner's name in our Chancellor's Court, all which objections I answered; on which they put in new articles, which were the ground of my appeal. I have never sought to make petitioner odious, but I may well say he has gone about to make me odious to my utter undoing. Being employed at Cambridge in the free school there, the town of Walden sought me, and at their entreaty I came over and



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was chosen by general consent, being afterwards approved by Dr. Mansfield, [late] Master of Queen's, to whom it appertains by charter, and license from his Grace, then Bishop of London. I continued peaceably till Dr. Gray used means to put me out in order to put in one of his own choosing, and so save the charges of a curate, he having refused to accept the curate who had been 15 years under Mr. Bailey, and having had no other to this day, further than the town bore the charges.

That petitioner meddled with me appears by Dr. Duck's first order; that he had nothing to do with the school appears by the charter. If he argue insufficiency, I have sent more scholars up to Cambridge in my short time than were sent in thirty years before, and the school is as well attended as the oldest man in Walden can remember it. He has waited till this pinch, when I look for a trial of my appeal in the Court of Arches and to receive charges of Mr. Turner, and now in pious pretence of care for the education of children would acquit himself of a complaint preferred against him, though not by me. Wherefore, as unable to answer the potency of my adversaries in any tedious suit, and cautious of their threats to inhibit me my school or my physic (because they would not have me live to relieve a poor aged mother and a sister with thirteen children), I submit myself to whomsoever your Grace has appointed to determine the cause. [2 pp. See Vol. CCCXLVI., No. 67.]

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9. Memorial by the commander of a fleet. As ships which have been a few months at sea grow foul, and lose their power of quick sailing, he begs for power to commit any of his Majesty's ships or merchants, when expedient, to the care of Mr. Phineas Pett or to David, appointed to go as master calker, to be graved or careened by them, as place and season permit. Also that liberty be granted him, according to the ancient custom of the seas, to summon a council of the captains and masters of the fleet, thereby to encourage those who co-operate with him, and to obtain, in matters of moment, the judgments of this select council of war. With notes, apparently from instructions or articles, concerning the setting out of the ships;—"Cape Spartevento where the pirates haunt;" the sale of captured goods; the reward of good service, and the supply of victuals. [2 pp. Probably relates to Captain Rainsborow's expedition, though not in his own handwriting.]

March 1.  
Chester.

10. Richard Williams to William Gwynne, Auditor for co. Chester. I made bold to acquaint you with my urgent employment at the County Court, and that it would be better to come to you after I had paid the charges upon last year's account. The amount altogether is 90*l*. I intend next term to pay all that is due to the King or to Sir Kellam [Kenelm] Digby. I pray you let me have an abstract of what is charged. What is due to the King I will pay forthwith and get it again as I can. What is due to Sir Kellam was, upon the Michaelmas account, totted upon the last sheriff, which money I

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have not received, but will gather in with expedition, and so give content for Sir Thomas Aston's account. When I parted from you at Westminster, as I went out of London, I had a note from Mr. Woods, your deputy, to pay 48*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.*, which I have sent, and hope I shall have my *quietus est*. For the whole, I have paid 148*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* besides the money now sent, which makes Sir Thomas Aston's account above 200*l.* The like service hath not been done by any sheriff these many years. [1 *p.*]

March 1. Petition of William Murray, groom of the Bedchamber, to the King. The Castle and Wapentake Court of Holderness, co. York part of his Majesty's honour of Albermarr, with all rents, wrecks of the sea, and other profits, having been unjustly withheld from his Majesty for more than 80 years, petitioner prays for a grant in fee-farm of the same, for which he will pay rent of 100 marks yearly. *Underwritten,*

*Order to the Attorney-General to prepare a grant accordingly. Court at Whitehall, 1st March 1637. [Book of Petitions. Dom. Chas. I., Vol. CCCXXIII., p. 100.]*

March 5.  
Westover.

11. John Ashburnham to Edward Nicholas. Being at my brother's when our Andover carrier went, I missed the opportunity of saluting you, wherefore I have seized on this passenger and forced him to be the instrument of my reparation. Your brother Doctor [Matthew Nicholas] was with me the other day and told me that Mr. Glanville and he are agreed to refer their business to the arbitration of two friends, and he hath been pleased to make choice of me. He hath not mended the matter, I conceive, to take it from you and trust me with it, but if I am wanting it will be in ability, not in good inclination. I desire for the discharging myself therein, that you will send me the [points] you persisted upon, and what of them he consented to. Your brother could not stay with me a moment, by reason his wife was very ill, otherwise I should not have troubled you. The meeting is within a fortnight, as I understand, therefore (I hope you are not idle in your own business) expedition will not be amiss. I pray you kiss your wife's hands for me and my wife, and thank her for her oranges, lemons, potatoes and the thousand other things which came safe to us. You will oblige me to hearken after my Lord Lambert's (?) employment in town, and when you have an opportunity to speak with the secretaries, I pray ask if he renew his suit to the King. Keep me in Harry's good graces. My breed of lambs prosper well, thank God. [1 *p.* *Damaged.*]

March 15. 12. Draft by Nicholas of his examination of Humphrey Dimock, calendared under this date, Vol. CCCXLIX., No. 115. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  *p.*]

March 16. 13. Report [by Sir Nathaniel Brent to the Archbishop of Canterbury] concerning the stranger churches in London, in his metropolitical visitation. At St. Mary Bowe, there appeared before me the ministers and elders of the French, Dutch, and Italian churches. I laid upon them the two inquisitions formerly put upon

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the stranger churches elsewhere, and obeyed by them. Dr. Primrose spoke somewhat in opposition, but not much. The 10th of May ensuing was assigned for their final answer. The day following, one Mr. Host, a Dutch elder, came to me in the name of that Church, and desired that the ministers and elders might be sent for to profess their obedience. But as I was then ready to take horse, I wished them to come at the time appointed. I convented one Mr. Hughes, minister, of Watling Street, who denied all my objections, except only his disobedience in not doing reverence at the name of Jesus. Because he persisted in his opinion, and would not yield to the grave persuasions of divers learned doctors there present, I suspended him in case he did not change his mind within a month. There appeared only thirteen parishes, and I do not remember any other matter that deserves your Grace's more particular knowledge. *Endorsed by Archbishop Laud*, "The answeare of the French and Walloone Churches in London at mye metropolit: visitation thear." [*Copy.* 1½ pp.]

March 17. Order of the Privy Council in the case between John Blanche of Guernsey and John de Quetteville and others of the same island, ratifying the report of Sir John Bankes, permitting Blanche to proceed according to a certificate of Attorney-General Noy, dated 28th April 1632, and allowing the said Blanche his costs and damages. [*Copy.* ¾ p. See No. 27 II. below.]

March 18. 14. Bill for hay, oats, and barley for the keep of Sir Henry Crocke's (?) grey gelding, from 21st January to 18th March, and for Mr. Boyden's and Mr. Crocke's nags for one night; amounting to 3l. 10s.

*Underwritten.*—Received of my master towards this bill 50s., paid 21s. more for this bill. 18th March 1636-7. [*Scrap. Damaged.*]

[March 22.] 15. Draft by Nicholas of the letter from the Commissioners of Whitehall. Gunpowder to the Earl of Newport, concerning the sale of gunpowder from His Majesty's store, already calendared under date, Vol. CCCL., No. 63. [1 p.]

March 24. 16. Secretary Coke to Sir Arthur Hopton [Ambassador in Spain]. Complaints having been made to the King that the ships and goods of his subjects of the Isle of Jersey, trading into Spain, are arrested for French, you are to assist and protect all such merchants and their goods, and prevent them being mistaken for French because they speak French, and their commodities are linen, wax, and such like, usually made in Jersey, as well as in France. You are to receive of every Jersey ship coming into those parts a certificate under the hand and seal of Sir Philip Carteret, and thereupon be pleased to take the same into your knowledge, that they may not suffer loss in their affairs. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

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17. Answers to objections against a project concerning cloth. The matter propounded is to take off all duties on exported cloth, other than the "Ancient Noble," and lay the like duties on the "domestical vent." The objections hereto are,—1. That it is hurtful to the poor, indearing the commodity. 2. That it is an innovation, and consequently against the law. To the first it is answered, that though the poor man may give eighteenpence more for his suit, yet it will last him two years, as on working days he wears sackcloth, canvas, or skins, so that the increase is only 9*d.* in a year, the price of one day's work, while the increase of manufactures would bring him many more weeks' work in the year; and to the second, that it is not an innovation, which is the instituting of a thing that never was, but a mutation, which is the transferring from one thing to another. [2 *pp.*]

April 1.  
Jersey.

18. Sir Philip Carteret, Deputy Governor, and the jurats of Jersey, to the Archbishop of Canterbury. Understanding that your Grace has settled three fellowships in the Colleges at Oxford for students born in these islands, we acknowledge ourselves much bound for your care and kindness; and, to reap the first fruits of that gift, we recommend this very hopeful young man, Mr. Daniel Brevin, of whom we conceive a good opinion for his learning and piety, so that he shall be capable in a short time to serve in the ministry in this our isle. We beseech your Grace to accept him, as he has left his hopes of preferment in the University of Saumur, in France, where he has proceeded Master of Arts with good approbation. 13 *signatures*. [1 *p.* *Seal with arms.*]

April 12.

19. Certificate by Jacob Collridge, that he paid Bartholomew Hall, Deputy Marshall, the sum of 35*s.* for four weeks and odd days for lodging in the garden parlour, where three others were then lodged, there being two beds in that chamber, and that with other sums his charges amounted to 6*l.* 10*s.*, which he paid at his departure from the Marshalsea on the 3rd of this present April. *Signed by mark, attested by Robert Croft. Overleaf.*

19. 1. *Note that Jacob Collridge is a tailor, dwelling in Gray's Inn Lane, and that his testimony was delivered to the Clerks of the Commission [for Exacted Fees] on 12th April 1637, by Mrs. Elizabeth Pinckney.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  *p.*]

April 14.  
Lisnegarvin.

20. Katherine [Lady] Hunckes to Lord Conway. I am loth to let this bearer pass without presenting my humble service. I received your letter dated the second of March, which brought me a great deal of comfort, in hearing of your Lordship's health, and that you are not angry with me. I am much bound to you for all your favours, and beseech the great God of heaven to bless you and all yours. [1 *p.* *Seal with arms.*]

April 14.  
Westminster.

Copy of letters patent relating to the grant of the office of Clerks of the Privy Seal. *Latin.* [25 *sheets.* *See Case H., Car. I., No. 2.*]

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21. Paper endorsed by Archbishop Laud, "Certain reasons delivered by the Earl of Danbye whye the discipline ecclesiastical in the Isle of Guernsey should not be made conformable to the Church of England." The reasons given are as follows. The uniformity of the islanders with those of the French Church keeps such a correspondence between them that those of "the religion" esteem them a part of themselves, and give the islanders notice of all designs against them. They also make alliances and marry their children with the islanders, join in commerce with them, and from mutual interest are careful of their welfare. In time of danger, those of the religion in France fly over to the Island and live there secure, many having been lately so received by command of the King and the Council. In former times, persons of great quality have retired with their families into that Island, as the Prince of Condé and his lady, who lived there more than a year, and divers of the most famous ministers of the religion, who followed their functions there, as they could not have done, but that the discipline agreed with their practice in France. And it was always thought greater wisdom to entertain in those Islands French fugitives of quality than to admit of them here [in England]. Their strictness is such that no Papist of any nation will dwell or is permitted to inhabit there, which the better secures them to the crown of England. It would be dangerous to give discontent to the islanders who guard the Castle that commands the only harbour to succour and secure all those Norman islands, which must else be well manned with English soldiers, to his Majesty's great charge, as it is not possible to send seasonable aid out of England in defence of the place upon appearance of danger, standing so near to sudden attempts from France. And to trust the natives, after we had given them discontent by altering the form of discipline long enjoyed by them, were not consonant to rule of State. These considerations were thought of such consequence in Queen Elizabeth's days, that there being Deans in both the Islands, it was held fit to lay down that form of Church government, and to suffer them to live under the same discipline with those of the religion, their neighbours. In the days of King James, when Secretary Calvert much pressed to have had a Dean in Guernsey, the King would not suffer any alteration to be made. There can no prejudice come to the present government of our Church, as no man is suffered to speak against it, and the English come to the Castle, where service and sacraments are celebrated after the English manner. The time itself is no way meet for the alteration, in respect of the troubles in Jersey under the Dean, which will make those of Guernsey more averse. Lastly, there are many old ministers in Guernsey, and if they die we shall not know from whence to supply them, for out of France they will not then come to us, and in England we can find few or none. [2 p.]

April.

22. Reply to Sir James Bagge's answers to the objections against his accounts, (*see Vol. CCCLIV., No. 26*). To the 3rd. That he

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was the principal county officer, and being the Vice-Admiral was accountable for the profits; and when he paid for the taking of the inventory and appraisement, he should have received them into his hands, and sent them into the Court to remain there as a record, whereby to have grounded a charge to his account. The rest of his answers to the objections are left to the judgment of the Lords [of the Admiralty]. Signed by Dr. Thomas Rives, Edward Nicholas, and Richard Wyan. [1 p.]

April.

23. Suggestion that Englishmen living "on this side the seas" should be allowed to set forth herring busses out of Holland and employ Dutchmen, provided license be procured of his Majesty, and that the men and ships so employed should be held as his Majesty's subjects and protected by his fleet. *Endorsed by Nicholas*, "Mr. Stone's proposition concerning fishing." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

April.

24. William Skynner, Chancellor of the Bishop of Hereford, to Archbishop Laud. In the time of Bishop Lindsell, we were commanded by your Grace's letters to admit our Bishop's triennial visitation. To this decision we all submitted, and were twice visited. By my patent of Chancellorship, I am made Vicar-General, Commissary and Official principal to the Bishop, and I may say that I am as well able to exercise jurisdiction under him in my presence as is Mr. Dean in his absence, to whom the Bishop would now grant it, thus making him the judge and punisher of his own faults, if any be detected. The two last bishops that visited, Bishop Lindsell and Bishop Wren, allowed me both the office and the fees, and I am confident that your Grace will judge not only the fees to be mine by right, but also that the exercise of this part of the Bishop's jurisdiction should be rather by his own officers than by the Dean. [*Seal with arms.* 1 p.]

[April ?]

25. Decision of Archbishop Laud concerning the visitation of the Bishop of Hereford in his Cathedral Church, which right is disputed by the Dean and Chapter. Three years ago, in the time of the late Bishop, it was decided that the right of visitation lay in the Bishop, but now two new questions have arisen, viz., firstly, whether the right of the Bishop extends to his Vicar-General, Registrar, and other officers; and, secondly, how long the visitation shall continue. The question having been submitted to the Archbishop, he declares that it shall be lawful in the triennial visitation for the Bishop to visit the Cathedral Church and that his Vicar-General, Official, registrar, or other officer may exercise this his place and office, taking the customary fees, and also that the length of the visitation shall extend only to three months. *Latin.* [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

May 1.

26. Petition of John Blanche, of Guernsey, to the Privy Council, against the unjust proceedings of John de Quetteville and other jurats of the island, who for 13 years have molested him.

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Although the last three Attorney-Generals have given certificates in his favour, he was arrested in June 1635, and not being able to procure bail, was in the Gatehouse for 14 months. Since that time their Lordships have referred the business to the present Attorney-General, who advises that petitioner be sent to Guernsey, and have recompense for costs and damages. Begs that their Lordships' letters may be directed to such jurats as are not parties to the case, and that they may be authorised to tax costs and damages, and also to levy the same. [*Received 1st of May. 1 p.*]

[May 1.]

27. Copy of the same. *Underwritten,*27. I. *Copy of Sir John Bankes's report of 15th April 1635. [See Vol. DXXXIV., No. 65, above.]*27 II. *Copy of Order in Council of 17th March 1637, calendared under that date, see p. 554 above. [4 pp.]*

May 3.  
Inner Star  
Chamber.

28. Order of Council. Having considered an order of 17th of March last, in the difference between John Blanche, of Guernsey, and John de Quetteville, and others of the same island, whereby they confirmed a report of the Attorney-General, dated 15th of April 1635; and also calling to mind an order of 8th of July 1635, grounded upon a report of the Earl of Danby and the Attorney-General, dated 29th of May 1635, by which the said Quetteville was discharged from further attendance until Blanche should give good security to pay costs and charges to Quetteville if the complaint were not found just against him, and that in the meantime all orders in favour of Blanche should be suspended, their Lordships now give order that the order of 17th of March last shall be cancelled, and that the order of the 8th of July 1635 shall be ratified and confirmed. [*Draft by Nicholas. 1 p.*]

[May 10.]

29. Petition of John Arundel to the Privy Council. Petitioner having been ordered to attend to give account for placing his children with Otho Polwheele, a recusant, pleads that he placed them in the house of the said Polwheele that they might have convenient diet and some little knowledge of music, but took care that they might be instructed in learning by one Imber, a licensed minister in Winchester. Prays discharge, on promise that hereafter he will not dispose of his children in any school but such as the King and their Lordships approve. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCCLV., No. 176.]

[May 17 ?]

30. Petition of Robert Tichborne, of London, skinner, and Michael Holman, scrivener, to the King. Have lent sums of money to Sir Richard and Sir Walter Tichborne, amounting with interest to 4,780*l.*, of which they have often desired payment, but have hitherto after many expenseful journeys, been put off with promises. Two years since the said Sir Richard and Sir Walter Tichborne obtained Royal protection against certain debts for which they stood bound with Sir John Philpott, which protection they have since used against

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their own creditors, and so pay neither principal nor interest, but reserve great estates to themselves. Pray that their debts may be paid before the protection is renewed. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCCLVI., Nos. 108–115.]

[May 17 ?] 31. A like petition to the Privy Council.

May 19. 32. Depositions of Edward Lake in the two causes of the Attorney-General *versus* Bishop Williams of Lincoln and others. Relates a difference between John Prigeon, the Bishop's Registrar, and Henry Allen, and what occurred when they, Sir John Lambe, and Dr. Sibthorpe met at the Bishop's house at Bugden on or about 25th July 1627. Deposes that he has known the Bishop for 21 years, and for four years, (from 1625 to 1630,) was his domestic servant and secretary; and that he has observed him to be no favourer of Puritans, but a strict observer of the rites and ceremonies of the Church. Narrates proceedings of the Bishop against divers Puritans, viz., against Lottemale and Whyte; Mr. Jones, parson of Abbot Ripton, co. Huntingdon; Mr. Tookey, vicar of St. Ives; the lecturer at Amphil, co. Beds., at complaint of Hugh Reeve, the vicar; John Viccar, minister of Stamford, co. Lincoln; and the lecturers at Bedford. Believes that John Prigeon would not forswear himself, and that he has dealt fairly in the duties of his place. Heard the cause between Edward Blunt, vicar of St. Margaret's, Leicester, and certain persons of Knighton, and declares that the Bishop did not lie heavy upon Blunt, but brought about a friendly reconciliation, writing also in favour of Blunt to Sir Henry Martin. Spoke to Sir John Lambe in Doctor's Commons touching Allen, whom Sir John then called a cock-brained fool. As regards the second cause, he deposes that he was at the Bishop's house on 24th July 1627 and two following days; that Lambe, Sibthorpe, and Allen came in the afternoon of the 25th and went away next day before dinner, and that on the 25th he read a chapter of Latin in the presence of the Bishop at dinner, and in the presence of the others at supper. [*Copy.* 8 pp. *The 2nd deposition was taken 19th May 1637.*]

[May ?] 33. Breviate of examinations of John Hill, Henry Blunt, William Spicer, John Somerfield, Robert Weldon, John Baker, Thomas Mottershead, John Berridge, Francis Mundie, and Reginald Burden, tending to show that the Bishop of Lincoln is a favourer of Puritans and Nonconformists. They declare that he approved of Mr. Sherman's rising at the receiving of the Communion, or only kneeling upon one knee; that upon complaint of the Puritans he discharged Blunt from his office of Surrogate; that the Puritans make great vaunt of his favour to them; that he was displeased with Dr. Sibthorpe concerning some examinations against his Lordship, and said he would cry quittance with Sibthorpe and Sir John Lambe; that John Prigeon, his late registrar, is a great favourer of Puritans; that it is said the Bishop would have questioned Mr. Alleyne in the Parliament, if it had continued, for matters in his epistle against Mr. Burton (*see*



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*Vol. CCXI., No. 65*); and that Berridge received a letter from John Prigeon, saying that if Mr. Marshall, formerly his curate, might be dealt with truly to confess how much he paid to Dr. Sibthorpe for the resignation of that parsonage, he would undertake that he should have the same and another as well, and should be received into a noble Lord's favour. [2 pp. *It seems probable that this paper was drawn up about this time, but the examinations themselves (excepting that which speaks of Prigeon as late registrar) are apparently of a much earlier date.*]

[May ?] 34. Petition of Lady Skinner, widow, to Secretary Coke. Having given her the great comfort that her son Thomas, prisoner in the Tower, shall ere long be released, she begs him also to procure for her said son the liberty of the Tower until he is set free, as he has long endured close imprisonment in a room on which the sun lies all the day, which is very great hazard of bringing him into some violent distemper. [*The order for Thomas Skinner's release was given on 14th May. See Vol. CCCLVI., No. 57. 1 p.*]

[June 13.] 35. [Lords of the Admiralty] to the Officers of the Navy. You are to provide two hoys or other vessels to transport the goods and baggage of the Prince Elector and of his train, to be ready to take the same aboard at Greenwich on Monday next in the morning, and also to provide shipping to transport into the Low Countries 60 horses for the said Prince Elector and his train, to be ready at the Tower on Monday next in the morning by six o'clock, that they may fall down thence at the evening tide. [*Draft by Nicholas. ½ p. A copy, rather differently worded, already calendared under this date; see Vol. CCCLIII., fol. 30b.*]

June 18. 36. Warrant signed by the Earl of Pembroke and Secretary Greenwich. Windebank to all justices of the peace, mayors, sheriffs, and others whom it may concern. The King, having considered the distracted estate of his servant, Sir Walter Tichborne, of Aldershot, co. Hants, and finding that since he has been under his Majesty's protection he has satisfied many debts, and is willing to pay every man so far as his estate allows, has referred the business to some of the Lords of the Council that they may treat with the creditors, and, in the meantime, his pleasure is that the person of Sir Walter shall be free from arrest. Neither the said Sir Walter Tichborne nor Robert Courtman his servant are to be molested, and if at any time they are arrested, they are to be set at liberty. *With note that Sir Richard Tichborne has such another for himself and Nathaniel Angar. [Copy. ½ p.]*

June 22. 37. Warrant from the Commissioners of Exacted Fees to Robert Sharpe, messenger of the Chamber, to warn the under-mentioned persons to attend the Commissioners on Monday next, at the Commission Chamber in Fleet Street, next to the Feather's Tavern, below Shoe Lane, viz.:—Mr. Walker, Clerk of the Peace for Middlesex, to produce the book of entries in his office, and

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particularly of recognizances for the last general sessions, and licenses for ale-houses then granted. [*Margin*, "In St. John Street, warned."] Such ancient and late under-sheriffs as are now in town to bring presentments on parchment of the fees and moneys which they have paid for passing their accounts, with particulars thereof. [*Margin*, "Eight of them warned."] Mr. Hickford, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Ralph Briscoe, Mr. Edward Wyndham, and Mr. Wiltshire, to perform the Commissioners' former orders. Mr. Gore and Mr. Shadwell, late Escheators of London and Middlesex, to bring in their presentments on parchment, according to a former order. The Under Sheriff of co. Essex to bring certificate of such fees as he claims and takes, and Sir Robert Wolseley to make his final answer concerning his office. [*Copy*, 1½ pp.]

June 26. 38. Receipt by Lawrence Lownes and Mathew Browne, comptrollers of the pretermitted customs in the port of London, for 25*l.*, from Sir John Jacob, collector for the said customs for all cloth and kerseys shipped forth by Englishmen, being one quarter's fees, due on 24th June last past. [½ p.]

July 1. 39. Notes of proceedings at the Middlesex Sessions held at Westminster before Sir Edward Spencer, &c., from 3rd March to 1st July, including licenses granted to alehouses in St. John's Street, Clerkenwell, and Holborn, 3rd March; a list of treasurers for maimed soldiers, viz., John Huxley for the hundreds of Osulston, Edmontire [Edmonton], and Gore; Michael Grigg for Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth; William Cheyney of Hackney for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and hospitals within Osulston; and Randal Nichol for the Marshalsea, Elthorne, &c., 20th April; persons bound over by recognizance and discharged and also those bound over and not discharged, 23rd May; licenses to badgers [pedlars], killers, and drovers; and licenses to informers to compound upon informations, 1st July. [16 pp., of which only 7 have entries upon them.]

July 1. 40. Petition of Francis Newton, one of his Majesty's messengers for the apprehending of Jesuits, seminary priests, &c., to the King. Court at Greenwich. For five years he has had a warrant for the apprehending of Jesuits and seminary priests, which he has performed, neglecting all other employments, and oftentime endangering his life in the service, having taken 29 priests and Jesuits, whose names are annexed. Some he has carried to prison, and many he has kept in his custody, without any manner of allowance either for his pains or for the meat, drink, and lodging for the parties detained, in which service he has expended more than 200*l.* of his own estate. In February last, having apprehended one Morse, a Jesuit and a very dangerous person, who seduced this last summer great numbers both in the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields and in Westminster, he was commanded by the Council to prosecute him to his trial at Newgate, where he was found guilty of treason,

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Morse was kept 30 days at petitioner's charge, and afterwards, at his like charge, 17 witnesses were produced and maintained, for all which he has had no recompense. Prays reference to the Council. *Underwritten, Reference accordingly. [1 p.] Annexed,*

[July 1.] 40. I. *Schedule of the 29 priests and Jesuits apprehended by Newton, with his disbursements for their apprehension and maintenance. The names are as follows:—Jesuits—Francis Lloyd, alias Smith, alias Rivers, alias Symonds; John Egerton; Henry Gifford; John St. John alias Everard; Henry Morse. Secular priests—William Ward, alias Slaughter, alias Waller; Peter Curtis; John Hawkeshead alias Oxenbridge; Francis Harris; Thomas Reynolds; John Southworth; John Goodman, formerly a minister of the Church of England; Mr. Ashelby; John Browne; Mr. Windmore; Thomas Smith; Thomas Williamson; Huddleston; John Smith alias Whitebread. Franciscan Friars—Austin Rivers alias Abbott; Richard Palmer alias Maddox. Grey Friar—Mr. Valentyne. Dominican Friar—Walter Coleman. Benedictine Monks—William Tresham; Thomas Leake; Thomas Edmonds; Mr. Holmes; Albone Rowe; George Cox. Newton also seized two rich Popish vestments, worth 100l., given by the Lords of the Council to him, the obtaining whereof cost him 10l.; but Secretary Windebank sent for them, promising that he should either have good satisfaction or the vestments returned. He has however had but twenty shillings. [2½ sheets.]*

40. II. *A list of the names only, agreeing with the preceding excepting that Thomas Colles is given instead of Huddleston; probably an alias of the same man. [1 p.]*

[July 18?] 41. Proceedings in the Court [of Commissioners for Causes  
[Lambeth.] Ecclesiastical]. This day and place Dr. Rives, his Majesty's Advocate, informed the Court that John, Bishop of Lincoln, had been convicted by the Lords of the Council in the Court of Star Chamber of sundry enormous crimes and offences, heinous in themselves, but far greater in the said Lord Bishop in respect of his eminent place in the Church, and worthy of a heavy censure; and that their Lordships had adjudged that he should be suspended from his bishopric and deanery of Westminster, and all other ecclesiastical promotions and benefices, with the rights and emoluments thereof. Their Lordships therefore recommended the said bishop to this Court to be suspended *ab officiis et beneficiis* during his Majesty's pleasure; his Majesty's Advocate exhibiting a true copy of the decree of the Court of Star Chamber, bearing date the 11th day of this present month of July, under the hand of Mathew Goad, Registrar of the said Court, and desiring the cause to be proceeded in and justice to be done. Signed T. Rives. [1½ pp. See Vol. CCCLXIV., No. 12.]

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42. Petition of Joseph Bryan, Edward Maddison, Francis Offley, Martin Browne, and Michael Holman, executor to Robert Wright, deceased, creditors of Sir Richard and Sir Walter Tichborne, to the Earl of Pembroke and Secretary Windebank. Long since, petitioners lent sums of money to Sir Richard and Sir Walter Tichborne, which, with interest for almost four years, remain unpaid. For two years the said Sir Richard and Sir Walter have had a royal protection, which expired on 13th June last, but on the 18th of June they obtained a warrant signed by your Honours, to protect them from arrest until some of the Lords of the Council had treated with their creditors for a reasonable composition of their debts. In obedience to this warrant petitioners have forborne any action against them, and, finding that their lands and goods are conveyed and extended, are hopeless to recover their debts. Pray leave to take such course against the said Sir Richard and Sir Walter, and their servant, Robert Courtman, as by counsel shall be advised. [1 p.]

[July ?]

43. Application by Sir William Killigrew to the King. Sir Robert Killigrew (his father), searching the records for Mr. Locton's title to the fourth part of the Eight Hundred Fen, found that his Majesty had a title to the remainder, on which he and Mr. Kirke prayed for the said interest, for which they were to pay 100*l.* a year and 12,000*l.* [*sic.*] towards walling the new park near Kingston, and to recover his Majesty's interest at their own charges. His Majesty gave consent, as appears by two letters to Attorney-General Noy to draw up their books, which letters are in Kirke's hands, but the books were never drawn up, by reason of unkindnesses between Attorney Noy and Sir Robert. Since both their deaths his Majesty, being informed that his title was of greater value than appeared, has resumed it, promising recompense. Prays a continuance of the favour shown to his father. [1 p. See Vol. CCCLXIV., No. 38.]

[July ?]

44. Petition of Edward Elding to the King. Petitioner was master of the "Fifth Whelp," which conveyed the Prince Palatine's goods into Holland, and, returning thence, was cast away on the 28th of June last, when 17 men were drowned, and petitioner lost property to the value of 80*l.* Prays the first gunner's or boatswain's place that may be vacant. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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Court at  
Oatlands.

45. The Privy Council to the Earl of Danby, Governor of Guernsey. We send you an order containing his Majesty's pleasure for the removal of Henry Burton from the Castle of Lancaster to the Castle of the Isle of Guernsey, there to be kept prisoner, and pray you to take especial care that it be duly and punctually executed when the said Burton shall be brought thither. *Seven signatures.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Sept. 17 ?]

46. List of Commissioners, delegates in the cause between Lord Lambert and Lord Roberts, viz., the Earls of Arundel and Carlisle,

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Lord Cottington, Mr. Comptroller [Sir Henry Vane], Secretaries Coke and Windebank, Sir John Lambe, Sir Nathaniel Brent, and Drs. Aylett, Clarke, and Hart. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Probably enclosed with Lord Lambert's letter calendared on above date.*]

[Sept. 24?] 47. Petition of Nathaniel Wheatley, Mayor of Banbury, co. Oxon, to the Council. The constables of the town, John Yates, Thomas Robins, and Thomas Pym, having refused to distrain for ship money, petitioner has done so in his own person, sending some part of the money so obtained to the sheriff, and having goods in his custody for the residue. Being threatened by divers of the inhabitants whose goods have been so distrained that when the year of his mayoralty is over they will sue him in the Town Court, he prays protection from the said suits, and warrant to sell the goods. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *The order on this petition is calendared on above date.*]

[Sept. 24?] 48. Petition of Richard Adams and Hercules Coomer, High Constables of the hundred of Winterstoke, co. Somerset, to the Council. Being bound to appear before their Lordships on the first Sunday in this month, and through ignorance failing to do so, they were sent for by a messenger, in whose custody they now are. They have paid 288*l.* of the 370*l.* ship money charged to them, and, promising to do their uttermost to collect the rest, they beg discharge. [1 p. *They were discharged on above date. See Vol. CCCLXVIII., No. 36.*]

[Sept. 26?] 49. Petition of the same to the same. Petitioners being this year appointed for the collection of ship money in their hundred, found, in the assessment delivered to them, divers persons who neither reside in the hundred nor in the county. Some are assessed for chief rents, or for lands held for a term of years or for lives, and other have annuities, but no personal estate, as appears by the list annexed; so that no distress can be found to levy the moneys, and the tenants occupying the land being unassessed, petitioners have no power to distrain their goods. Pray an order for levying the money. [1 p. *See Vol. CCCLXVIII., No. 44. Annexed,*

49. 1. *List of persons assessed in the hundred of Winterstoke, co. Somerset, who have lands there but no goods liable to distress, and do not reside in the hundred.*  
[6 pp.]

[Sept.] 50. Notes by Nicholas for letters to be written to cos. Merioneth and Denbigh concerning ship money. North Wales is to furnish a ship of 400 tons, sum 4,000*l.* Co. Merioneth 416*l.*; there is in it no corporate town. Same preamble as in the letter to North Wales, and the rest as the letters to co. Rutland. Co. Denbigh, 1,117*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Corporate towns, Denbigh, 32*l.*; Ruthin, 19*l.* 4*s.*; Holt, 10*l.* Preamble same as to North Wales; rest as the general

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letters for England, but the county to be rated as well as the towns.  
[1 p. See Vol. CCCLXVII., No. 112.]

Oct. 14.

51. Notes concerning merchant ships in the King's service, viz., the "Unicorn," "Industry," "Pleiades," "May Flower," and "Richard and Mary;" and those set forth by the City of London in the year 1637, in lieu of ship money, viz., the "Margett" [Margaret], "Prudence," "William," and "Royal Defence." In all these ships are remainders of victuals, wages, powder, ammunition, and all sorts of stores which will be carried away by the owners, unless his Majesty is pleased otherwise to dispose of them before Monday next, when the ships will be discharged. *Endorsed by Nicholas*, "Received 20th November 1637. Mr. H. Jermin's paper." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Oct. 17.]

52. M.S. copy, found among the Conway Papers, of the Supplication of the Noblemen, Barons, Burgesses, Ministers, and Commons of Scotland, to the Lords of Secret Council at Edinburgh. "That where wee were in all peaceable and quiet manner attending a gracious answer of our supplications against the service booke, ready to shew the great inconveniences which upon the introduction thereof must ensue, wee are without any known desert farr by our expectation surprized and charged by publique proclamation to depart the towne within twentie-fower houers thereafter under paine of rebellion, &c., &c." [1 sheet. Printed in *Rothes, Relations of Proceedings, &c.*, p. 49, and said by him to have been drawn up by Mr. David Dick on 17th October. Presented 18th October. Printed also in the "Large Declaration," p. 42; and in *Rushworth's Collections, Part II.*, p. 406.]

Nov. 10.

Jersey.

53. D. Gruchy to the Archbishop of Canterbury. I am much bound to your Grace for accepting my suit on behalf of that hopeful student Mr. Brevin, who professes to have received great favours from your hands, to the general encouragement of young students here. Young Carteret, whom first I named, is for awhile otherwise provided for. On your command to mention such things as might be useful for the churches of our isles, I offer these considerations. 1. Guernsey should be reduced to the same conformity of ecclesiastical government and form of divine service. 2. The Book of Common Prayer should be printed again in French, it being out of print, and every householder of any means should be exhorted to buy it. 3. Conformity should be enjoined in the administration and reception of the Holy Sacrament. 4. Special holy days should be solemnized with divine service, whereas some license themselves to work even upon Christmas Day. 5. The ecclesiastical canons having been framed by laymen, no order was taken that ministers performing divine service according to the Church of England, should receive any dues for burials, weddings, Easter book, &c. 6. If possible there should be some equality about tithe corn in our twelve parishes. 7. Commutations for canonical penances might be employed to buy

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learned volumes of Councils, Fathers, and Schoolmen, for the public use of ministers. 8. As many islanders now bring up their children in good literature in the Universities, strangers should not be accepted to enjoy the benefices or public schools in the islands. 9. If possible, two or three places should be allowed at Winchester, Westminster, or Eton, for some poor children of the Isle to begin their studies, to proceed afterwards to the University. 10. The tithe fish in my parish is alienated from the rector. Sir Philip Carteret, Lieutenant Governor and Bailiff, is willing to restore it, but can warrant it only during the life of our Governor. I pray for more sure redress. [1½ pp.]

Nov. 22.

54. Opinion of Sergeant Henden and Sergeant Jones in the case of Vaughan *versus* Vaughan. The bill being for a legacy against an executor that proved the will in the Prerogative Court, the jurisdiction for determining the legacy belongs to the Ecclesiastical Court of Canterbury, and not to the Court of the Marches. *Endorsed by Sir John Lambe.* [¾ p. *Copy already calendared, Vol. CCCLXXII., No. 20.*]

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55. Sir Thomas Walsingham to Sir William Becher. I desire that Nicholas Pearch, having promised future conformity, may be discharged. *Endorsed,* "Received November 1637. Several certificates from Sir Thomas Walsingham for discharge of defaulters in "musters named therein." [Three lines. *The other certificates are probably those already calendared, Vol. CCCLXXII., Nos. 62, 74, and 97.*]

[Nov. ?]

56. Petition of Roger Stafford to the King. Petitioner had notice from Secretary Windebank, on the 10th of September last, to attend his Majesty, and, being admitted to his presence, was by him committed to the care of the Earl Marshal, who has shown him much kindness. On Tuesday last petitioner and Sir William Howard submitted both their titles to the Barony of Stafford to his Majesty, and he is summoned to attend Council next Tuesday, but not having had time to search records and prepare witnesses, and his counsel being now out of town, he prays his Majesty to resume the cause into his own hands, and to give him leave to go into the country to his counsel and friends. [1 p.]

[Dec. 2.]

57. Memorial of Lady Thornehurst. There was due to her late husband, Sir Thomas Thornehurst, 1,500*l.* for service in the voyage to Cadiz and in the Palatinate, the Low Countries and at home, and his estate was so exhausted thereby that she was forced to sell her inheritance for his maintenance. He lost his life in the Isle of Rhé, and she petitioned for his arrears. The petition was referred to the late Lord Treasurer, who advised with Mr. Burlamachi, and certified that there was 1,698*l.* due to Sir Thomas for service in the Palatinate, but as the charge of that service was to be defrayed by the Prince Palatine, he dared not advise payment of those arrears; in consideration, however, of Sir Thomas Thornehurst's

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worth, and that he lost his life in the King's service, he recommended petitioner to the King's bounty, and that the account for the Cadiz voyage should be cleared. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Probably enclosed in the petition of this date, Vol. CCCLXXIII., No. 9.*]

Dec. 8.

58. Declaration of Robert Ashwell, a blind man, touching a letter read in his hearing at William Marshall's shop on the 16th of August last. On the above evening a woman entered Mr. Marshall's shop and said, "Here is a packet of letters directed to the Lords of the Council, which I have brought for Mrs. Thinne to light tobacco." The substance of the letter was that the Church of Rome is proved to be the only true Church by the Fathers, the general Councils, the martyrs, and her antiquity; that the writers know many of the Council to be good Catholics of the Church of Rome, and exhort those that are not to profess the truth; that they affirm the King to be a true Catholic, as were also King James and Queen Elizabeth; that the authority of the Church of Rome is as great as ever it was; that the Puritans are favourably dealt with only of the King's clemency; and that his Majesty is shown to be a Catholic by his correspondence and league with the King of Spain, the Emperor, the King of Poland, and the King of France, and by the great correspondence he has this day with his Holiness himself. Signed, Robert Ashwell, by mark. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

*Underwritten.—Note by Walter Baker that he remembers much of the substance of this letter, but not all.*

Dec. 26.  
Castle Cornet.

59. Certificate of Nathaniel Darell to the Council that on the 16th of this present month Bryan Burton delivered the person of Henry Burton into his hands and custody, in the absence of the Earl of Danby, to be kept prisoner in Castle Cornet. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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Paper in the suit of Anne Poulter, widow of Robert Poulter, *versus* Edward Somerton, of London, chandler, concerning a bond given to Robert Poulter by the said Somerton. *Endorsed with note requesting Mr. Hall to act as attorney and take charge of the suit. Latin. [Five sheets. See Case H., Car. I., No. 3.]*

60. Suggestions for the better manufacturing of cloth, by means of corporations to be set up in each county, and a committee of trade to meet weekly, whereby the work may be effected without a parliament. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

61. Notes by William Dell concerning printing. Printing being a kind of coining, and as by false money so by base unlicensed books great hurt being done to the people, but most by the latter as impressing the minds, not the purse only, he suggests that printers should give bond and take oath to print nothing but what is approved by lawful authority; that the number of printers be restrained and their apprentices limited; that no man be suffered to have a private press upon great penalties; that careful searchers be appointed; that no man presume to buy or import printing



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materials without permission; that the names of all that have presses or so obtain materials should be registered; and that no man be suffered to print anything beyond seas or in Scotland, and import it to the prejudice of the Company. *Endorsed by Sir John Lambe.* [1 p.]

62. List of Receivers for the Crown lands who have declared their accounts to the Auditors, viz. :—

To Sir Edmund Sawyer, knt. : Surrey and Sussex, Mr. Sandford ; cos. Bedford and Bucks, Mr. Daniel ; cos. Oxon and Berks, Sir William Calley ; Windsor Castle, Sir William Bennet (not delivered).

To William Hill : North Wales, Humphrey Jones ; South Wales, Jo. Rouse.

To Just[inian] Povey : Essex, Herts, London, Middlesex, Eccleston and Abbot ; Suffolk and Cambridge, Richard Miller.

Edgm Pickais [Agmondisham Pickayes], 2 accounts [Norfolk and Huntingdon], [see Vol. CCCLXIV., No. 75.]

To William Gwynne, Terr. Lenox [*i.e.*, fee farm rents granted to the Duke of Lenox], Robert Grymes ; co. Lincoln, John Harvey ; cos. Notts. and Derby, Joshua Gallard ; co. Chester, Humphrey Jones.

To [Richard] Kinsman : cos. Hants., Wilts, and Gloucester, John Pym ; cos. Somerset and Dorset, Thomas Hughes ; cos. Devon and Cornwall, Sir Francis Godolphin.

To [Francis] Philips : cos. Lancaster, Westmoreland, and Cumberland, John Braddill ; cos. Northampton and Rutland, George Benyon ; cos. Warwick and Leicester, Thomas Wayte ; cos. Stafford, Hereford, Salop, and Worcester, Job Harby.

To [Thomas] Brinley ; co. York, Thomas Talbot ; [archdeaconry of] Richmond and cos. Durham and Northumberland, Thomas Wharton. *Endorsed*, "Receivers Declarations." [1½ pp.]

63. Memorandum concerning Customs. The undertakers for the great farms have allotted the same into thirty-two parts, keeping twenty-four themselves, and leaving the other eight to certain under-customers, who perform no part of the service, either by purse or by credit. If it please his Majesty to let Job Harbie come into the patent for four of these eight parts, he will be ready in person, purse, and credit to supply his part of the service. [¼ p.]

64. Duplicate of the petition of Thomas Welles, of Ashton, co. Northampton, to the Council, already calendared, Vol. CCCLXXVI., No. 131. [¾ p.]

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65. Thomas Grymesdyche to his uncle, Secretary Windebank. Your kindness, and the liberality which you have to-day shown me, are both so great that, considering the greatness of your fortune, I fear I shall never be able to repay them by any service of mine. Wherefore, being bound to you by so many and great benefits, I must ask your indulgence, and that you will deign to put

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it down not to my fault but to your exceeding goodness if I do not offer you a due return. *Latin. Endorsed by Windebank, "Tom Grimesdiche's new yeeres guift."* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Jan. 22.

66. Warrant from Attorney-General Bankes to Sir Robert Pye, Auditor of the Exchequer, to send him the original or a copy of the bill for 2,900*l.*, tendered by William Moorehead as due to Sir George Douglas, late ambassador from his Majesty to the King of Poland. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Jan. 23.

67. License to David Thomas to retail tobacco in Llantharoke, Llandeveyson, and Llanveribryn, co. Carmarthen. Signed by Lord Goring. *Latin. [Parchment.]*

Jan. 24.

68. Philip Burlamachi to Secretary Windebank. I send the papers to prove what I said to the Earl of Leicester, and I beg you to forward my letter to the ambassador. I am telling my brother, who is in Paris, to take some time when his Excellency is at leisure to explain matters to him. I beseech you to write to him also, and ask him to examine my proofs, when he will soon see how much I have been wronged. Above all, I beg you to disabuse him of the impression that I have received in one year 800,000 livres, and have defrauded his Majesty thereof. God forbid that I should do so infamous a thing when the King had confided in me by giving me his royal authority to receive his money. I assure you that I have not received a single penny of the arrears, although I confess that I asked for them to repay myself what I am out of pocket upon the bills given me as payment of the Queen's dowry, and for disbursements made for his Majesty. *French. [1 p., and four lines.]*

Jan. 26.

Inner  
Star Chamber.

69. Minute of an Order of the Privy Council, that the Lord Chief Justice of his Majesty's Bench having been required, upon proofs received from the Attorney-General, to proceed against Robert Jason, accused by Edmund Conquest of certain criminal offences, the Attorney-General shall likewise proceed against the said Jason in the High Court of Star Chamber. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Signed by Nicholas.*]

Jan. 30.

70. Warrant to pay to Ann Smith, relict of Christopher Smith, gentleman harbinger, and assignee of Thomas Mynne, the sum of 545*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.*, due to the said Thomas Mynne, knight harbinger, and Christopher Smith, for accommodating the Duke of Chevreux, the Marquis de Fiat, and Mons. Villotler, ambassadors extraordinary from the King of France, and their train at Denmark House, Suffolk House, and divers inns and houses in the Strand, at Richmond, Rochester, Canterbury, Dover, and other places, as also for the expenses of the Duchess of Chevreux and her company in her return into France, which sum remains still unpaid as appears by certificate under the hand of Sir Robert Pye, Auditor of the Receipt of Exchequer. [*Attested by Sir Robert Pye, on 19th January 1650, as a*

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*true copy, "whereupon there have not been any moneys issued at the said Receipt." Docquet of this warrant already calendared under date.]*

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71. Order by the Commissioners for Exacted Fees. It is now thought fit and directed that the forms of a representation be made to the Archbishop of Canterbury for remedying divers exactions complained of before the Commissioners to have been taken by church ministers, churchwardens, and other church officers, and that transcripts of the certificates from the Commissioners touching the parishes already certified be annexed, with such other complaints as have since been made. Mr. Whitaker to draw up the representation. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. Copy.]

Jan. 31.  
Widdrington.

72. Sir William Widdrington to Sir William Howard, at his lodging in the Gatehouse at Arundel House. I send you copies of the letter from one of the messengers of the Chamber, and the warrant from the Board, as they came to my hands on Sunday last. I intend to make my repair before the Lords as soon as I can, considering the time of warning and the remoteness of my dwelling from London, but in the meantime I beg you to acquaint my Lord Marshal in what way and at what time I have received the summons, and ask him to make my excuse. I have written to my Lord Northumberland and my Lord Chamberlain to do me the like favour. [1 p. *This letter is dated "last of Janu. 1638," but was evidently written at the same time as the one to Nicholas, dated "last of Janu. 1637," Vol CCCLXXX., No. 72.]*

Jan. 31.  
Inner  
Star Chamber.

73. Copy, attested by Nicholas, of the order of the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Earl Marshal, and the Bishop of Winchester, referees on a petition of Edward Wickham, of Swalcliffe, and William Wickham, of Abingdon, pretending to be kinsmen of William [of] Wickham, heretofore Bishop of Winchester, and founder of New College, Oxford, and Winchester College. [*Already calendared, see Vol. CCCLXXX., No. 27. 1½ p.*]

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74. Another copy of the same. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

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75. Two papers against the right of the Wickhams, of Swalcliffe, to be regarded as kin to William of Wykeham, the founder of New College, Oxford, and Winchester College, one entitled "The arguments which disprove the pretence of the Petitioners," and the other, "An answer to the presumptions and conjectures of the Petitioners." [ $4\frac{3}{4}$  pp. *Duplicates of those already calendared, Vol. CCCLXXXI., No. 28.]*

Feb. 15.  
[1638 ?]  
London House.

76. William Greene to his cousin George Warner, at Mr. Westfield's house in St. Lawrence Poultnes Lane. I heard last night that there is a King's waiter's place at the Custom House to be sold, the price of which will be about 800*l.*, besides consideration for consent at London House. If you think it would content my

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cousin Will, I shall be glad to bring you to the party, with whom I am acquainted; or if you refuse it, to hear of some other who would accept it. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Seal with arms.*]

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77. Names and burdens of three ships to be set forth for the King's service by the city of London, the ships being the "London," the "Lewis," and the "Mathew." *Endorsed as received on above date.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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78. Warrant from Anthony Edwards and Richard Grymes, sheriffs, to the constables of the city of Gloucester and the county of the said city to deliver up to Thomas Lye certain sheep, &c., unlawfully taken from him by John Brown, on the said Lye giving security to appear at the next sitting of Court to prosecute his claim against John Brown for unjust detention thereof. *Latin.* [1 p.] *Dorso,*

78. i. *Notes by William Bubb and Giles Trusty, constables, of the delivery of certain cattle accordingly, dated May 22nd and 29th, and June 4th and 8th.*

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79. Petition of Christopher Smithson, minister, prisoner in the Marshalsea, to the Commissioners for Exacted Fees and innovations in offices and prisons. On Saturday night last, the 3rd of this instant February, Mrs. Hall, the wife of the Deputy Marshal, carried away the bed and bedding of petitioner and locked his chamber door, saying, "Oh, you were the ringleader of the petitioners. Give me money. I will have ready money, or you shall have no lodging." About eight weeks since, 5*l.* was tendered to the Marshal and his wife for petitioner's fees, which they desired might be secured, but not received by them, till petitioner was clear. Since then having had words of distaste with the Marshal's wife, she vowed to keep petitioner close prisoner for a month, which she did, with all the violence that the malice of a woman could invent. And now, taking advantage of his setting his hand to the petition presented to their honours, she has thrust him out of his lodgings and put him on the common side, among felons and thieves, with but the bare boards to lie on. Petitioner has been in orders ten years, is an M.A. of Cambridge, and has twice served his Majesty in the Royal fleet. Begs better usage, and to be allowed to go abroad with a keeper. [1 p. *Damaged. Not dated; but the 3rd of February fell on a Saturday in this year.*]

[Feb.]

80. Petition of Thomas Norgate, boatswain of the "Roebuck," to the Admiralty Commissioners. Has been complained of for using more cordage than was fitting, and on certificate of the masters of the Trinity House, has been pricked out of victuals and board. Does not dare to use the cordage so long as the merchants usually do, for fear of endangering the ship. Prays to be again admitted into victuals and wages. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *See Calendar for 1637-8, p. 262.*]

[Feb. ?]

81. Petition of David Mitchell, boatswain of the "Leopard," to the Admiralty Commissioners. Going on the last expedition to Sally

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[Sallee] as master's mate in the said ship, by command of Captain Rainborow petitioner delivered to one Mr. Johnson of Redriffe a hawser, of which he stood in great need, and received 6*l.* for it, which he has paid to Sir William Russell, Treasurer of the Navy. Begs to leave the same to their Lordships' considerations, if in his absence he shall be questioned thereupon. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCCLXXXI., No. 90.]

[Feb. ?] 82. Petition of Sir William Tresham, Colonel, to the King. Petitioner was licensed by his Majesty to serve in the King of Spain's wars, and also by his favour was made Colonel of the English regiment in Flanders, which, having in seven years had but once a small supply, is much impaired. The regiment should have been reformed, but for the special favour of the Prince Cardinal towards petitioner, his Highness desiring to maintain the same English foot regiment in Flanders, wherefore petitioner prays license to levy and take up 1,500 volunteers of his Majesty's subjects, and to transport them into Flanders to reinforce the said regiment. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March 10. 83. Petition of John Hewes, prisoner in the Marshalsea, to Viscount Wimbledon, and the other Commissioners for Exacted Fees. Prays consideration of his former petition, concerning his imprisonment procured by Bartholomew Hall, Marshal of the prison, for testifying against him as to the exaction of fees. Is driven to lie in the common jail on the bare boards in great want and misery. *Endorsed*, "Second petition of John Hughes." [1 p.]

March 12. 84. Anthony Tyringham to the Archbishop of Canterbury. I am given to understand by my brother, Sir Arthur Tyringham, and my nephew, John Tyringham, that your Grace expected me to certify whether I was acquainted with the petition presented by my nephew [see Vol. CCCLXXXIII., No. 2], which I must needs acknowledge, and I doubt not but my nephew is very fairly disposed to do my church right, the protection of which I commend to your Grace's goodness, as to the blessed restorer of many churches and reliever of many churchmen. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

March 15. 85. Nathaniel Darell, Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, to Castle Cornet. Sir Peter Osborne, Chelsea. A servant of the Queen's chapel, who has touched here on his return from France, sends me word that 300 boats and 3,000 soldiers are said to be ready in Normandy for some design, these islands it is to be feared, and a boat has now come from the roads in Normandy confirming the arrest of vessels of all nations at St. Malo's, nor have we heard from thence these sixteen days. I leave the further relation to the said servant of her Majesty, Mr. Peter Catell [Chastell], of Languedoc, as I remember, not having time to go to the town to know his name. [1 p. *Seal with arms.*]

Mar. 15. 86. Nathaniel Darell, Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, to Castle Cornet. [Secretary Coke?]. Three days since Sir Philip Carteret sent me

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word that three proclamations have been made at St. Malo, that no vessel, of whatever nation, should stir upon pain of death, without express order of the Cardinal I imagine; and this morning a boat has come from the roads in Normandy which reports the same. A servant of the Queen's, who has been 14 days here waiting a passage, sent me word, within this half hour, that there are 3,000 soldiers and 300 flat-bottomed boats ready in Normandy, which gives me great cause to fear a design upon these islands. The Queen's gentleman serves in her chapel. His name is Mr. Peter de Chastell, of Languedoc, as I remember. *Endorsed by Windebank*, "Mr. Darell to Sir Peter Osborne, from Guernsey, brought by Sir Peter Osborne, 23rd of March. This was directed to Mr. Secretary Coke, but in his absence received by me." [*Probably enclosed in preceding letter.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

March 16. 87. Philip Burlamachi to Secretary Windebank. The Lord Deputy has never answered my proposition touching the alum works, and my protection is just expiring. I got Mr. Kirke to speak to the King, and he tells me that his Majesty wishes me to give my request to you or to Secretary Coke. I therefore address myself to you, and send my brother to you, knowing the favour you have always shown to my affairs. As you know, I beg an audience to show the King the true facts of my proposal. *French.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See *Calendar* for 1637-8, p. 33.]

[March 17.] 88. The King to the Provost and Fellows of King's College, Cambridge. Having seriously weighed the several desires of the Master and Fellows of Clare Hall, together with your dutiful answer, submitting the determination to myself, we have thought good to signify our royal pleasure therein. Although it were easier both for us and you to permit them, at their own charge, to land a bridge from the middle of that our college, and make a sufficient causeway through the Close called the But-Close, by which they might directly pass into the fields, yet considering the many benefits which will accrue to our unparalleled chapel, the beauty whereof we are most desirous to advance, and to our other structures there by the removal of Clare Hall, we are not willing to omit so fair an opportunity, but attending the mutual good and accommodation of both colleges, and more especially this of ours bearing our own title, we order that our whole College of Clare Hall, the chapel and library excepted, be removed 70 feet lower to the west, and that such portion of ground as shall remain between that college and the south-west end of King's shall be conveyed to you for the enlarging of our chapel yard and fairer access to that our royal chapel. And as Clare Hall will be put to great charge, and also straitened for want of necessary room, we order that, besides the foresaid bridge and causeway, you suffer them to take down so much of the wall running towards the seniors' garden as shall be requisite for their building, granting them a lease for 20 years of all that part of the But-Close which lies northward of the said bridge, for the rent of 5*l.* a year, the said lease to be renewed from time to time at the

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same rent, as the College of Clare Hall shall desire, and the said Clare Hall granting you a lease for 20 years of the 70 feet towards the west, at a rent of 12*d.* a year, to be renewed as you shall desire. And our will is that these our letters be entered into your registry as a perpetual record for the peace and benefit of both colleges. [*Draft.* 1 *p.* *The King sent two letters to King's College. The paper here calendared seems to be a copy of the first, corrected to form a draft for the second. See Willis and Clark's "Architectural History of the University of Cambridge," Vol. I., p. 91.*]

March 19. 89. List of fees taken in the visitation of the diocese of Ely. *Endorsed by Sir John Lambe*, "Dr. Eden, 19th March, with the visitation fees in Ely diocese." *Latin.* [1 *p.*]

March 29. 90. Household accounts, headed "Received of Sir Arthur Ingram for your honour 100*l.*, by the hands of Richard Bankes." The principal items are: For Mr. Grinder the upholsterer, 17*l.* Rings for my lord, 2*l.* 10*s.* William Bate for the house, 20*l.* Mrs. Pill, for rings for my lord, 6*l.* Mrs. Harris, for the footmen's bills, 15*s.* William, for the house, 16*l.* 13*s.* Given at Sir John Parson's house, 2*l.* 2*s.* A pair of silk stockings for my lord, 1*l.* 8*s.* A dozen of gloves, 16*s.* For your honour, 4*l.* A silver cup to give away, 3*l.* 11*s.* For my lord to play, 10*l.* *Endorsed:* "Mor. Glynn bill." [*Strip.*]

March. Assessment for ship money in co. Bedford, upon the writ of September 1637, signed by William Boteler, sheriff. 660 names are given, the highest assessments being those of Ralph Bromsall, 5*l.*, and Edward Duncombe, 4*l.* 17*s.* There are 46 amounts over a pound, the larger proportion being a few shillings, and some only 5*d.* and 4*d.* The distribution under the hundreds is as follows:—

Manshead, 205 names, 55*l.* 8*s.* 11*d.*  
 Flitt, 65 names, 22*l.* 14*s.* 9*d.*  
 Redborne Stoke, 92 names, 21*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.*  
 Willey, 70 names, 29*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*  
 Stodden, 77 names, 29*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.*  
 Barford, 9 names, 4*l.* 13*s.*  
 Biggleswade, 24 names, 11*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*  
 Wixamtree, 30 names, 15*l.*  
 Clifton, 88 names, 16*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.*

[*Nine strips of parchment fastened together. Case E. Car. I. No. 2.*]

[March?] 91. [Sir John Lambe to Eton College]. I understand that a great charge is laid upon me by your royal and pious founder to visit your college and school of Eton when I am to visit the diocese of Lincoln, and I give you notice thereof that you may have time to consider it, and to have all in readiness. I shall be willing not only to give my best assistance for reformation of anything that is amiss, but to take care for further ordering of what is not fully settled by your statutes, to which purpose you will do well to

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acquaint me in the meantime of whatever you think most convenient. [*Rough draft by Lambe, on the fly-leaf of a letter directed to himself.*]

- [March?] 92. Statement [by the Sheriff of Cornwall to the Council?] in the case of [Henry] Cary and Arundel *versus* [Emanuel] Langford. Defendant got possession of a deed of gift belonging to Mrs. Cary, his mother-in-law, and substituted two forged deeds in succession for it, for which he was courted, fined 1,000*l.*, and ordered at the next assizes for Cornwall to be set in the pillory, the decree being given on 13th October 1637. In Lent following, warrants were issued by your Lordships for carrying him to the assizes to receive his punishment, but plaintiffs returned them to me and would not have them carried down. *Endorsed* "1637." [1 p. See Vol. CCCCIII., p. 21.]
- April 6. 93. Petition of John Robinson, vicar of Sunninghill, co. Berks, to the King, for restoration of certain benefits formerly accruing to him from the park of Sunninghill. [1 p. *Duplicate of petition already calendared under this date.*]
- April 12. 94. Petition of John Hewes, a poor prisoner in the Marshalsea, to the Commissioners for Exacted Fees. Has formerly petitioned concerning the wrongs done him by Bartholomew Hall, Marshal of the prison, who, when he was discharged on bail, caused his bail to bring him again into prison, in revenge for petitioner's testimony against him concerning his large fees. Their honours referred the cause to Henry Wynn, Judge of the Court of Marshalsea, but petitioner was never permitted any hearing, and is still in prison. Prays consideration of his wrongs, and that course may be taken with Hall for his enlargement. *Endorsed*: "John Hewes, his third petition, *versus* Hall." [1 p.]
- April 28. 95. Warrant by George, Lord Goring, as agent and farmer for wine licenses, to give up to John Owens of Cardigan the bond by which he and George Howell stand bound to the King in 40*l.* with condition to pay John Williams, his Majesty's officer for wine licenses, such moneys and arrears of rent as shall be justly charged withal, the said John Owens having given full satisfaction for the same.
- April 28. 96. Munition required for the island of Sark. Signed by Sir Peter Osborne. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- [April?] 97. Petition of Sir Henry Browne to Archbishop Laud and Lord Keeper Coventry. Sir John Tyrrel the younger last Michaelmas exhibited a petition to His Majesty full of untruths against petitioner [see *Calendar for 1637*, p. 521]. The Lords addressed, being referees of the said petition, reserved further consideration until the Lord Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Croke had made their certificate, now annexed (*calendared under date of 18th April 1638*). Petitioner, being a servant of the late and present King for above



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20 years, prays that his reputation may be righted, and satisfaction be given him for his long and chargeable attendance. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*

97. 1. *Paper containing copies of,—1. The petition of Sir John Tyrrell the younger to the King above mentioned. 2. The reference to Archbishop Laud and Lord Keeper Coventry who are to call to their assistance the Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench. Whitehall, 7th November 1637. 3. The appointment by the referees to hear the business on the 24th January next. 13th November 1637. [1 p.]*

May  $\frac{2}{12}$ .  
Cadiz.

98. William Johnson to Dr. John Wilson. I hope you have received my letters of the safe arrival of my catechisms. I paid the 720 reals as soon as I received the chest of books, which I thought your reverence could have given me at a real apiece, but I must take them at the price of the last, bound up with the "Imposture of puritan impiety," which has done much good. A thousand thanks to Dr. Flood for his learned refutation of the errors of that lying bishop. The conversion of England depends on the King, (whom God preserve), for if he were converted the kingdom would follow. I find no other means more forcible than a good book, which I desire to send him by means of the Spanish Ambassador. I am in doubt which would be most efficacious to move his heart. It must not be too profound, and therefore I think not so fit the "Nine points of King James," because it is too high for one that is not a divine, and, besides, it is answered. The "Triple Cord" is too big, although excellent. "Bristowe's Motives" is very forcible and hath converted many, but it is answered. The "Converted Jew" would be more delightful, being by way of a dialogue, and to send this I am much inclined, although much more to present to his Majesty that rare piece of work, the acute, clear, convincing, learned, unanswerable book of the "Disputation of the Church," wherein the old religion is maintained by V. M. C. F. E., printed at Douay by the widow of Marke Wyon, 1632. I wonder the author of such a learned witty book did not put his name to it. Send me 20 copies of this, and let one be bound up *in tabla* with a curious gilt cover, and strings of ribbon, fit to be presented to his Majesty, for the Duke of Maqueda is my especial friend and will get it delivered to our King, and many masses and holy prayers for its good effect. I mean to send another to the Archbishop and another to the Bishop of London, or the "Triple Cord." I have sent that I had to Dr. Prideaux, Doctor of the chair of Exeter College, Oxford, with a sound letter, which I hope will make him consider his dangerous estate. If we can convert the pillars of the Church of England, their Church will fall. Pray send me Dr. Richard Bristowe's Motives, printed at Antwerp in 1599. I think it more efficacious than Dowley's Catechism, and am resolved to have it printed again, but would have it amended by you or some father, as it has some strange words and errors of print. If there be any new or acute book in English or Latin of conceits for preachers, send me one, and also [*here follow the names*

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*of many other books or pamphlets*]. I suppose ere this you have received the tobacco, which was the best I could get in Seville. With this bearer, Dr. Francis Taylor, brother or cousin to the Cardinal Infante's chaplain, I send you a little bottle of balm to cure any cut and to comfort you with the good scent. If you have any book of the conversion of any doctor, minister, or bishop, send me half-a-dozen, and the same of "Puritan the Mother," which I only desire because in it is a Dean who died a Catholic, and a Doctor of the University who hanged himself. Let all the books be bound up in parchment, and well corded and covered with cere-cloth, for want of which once all the books were spoiled, for it rained upon them. [3 pp.]

May 6.  
Putney.

99. Philip Burlamachi to [Secretary Windebank?]. I do not think it would be well to send the privy seals, for they mention that the payment is for maintenance, or a month's pay granted to the King of Denmark, which would bind his Majesty to the agreement, whereas I hold that he is not bound. The auditors refuse to give up the original receipts, but I will have copies made that we may know concerning Lord Reay's part. The payments out of Sir Robert Pye's office should be transcribed from the King's books in the Exchequer. As to the other moneys for soldiers, a certificate must be got from the auditor to say what maintenance of soldiers has mounted to the sums with which the King is charged, for there is a closed account for maintenance disbursed by the treasurer for the troops. For the 3,000*l.* which Sir Thomas Roe mentions, the privy seal for the 5,000*l.*, and the receipt for what has been paid under the said privy seal, will be ready. The sum paid is only 2,764*l.* 10*s.* as the receipts show. There are still two other parts, one paid by Richard Fenn, the present Lord Mayor, and the other by Sir William Courten [Courteen], each, I believe, about 5,000*l.* *French.* [1 p.]

May 8.

100. Warrant from Lord Cottington to the Remembrancer of the Exchequer or his deputy, to send him fair written on parchment a perfect particular of Penderly Mill in the parish of Llanvaltegg, co. Pembroke, seized into the King's hands and returned into the Exchequer. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[May 19.]

101. Petition of Henry Nowell, curate of the parish of Great Plumstead, co. Norfolk, to the Privy Council. On complaint of Sir Francis Ashley [see Vol. CCCLXXXIX., No. 9], late High Sheriff of the said county, deceased, petitioner was sent for by warrant for some words spoken concerning the inequality of his assessment for ship-money, and is now in custody of a messenger. Is a peaceable man, conformable to the Church of England, and has paid all taxations according to his poor estate, as appears by the annexed certificates. Is humbly sorry for his words and prays discharge. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCCXC., No. 118.] *Annexed,*

101 I. *Certificate to the Archbishop of Canterbury that Henry Nowell has been curate of the parish church of Great*

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*Plumstead, belonging to the Cathedral Church of Norwich, for 10 years, during which time he has taken great pains in preaching and catechizing; and that he is very conformable to the doctrine and discipline of the Church of England. Signed by Jo. Hassall, Rich. Gammon, Jo. Spendlour, and Samuel Booty. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*

101. II. *Certificate of the inhabitants of the parish of Brampton to the Privy Council that Henry Nowell has for four or five years lived amongst them very peaceably and orderly, not refusing to pay his share of any charges on the said town according to his weak estate, which there is but the value of 4l. a year, he not being their minister but curate of Great Plumstead. Signed by Thomas Cory, sen., John Denny, Thomas Randall, Thomas Cory, junr., James Whood, David Blanche, and Jo. Whiting. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*

- [May 23?] 102. Petition of Noah le Geict, of Jersey, to the Privy Council. In April 1636 letters were sent to Sir Philip Carteret, authorising him to mediate in the cause between petitioner and John Marett; and he having taken great pains, has reduced the same to a head, as appears from the annexed certificate, notwithstanding which the said Marett continues his unjust vexations and still keeps petitioner a prisoner. Prays confirmation of the report made in his favour, release from imprisonment and allowance of his costs, and also that Sir Philip Carteret be again requested to see their lordships' directions fully performed. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Annexed,*

102. I. *Certificate by Sir Philip Carteret that he has examined the cause between Noah le Geict and John Marett and has propounded sundry means of reasonable satisfaction between them, which, being refused by defendant, he certifies particulars of the case from its beginning in 1626. He conceives that defendant should receive satisfaction of principal and interest for what he has disbursed, and that Le Geict should re-enter into possession of his lands. [2 $\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]*

- May 23. 103. Order in Council, ratifying and confirming the report made by Sir Philip Carteret respecting the difference between Noah le Geict and John Marett of Jersey, and directing Sir Philip to see their lordships' directions in that matter punctually performed. [*Draft.* 1 p.]

- May 29. 104. Minute of Order in Council that the estimates of the demands made for supply of Guernsey and Alderney and the castles there, as also an estimate by Lieutenant-Colonel Taperill of work to be done at Castle Cornet, be sent to the Officers of Ordnance, who are to certify what shall seem expedient to be done therein. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

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105. Notes upon the manner in which Prince Charles ought to be knighted before receiving the order of the Garter (*draft of paper already calendared*, Vol. CCCXCI., No. 131), together with precedents to show that princes knighted in time of peace and in the lifetime of their fathers have received the Order of the Bath before that of the Garter. [2½ pp.]

[May ?]  
Whitehall.

106. Blank form of warrant to the Justices of the Peace for a county to cause the constables to bring in, within 14 days, the names of such as have bought grain to convert into malt since Christmas, contrary to the Proclamation of July last, the returns to be sent to the Council, or to the Commissioners for malting and brewing, before the 10th of June next. [1½ pp.]

107. Another copy of the same. [1½ pp.]

[May ?]

108. Petition of George, Lord Aubigny, and Lady Katherine, his wife, to the King. Petitioners having been married privately in the parish of St. Mary Axe, London, on Friday in Whit week last, without any license, whereby they fear they have incurred his Majesty's displeasure by violating the order of the Church, pray for pardon and an order to the Archbishop for the absolution both of themselves and the company with them at the marriage. [¾ p. *In William Dell's writing.*]

[May ?]

109. Petition of Sir Miles Fleetwood, servant of the King, to his Majesty. Being employed by royal warrant to raise money for the redemption of the manor of Grafton, forfeited into the hands of Sir Francis Crane, he has disbursed much ready money and borrowed 1,000*l.* at interest, besides further charges in a suit in Exchequer against Sir Francis. Prays order to the Lord Treasurer for payment of 700*l.* towards the 1,000*l.* for which he is engaged, and the reversion of Moor End Farm and the inn at Grafton in satisfaction of the residue. [½ p. *See Vol. CCCXC., No. 40.*]

June [12].  
Arundel House.

110. [Thomas, Earl of Arundel] to the Clerk of the Signet now attending. It is his Majesty's pleasure that you prepare a bill for his signature authorizing Sir David Cunningham, Bart., Receiver-General of the Revenue of Prince Charles, to pay to the Earl Marshal, in lieu of his Highness's horse and furniture, the sum of [*space left blank*] and also to Sir John Borough, Garter King of Arms, the following sums due to his Majesty's servants, viz., for the knight-hood of the Prince at Windsor on the 20th May, 78*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, and for his installation at Windsor, 21st May, 380*l.* 10*s.*, with 130*l.* in lieu of scarves, hats, and plumes due to the Heralds and Pursuivants at the installation. [*Copy of the draft calendared under above date, Vol. CCCXCII., No. 60, but corrected.* 1 p.]

June [12]. 111-112. Two copies of the same.

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Constantinople.

113. William Brensford to Nicholas Hix, merchant, Messina. I have laden the ship "Blessing" with goods which I pray you receive, and endeavour their sale the best you can, paying 6,000 piastres. of the proceeds to Mr. Tindall at Zante for the use of Mr. John Cordell, and the rest to Mr. Samuel Boothous for use of my brother. The proceeds of Mr. Richard Middleton's hides are to be remitted to Mr. Henry Bray. I have also laden the ship "Ark," but if you cannot sell the goods then despatch her to Leghorn with all expedition, remitting by her, for Leghorn and Zante, the moneys received for the goods sent on the "Blessing." If you conceive the times dangerous let both ships go together. [1 p.]

June 19. 114-123. Notes of business to be dispatched by the Commissioners for Enquiry into Exacted Fees, from 14th April to 19th June 1638. (=6 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *The Commissioners sat on Tuesdays and Saturdays, usually at the Commission House next to the "Holy Lamb," near Ivy Bridge, in the Strand.*)

April 14. 114. Sir Robert Wolseley and Robert Bembowe; Affidavit Office; Mr. Hurlston of the Alienation Office; prisoners of the Marshalsea; report from Lord Keeper.

April 24. 115. Order in the business of Sir Robert Wolseley.

April 24. 116. Certain of the Commissioners to attend the Lord Keeper concerning Mr. Hampson, Clerk of the Statutes.

May 5. 117. To receive (from persons named) certificates of fees paid to the Filazers of Common Pleas, and for passing sheriffs' accounts. Sir Robert Wolseley.

117. 1. *Persons warned to attend.*

May 8. 118. To receive certificates of fees to Filazers and for sheriffs' accounts. Sir Robert Wolseley. Clerks of the Affidavit Office. Mr. Francklyn, Proctor of the Arches.

June 2. 119. Mrs. Cole to produce her husband's books. Mr. Lane and others to take oath. Mr. Dibley to give account of his papers. To receive certificates concerning the Court of Requests, fees to Filazers, and those on sheriffs' accounts.

June 5. 120. To receive certificates of fees paid to Filazers and on sheriffs' accounts.

June 12. 121. To receive certificates concerning the Court of Requests, and fees paid to Filazers and on sheriffs' accounts.

June 16. 122. The same.

June 19. 123. The same.

June 20. 124-140. Warrants from the Commissioners for Exacted Fees to Robert Sharpe, messenger, dating from 17th February to 20th June 1638. [=16 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

Feb. 17. 124. To bring up William Lambe, a cursitor of the Court of Chancery, Lewis Harris, late under-sheriff of co. Oxford, and Edward Saltmarsh, late under-sheriff of co. York. (*Signed by Viscount Wimbledon and three others.*)

March 10. 125. To warn Mr. Dibley to attend and give up the directions from the King delivered by the Archbishop of Canterbury, for stay of proceedings against such as have taken orders.

March 17. 126. To bring up Henry Ladd, bailiff of Hertford. (*Signed by Viscount Wimbledon and four others.*)

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- April 10. 127. To warn Sir Robert Wolseley, Bart., Robert Bembowe, Thomas Fisher, Ellinor Hughes, and Arthur Bird to attend.
- April 14. 128. To warn Mr. Moore, Phantberry (?), Ellinor Hughes, Jacob Couldridge, David Thompson, [Richard Turner], Clerk of Barber-Surgeons' Hall, and Mr. Lane, Registrar of the Court of Requests, to attend.
- April 17. 129. To warn Mr. Hodges, late sheriff of co. Somerset, to bring in a certificate of sums paid for passing his accounts.
- April 17. 130. To warn Mr. Francklyn, a Proctor of the Arches, to attend and to bring the book of fees formerly belonging to Mr. Cole, Proctor, deceased.
- April 17. 131. To warn all such escheators and under-sheriffs as have passed their accounts and not certified them, to bring in a list of moneys paid in passing the said accounts.
- April 21. 132. To warn Richard Turner, Clerk of Barber-Surgeons' Hall, — Bunbury, Clerk of Grocers' Hall, and the Clerk of Mercers' Hall, to produce their ancient and modern books of accounts; Mr. Mosse, Mr. King, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Macro to show what fees they have paid in the office of Mr. Thomas Hampson; Mr. Needler to confer with Mr. Knightsbridge and Mr. Allen of Staple Inn and prepare his certificate; Mr. Moore, Fontleroy (?), Ellinor Hughes, and David Thompson to attend.
- May 22. 133. To warn the Master, Wardens, and Clerk of the Company of Dyers (or one of them) to attend and produce the books of their Company, they having refused to allow Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Strange, Clerks of the Commissioners, to search them.
- May 22. 134. To warn certain gentlemen of Lincoln's Inn, Clement's Inn, Symon's Inn, and the Middle Temple, to attend and certify what fees they have paid to the Filazers of the Common Pleas, and certain under-sheriffs to certify the fees paid in passing their accounts. (*Underwritten, Note by Robert Sharpe that none of these are in town but Lancelot Algood*). Annexed,  
134. i. *Addresses of some of the persons named.*
- June 2. 135. To warn certain persons named (chiefly of Clement's, Furnival's, and other Inns) to attend concerning the Filazers' fees, and the passing of under-sheriffs' accounts.
- June 5. 136. Like warrant.
- June 9. 137. To warn certain of those mentioned in the former warrants to appear to certify and to answer their contempt in not obeying former order.  
137. i. *List of persons warned to attend.*
- June 12. 138. A like warrant to No. 136.
- June 12. 139. Like warrant.
- June 20. 140. Like warrant. Also the Clerk of the Warrants of Common Pleas and his secondary to be warned to attend and certify what fees they claim, and Mr. Burton to attend and certify what office he has in the Court of Requests, and what fees he claims there.

[June 23 ?] 141. Petition of Sir John Manwood, Lieutenant of Dover Castle, to the King. The Council about two years since, on certificate of the Farmers of the Customs and petition of the town of Dover, one of the Cinque Ports, ordered that a boom should be made in that harbour, it being in frequent use with other maritime countries, and by experience found a matter of great necessity.

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The custody of the said boom was committed to the mayor, jurats, and commonalty of Dover, to be kept by them freely without taking droits or duties for the same. The office being of great consequence as shown by the reasons hereunto affixed, and a place of no small trust, and the government of the haven appertaining to the Lord Warden, and in his absence to petitioner in right of their Admiralty jurisdiction, and having ever been executed by them, he prays that the keeping of the said boom may be conferred on him, with all such droits and duties as are in the like kind taken by the officers of the foreign states bordering his Majesty's kingdom. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Affixed,*

141. I. *Reasons for a boom to be very vigilantly and circumspectly kept at Dover Harbour.* [1 p. See Vol. CCCXCIII., No. 39.]

June 24. 142. Henry Howard to the Earl of Leicester at Paris. Though my desire has been ever to serve you, I have been so unhappy as to fail in my designs, but it was out of want of ability, not of true affection to your service. I hope your Lordship will be as merciful as heretofore, and let my great presumption pass among the rest of my absurdities committed in France, which you saw but were pleased to overlook. *Postscript.*—They say in the town the King must get the ship money by hook, since he cannot by crook. My Lord Northumberland had a little relapse, but praised be God, is much better. The Scots are still waspish, and we fear a swarm. [1 p.]

[June.] 143. Note to Secretary Windebank, reminding him that [Nicholas] Briott has lately delivered to the King at Greenwich certain notes concerning the master workman's place in the Mint, and praying him, in case the business should come into consideration in the writer's absence, to put the King in mind of the said notes, by the conditions of which Briott is willing to be bound. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCCXCII., No. 37.]

[June?] 144. Award in the case of Sir Peter Vanlore and Sir Edward Powell and his lady. Touching the decrees against the latter in the Exchequer, the Lord Chief Baron and others of the Barons are satisfied that the case was not right stated to them. The two great deeds by old Sir Peter Vanlore are to stand. Lady Powell, as executrix for old Lady Vanlore (her mother), is to have the parsonage of Weston, co. Somerset, the Vize parks (at Devizes), and a moiety of the personal estate of old Sir Peter, and of all lands not particularly expressed; while young Sir Peter Vanlore, as heir to his father, is to have certain mills, the manor of Weston, mortgaged by old Sir Peter for 8,000*l.*, borrowed of Lord Baining (Sir Peter paying the mortgage money, and Sir Edward Powell being answerable for all fines, writs, and heriots while he had the same); the manor or farm of Beenham, co. Berks., which was the land of Lord Norris; the lands at Tunbridge and Hadlow, co. Kent, and

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the lands in Berkshire; his legacy of 500*l.*; North Petherton, co. Somerset, a forfeited mortgage from Sir Edward Popham, and the other moiety of Sir Peter's personal estate and the lands not particularly expressed. The mortgage to Sir J. Spilman of the manor of Bignors [Bicknor?], co. Kent, is to go as ordered by the decree in the Exchequer; the profits of Compton Rectory, co. Berks, are to be accounted for by those who have taken them; a due account is to be made of the personal estate of old Sir Peter before Auditor Povey, according to a former order of 27th May 1636, and Sir Edward Powell is to erect an aisle at Tilehurst, co. Berks., and set up a tomb there for old Sir Peter. [*Draft by Nicholas. 3¼ pp. See Vol. CCCXXIII., p. 305.*]

July 6.

145. Certificate of Justices of the Peace for the Hundreds of Edwinstree and Odsey, co. Herts. The poor have been provided for, apprentices placed out, watch and ward duly kept, 46 vagrants punished and sent away, and nine persons punished in the House of Correction at Buntingford. There are no popish recusants, nor any notorious profane persons. Seven bakers have been punished in open market for breaking the assize. The number of ale-houses has been abridged, and the highways and bridges repaired. The people of the country are well disposed in religion, obedient to government, and forward in pious and charitable actions. [1 *sheet.*]

July 12.

146. Certificate of the Justices of the Peace for the Half Hundred of Hitchin, co. Herts., from Lent assizes last. 42 rogues have been punished, and 17 sturdy vagabonds sent to the House of Correction; 10 apprentices have been bound (whose names and those of their masters are given); the highways have been cared for; and the poor, who have endured great extremities for want of work and dearth of corn, have lately been employed in weeding corn and making hay, by which they are well quieted and comforted. [1 *p.*]

[July 15.]

147-149. Three copies of the Duke of Lennox's supposed speech to his Majesty concerning the proposition of war with Scotland. [*Already calendared under this date, Vol. CCCXCV., No. 56.*]

[July 20.]

150. MS. copy of the "General Demands concerning the late Covenant to be propounded to some reverent brethren who were to commend it to us and our people," presented by the Doctors of Aberdeen, viz., Drs. John Forbes, of Corse, Professor of Divinity, Alexander Rosse, Robert Baron, Professor of Divinity, Alexander Scrogie, William Leslie, Principal of King's College, William Guild, and James Sibbald, to the Commissioners of the Covenant on their arrival at Aberdeen, Friday, 20th July. Printed at Aberdeen by Edward Raban, printer to the University, 1638. The objections to the Covenant are arranged as 14 queries, the main points being as follows:—



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1. By what warrant can subscription be enforced to a Covenant not sent by the King or the Lords of his Council, nor by any National Synod?

2. Ought they to sign it, seeing that all covenants of mutual defence by force of arms without privity of the King are forbidden?

3. Is the present a case of extreme danger, seeing the King has declared that he intends no innovation of religion, and has already removed the service book, book of canons, and the alleged exorbitancy of the new High Commission?

4. Who are the interpreters, whether all the subscribers, or only the ministers convened in Edinburgh in the end of February who set it down? If all the subscribers, they are laicks, ignorant people and children; if only those ministers in Edinburgh, what authority have they to enforce a judicial interpretation of these articles?

5. Whether they can, with a good conscience, subscribe a Covenant which makes a perpetual law concerning the external rites of the Church, or abjure all rites as popish, seeing even those who urge the Covenant practice some ceremonies not used in God's word, as the celebration of marriage before the Church, and the stipulations of fathers and godfathers for the child in baptism?

6. Whether they should contradict the judgment of so many famous divines of the reformed Church who held these rites and ceremonies lawful, or condemn the venerable practice of the ancient church?

7. Whether it be agreeable to charity or piety to require them to abjure those rites as popish, which they have hitherto practised as lawful and laudable?

8. Whether it be fitting to swear to defend the King's person and authority with limitations?

9. Whether they can swear to maintain the authority of the King and yet also swear disobedience to articles authorized by his standing laws?

10. Whether they ought to swear to such a covenant as takes away hope of a free assembly or parliament to judge of the matters presently debated; for how can those vote freely who have already adhered to one part of the question?

11. Why, being willing to subscribe the 1567 Covenant, they are traduced because they cannot subscribe to that interpretation of the negative confession inserted in this Covenant?

12. Whether the reverend brethren allow of the disorders of those who have subscribed the Covenant against their brethren of the holy ministry who have continued in their obedience to the laws of the Church and kingdom, and if not, why these miscarriages are not publicly condemned.

13. How can they subscribe without incurring the scandal of dissenting from other reformed Churches, and from antiquity, and also of perjury, they having sworn obedience to the Articles of Perth and to their Ordinary?

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14. Lastly, how can they who are assured of the lawfulness of the Articles of Perth, and the lawfulness and venerable antiquity of episcopal government, give their consent that those should preach in their pulpits, who come professedly to withdraw their people from that which hath been recommended to them as truth? [= 6 pp. *Copy in the British Museum, bound up with the "Vindication of the Duke of Hamilton" (press mark 4175a).*]

151. Copy of the last part of the same. [= 2 pp. *Imperfect.*]

July 26. 152. The King to Lord Treasurer Juxon and Francis Lord Cottington, Chancellor and Under-Treasurer of the Exchequer, concerning payments from a sum of 200,000*l.* appointed for especial services. [*Draft of order already calendared, Vol. CCCXCV, No. 85. [2 pp.]*]

July 26. 153. Another copy, in Secretary Windebank's hand. [2 pp.]

[July 26?] 154. Statement that on the 22nd of July 1638, as Henry Cooper was sleeping in the church at Arthingworth in sermon time, he was awakened by Anthony Cooper, and, taking it as an injury, he revenged himself by attacking Anthony as he was riding back from Market Harborough on Tuesday the 24th of July, knocking him from his horse and beating him when on the ground. Anthony tried to make peace with him, but Henry attacked him a second time, as can be testified by Richard Underwood, who endeavoured to maintain the peace. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

*Dorso.—List of names, with 14s. against each, and order that this bill be paid. Signed by Ed. Harby, Dan Hopkins, William Wates, and Edw. Farmer. Also receipt by John Clarke of said bill "which is from 19th to 26th July."*

[July.] 155. George, Bishop of Hereford, to the Archbishop of Canterbury and Lord Keeper Coventry. Upon petition of John Barker, vicar of Cleobury Mortimer, to the King, against John Boraston, parson of Ribsford, for detaining from him certain tithes in the forest of Wire (by virtue of a composition made between the predecessors of the said incumbents in the time of Henry VIII.), and upon reference made to me by his Majesty (*see Vol. CCCXCII, No. 68 r.*), I called the parties before me and heard both objections and answers, but before I could bring the matter to a head, I was informed that the vicar of Cleobury had received of the parson of Ribsford the 25*s.* composition money, with all arrears, and have seen the acquittances for the same, whereby he has so voided his petition and suit that he can take no benefit from either. I find also by confession of the said Mr. Barker, that the petition was made without his knowledge by one Sir Francis Lacon, for ends of his own, upon all which grounds I thought fit for the present to stop proceedings. [1 p.]

[July?] 156. Paper by Henry de Vic on the state of affairs in Scotland, now in much the same condition as were the United Provinces

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when they defected from Spain. To prevent a like issue in Scotland, there are different opinions concerning the means to be used. First, that of force, for which these reasons are given. It is more honourable for the King to give than to receive the law from his subjects; it will deter others from a like attempt; it is doubtful whether the point of conscience urged is not a pretence used by some great ones, to seduce the people from their obedience, and if his Majesty accords what they now demand, they will take courage to ask other things that cannot be granted, this being the more to be suspected as the writings and proceedings of some great ones are much like those of the Prince of Orange and others in the Low Countries. The second opinion is that the demands of the Scotch should be granted. It is a maxim that to deny just things to those that can do themselves right is to open them the way to that which is unjust; and even if their proceedings have been unjust it must be well weighed whether it is better, by keeping up authority, to risk losing it, or to relent in some particulars from rights which may be afterwards recovered. We must examine how we are provided with commanders, fortresses and horses, how assured of the affection of other subjects, and whether by giving the Scotch cause to take arms we do not give them an appearance of equity for the necessity of defence. They are resolved, prepared, united, have many good commanders, are encouraged by strangers and have intelligence with some English; and his Majesty might not find the readiness he expects in his subjects here if, as God forbid, he should have use for them on such an occasion, wherein they think themselves equally concerned with the Scots and, if we may judge by appearances, would be as ready, if they durst, to seek for a redress of their grievances. It would give the English subjects an ill precedent in point of a parliament, and it may be they expect but the occasion of seeing his Majesty engaged in some course wherein he having greater need of their help, they may better demand it. The third opinion is for a mixed way, composed both of lenity and authority; lenity in granting their requests, particularly of a parliament (which if they should suddenly indite of themselves, would be the greatest blow they could give to sovereignty, and engage them in a way from which they could never be reclaimed), and authority, not in using, but in making preparations, and that in places remote, for fear of giving umbrage, great care being taken that the management of affairs be conferred on discreet men, and also command given to our ships on the Scotch coast not to molest them by sea or land. [3 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

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Aug. 1.

Copy of a lease from the Provost and College of Eton to Sir Lewis Dive of Brumham, co. Bedford, of the rectory and parsonage of Brumham, together with the Grange, tenements, &c., situate in Brumham, and the lands, meadows, &c., in Brumham, Stacheden [Stagsden?], and Stevington, co. Bedford, the advowson of the vicarage of Brumham always excepted, to be held for 21 years for a yearly rental of 12*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and also for 9 qrs. 4 bushels of the best wheat, and 13 qrs. of good barley malt, or, in default thereof, so much ready money for the said wheat and barley as shall be the price in Windsor Market, with a further payment to the King of 40*s.* yearly. Among the provisions of the lease are that Sir Lewis is to repair and maintain the chancel of Brumham church, to give every year to the parishoners, "at some one time in Rogation week, a drinking, there of old time used and accustomed," to find straw at needful times for the church, and to provide the Provost decent lodging with horse-meat and mans-meat for the space of one day and two nights each year when it shall please him to come or send to survey the lands. Attested by Robert Needler. [7 sheets. See *Case H., Car. I., No. 4.*]

Aug. 5.

1. Accounts of moneys received upon three privy seals, viz., of 14th and 26th July, and 5th August 1638, amounting to 32,699*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* The payments are for men, munitions of war, Holy Island, the Duke of Lennox, a bridge of boats, &c., and amount to 29,679*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*, leaving a balance of 3,020*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* (*sic*). [1 p. *Damaged.*]

Sept. 18.

2. Petition of William Savage, on behalf of Nicholas Compton, postmaster of Shaftesbury, co. Dorset, to the Council. Certain constables having petitioned against Nicholas Compton for warning them to bring horses to him for the King's service and after for releasing them for 12*d.* a horse, and Compton not being able to understand by the messenger that came for him what complaint was made against him, petitioner prays for postponement until next term. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,

2. 1. *Certificate by William Warmington, mayor of Shaftesbury, Anthony Prowse, rector of Shaston St. Peter, and Edward Williams, rector of Shaston Holy Trinity, that Nicholas Compton, of Shaston, co. Dorset, one of His Majesty's postmasters in western parts, being aged and infirm, cannot take so great a journey as from Shaston to London without danger of his life. Endorsed by Robert Reade as received, 18th Sept., but no year given.\** [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Sept. 28.

3. List of fees unpaid at Michaelmas 1638. The list is from 27th April to 28th September, and includes the names of the Marquis of Hamilton, Earls of Holland, Pembroke, Dorset, and Ancram, Lords Goring, Wimbledon, Ruthen, Sir Henry Vane, Sir

\* William Warmington was mayor of Shaftesbury in 1637-38. He is called J. Warmington in Hutchins' History of Dorset, where also it is stated that Anthony Prowse was instituted in 1639. This was a re-institution. He became rector in 1624 (*see Alumni Oxoniensis*). The editor is indebted for this information to the Rev. C. H. Mayo, M.A., author of "Municipal Records of the borough of Shaftesbury."

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Nicholas Slanning, and Sir William Killigrew. [*With note that part has been received and that Lord Holland has paid all.* 1½ p.]

[Sept. 28 ?] 4. Petition of Richard Forebench, one of the yeomen of his Majesty's chamber, to the Council. One Richard Stanton of Ripley, co. Surrey, who has many times abused petitioner, has of late made use of Edmond Barker the messenger's name, saying that the said Barker sent him to petitioner by virtue of a warrant from their Lordships; whereon petitioner gave attendance to his great charge, but now finds that Barker knows nothing of any such warrant. Begs that Stanton may be sent for. [½ p. See Vol. CCCXCIX., No. 28.]

[Sept. 30 ?] 5. Note that Francis Sawyer of Kettering, co. Northampton, and William Walker, constable of the hundred of Wimersley in the same county, being sent for by a serjeant-at-arms, have this day appeared, but are to remain in the custody of the said serjeant until discharged. [6 lines. See Vol. CCCXCIX., No. 46.]

Sept. 6. Remonstrance of Adam Bennett, John Levermore, and Alan Penny, to the Commissioners for Exacted Fees. By Commission under the Great Seal, we were appointed in June last to enquire concerning exacted fees in co. Devon since 11 Elizabeth. On the 26th of this instant September, we ordered Robert Kiste, Registrar of Dr. Joseph Martin, Vice-Admiral of Devon, to bring in his books of records. As he did not appear we sent for him, when he said that we only acted out of malice to Dr. Martin and himself and so departed. Dr. Martin then came, and said that his registrar should attend us when he had leisure, but on the morrow he himself was to keep his Admiralty Court in Exeter and had need of Kiste to attend him. He further said that one of our members, Alan Penny, did keep conventicles, and that he would complain of him to the Lords. As Kiste still refused to produce his books we committed him into safe keeping and await your orders. [1 sheet, much damaged.]

[Sept.] 7. Petition of Mary Wheatley, a poor widow of 80 years, dwelling in the Savoy, to the Council. One Nicholas Kendall, who lodged in her house 12 years, has lately died, owing her 60*l.*, and leaving nothing to pay it with but a small trunk, which is now sent for by warrant of their Lordships [see Vol. CCCXCVIII., No. 83]. Petitioner had preserved the trunk from Dr. May, Mr. Courtney, and Mr. Challenor, servant of Sir William Monson, who would have given her some satisfaction on delivery thereof, but she refused to accept it, in regard it was less than her due. Prays order for her relief. [½ p.]

Sept. 8. Schedule endorsed by Nicholas: "Rates of the ship-money to be paid this year, 1638, by the counties in Wales, with a note how much is added to a third part of the last year's rate set upon each county in Wales." The amount is 1,500*l.* for the six counties of North Wales, and 1,900*l.* for those of South Wales, [¾ p.]

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9. Captain Thomas Chamberlayne to [Richard ?] Harvey at Mr. Porter's house or at the Back Stairs. I entreat you not to fail to bring me those two papers touching my Russia business which I gave your master at Hampton Court. Pray bring them in the morning, and if you see me not, enclose them and seal them up, and leave them with Mr. Humphrey Rogers' man Thomas for me. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCCXCVIII., No. 17.]

Oct. 7.

Note in Lord Cottington's hand that it is the King's pleasure that Lord Cottington, Chancellor of his Exchequer, call before him the parties interested in the ground which his Majesty has commanded to be enclosed, and take some course for obtaining their consent, if it be necessary, or otherwise to inform his Majesty the state of the business, that further order may be given.

*Underwritten.*—Memorandum by Secretary Coke: "The King to be acquainted with Mr. Porter's message and this reference." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. Written on the 4th page of a sheet on which Secretary Coke has written the draft of a despatch on foreign affairs, now placed in S. P. Sweden. 1638.]

Oct. 9.

10—32. Documents in proceedings before the Commissioners for Redress of Abuses and Exactions sitting at the Guildhall, Exeter, against Dr. Joseph Martin, Vice-Admiral for the North of Devon, in September and the beginning of October, viz. :—

10. Information of John Bishop, constable of Northam, on behalf of the country in general and himself in particular. The Commissioners appointed for the redress of abuses by the Judges or officers of the Court of Judicature [of the Admiralty] having given notice that persons grieved should appear before them, petitioner complains of Dr. Martin's extortion of fees, and especially that he charges 5s. 4d. for the book of articles to be inquired into in the Court of Admiralty, which is worth only about a penny. Being summoned before Dr. Martin at Bideford in August last, petitioner got together a sufficient jury according to his warrant, and Dr. Martin then demanded of him to deliver up his warrant, which he not wishing to do he was committed to gaol, Dr. Martin refusing bail from William Leigh, mayor of Bideford, nor is he yet freed. Prays a time for hearing of his witnesses, or that Sir Ralph Sydenham, Sir Edward Southcott, Arthur Bassett, and William Cary, or the mayors of Bideford and Barnstaple, may examine and certify. (Before the 25th) September. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,

10. I. Confirmation of above by Henry Cloverdyne, constable of the parish of Wear Gifford. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

10. II. Deposition of John Dorracott, constable of Bideford. He was present on 28th August when Dr. Martin held a court at Bideford, and caused a mittimus and warrant to be made out for the arrest of John Bishop. He neither heard nor saw the pretended disgraceful words or irreverent behaviour of Bishop, and told Dr. Martin it was hard for

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*one constable to carry another to gaol unless for a greater offence. 4th October. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]*

10. III. *Copy of mittimus to the keeper of the gaol at the Castle of Exeter to receive the body of John Bishop and keep him prisoner. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]*

10. IV. *Copy of the warrant to Simon Siddenham and John Dorracott, constables of Bytheford, to deliver John Bishop to the keeper of the gaol at Exeter Castle. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]*

11—26. Depositions of the Deputy Vice-Admiral, marshal of the Admiralty, constables of various parishes, and other inhabitants of Devon, on dates ranging from 25th September to 9th October, all accusing Dr. Martin of extorting unusual and excessive fees. [= 20 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

27. Deposition of John Mongwell, bookseller, of Exeter, that he sold 300 copies of books of articles to Dr. Martin, at somewhat under 3d. per part. 4th October. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

28. Complaint of Gilbert Smith, Pearce Austin, Henry Colsworthy, John Willes, Thomas Smith, William Hill, and John Richards, inhabitants of East Budleigh, concerning "unjust vexations to get fees." 9th October. [3 pp.]

29—31. Warrants from Dr. Martin to the constables of Withcombe Rawleigh, Tawton Bishop, and Brampton, to make a rate for expenses of constables, jurymen, &c. Sealed with the Admiralty seal.

32. Copy of warrant to one of the constables of Plymouth to the same effect. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Oct. 12. 33. Sir Nicholas Carew and Sir Thomas Grymes, Justices of the Peace for Surrey, to the Council. According to your directions from Hampton Court on the 29th of September last, we called before us the parties charged by Thomas Locke, of Merton, Surrey, with taking away grass belonging to him. James Hayward, the pretended lord of the manor of Merton, denies that he was privy to the carrying, but Joyce Hunt confesses that she caused the grass to be carried to his house, and offers as much as it might have been sold for, which is about 30s. The said Mr. Locke refuses to accept it unless he has his charges, which request we conceive to be very reasonable, but to which they will not agree. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See a similar certificate in Vol. CCCC., No. 30.]

Oct. 14. 34. Account of moneys paid for ploughing, and for carrying of hay, corn, manure, hurdles, &c., between Lady Day and Michaelmas, 1638, amounting in all to 15*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* Also of Michaelmas rents received on same date, viz., 16*l.* 18*s.* from cottiers for houses, pastures, &c., 1*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.* for chief rents, and 56*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* for lands. [= 3 pp.]

Oct. 15. 35. Edmund Lane to his cousin, Edward Nicholas. I am  
Gussage. heartily sorry that you should have to write after the money you

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so lovingly lent me, but if you knew in what case I and all my household have been since Bartholomew tide you would pity me. I must entreat your further patience for a little time, but I am faithfully promised it within two or three days of Allhallowtide, and will then send it you with all the speed I may. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

- Oct. 27. 36. Petition of Joseph Martin, doctor of law, Judge of the Vice-Admiralty of Devon, to the Earl of Northumberland, Lord High Admiral. About two years since, petitioner received a commission from the Lords of the Admiralty for execution of the jurisdiction of the Admiralty in Devon, and by his industry has restored in those parts the said jurisdiction, long encroached upon by the courts of the corporate towns, courts leet, and other inferior courts. This commission his Lordship was pleased to renew to petitioner, but in the exercise thereof he has been much opposed by the governors of the towns and others, amongst whom one Alan Penny, a merchant of Exeter (having been worsted in divers suits in the Vice-Admiralty Courts) has professed open hatred against petitioner, and procured a commission of inquiry concerning exacted fees in co. Devon, and caused himself to be named a Commissioner therein. He has ridden from place to place to rake up information against petitioner, promising reward for the same, and has caused it to be published in churches and market towns that if any could inform against him, they should come to the Commissioners at the Guildhall in Exeter, where ordinarily there sat only the said Penny and Mr. Bennett and Mr. Levermore, two other merchants of the said town. Petitioner appeared before them, delivered a table of fees, and so departed; but three days afterwards was again summoned. Since that time, Penny has used all means to vilify the jurisdiction of the Admiralty and the proceedings of petitioner, and now on his coming to London to follow his business, Penny has given out that he has ridden to London to procure the King's pardon for his offences, and has been the author of other scandalous reports against him. Prays consideration and relief from these unjust aspersions. *Underwritten,*

*Note by John Reynolds, that the petition whereof this is a true copy was shown to the Commissioners (of Exacted Fees) by Mr. Whitaker, on the 27th of October 1638, and by them ordered to be copied. [3 pp. Damaged.]*

- [Oct. ?] 37. Petition of John Levermore, of St. David's in Exeter, to the Commissioners for Exacted Fees. Petitioner has deposed before three of the Commissioners at the Guildhall, Exeter, touching an office of warden of the poor, innovated by the Mayor and Commonalty of the city, since the time enquirable by the Commissioners (*i.e.* 11 *Elizabeth*), to the great oppression of petitioner by Thomas Walker, a former mayor. The three Commissioners ordered the Court rolls and books to be produced, but the now mayor and his brethren have only showed two books, and refuse to produce the



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rest, which only can show the innovation, as Mr. Dibley can depose. Begs direction in the matter. [1 p.]

Nov. [7 ?]. 38. Petition of Lewis Butcher, Roger Robinson, and Richard Worley, tobacco-pipe makers, to the Council. On sight of a former petition against the Company of Tobacco-pipe Makers, their Lordships ordered that the said Company should forthwith restore to petitioners certain tools formerly taken from them, but this the Company refuses to do, whereby petitioners have been forced to neglect their work, to their almost undoing, as by the order and affidavit annexed may appear. Pray that the said Company may be called to answer their contempt, and that the tools may be restored. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Annexed,*

38. I. *Declaration by Roger Robinson, that the Council having given order for the restoration of their tools, he and the other complainants, on the 2nd of this instant November, repaired to the Common Hall of the Company of Tobacco-pipe Makers, and showed the Master, Wardens, and others the said order, which was openly read by their clerk, but they utterly refused to restore the tools. Sworn on 7th November.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

38. II. *Copy of the above-mentioned Order of Council of 19th August.* [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

[Nov. 9.] 39. Letter of instructions sent with the writ of ship-money to the sheriff of co. Rutland, being similar to those already calendared under date. A rough draft by Nicholas of the clauses specially adapted to cos. Rutland, Lincoln, and Leicester is calendared Vol. CCCCI., No. 41. [*Draft.* 9 pp.]

[Nov. 9 ?] 40. List of the distribution of ships to the several counties of England and Wales (arranged in groups), with tonnage, number of men, and charge, for the year 1638. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp. See Vol. CCCCI., No. 36.]

[Nov. 9 ?] 41. Another copy of the same.

Nov. 22. 42. Receipt by Richard Elmhirst, Deputy Receiver for co. Lancaster, on behalf of Thomas Viscount Wentworth, Lord Deputy of Ireland, receiver of recusants' rents, for the sum of 10*l.* paid by Richard Sherburne of Stonyhurst in the said county, the same being for the recusancy of Elizabeth his wife. [*Printed form filled in.*]

Nov. 23. 43. Declaration by Daniel Coteele of London, that whereas Henry Knight of Tarling, co. Essex, was bound to him in the sum of 200*l.* for payment of 100*l.* on a day yet to come, with interest up to the said date, but the obligation is lost and cannot be found, the said Daniel Coteele, for good consideration, gives up all claim concerning the said obligation. Witnessed by Robert Blackbourne. [*Copy attested by Thomas Dutton.* 1 p.]

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44. Petition of Robert Davison, junior, of Southwark, to the Commissioners for Inquiry of Exacted Fees. Petitioner was arrested upon divers actions, and cast into the Marshalsea, but at the end of six days, having procured sufficient security and delivered the same to Mr. Hall, keeper of the prison, should have been released, on paying such fees as were due, which he offered to do. Hall, however, refused to take the just fees, or to free petitioner unless he paid all that was then demanded, which he was forced to do. Prays that Hall may be summoned to give account what authority he had to exact such large fees, and that, if he cannot justify them, he may be enjoined to make restitution to petitioner. [1 p. *Damaged.*]

Nov. 25.

45. Minute of a resolution of the Council of War, desiring the Earl of Essex, Earl of Newport, and Sir Jacob Astley, to consider of a state of war now delivered to the Earl of Essex, and to perfect and settle the same. *Endorsed by Nicholas.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Entry in Order Book already calendared under date.*]

Nov. 26.

46. William, Bishop of Bath and Wells, to Lord Keeper Coventry. He and his predecessors have, time out of mind, been seized of the rectory and parsonage of Compton Dando, co. Somerset, and have received the profits of the same; but now one Richard Harvey, of St. Martin's, co. Middlesex, has got possession of the said rectory, and doth collect the tithes and receive the profits, which are worth 100*l.* a year [see *Vol. CCCC., No. 40*]. He gives out that he has an interest therein as executor of Jeremy Harvey, of Compton Dando, deceased, to whom a lease was granted, as he pretends, by a former bishop of the see; whereas in truth there never was any such grant, and if there were, it would be void both in law and equity. Complainant has often asked the said Harvey for a sight of the lease, but he refuses to show it. Prays a writ of subpoena, commanding Harvey to appear before his Lordship in the Court of Chancery and to discover when, to whom, and on what considerations the said pretended lease was executed, and when it was settled on himself. [*Copy. 8 sheets.*]

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47. The King to Lord William Howard, commending his care of the bordering parts in these stirring times. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Rough draft. Copy already calendared, Vol. CCCCII., No. 80.*]

[Nov. ?]

48. Complaint of the poor messengers [to the Council]. Their service is painful, dangerous, and chargeable, with long and tedious journeys, oftentimes to the furthest part of the kingdom, as is shown by the book of the clerk of the cheque, and as appears by the margin [of this paper]. They have also extraordinary charges, for which they receive warrants of allowance to the Treasury Chamber, and there they stay four or five years or more before they can get the money. Twenty months since they petitioned his Majesty, and order was given to the Lord Treasurer to satisfy

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them, yet they have neither received the money nor order for it; and moreover their wages have now been unpaid for three-quarters of a year. Pray consideration of their necessities. *Margin.* Statement of the number of miles travelled in each month from March to October inclusive, the total amounting to 41,336 miles. [1 p.]

[Dec. 1?] 49. Copy of part of a letter from Scotland giving an account of the Assembly of Glasgow. The Assembly was settled and set down this last week. There was great question among them about the ruling elders, or, as some call them, the laicke elders. The Commissioner [Marquis of Hamilton] did what he could to put them from the Assembly, yet they are admitted. There was some question between Lord Carnegie and the laird of Dunne anent their commission, and it was found that Dunne was first chosen and so ought to be admitted, but lest it should breed strife the Assembly held them both off and put another in the place. Dr. Hamilton came on Tuesday last with a commission from the bishops, and made a protestation against the lawfulness of the Assembly, containing many outrageous speeches against it and its members, and also clearing the prelates of the aspersions laid to their charge. The Commissioner desired the Assembly to do nothing against the bishops, but this was protested against by the members of the Assembly, whereon the Commissioner commanded them to arise in his Majesty's name under pain of treason. Every man being asked by name whether he would sit or rise, they all with one voice swore and lifted up their hands to heaven that they would not rise before all things were set in order, whereon the Commissioner left the Assembly, and charged them at the market cross of Glasgow on Wednesday, at 11 o'clock before noon, under the pain of treason, every one of them to remove from the town within 24 hours; against which proclamation they took protestation and do as yet sit. The Marquis left Glasgow and went to Hamilton that night. Lord Areskin [Erskine] subscribed the Covenant in presence of the whole Assembly with many tears and grievous sorrow that he was so long before he did it. It is reported assuredly here that the Earls of Argyle, Haddington, and Wigton and Lords Napier and Almon have declared their minds to the Commissioner concerning the Covenant, and that the Earl of Argyle came before the Assembly in the name of the rest and testified that they adhered to it. The town and castle of Edinburgh are strictly watched.

*On the same sheet.* More news from Scotland. The bishops a papal hierarchy in the church government, and [not?] warranted by God's word. The King no head of the church, but a chief member by himself or his Commissioner if they will sit, if not, the rest of the members to sit and decree. Twenty or thirty earls and lords chosen elders of the Assembly, whereof the Earl of Montrose and Lord Johnston two. All the bishops cited to appear at the Assembly and also at the principal churches

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of their dioceses, and their offences published openly in their citations, as adultery, fornication, drunkenness, popery, arminianism. The bishops did not appear at the Assembly but sent their protestations by Dr. Hamilton. The Marquis told the Assembly the bishops were to be admitted, and the Assembly said they should not be admitted, being to compeare as criminals. The Huguenots of France and the puritans of Holland pray for their afflicted brethren of Scotland. Bastwick the physician that was censured in Starchamber with Burton and Prynne sends books into Scotland against bishops, service book, &c., and encourages them. Cannon and field pieces casting at Edinburgh for the Covenanters. The Covenanters have a counsel resident at Edinburgh continually sitting to consult for the common cause, and they watch the town and castle by turns. My Lord Erskine, that wept in the former letter, sold the government of the castle for 2,000*l.* to the King and Marquis of Hamilton, governor of it for the present.\* Nothing paid to the bishops but by the King, but the Covenanters offer to give the King all the bishops' rents, which they say amount to 10,000*l.* per annum. The Assembly will suppress the hierarchy and office of bishops and all ceremonies within this fortnight, as much as in them lies. A new confession of the faith of the Kirk of Scotland to be printed against papists and arminians, and the offences of the bishops to be printed. They are resolved to hazard their lives and estates for God's glory and their consciences, as they call it. They say they will not take arms against their King and that he has no truer subjects, but if he take arms against them they will defend God and his kirk though they lose their lives and estates. "*Libera nos domine.*" *Endorsed by Secretary Windebank, "Extract of a letter out of Scotland, "advertizing that Bastwick and Prynne have intelligence with the "Covenanters." [4½ pp. The earlier part of this must have been written on 30th November or 1st December; the latter part perhaps a few days later.]*

Dec. 1. 50. Francis, Lord Cottington, to the Remembrancer of the Exchequer. You are to set down for hearing in Hilary term the case of the Attorney-General *versus* the Earl of Chesterfield, Sir Edward Mansfield, and others. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

[Dec. 3.] 51. Form of license to a sheriff to come to London or repair to any other place where his business shall call him. "Thomas Hewitt, Esq., High Sheriff of Hertfordshire," written in the margin. [1 p. *See Docquet calendared on this date.*]

Dec. 7. Commissioners of Saltpetre and Gunpowder to the Mayor of Bristol, Mr. Humphrey Hooke, Alderman, Mr. James Dyar, Town Clerk, and Mr. John Dowell, or any two or more of them. We are informed that one Baber of Bristol has a powder mill in the suburbs

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\* The Earl of Mar was governor of the castle, but probably Lord Erskine commanded under his father.

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of the said city, where he makes above 2 cwt. of powder a week, and that much more is covertly brought into that city and there vended as issued from his Majesty's stores, at 2s. 6d. the pound, which is far above the price allowed by his Majesty's proclamation. We therefore require you to make diligent inquiry, not only what powder has been made in these two years by the said Baber or any other within the liberty of Bristol, by whom they have been furnished with saltpetre, and to whom and at what rates they have sold the said powder, but likewise to enquire by whose means gunpowder has been covertly brought into the city as if issued from his Majesty's stores. [*Copy. See Vol. CCXCII., p. 87. 1½ p.*]

Dec. 11.  
Court at  
Whitehall.

52. Secretary Windebank to the Bailiff and Jurats of Guernsey. The King lately by letters ordered you to rehear the cause of Andrew Neale and John Mesurier, to which letters you have not yielded the obedience he expected. His Majesty not holding you worthy of a second letter from himself, has commanded me to require you to proceed to review the business, examine witnesses and determine the cause, without partiality or delay. Understanding that John Bonamy, one of the jurats, has behaved himself disobediently and is charged with bribery, his Majesty's pleasure is that he be suspended from his place of jurat, which you, the bailiff, (of whose integrity his Majesty is well satisfied) are forthwith to put in execution. An account of all your proceedings is to be given to the Earl of Danby that he may report thereon. [*1 p. Seals with arms.*]

[Dec. 11.] 53. Rough draft of the above letter. [*1 p.*]

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54. Archbishop of Canterbury to Sir John Lambe, authorizing him to call Dr. Moore to personal residence at his parsonage of Barton, co. Bedford, diocese of Lincoln, and to proceed against him according to law if he obey not, or do not reside there. [*¼ p. In Sir John Lambe's own writing, but signed and dated by the Archbishop.*]

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[Deputy-Lieutenants of Surrey] to the High Constables of Brixton Hundred and to the petty constables of all the parishes in the same. We have lately received letters from the Lords Lieutenants of this county, enclosing letters from his Majesty's Privy Council, ordering that a muster be taken of all the arms and trained forces both horse and foot in the county, and that the said trained bands be so in readiness as to be fit to repair to such place of rendezvous as shall be assigned to them, with their arms and provisions, at a days warning. We therefore require you to warn all the trained bands in your hundred (except those of Bermondsey, Redriffe and the Bankside) to appear before us at Croydon on Thursday the [*blank space*] of this instant December with their arms. You are also required to bring the names of all the able men between the ages of 16 and 60, there to be enrolled, and to warn those charged to find horses to bring them with their arms complete.

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And you are likewise to warn the trained bands of Bermondsey, Redriffe, and the Bankside to appear before us with their arms on Tuesday the [blank space] of this instant December in St. George's Fields, to be viewed with those of the borough of Southwark. [*Draft, written on the second page of a letter of the Justices of the Peace of Surrey, dated 12th October 1638. See Vol. CCCC., No. 30 I.*]

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55. Petition of Miles Birkett, clerk, to Sir John Lambe. Being almost at his wits' end with multiplicity of suits, and not knowing how to wind himself out of his great troubles, petitioner unadvisedly delivered a petition into the High Commission Court, whereat his worship took great offence. Petitioner protests that he did not intend to lay any imputation of injustice upon his worship, and prays forgiveness for his rashness, also that bond may be taken for his appearance on the first court day of next term, and that a supersedeas may be granted to the attachment in the meantime. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p. See Vol. CCCCIV., No. 56.]

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56. Copy of a letter without address or signature. That you may receive an account of the Scottish affairs and why there have been such irresolutions and alterations about the same lately, it is fit you know that this Northern storm, like a new disease, hath so far posed the doctors of State that as yet they have not given it a name, though perhaps they all firmly believe it to be rebellion, and therefore it is no wonder if these do here, as the learned in physic, who when they know not certainly the grief, prescribe medicines sometimes too strong and sometimes too weak. The truth is, we here consider of this Scottish business much after the rate as the country people do the moon, the simple think it no bigger than a bushel, and some, too wise, imagine it to be a vast world with strange things undiscovered in it. Certainly two ill ways in casting of it up, since the first would make it too secure, the second too fearful. I confess I know not how to meet it in the middle, or to set it right, nor do I think you can, yet I should believe it to be rather a king or no king than a bishop or no bishop. In great mutinies of this nature, pretences specially conscionable were never wanting and indeed [are] necessary, for rebellion in itself is so ugly that did it not put on the vizard of religion it would at first rather affright than draw people to it. If it be liberty of conscience they ask it is a foolish request, since they have it already, and must have it in despite of power, for as Theodoric the Goth said to the Jews *nemo cogitur credere invitus*. Yet the exercise of that liberty is dangerous, for not three men are of the same opinion in all, and then each family might have a war within itself. Look upon their long preparation, (considering that prophecy is ceased and therefore they could not foretell that this book should be sent them) and you will conclude they rather employed conscience than conscience them. Enquire after their leaders, and you will hardly find them Apostles or men of such high sanctity that they should take upon them to alter

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religion. Lasley [Lesley] himself, if his story were searched, would certainly be found one who because he could not live well there took upon him a trade of killing men abroad, and now is returned for Christ's cause to kill men at home. I think their quarrel to the King is that which they have to the sun, he doth not warm and visit them as much as others. God and nature have placed them in the shade, and they are angry with the King for it. To conclude, the great wise husbandman hath placed the beasts in the outside, and they would fain break the hedges to come into the gardens. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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57. List by Sir William Portman, sheriff, of a grand jury for the county of Somerset. The names are Edward Bridges, John Francis, George Trevilian, Robert Harbyn, Edward Kirton, John Champness, Thomas Hodges, William Blanchard, William Winter, Richard Morgan, William Longe, James Bisse, jun. Thomas Norris, William Samborne, Thomas Pryne, James Northover, Christopher Coward, Laurence Bull, Nicholas Saunders. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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Whitehall.

58. Warrant [of the Council] to Sir William Russell to pay a sum of money [*amount not filled in*] to the clerks of Edward Nicholas, one of the clerks of the Council, for their extraordinary pains in writing a large minute of letters to the sheriffs of England and Wales for the business of shipping. *Without date or signatures, but endorsed by one of the clerks,* "Our warrant for allowance for "writing the minute, Anno 1638. To be entered in my master's book of shipping." [ $\frac{1}{8}$  p. *A draft of a similar warrant to the officers of the Exchequer is in Vol. CCCLXVIII., No. 96.*]

59. Instructions for the Barbary Company. The King of Barbary by his ambassadors having desired a renewal of the former commerce (which of late years has been utterly decayed, whereby many English subjects have endured long captivity there) the King, with advice of his Privy Council, has appointed William Clobery, George Fletcher and John Wood, merchants who have farmed the customs of the King of Barbary, to be a Company to trade thither, granting to them all the regions within the limits from Cape Blanco in Barbary, lying without the Straits of Gibraltar, to Tremezen in Barbary, within the said Straits, for the space of [three] years [see Vol. CCCCLIX., No. 125], during which time none others are to import any wax, feathers, gum, almonds, dates, agarick, goatskins or other commodities of that country into England. With regulations for the said Company. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

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60. Paper on the ordnance, munition, and ordnance officers needed for an army of 12,000 men. Perhaps written by one of the Scotch officers returned from Germany. It begins as follows:—"The "composition of ane armee is futt, hors and artellerie, hors and "artellerie being the two arms of the bodi, which is the futt. "Amongst the most experimentit capitans, it is thoct that to "euerie 5,000 futt, on thousand hors, bot this hes no limit, only "acording to ye princes pouer or the necessite of ye plect qr thay

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"mak the vair." Amongst the things enumerated are "cannon that schuts 35 and 32 pund bullet vt gud stoir of draks and sum pott pices." Also "speds, schufels, pikaxis, and hou stronge soever the armee be, thair sould be als many of this cynd of provition, the on half speds, the uther half als many schufels as pikaxis." Also "quhilbarrous for cariing of erth, thick planks for batris, palisalds sax fut long vt long eyrne nails in thame, mals for to put palisads in the ground, for euerie pice of batrie thair must be a chist pruf of the musquet to clois before the pice quhen they ar charging to saif the cannoners, and bascots and sand poks to put upon ye trenchis." *Note at the end*, "This is al that my memorie dois serve me for the present that dois aperten to an armee." [4 pp.]

61. Extracts [from "The Holy Table, name and thing, &c."] probably taken for the cause in the Star Chamber against the Bishop of Lincoln in this year. The extracts give references to the pages of the printed book, of which there is a copy in the British Museum, (press mark 700 d 55). [5½ pp. See Vol. CCCLXXXVI., No. 95.]

62. Certificate of the Justices of the Peace in co. Devon for the hundreds of Hayridge, Bampton, Tiverton, Halberton, and Hemiocke, from 6th of August last, of apprentices bound, vagrants punished, and fines levied for selling ale without license, disorders or tipling in ale-houses, absence from church and swearing, which fines have been employed to the use of the poor. Also of nine persons put in the stocks, they not having goods sufficient to pay their fines. [½ p.]

63. Reasons why the inhabitants of Guernsey are not liable to writs of subpœna issuing out of the Star Chamber. 1. Necessity. The island is a hundred miles from England, there are no passage boats, and often by stress of weather the inhabitants cannot leave, They are governed by the laws and customs of Normandy, for the most part speak only French, and use French money. 2. Custom. No such writ had issued to any in the isle for 300 or 400 years until Blanche and his father (who for 20 years have disturbed the peace of the country) made a breach upon their unquestioned privileges. 3. Right. Their ancient charters give the bailiff and jurats absolute power to judge all causes, except in the cases of treason, coiners, or injury to the bailiff and jurats in their office. *Endorsed by Windebank*, "Reasons of those of Jersey" (*sic*). [1¾ pp.]

64. Petition of divers clothiers of Coggeshall, co. Essex, to the King. Complain of losses by reason of the royal protection granted to John De la Barre, who owes them 1,700*l.*, yet offers them only 6*s.* 8*d.* in the pound, to be paid in four years on his own security, or else to yield up his estate to be shared among his creditors, which estate he says is not enough to pay even that his unreasonable offer. If they should accept either of these, petitioners would lose



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both their stocks and their credit; they therefore pray his Majesty so to order the cause that they may not be defeated of their estates either by De la Barre's protection or his departing the kingdom [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See Vol. CCCCVII., No. 80.]

65. Petition of Sir Cuthbert Hackett, Alderman of London, to the Council. On the 28th of December last the Muscovy Company, of which petitioner was then governor, was ordered to pay certain debts, the performance of which order petitioner pressed by all the means he could, both as being their Lordships' command and also that he as a creditor was to receive a good part as his own due debt. Another order of 25th of June last confirmed the former one, but petitioner being then removed from the government of the Company, the present governor never acquainted him with it, yet now he, with certain others, stands committed for contempt thereof. Begs enlargement, and that their Lordships will inform themselves, from the first Commissioners appointed for the Muscovy business, whether he is liable to the payment. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCCCVII., No. 94.]

66. Petition of John Perkins and Robert Riggs, owners of the manor of Hulsey, co. Southampton, and of the tenants of the said manor, to the Council. There is in the manor of Hulsey a parcel of ground called Hulsey Common, containing about 400 acres, which time out of mind of man has been reputed part of the manor, and on which the tenants enjoy free right of pasture. Albeit the said ground is never used to be overflowed by the sea, but only some part of it upon extraordinary spring tides, yet Lady Wainsford (who has a grant from his Majesty of lands overflowed by the sea) has set persons to wall it in, and refuses to desist. To defend their title, petitioners caused some part of the walling in gentle and peaceable manner to be plucked down, yet the work still proceeds. Pray an order to stay it until their title has been tried at law. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCCCVIII., No. 69.]

67. Statement in Secretary Windebank's hand of moneys owing, amounting in June 1633 to upwards of 11,000*l.*, of which 5,000*l.* has been paid, leaving a sum, with interest, of 7,887*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* still due. *Endorsed*, "1631 (*sic*) Instructions to Sir Job Harbie." [*Fragment, first part wanting. Harbie was knighted 4th of December 1637.*]

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68. Petition of Captain John Fisher, his Majesty's servant, to the King. About four years since his Majesty granted him letters to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London, conferring upon him the office of muster master [*Sept. 13th 1635. See Vol. CCXCVII., No. 41*], which not prevailing, he ratified it by special mandate under the Great Seal, since which time petitioner has industriously applied himself to the service but has never obtained any part of his pay. Prays an order to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen for satisfaction. [1 p. See Vol. CCCIX., No. 33.]

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- Jan. 10. 69. Copy of a lease from Walter Balcanquall, D.D., Dean of Rochester and the Chapter of Rochester to Edward Yardley, of Chatham, Dorothy his wife and Robert their son, of the parsonage of Chatham, for a term of 21 years. [*Attested copy dated 19th of July 1655. 2½ sheets.*]

- [Jan. 14?] 70. Petition of the Company of Gunmakers to the King. On the last expedition to Cadiz and the Isle of Retz [Rhé] the price of muskets was raised from 17s. 6d. to 18s. 6d., which has ever since been paid; but petitioners, having delivered 3,000 muskets into the King's stores, are required to take the price of some lately sold to the Lord Deputy of Ireland, viz., 16s. 6d., at which price, considering the charges for poundage and officers' fees, they are not able to live of it. Beg to receive the original price for these muskets, and in future will be willing to take the lower price if freed from the charges they have hitherto paid. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCCCI., No. 78.]

- Jan. 23. 71. Order of Council. John Mesurier of Guernsey having complained of Andrew Neale of that island, the King, on the 13th of December last, as appears under the hand of Sir Edward Powell, Master of Requests, referred the matter to this Board, who now appoint Friday the 1st of February next for the hearing thereof at their sitting in the Inner Star Chamber, when both parties are to attend. [*Draft. ¾ p.*]

- Jan. 24. 72. Order in a cause between Thomas Lye and Thomas Chamberlain concerning the title to certain property, giving present possession to the plaintiff, and dismissing two other defendants, John Brown and Edward Morris, with 6s. 8d. costs. [*Copy. Scrap.*]

- Jan. 26. 73. Copy of the letter of the King announcing his resolve to repair in person to the northern parts to resist invasion, and containing summons to join him at York on the 1st of April next. [1 p.]

73. 1. *Draft, in Secretary Windebank's hand, of a paragraph to be inserted, adapted to the city of London. [Already calendared under this date, but Windebank's draft slightly different. 1¼ p.]*

- Jan. 74. Circular letter from the Committee at Edinburgh, with enclosures, already calendared, Vol. CCCCX., No. 167. [*Copy in Secretary Windebank's hand. 11 pp.*]

- Jan. 75. Another copy of the same. [ $5\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

- Feb. 4. 76. Pamphlet entitled, "An information to all good Christians  
Edinburgh. " within the kingdome of England, from the Noblemen, Barrons,  
" Borrows, Ministers and Commons of the kingdome of Scotland  
" for vindicating their intentions and actions from the unjust

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"calumnies of their enemies. Edinburgh. Printed by James "Bryson, Anno 1639." At the end, "Revised according to the "ordinance of the generall Assembly, by me, Mr. A. Jhonstoun, "clerk thereto, Edinb. 4 of Feb. 1639." [11 pp. Printed in *Rushworth's Collections. Pt. II., p. 798.*]

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77. Ab. Vange — to Lord Forbes. According to your lordship's order, I have given bills for the money at Middleburg. If diligence be not taken in the business blame not me. You will find such things very dear and it is to be doubted whether they will not be stopped by the way, for the King sends new commands every day for strict stopping of the passages by sea and land. I beseech you to pardon me if I be sparing in writing, for the times are catching, and we know not whom to trust, but I am informed of the worth of the noble gentleman this bearer by many sufficient men who love the cause. There is no new thing since my last letter; the resolutions hold, with great threatenings. If God be with you, do not fear what man can do unto you. I pray your lordship not to write but by a very confident bearer, and wish that all unity and concord be among you. Mr. William Dick's factor is very slow in paying; I have not received half the sum. [1½ p. *This letter is alluded to in a paper calendared under date 12th March 1639, Vol. CCCCXIV., No. 86.*]

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78. Charles, Lord Stanhope, to Secretary Coke. I have received his Majesty's letter dated the 26th of January last, requiring me to attend his standard at York on the first of April next, and within 15 days to certify what assistance I can bring. To which I answer that my fortune is not much, and the little I have is not without troubles, insomuch that since I lost my place [*of Postmaster-general, in 1637*], if it had not been for my mother I had been no way able to subsist, so that I cannot bring such forces as I should have done unless his Majesty appoint me some recompense for the loss of my place, and command the Lord Treasurer to pay my arrears, being about 1,400*l.* or 1,500*l.* I entreat you to excuse me to his Majesty for not answering within the time required, in regard I have been visited with a fever and could not write. [¾ p. *Seal with crest.*] *Dorso,*

78. i. *Abstract of the letter by Nicholas.*

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79. Draft by Nicholas of the Commission from the King to Colonel Francis Trafford, of which a copy is already calendared under this date. See Vol. CCCXCVI., p. 124. [2½ pp.]

March 12.

80. Petitions read at a general session of Sewers, held at Bourne, co. Lincoln, 12th March 1639, before Sir William Pelham, Sir William Thorold, Sir Daniel Delaigne, Sir William Quadring, Edward Heron, William Langton, Robert Thorold, Robert Longe, Robert Tredway, Thomas Trollope, Nicholas Smyth, John Bassett, Robert Creswell, Francis Thornedike, Robert Boswell, George Bradley, Thomas Welby, and George Smyth, Commissioners of Sewers, viz. :—Petition of the lords, freeholders, and commons of

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the level of the north side of the river Glenn, to the Commissioners of Sewers for the same. The Commissioners appointed 12th March for their sitting at Bourne, but the warrant from the sheriff bearing date only 1st March, and not comprising any matters in particular, whereto they might know what answers to make, petitioners could not prepare, and therefore pray further time. *Also*, Petition of Sir John Morley, Jane Raven, and Thomas Pell, of Gosberkirke, to the same. Robert, Earl of Lindsey, sole undertaker for draining the fens on the north side of the river Glenn up to the city of Lincoln, having made trenches and works of sewers upon several parcels of petitioners' lands in a place called the North Inge in Donington, whereby petitioners are wholly deprived of the profits of five or six acres, they pray for satisfaction in proportion to their losses. With note that if the ground mentioned in the petition was not taxed petitioners are to have satisfaction. [*Copy by Edmund Rossiter, Clerk to the Commissioners.* 1½ pp.]

March 20.  
Arrow.

81. F[ulke] Bellers to George Rawdon, at Lord Conway's lodgings in Durham House, behind the New Exchange in the Strand. I should have answered your letter before this, but that I waited for one coming by to be the bearer thereof. I have sent you a small cheese, I wish I could say of my wife's making, but I have not the least spot of ground to keep so much as a couple of kine. I am glad to hear of Mr. Chamber's return, unto whom I desire to be remembered, and trust, when you come down, you will bring him along with you. They dig apace at Arrow Mill, and I am glad to hear that we shall see you when the diggers have done. In the interim let me desire you to see what are the contents of that bond which I gave you for the quiet enjoyment of the lease; but touching these things, we shall have occasion to talk when I see you. *Postscript.*—I pray you remember my humblest service to my lord and lady. [*Damaged by damp.* 1 p. *Among the Conway Papers.*]

March 22.

Certificate of William, Bishop of London, in favour of the petition of Archibald Hay, and recommending the Report of the Farmers of Customs. (*Petition and report already calendared under date of 8th March 1639.*)

*Underwritten.*—*The King's consent to petitioner's desire.*  
[*Copy.* ½ p. *See Book of Petitions, Cur. I., Vol. CCCCIII., p. 68.*]

March 27.

82. Sir John Watts to Secretary Windebank. I send the ostler of the "Crown Inn" in Ware with papers directed to his Majesty, which he found at the Crown gate at two o'clock in the morning, on going to open the gates for some gentlemen that rode post. The papers were brought open to me, and I have sealed them and send him forthwith to the Court to present them to you. [½ p. *The papers alluded to are probably the "Libel sent from Ware," calendared Vol. CCCCXV., No. 100.*]

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83. Petition of John Gardiner to the King. For 18 years he has executed the places of Comptroller and Collector of Customs

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for the port of Poole, co. Dorset, and in 1631 he informed the then Attorney-General of great frauds used by John Blachford, Thomas Waltham, James Gould, Thomas Blachford, Thomas Guyar, and other merchants of the county who refused to pay customs, and transported their goods at their own pleasure, beating his Majesty's officers. The Attorney-General exhibited an information in the Court of Exchequer, which petitioner prosecuted at an expense of 2,000*l.*, and the delinquents were fined 7,000*l.*, ever since which time they have studied his ruin. John Blachford sued forth a process against him in the Court of Star Chamber, and procured an information of miscarriage in his office to be exhibited in the name of the Attorney-General, making himself, with Waltham and Gould, witnesses in the case, together with Henry Hynckley and Robert Wise, upon whose testimony the cause is ready for hearing. Begs reference to the Lord Keeper and Lord Treasurer that they, calling the Attorney-General and the Farmers of the Customs (who best know how petitioner has demeaned himself) may certify the true state of the cause. [1 p.] *Underwritten*,

83. I. *Reference accordingly to the Lord Keeper, Lord Treasurer, and Lord Cottington. Court at Hinchbrook, 27th March 1639. Signed by Sir Ralph Freeman.*

83. II. *Order of Lord Keeper Coventry, Lord Treasurer Juxon, and Lord Cottington, appointing Thursday next for hearing of the cause in the Inner Star Chamber, the Attorney-General and Farmers of Customs to attend. June 28th, 1639. Annexed.*

83. III. *Certificate by Sir Abraham Dawes and Sir John Wolstenholme, officers of Customs, that Gardiner has been faithful and zealous in the King's service, and is persecuted more out of malice and revenge than just law. [½ p.]*

March 27. 84. List of contribution moneys received in Sir William Uvedale's office towards his Majesty's expedition into the northern parts, from certain of the nobility, viz., the Lord Keeper 1,000*l.*, Earl of Monmouth 300*l.*, Viscount Montague 1,000*l.*, Lord Stourton (in part of 500*l.*) 300*l.*

From certain judges and sergants at law, viz., Lord Chief Justices Bramston and Finch, Lord Chief Baron Davenport, Justices Jones, Crooke, Vernon, Berkley and Crawley, Barons Trevor, Weston and Hendon, and Sergeants Ayliffe, Whitfeld, Heath, Warde, Callice, Mallett, Wilde, Finch, Clarke, Foster, Godbould, Turner, Reeve, Cresheld and Glanville, the third part of sums varying from 300*l.* to 20*l.*

From certain officers of the Court of Common Pleas, viz., Sir Henry Compton, Custos Brevium, 100*l.*; Coroy, [Thomas Corie] Gulston, and Farmer, protonotharies, a third part of 100*l.*; and Mr. Berrell, Clerk of the Warrants, the third part of 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

From certain Benchers of the Inner Temple, viz., Sir Richard Sheldon, Sir Edward Littleton, Solicitor-General, Edward Herbert, the Queen's Attorney-General, Richard Prytherge, John Whight-

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wich, Edward Bulstrode, the Recorder of London, Nicholas Cholmeley, Thomas Gate, Francis Courteney, John Vaughan, Henry Wynn, Orlando Bridgman, Thomas Dowse, John Were, Humfrey Hurlestone, Thomas Twisden, William Robinson, Walter Norborne, Ralph Beard, and Edward Harrys, the third part of sums from 200*l.* to 5*l.*

From certain of the nobility [to pu]rge their personal attendance upon his Majesty at York, viz., Marquis of Winchester, 500*l.*; Earls of Thanet, Hertford, Rivers, Danby, and Bedford, 1,000*l.*; Earl of Kent, 600*l.*; Earl of Bridgwater [in part of 1,000*l.*] and Peterborough, 500*l.*; Lords Arundel of Wardour, Privy Seal, Campden and Wharton, 500*l.*; Lord Vaux, 300*l.*; Lords Scudamore and Paget [in part of 400*l.*], 200*l.*; Sir Henry Dowtray, esquire of the body to the King extraordinary, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Sir Henry Martin, 200*l.*; Thomas Winston, doctor of physic, a free gift, 100*l.*; John, Lord Roberts, 1,000*l.*

Total contributions received, 15,200*l.* Signed by Sir William Uvedale, Treasurer of the Chamber and of the army. [6 *pp.* *Damaged.*]

[March 31.] Grant to John Scull, rector of Presteigne, cos. Hereford and Radnor, and his successors, of the reversion of the rectory of Presteigne, with which the church of Presteigne is to be endowed. *Latin.* [*Docquet calendared under date. Draft, corrected by Sir John Lambe. 12 sheets. See Car. I. Case H., No. 5.*]

April 4. 85. Account of moneys paid to several persons for incident charges belonging to the train of artillery; sum total, 831*l.* 3*s.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

[April?] 86. Petition of Henly Phillips, [Nicholas] Polhill, and partners, to the King. After many years suit, both here and in Holland, concerning the wrongs done by the Dutch to petitioners, his Majesty was pleased to grant them letters of reprisal for recovery of their losses; since which time they have taken a ship belonging to the West India Company of Holland, but repairing to the Admiralty Court to proceed in a legal way, are there denied the common course of justice. They have been and are at 850*l.* monthly charge, for which, with all other charges expended in this cause they have had to engage their friends, almost to their ruin. Pray an order that they may proceed legally in the Court or Admiralty. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  *p.* *See Calendar for 1639, p. 45.*]

[April?] 87. Petition of Nicholas Polhill, Robert Pawlett, and sundry other interested English, to Secretary Coke, praying him to order Sir Dudley Carleton to deliver to them all the copies of the several memorials, remonstrances, &c., which he made to the States General and to the Admiralty of Rotterdam concerning the petitioners' just demands of satisfaction for the losses they sustained by a ship called the "St. Peter" of Rotterdam, whereof Michael

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Cornelius T'Kint was late captain and master, and also to order Sir Dudley Carleton to underwrite on the said memorials what answer and satisfaction was given thereon, and to deliver up the memorials and letters sent by Robert Neale, to whom he gave power in his absence to solicit the States General and Admiralty of Rotterdam in that cause. *Endorsed by Secretary Coke*, "Paulhil and Paullets petition to mee. Sir Dud. Carlton." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 1. 88. List of munitions of war, as muskets, pistols, carbines, drakes, shovels and spades, shot, bulrush bridges and morass sledges, palisadoes, planks for barricades, tents, &c., with sums required for each, amounting, with incidental charges, to 10,531*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* With marginal notes by Nicholas of what are sent, not made, and owing for. [1 p.]

May 1. 89. A like list but rather longer and amounting to 11,511*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

[May 7.] 90. The Earl of Danby to the Council. On receipt of your letters last week, I sent up Sir Peter Osborne to procure such arms and munitions as were long since assigned to us by your orders. He writes to me that he has been with the officers of Ordnance, who are willing to supply what the store can afford, but cannot provide what has to be bought until they have money. I pray that this important place may not remain destitute of necessary provisions, and that the fortifications begun by Captain Paperill may be finished, which by the judgment of another engineer also, sent by the Earl of Newport, are most requisite to be done. I likewise beg the securing of those islands by companies sent thither, or small ships plying up and down, to keep off men-of-war. In my absence, I have there my lieutenant, Captain Dorrell [Nath. Darell] and one Medcalfe, experienced soldiers and vigilant and honest men, and if it please God after an ill winter to send me so much strength, I will be ready in obedience to go thither, or else Sir Peter Osborne shall perform that duty with the best directions I can give. *Endorsed by Nicholas as read at the Board on the 10th of May.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

May 11. 91. Warrant to Sir William Uvedale, Treasurer of the Chamber, Court at Newcastle. for the payment of 1,020*l.* for the provision of horse for the officers of a regiment of horse for the safeguard of the King's person, under the command of Philip, Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Annexed*,

91. i. *List of Officers of the Field, viz. :—*

*Captain-General, Earl of Pembroke.*

*Lieutenant General, Earl of Carnarvon.*

*Sergeant-Major or Commissary-General, Sir Fulke Hounckes.*

*Commissary or Muster Master, Sir Henry Hungate*

*Knight Harbinger and Quartermaster, Henry Wroughton, Esq.*

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*Secretary, Michael Oldisworth, Esq.**Preacher, Mr. John Feately.**Waggonmaster, John Lowe.**Provost Marshall, Locke. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]*

91. II. *List of the officers in the six troops of the regiment, including Quartermasters, Corporals, and Trumpeters. The principal ones are:—*

*Captain-General's troop: Captain, Earl of Pembroke; Lieutenant, Sir Frederick Cornwallis; Cornet, Mr. John Frecheville.*

*Lieutenant-General's troop: Captain, Earl of Carnarvon; Lieutenant, Mr. Gilbert Byron; Cornet, Mr. John Cary.*

*Sergeant-Major-General's troop: Captain, Sir Foulke Hounckes; Lieutenant, Mr. John Mason; Cornet, Mr. Robert Sands.*

*Lord Herbert's troop: Captain, Philip, Lord Herbert; Lieutenant, Mr. Bevill Grenville; Cornet, Mr. Henry Carleton.*

*Sir Ralph Hopton's troop: Captain, Sir Ralph Hopton; Lieutenant, Mr. John Hall; Cornet, Mr. Neile Mackworth.*

*Mr. John Heale's troop: Captain, Mr. John Heale; Lieutenant, Mr. John Bamfield; Cornet, Mr. Clement Martin. [2 pp.]*

91. III. *Entertainment of the officers of the field, ranging from 100s. per day for the Captain-General down to 5s. for the Provost-Marshal. Total, 10l. 12s. 4d. per day, with calculations of the rate per month and year.*

91. IV. *Entertainment of the officers of a troop by the day, month, and year, with the total for six troops. Underwritten,—Memorandum that the Earl of Pembroke, Earl of Carnarvon, and Lord Herbert thought fit to receive no entertainment either for themselves or their horses, deduction being made for so much in the warrants to the Treasurer.*

91. V. *List of the allowances of horses to the officers of the six troops; the captains having six, and the captain-lieutenants four each.*

91. VI. *Order signed by the King to Sir William Uvedale that the allowances shall be paid by the day, by warrant from the Captain-General, at the rate of 2s. 6d. per diem for each horse. [4 pp.]*

[May 12.] 92. *Copy of the petition of the Covenanters to the King already calendared, Vol. CCCCXX., No. 151. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]*

May 24. 93. *Minute of an Order of the Privy Council to the officers of the Ordnance. Their Lordships being put in mind by Sir Peter Star Chamber. Osborne of the Earl of Danby's letter of the 7th instant [see*



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*No. 90 above*], touching the stores and munitions formerly ordered for furnishing the island of Guernsey, have this day ordered the officers of the Ordnance to certify what arms and munitions needed for the said island and the forts there they have ready in magazine, and how much money is requisite for what is necessary to be supplied. [*Draft by Nicholas.*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

May 28. 94. Warrant from Lord Cottington to the Remembrancer of the Exchequer or his deputy that the cause between William, Earl of Exeter, and William Robinson and others, now depending in the Exchequer Chamber, be set down for hearing on the second Thursday in Trinity term next. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

June 17. 95. William, Bishop of London, to Sir Thomas Fanshaw, Remembrancer of the Exchequer, ordering the hearing of the cause between Edward Dendy and Alexander Rose on the first Thursday of this present Trinity term. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

June 18. 96. Another copy of the Articles of Peace with the Scots, already calendared Vol. CCCCXXIV., No. 4 *et seq.*, but with three more articles added, viz.:—8. An Assembly to be holden the 6th of August next, where his Majesty is to be personally present; 9. Whatsoever is agreed on by that Assembly to be ratified by Parliament; 10. That a Parliament shall begin on the 20th August next, and an act of pardon and oblivion be made.

*Underwritten.*—Copy of the submission of the Scottish deputies to the King, already calendared Vol. CCCCXXIV., No. 9. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. The three additional articles are not in the King's "Declaration concerning his proceedings with his subjects of Scotland since the pacification in the camp near Berwick" (printed in Rushworth, Part II., p. 1018–1039), but the points contained in them are promised in his "Answer to the Covenanters' desires" of 15th June. See Vol. CCCCXXIII., No. 107.]

[June 27 ?] 97. Case of the Ministers of St. Thomas the Apostle and St. Ethelburgh for the choice of Churchwardens. In the visitation of the Archdeacon of London, Easter, 1638, Mr. Cooper, parson of St. Thomas, presented to the Official of the archdeacon one John Robinson as his churchwarden, who was sworn by the Official next Court day at Christ Church; but some of the parishioners, pretending a custom that the rector and those who themselves had been wardens chose the same, presented two men, Philip Adams and Richard Watkins, when Philip Adams was sworn and admitted. The parishioners then procured a letter from the King ordering the removal of Robinson and the putting in of Watkins instead, unless reason were shown to the contrary. Finally, the minister procured time for his answer until *die jovis post clausum termini istius* [*i.e.* Trinity 1639] and the parishioners obtained a rule that an attachment should be granted in case reasons were not showed *die jovis*, which is to-day. Likewise in the cause of

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Mr. Clarke, rector of the parish of St. Ethelburgh, *mutatis mutandis* for the names of churchwardens, a prohibition being brought against the Official for not swearing one George Fisher, presented by the parishioners, when the rector opposed him as not rightly chosen. [1 p. See *Calendar of this date*, Vol. CCCCXXIV., No. 80.]

June 28.  
Kilvawre.

98. Certificate of Thomas Warriner, sheriff [of co. Pembroke], John Lewes, and Owen Edwards, to Lord Keeper Coventry, concerning the measuring and distinguishing of a messuage and 110 acres of land called Kilvawre, in controversy between John Jenkins and Edmund Mortimer. [1 p. *Seal, with arms.*]

June 28.  
Berwick.

Petition of Captain William Kingsley to the King. At the last Assizes for co. Herts, petitioner was found guilty of the robbery of one Charl. Clarke. Prays for pardon, it being the first time he was ever in any way taxed, and he having served the King in the expeditions to the Isle of Rhé and Rochelle.

*Underwritten.*—Reference to the Judge of Assize for co. Herts, to certify if the offence may be pardoned. [Copy.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See *Book of Petitions*, Car. I., Vol. CCCIII., p. 137. A second petition is already calendared under date of 16th July 1639.]

[June ?]

99. [Secretary Windebank ?] to the Lord Mayor. The Lords having seen the answer of yourself and the aldermen sent to the Lord Treasurer, and having taken the names of those who refuse to comply with his Majesty's letters, command me to require you and them instantly to give answer to his Majesty, who already apprehends some neglect in duty towards himself that it is so long delayed. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Draft corrected by Windebank.* See Vol. CCCCXXIII., No. 102.]

[July ?]

100. A particular of moneys delivered to Mr. Loupe towards the disbanding of the train of artillery, being payments from the counties of Huntingdon, Cambridge, Worcester, Warwick, Leicester, Northampton, and Rutland, amounting to 15,450*l.*, with 4,000*l.* from the Lord Mayor, and other moneys. [= 3 pp.]

[July ?]

101. Account of moneys paid on discharge of the troops, endorsed, "A briefe of Mr. Paddon's account." The amounts are:—To Lord Holland's troops, 17,024*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.*; to the Lord Chamberlain's troops, 2,724*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*; to the train of artillery, 5,300*l.*; to Mr. Cofferer, 1,000*l.*; sent to Carlisle, 1,000*l.*; paid to William Blundell, 750*l.*; lent to Lord Grandison, 150*l.*; paid in, 349*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; total, 28,299*l.* 10*s.* [= 8 pp.]

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102. "Copy of Mr. George Graham's letter, late Bishop of Orkney, at his resignation of the bishopric, with the name of 'the once Bishop of Dunkeld, who did after the same manner, 'Mr. Alexander Bindsey [Lindsey]." The bishop expresses regret that for any worldly respect he should have embraced the order of episcopacy, the same having no warrant from the word of God, and having had many evil consequences, especially in the Church of Scotland; abjures all episcopal power and jurisdiction, promises to adhere to the acts of the Assembly holden at Glasgow, 21st of

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November 1638, and will concur in the execution of the said acts, and in advancing the work of reformation within the land. Signed at Breckness in St. Andrews, 11th of February last 1639, and witnessed by Walter Stewart, minister at Furthersham, James Fleeme, minister at Kirkwall, Robert Parson, minister at Forth, and Patrick Graham, his son, minister at Holme. *Endorsed*, "Bishop Orkney gives up himself and bishopric to the Covenanters." [*Printed in Rushworth, Pt. II., p. 957 (where, however, the names of the witnesses differ slightly), and stated to have been presented on 17th August. 1 p. Damaged.*]

Aug. 22.

103. Walter Carwardine to Auditor Phelips, at his house, Toddington. Being a nephew of Sir Robert Pye, I venture to write to you, though unknown. Part of the estate my father left me was the tithe of Peterchurch rectory, co. Hereford. Thomas Such, a messenger employed by Brogdon, the King's bailiff, has distrained on my tenant of the tithe for a supposed pension of 6s. 8d., with arrears, issuing there from 32 Henry VIII., but never demanded until now. My counsel tells me the rectory was freed by the general pardon of 21 James, and also by letters patents of 38 Henry VIII., granted to Richard and Roger Taverner, which reserve only a tenure *in capite* of 6s. I beg you to obtain for me surcease of the suit, or respite till the end of next term, as I am now absent from the country.

*Underwritten.*—*Note by Thos. Church in favour of the request.*  
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Sept. 1.

104. Will of Henry Eeles, labourer, Hemel Hempstead, co. Herts., leaving certain chests and furniture to his daughter Martha, and all his other goods to his wife Priscilla. Witnessed by Francis Dell, Seth Partridge, Jerome Southen, and Thomas Morgan. [*Attested copy. ¾ p.*]

[Sept. 30.]

105. Certificate of William Ryley, Bluemantle, of the death and burial of Cecilia, Viscountess Newark, daughter of Paul, Lord Bayning. [*Copy. 1 p. Already calendared under this date.*]

[Sept.]

106. Order to [Sir William Boswell?]. As for the outrage by their [the Dutch] fleet lately committed against the Spaniards under our protection in our ports, though we have great reason to be sensible thereof, we would not have you for this time make any remonstrance to them, but, whenever any occasion shall be fitly afforded you, then you are to say that you have no instructions concerning the same, and so refuse any conference on that particular. *Endorsed*, "Soverainty of the seas; the Dutch attempt on the Spaniards in the Downs." [*Minute. ¼ p.*]

Oct. 26.  
London House.

107. Order of William, Bishop of London, to Sir Thomas Fanshawe, Remembrancer of the Exchequer, for the hearing of the cause depending in the Court of Exchequer between the Attorney-General and the Lady Wor[sley] and Jeremy Brett, Esq., her

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husband, and others, upon the relation of Sir Bevis Thelwall. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p. *Damaged.* See Vol. CCCCLIII., Nos. 20-22.]

[Nov.]

108. Petition of Edward Stockdail to the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord Keeper, and Secretary Coke. Mr. Wooley and petitioner apprehended and brought up, about a month since, eight boys and a priest from Staffordshire, of which there is but one left undisposed of, who is a charge to petitioner, his parents being very poor and unable to defray his expenses. Prays that the boy may be delivered into the custody of Sir Ralph Done, who is desirous to take him. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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109-137. Notes of business to be transacted by the Commissioners for Exacted Fees, from 3rd of November 1638 to 4th of December 1639.

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109. John Frith, Richard Price, and Andrew Bassano, to testify touching Mr. Hampson, Clerk of the Statutes. Persons named to certify concerning fees paid in the Court of Requests and on Sheriffs' accounts. Sir Thomas Gore, High Sheriff of Yorkshire, to attend. Mr. Leake, Mr. Lowe, and Mr. Wilson, to certify what they have paid in the Pipe and other offices of the Exchequer. Dr. Joseph Martin to answer questions. [1 p.]

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110-114. Business concerning fees. [= 3 pp.]

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115. James Halliwell and Mr. Riley to produce copies of records from the Court of Requests, and Mr. Davies to certify concerning fees there. John and Arthur Roe to certify touching Filazers' fees. (*Margin.*—"These two have been above a dozen times warned.") [*Scrap.*]

Jan. 23.

116. Business touching Filazers' fees, Pipe Office, and Court of Requests. Garratt Day (twenty times warned), Mr. Bolsworth and John Perryman (divers times warned). [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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117. Like business. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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118. Sir James Pitt's deputy, Richard Francklyn, Henry Ewer, Richard Berringer, Walter Gray, Randolph Niehol, Godfrey Maidwell, John Hickmott, Robert Nelson, Alexander Dorrington, Francis Gerrard, Simon Thelwall, William Wilde, and Henry Pitt, Filazers, to subscribe their certificate that they neither claim nor take any fees but those mentioned therein. Mr. Maidwell, Mr. Gerrard, and Mr. Pitt to produce their Pye books and bail books of 9-11 Car. (*Margin.*—"They have none of those years.") Nine others named to certify touching fees. [1 p.]

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119-120. To receive certificates concerning fees. [= 1 p.]

March 13.

121. Francklyn, Nelson, Gray, Pitt, Berringer, Thelwall, and Maidwell, Filazers, to attend. (*Margin.*—"Mr. Francklyn desires "to be excused for that his chamber was burned down, and he "is much perplexed.") These Filazers witness that if there be two, three, or four names in a writ, and several appearances made for every party by several attorneys, they usually take 12*d.* apiece for every appearance; and they also confess that where one attorney appears for all, they take 12*d.* for the first name and 4*d.* apiece for every name besides. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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122. Filazers to attend and hear the Commissioners' certificate to his Majesty read. [*Scrap.*]

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- May 15. 123. Filazers to bring in certificate of fees. [*Scrap.*]
- May 18. 124. Dr. Joseph Martin and Alan Penny, one of the Commissioners for co. Devon, to attend. His Majesty's letters touching Church officers and duties to be read. [*Scrap.*]
- May 22. 125. Henry Vincent, Mr. Rattenbury, Theodore Green, Job Edkins, Leonard Chamberlain, and John Shadwell, Escheators, to certify fees paid for passing their accounts. The King's letters touching Church officers to be perused. Mr. Aiscough's declaration upon his conference with Sir Henry Spelman on the business of the Pipe to be read. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- May 25–  
Nov. 13. 126–133. Business concerning fees. [= 4 pp.]
- Nov. 29. 134. Minute of order of the Commissioners that all papers formerly presented to them, and now in the Star Chamber, be forthwith delivered to Mr. Reynolde, Clerk of the Commissioners. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Nov. 29. 135. Minute of order that Mr. Reynolds shall require Mr. Arthur, Registrar of the Star Chamber, to deliver to him copies of two orders there made, touching the Cursitors of the Chancery and Keepers of Prisons. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Dec. 4. 136. The Master, Wardens, Clerks, and Beadles of the Companies of Merchant Tailors, Fishmongers, and Weavers to present certificates of the fees they claim and take for binding apprentices, &c. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]
- Dec. 4. 137. Minute of order, that Mr. Reynolds repair to the Riding Clerks in Chancery and their deputies for two or three years past, and also to the Clerks of the Chapel of the Rolls, and require them to permit him to search for such grants, pardons, and patents as he shall conceive conducing to his Majesty's service, and take notes or copies of them if required. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Dec. 4.] 138.—(1–19). Warrants of the Commissioners for Exacted Fees to Robert Sharpe, messenger of the Chamber, to summon certain persons named to attend upon the Commissioners, for the most part to give in certificates touching fees paid to the Filazers, or in passing Sheriffs' or Escheators' accounts, from October 1638 to December 1639. [= 21 pp.]

Dec. 27. Petition of George Cannynge to the King. Twenty years since petitioner took a lease from the Ironmongers' Company of the manor of Lizard, co. Londonderry, containing 46 balliboes or town lands, at a rent of 150*l.*, and 20*l.* to the minister of Abgeeve. Last May, the Commissioners for Londonderry calling petitioner to compound for the lands, he obediently gave up his lease, whereon the Commissioners have set 31 of the lands to others, reserving also all the chief rents to his Majesty, so that petitioner has left only 15 lands, with his dwelling-house and mills, for which he is to pay the full rent. In order to build and plant, he sold his lands in England, to the value of 3,000*l.*, most of which he has spent in improvements; he has paid all taxes and subsidies, and was the first farmer in the county who submitted to the King, by whose example others were induced to do the same. Prays a lease of the whole lands, for which

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he will pay 150*l.* to his Majesty as formerly to the Ironmongers.  
*Underwritten,*

I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer and Lord Cottington to consider the matter and certify.* [1 p. *Book of Petitions, Chas. I., Vol. CCCCIII., p. 126.*]

[Dec. 31.] 139. Draft, much corrected, by Secretary Windebank, of his letter to the Earl of Arundel already calendared under this date, Vol. CCCCXXXVI, No. 53. [1½ pp.]

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140. Printed sheet of verses against the Bishops, headed,—

“ Oh yes, oh yes I do cry  
The Bishops’ bridles will you buy ? ”

There are eleven stanzas, of which the following are specimens :—

“ 1. Since Bishops first began to ride  
in state so neare the Crown,  
They have been aye puft up with pride,  
and rode with great renown :  
But God hath pull’d these Prelats down,  
in spight of Spain and Pope ;  
So shall their next Eclipse be soon  
in England seen I hope.

“ 9. But now brave England be thou bent  
to bannish all that brood,  
And make your Lambeth Lad repent,  
that never yet did good ;  
But shamefully hath sought the blood  
of sakeless [guiltless] Saints of God  
Releeve your Lincolne, better lov’d  
and set him safe abroad.”

Below this is printed,—

“ The prophesie of old Sybilla  
which secretly she told Tom Milla

“ When Scotland’s hundred and ninth unconquered King,  
The sixteen hundred, thirty and ninth yeare,  
Into his age of thirty-nine shall raigne,  
Then shall the Papall overthrow appeare,  
Which all the Arts of Europe shall admire :  
For Scotland shall that blessed worke begin,  
Then shall the whore of Babell, we had here,  
Be banisht quite, which Bishops did bring in.  
Then thou brave England that was led so blinde,  
By their perverse Episcopapall Pride,  
And Ireland’s shamelesse superstitious sinne,  
Shall be supprest, who cruelly have cride.  
So that that Sacred Prophetesse Sybilla,  
Shall shortly come to passe, she tells Tom Milla ;  
And Tom tells me, and I must tell ’t againe,  
Through Scotland, England, Ireland, France and Spain.

“ Composed by Tom [A. S.] Mill & mee, and Printed new at Pomadie.”

*Endorsed by Secretary Windebank :* “ Ellis Rothwell, servant to  
“ Sir Bevis Thellwall, received this from John Naylor, a taylor in  
“ the Minorites, and the said Naylor received it from Nathanaell

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"Deacon, a Hackney man in Goodman's yard in the Minorites."  
[Printed sheet. Copy in the British Museum, Harl. MS. 4931  
f. 27.]

[1639 ?] 141. List of the Clerks of the Council in Extraordinary, viz. :—  
Sir John Burroughs, Sir William Boswell, Sir John Jacob,  
Mr. Simon Digby, Mr. Whitaker, and Mr. De Vic. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

142. Thomas, Lord Wentworth, to Sir John Lambe. I have seen the letter you wrote to my father to-day. He believes you are unwillingly to give him a meeting, which troubles me much, and is I conceive contrary to what you told me when last I saw you. My desire is you would be pleased to appoint another meeting, to see if there may be any better agreement between you. You may afterwards do as you see fit; in the meantime you will give great satisfaction to me. [1 p. Seal with arms.]

143. Thomas, Lord Wentworth, to Sir John Lambe. Since I see there is a doubtfulness in your coming to my father's house, and especially since I see you will not bring your daughter [Barbara] with you, I send this to desire you that you will give me leave to wait on you on Monday, or when you please before you go to London. I must confess I desire much to see your daughter, therefore I hope you will do me the favour to let me do it as soon as you can. I find myself in pain for the want of her sight, which I hope will not make you esteem me the less. My father commanded me to present his service to you, and so did my mother. [1 p. See Vol. CCCCXXVI., No. 78.]

144. Mary Lambe to her father, Sir John Lambe. I return you humble thanks for your kind token and letter, and for the *little gentleman* you write to me of, I cannot in any kind perceive that *my affections shall be set upon him*, and therefore I would be very loath to trouble him any more, for although my uncle's counsel hath been that I should take a longer time to consider of it, yet I conceive it better to *satisfy you of my mind now* than any longer to keep him on, and then at last to *break off with either* his disparagement or mine. I do not desire to think of marriage until my sister be bestowed, and I perceive his breeding and estate to be such that in that time he may light upon a very good fortune, and I shall be very unwilling to be his hindrance against mine own will; but if you will command me, I shall labour to *set my affections more upon him than heretofore*, but lest you should be of my uncle's *opinion that my mistress hath seduced me against him*, I assure you that she was never the woman that ever spake one word of ill against him but all good that might be, for I know no cause that *anybody can have to find fault with him*, but only I fear *my affections will not be set upon him*. Thus hoping that you will do as formerly you have said, nothing against my desire,

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I shall ever endeavour to apply my will unto yours, and to be your obedient daughter. If you please to write or to send to us at any time, if you send to Hackney House, it shall be sent safe to us. *Endorsed by Sir John Lambe, "M. L., about the little gent. Mr. Booth."*

*[The sentences printed in italics are underlined in the letter. 2 pp.]*

145. Memorandum for the Informations for the Fleet business [before the Commissioners for Exacted Fees]. The abuses and exactions found by the Commissioners and jurors. The practices of the Warden with Sir Nicholas Stoddard to the opposing of his Majesty's late Commission (for reform of abuses in the Fleet Prison, *see* Vol. CCCXIV., No. 92) which was done by dangerous words against his Majesty's person and nation. The practices of the warden in taking of evidence; also with Bowles, the foreman of the jury, with Sir Garrett Rainsford, and with Swann; his disobedience to his Majesty's warrant, and his bringing out the prisoners in irons who testified for the King unto the Sessions House, and thence through the whole street, while, those who testified against the King had all the respect from him that could be. [1 p. *See* Vol. CCCLXXVII., No. 142.]

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1. Elizabeth, Queen of Bohemia, to Sir Thomas Roe. Last week I made Maurice write to Rustorf what passed betwixt the French king and the Earl of Leicester at Mr. [Thomas] Windebank's first audience. Windebank has had leave to see my son and deliver his letters, Chavigny being by. My son asked Chavigny what now hindered his release. He answered he must stay till Windebank had his answer, which would be speedily and to his contentment. *For all this, I am not confident of them and fear they may stay Ned and Philip for their brother's good behaviour; therefore I am resolved to send for them on pretence to send Ned to the Prince of Orange's army, who will be shortly in the field. The States levy 10,000 men more, so it is thought something may be attempted of consequence, therefore I send for Ned out of France to be this summer in that army, and finding Philip a little too young to learn any great matters yet, I send for him also, to return him next winter; which I will not do, I assure you. The Prince of Orange and the Earl of Leicester are of the same mind. Colonel Mortaigne is come hither from Banier's army, who sent me by him a very civil compliment. Mortaigne told me that he was so much troubled*



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by my son's arrest that he could not help letting Beauregard know it. He is to have full power to treat with the King of Hungary, but assures me he will conclude nothing to my son's prejudice, and if *the King will make levies for the Prince Elector, he will give him both officers and towns.* He entreats me not to trust *M. Salvius as he is gained by the Emperor, which he is sure of,* having had sent him from Prague copies of *his own letters to Salvius.* I must tell you a great exploit achieved here. I did hunt a hare last week with my hounds. It took seven hours, the dogs never being at fault. I went out with forty horse at least, and there were but five at the death of the hare, myself, your daughter, Honeywood, Stone, and Biron. Maurice, Prince Raveuille, the Archduke and many another knight were intreated by their horses to return on foot. I could not but tell you this adventure, for it is very famous here. [2½ pp. *The passages in italics are in cipher.*]

[Jan. 12.] 2. Notes by Secretary Windebank, evidently for the letter to Sir John Conyers, calendared under date, Vol. CCCCXLI., No. 110. [½ p.]

Jan. 12. 3. Order of the ceremonial whereat Viscount Wentworth was created Earl of Strafford. The Lords to meet in the Council Chamber at 2 o'clock, and proceed by the terrace to the Presence Chamber, the Earls of Newcastle, Cleveland, and Clare carrying the insignia, and Lord Wentworth being supported by the Earl of Northumberland and the Marquis of Hamilton. After the ceremony, the Lords to return to the Council Chamber in order as they came, the trumpets and drums upon the terrace sounding as they pass by. [3 pp.]

Jan. 18. 4. Paper in Windebank's writing, and endorsed by him "Copies of the articles and band anent the relief and burdens of money, 18 Jan. 1640." It contains, 1, Articles drawn up at Edinburgh on this date, and sent out together with a covenant or band to be subscribed by the people of Scotland, (*printed in Spalding's "History of the Troubles in Scotland," Vol. I., page 185*), and 2, a band, which does not agree with that given on page 183 in Spalding, but is identical with the one printed on page 225 as sent down to Aberdeen and subscribed there on 15th July. [4½ pp.]

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Court at  
Whitehall. 5. Warrant from the King to the Earl of Northumberland, High Admiral and Captain General of the Forces, to contract for victuals for 5,000 men for six months, and to provide vessels to transport them. Duplicate of that already calendared, Vol. CCCCXLI., No. 87. [¾ p.]

[Jan.] 6. List, mostly by Secretary Windebank, of the Officers of State, Law Officers, and servants of the King and Queen, with the amount each is required to contribute to the loan. Some of the names are apparently in the King's hand. [*The list includes Lord*

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*Chief Justice Littleton, who was appointed in January 1640, and Secretary Coke, who resigned on 2nd February, so that it must have been drawn up in the January of this year. 4 pp.]*

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7. Petition in the cause of Hobart *contra* Allen. Hobart appeals against a gravamen revoking the letters of administration of the goods of Robert Rice, granted to him as next-of-kin, and decreeing a probate of Rice's pretended will to Sarah Allen, a mere stranger. This was done on pretence that otherwise a prejudice would ensue to the church of Preston in Suffolk and Emmanuel College, Cambridge, but was in truth only to enable the said Allen to bring her *quare impedit* to the disquiet of Thomas Copinger, vicar of Preston, presented by Hobart, the next heir, who is, as he conceives, wronged by the said Allen of an estate of 8,000*l.* The delegate Judges have ordered the gravamen to be put off until the principal cause is decided, but petitioner begs it may be found and that the probate may be revoked. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCCCXLI, No. 88.]

Feb. 24.

Report by Lord Newburgh on the petition of John Cary (calendared under date 17th February 1640). In obedience to your Majesty's reference, I have caused the auditor to certify the state of the manor of Caldicott, which certificate is hereunto annexed. It appears that the manor is in lease for two lives, and that there are great moors and commons thereto belonging, on which there have been formerly attempts made for improvement, which have not succeeded by reason of the multitude of commoners who claim interest therein. If the petitioner can raise any increase of revenue that way, it will be well to let him have a lease of such improvements at a moderate rent, as the work will be difficult, in regard the whole manor is leased out to the tenants and commoners, who have hitherto made constant opposition to it. *Underwritten,*

- I. Certificate by the Auditor that the manor and lordship of Caldicott, co. Monmouth, were in 11 James demised to Edward, late Earl of Worcester, during the term of lives of the said Earl, Henry, Lord Herbert (now Earl of Worcester), and Edward Somerset, son and heir of the said Henry, two of which lives are still in being, at a rent of 52*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* per annum. There are large moors and commons belonging to the manor, but he has no records of their acreage or fertility. He conceives that there can be no improvement made during the lives now in being, nor hardly afterwards, as divers other parishes common on the same moors. Out of the rent there are allowances for the offices of Bailiff of the Manor, Clerk of the Courts, and Master Forester, which fees might be abated on grant of the reversion. [Copy.]
- II. Note that it is the King's pleasure to grant to the petitioner the lands and improvements mentioned in the petition, according to this certificate of Lord Newburgh,

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*and that his Lordship is to give order to the Attorney of the Duchy [of Lancaster] to prepare a bill for his Majesty's signature. Whitehall, 28th March 1640. [Copy. 1½ pp. See Book of Petitions, Vol. CCCCI, p. 169.]*

[Feb. 24.] 8. Supplication signed by the Earl of Dunfermline, Earl of Loudoun, Sir William Douglas, and Robert Barclay, deputies from the Scottish Parliament to the King; a copy of which is calendared by mistake in the volume for 1638–39, p. 500. [½ sheet. *Endorsed by Windebank.*]

[Feb. ?] 9. Sir William Tresham to George Long, Justice of the Peace for Middlesex. I understand that certain persons, upon pretended commission from his Majesty, intend shortly to transport men out of the King's dominions for soldiers into Flanders. Pray take action, as it behoves you in your office not to permit this, for I am informed they go in a wrong way by a forged commission, to deceive his Majesty's subjects. *Underwritten,*

9. 1. *Justice Long to Justice [Sir Thos.] Jay. I understand that the men suspected upon the pretended commission are within your jurisdiction, and those taken for soldiers may easily be stayed by you, being within the precincts of St. Catherine's, otherwise I should, according to this letter, have performed my office in this behalf. [Copy. ¾ p. See Vol. CCCXLIV., No. 5.]*

March 3. Petition of Mary Powell, wife of Sir Edward Powell, to the King. According to the Order in Council of 9th of February last, Thomas Crompton, executor of the late Lady Vanlore, and especially trusted for petitioner, has put in a full answer to Sir Edward Powell's bill in the Court of Requests and has also exhibited a bill against him in the Court of Chancery, to which Sir Edward has not answered within the allotted time; his intent being to weary out petitioner, allow her no maintenance, and detain the estate from the executor. Prays that some direction may be given. *Underwritten,*

1. *His Majesty's pleasure is that Sir Edward Powell forthwith put in his answer to the Bill exhibited in Chancery by Mr. Crompton, and that no further delay be used herein. Whitehall, March 3rd, 1639–40. [Copy. See Book of Petitions, Vol. CCCCI., p. 161. ¾ p.]*

March  $\frac{1}{2}$  0. 10. Charles [Lewis], Elector Palatine, to Sir Henry Vane. I Paris. long to hear how his Majesty has taken the conditions of my enlargement, and whether he will go on with the French treaty. They seem to be very desirous of it, which you may see by what I wrote to [Sir Richard] Cave. You know also what is done at Nuremberg, therefore I beseech you to assist me, that I may come into some consideration with my friends and enemies afore a truce or peace cut off my hopes of re-establishment. I acknowledge the many

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obligations I have to your friendship, but I beseech you to augment them by the continuance of your good offices with his Majesty. I hear Curtius is recalled, which I do wonder at. [*Holograph. 1½ pp. Seal, with arms.*]

March 16. Petition of Henry Wentworth and Thomas Meautys to the King. By the laws, no butcher may buy cattle and sell them alive, and no butcher or grazier may forestall the markets or engross an extraordinary number of cattle. On complaint that divers persons in and about London had offended against these laws, the Council gave orders to Sir Robert Heath and Mr. Noy, late Attorneys-General, and to Sir John Bankes, present Attorney, to proceed in Star Chamber against such as were discovered, but no informations were brought until last term, when two or three only were found delinquents and sentenced. Petitioners undertake to discover twenty or more such persons, and pray that the Attorney-General may be directed to proceed against them, and that petitioners may have such reward on conviction as his Majesty shall think fit. *Underwritten,*

- I. *His Majesty is pleased to grant petitioners, his ancient servants, their desire, and requires Mr. Attorney-General to proceed effectually by information in the Star Chamber against such delinquents as they shall discover to him. Whitehall, March 16th, 1639-40. [Copy. See Book of Petitions, Vol. CCCCLIII., p. 162. 1 p.]*

March 16. Petition of Henry, Earl of Danby, and Robert, Earl of Roxburgh, to the King. His Majesty granted to petitioners the custody of Rochester Carr, a lunatic, which they sued for only for the good of the lunatic and his family, petitioners' near friends. At the request of Sir Robert Carr, brother of the lunatic, they agreed that Sir Hamond Whichcot and Sir Charles Rolles, who pretended that they had the like promise from his Majesty, should be joined with them in the grant made by the Court of Wards. But Whichcot and Rolles having now got possession of the lunatic and his estate, and disposing thereof as they please, petitioners pray his Majesty to signify to whom he intended to make the said grant, and also to command the Master and Council of the Court of Wards and Liveries to resume the former grants and to make a new one. *Underwritten,*

- I. *His Majesty declares that he intended to grant the custody of the lunatic and his estate to the petitioners only, and his pleasure is, if Sir Hamond Whichcot and Sir Charles Rolles be parties with petitioners in the grant thereof, that the Master and Council of the Court of Wards take speedy order for resuming the said grant and make a new one to the petitioners only. Whitehall, 16th March 1639-40. [Copy. See Book of Petitions, Vol. CCCCLIII., p. 165. 1 p.]*

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Petition of William Murray, Groom of the Bedchamber, and John Latch, to the King. About five years since Latch disbursed 12,900*l.* for Sir Philibert Vernatti in his necessity, from the estate entrusted to him by Murray, and received for security divers rents, &c., from the lands in the level of Hatchfield [Hatfield] Chase. Extremities daily grew upon Sir Philibert, so that Latch has been forced to redeem him out of prison, to deliver him from arrests and executions, and to become engaged for him in above 20,000*l.*, to enable him to go on with his fen lands, on promise that his other lands should secure petitioners. Latch has got money and credit from Sir Abraham Dawes on the ground that the remaining 4,000 acres of Sir Philibert's fen lands in the Earl of Bedford's hands and the 2,000 acres in Deeping Fen were liable to an extent for his satisfaction, which now by Huntingdon law are decreed to his Majesty, and so cannot be extended. To cause delay Sir Philibert has lately exhibited a bill in Exchequer Chamber of near 100 sheets of paper against petitioners and Sir Abraham Dawes, and meanwhile shelters himself under his Majesty's protection. They pray a reference to some of the Lords of the Council, and if Sir Philibert refuses to submit thereto, that the Lords' order be decreed for a final settlement of the matter, and further pray that the royal protection may be withdrawn, and that the part of the lands in the King's hands may still be chargeable for Sir Abraham Dawes' debt.

*Underwritten,*

- i. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer and Lord Cottington, who are to take order for securing to petitioners the debts and moneys due to them from Sir Philibert. In case he refuses to submit to this reference and the decree thereon in the Court of Exchequer, his Majesty's pleasure is that his protection be withdrawn. Whitehall, 16th March 1639-40. [Copy. See Book of Petitions, Vol. CCCCIII. p. 163. 2½ pp.]*

March 18.

11. Commissioners for Exacted Fees. Business of the day. To consider what course is to be taken about the house rent and other charges. [*Two lines.*]

March 19.

Petition of William Carne, Clerk of the Court of Chancery, to the King. By reason of the heavy charges on obtaining his office of Clerk and the reversion thereof, and the engagements left upon him by his deceased father, who was for 30 years the king's servant, petitioner cannot satisfy his creditors and make provision for his family except by parting with the said office and reversion. Having found good lives to offer in exchange, he prays leave to surrender his office, and to nominate some fit person in his stead.

*Underwritten,*

- i. *The King's permission to Carne to transfer his place, with order that the Lord Treasurer and Lord Cottington are to take notice of the persons to be nominated in possession and reversion, and to be careful that there be no disparity between*

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*them and the two lives now in being, to his Majesty's prejudice. Whitehall, 19th March 1634-40. [Copy. See Book of Petitions, Vol. CCCCIII., p. 166. 1 p.]*

- March 19. 12. Warrant by Sir Edward Osborne, Vice-President, and the Council of the North, to Richard Elmhurst, Deputy Receiver of the revenues from recusants in the Northern counties, to pay 14s. to Francis Watts, for carriage of commissions and schedules of convicted recusants, and 10s. for a copy of the grand commission for compounding with recusants convict, and the instructions thereto annexed, sent to William Raylton, London.

*Underwritten.—Receipt by Watts for the 24s., dated 4th April. [½ p.]*

- March 30. Petition of Richard, Viscount Lumley, to the King. Ten years since, petitioner married Lady Sands, widow of Sir William Sands, and she being much indebted to Henry, Earl of Danby, and others, a settlement was made to the Earl of land to be sold for the payment. Petitioner has since discharged all the interest, and been at great cost in clearing the land of encumbrances, and by the settlement is to be reimbursed when the land is sold, but differences since growing between him and his wife, just satisfaction is denied him. In respect of the near relation betwixt the parties, and to save expense in unkind suits, he prays recommendation to the Council, that they may call the Earl of Danby, petitioner, and his lady before them, and settle the case or certify thereon. *Underwritten,*

*1. Reference to the Lord Privy Seal, the Earl Marshal, the Lord Admiral, the Earl of Dorset, and Lord Chief Justice Littleton, who are to treat with the Earl, petitioner, and his wife, and either determine the business or certify where the impediment lies. Whitehall, 30th March 1640. [Copy. See Book of Petitions, Vol. CCCCIII., p. 170. 1 p.]*

- April 8. 13. Commissioners for Exacted Fees. Business of the day. To consider what shall be done with the certificates and papers belonging to the service, and also with the furniture of the room where the Commissioners meet. The clerks to present their services in writing, and what reward they have particularly received. [¼ p.]

- [April.] 14. Draft, corrected by Secretary Windebank, of a part of the King's "Declaration concerning his proceedings with his subjects of Scotland since the pacification in the camp near Berwick," being the paragraph concerning the King's order to the Marquis of Hamilton, late High Commissioner, to subscribe the covenant of 1580. This Declaration was written in April 1640 by Secretary Windebank. See his letter, calendared under date of 11th April, Vol. CCCCL., No. 61. [1½ p. *The whole is printed in Rushworth's Collections, Part II., pp. 1018—1039.*]

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15. Examination of William Colville or Colveen, sent from Scotland with letters to the King of France. The Lords of the Committee at Edinburgh [sent me] a voyage for France and gave me two [letters, one for] the King of France, another for the Cardinal, [both] the which letters were only relating shortly their bu[siness for ?] his intercession towards their King, and to give credence to William Colveen. I was not present at the subscription of them, but they [came] to me by Lord Balmerino's man. I judge Ar[gyle], Rothes, Montrose, Marshal Mar, Lindsey, Napier, as I think Sir Patrick Murray, . . . King's Advocate [signed them]. The hope they had was that his Majesty of France would consider the many [ties] between France and Scotland, and would intercede with our King for our peace, the conservation of [our religion] and laws. My Lords Balmerino and Napier enjoined me straightly to deliver the memoirs in writing without addition or diminution, which I did, and to urge simply intercession. The 17th of February I was dispatched in Scotland, but parted not before the 4th of March, being stayed by the wind. My [way] was to Monsieur de Beliévre without any letter but one from Colonel Erskine concerning his own business. I delivered my memorials, and he delivered them to the Cardinal. Bel[iévre advised] me not to stir abroad, nor to communicate my [business to any]. He said that the King [could not] intercede for the present, because if he were [refused ?] he was engaged to follow it further. I told him th[e King] of England did intercede for those of the religion, and was not engaged upon the refusal to farther prosecution. He said we were not the ancient Scots, but subjects, and that I could give him no assurance but that we should make peace with our prince and leave them engaged. To this I could answer nothing, having no commission. Neither the King nor Cardinal would [write, and Monsieur] de Noyer was ordained to answer the [letters]. I desired his own letters to Colonel [Erskine] which he gave me, and withal a passe-port and a few lines written in a paper with a crayon of black lead, which he would not give me, but let me copy. I asked, is a man to be sent if there be any breach between France and [England ?]. He said, " Nous vous enverrons un gentilhomme " [quand nous] aurons occasion de nous employer pour vous " autres." [*This examination, found among the Conway papers, was probably taken by Lord Conway. See Sir Henry Vane's letter of 2nd June, calendared Vol. CCCCLVI., No. 6. It refers to the second letter sent to France, not to the one produced by Traquair. [2 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp., much damaged.]*]

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16. Part of a letter from Scotland, found among the Conway papers. Bowhannon,\* son to the Earl of Mar, is now at Kelso with 1,100 men, where also Lord Carr is with the like number. There is a breach of unkindness fallen amongst the Carrs, in regard Lord Carr has employed his father's huntsman to be captain of the troop where the rest

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\* James, Earl of Buchan, second son of James seventh Earl of Mar.

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of his own name expected to have been placed. Munro was employed by the other nobles to sack the recusants, which he did with much severity. Some he imprisoned, others ran away, and he seized on all their estates, wives and children. Monday last was the day for the assault on Edinburgh Castle. On Saturday last Reven [Patrick Ruthven, Lord Ettrick] and Lesley had a parley, where Lesley desired that Reven (being that he could not hold out) would consider and save his own life and the rest, and so render up the castle, and Reven's answer was noble, for he would not deceive the trust, but would rather sacrifice himself and all his people than fail in the least, and for more certainty he threw over the castle walls divers beeves, in testimony that he had sufficient provision for a year, and so held them at defiance. [Colonel Munro and his men ?] are gone to Aberdeen, with a resolution on their return to assemble all their forces, but what their intentions are could not be known. Captain Weddill, in attempting to assault the castle, was shot, and his leg taken quite away, and his sergeant's arm cut off, and seven of his men taken and hanged naked over the walls. [*See news letter of 30th June, calendared Vol. CCCCLVIII., No. 58 1.; where, however, the assault on the Castle is said to have been on Friday, 12th June, and the parley the day before. 1½ p. Damaged.*]

[July?]

17. Notes of particulars touching which the writer directed the bearer, the Laird of Gagie, to give information, being confident that his Majesty is not sensible of the truth of the carriage of matters in Scotland:—

1. Concerning Edinburgh Castle, the several assaults made upon it, the resistance, and what inconvenience will ensue if General Ruthven is not timely relieved.

2. Concerning the procedure of the Parliament, how royal authority was rejected, the small estimation of God and King, and how a kingdom is stolen from him if he does not fight for it.

3. Concerning the proclamation at the Cross of Edinburgh, importing the forfeiture of all those that sided with his Majesty.

4. Concerning the coming down of John Haddow, servant to Lord Loudoun, his relation thereafter in Scotland, that his Majesty could furnish himself neither with men nor money, which gave the rebels encouragement.

5. Concerning the safe coming down of the petitioners and especially how the liberation of the sheriff of Teviotdale [Sir William Douglas] wrought harmful effect.

6. What power Lord Dunfermline has raised to withstand royal authority.

7. Concerning Lord Loudoun and his gracious permission to come down with a kiss of his Majesty's hand, who has wrought great disturbance to loyal subjects, and encouraged the multitude, as that if they take Edinburgh Castle, they will use the people with all rigour, and will hang General Ruthven if he comes into their power, and with the same measure will handle the Earl of Nithsdale and Lord Ogleby [Ogilvie] if they can make themselves their masters,



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As for Nithsdale, there is a siege laid to his house of Carlawerock, which began on Monday the 29th of June, when his outer guard was surprised, three men taken and the rest driven back into the castle. This plot was by Charles Murray, a cashiered soldier of Nithsdale. All his Majesty's fair words and good deeds will not reduce the people to obedience unless he accord to all their articles and give way to the ruin of those that stand for him, and neither Lord Loudoun nor Lord Dunfermline will do his Majesty any real service. It is a grievous heartbreak to those who strive to give testimony of their fidelity and suffer heavily for the same, to see so good a King abused in cherishing disloyal persons upon smooth promises. It is reported that to congratulate Lord Loudoun's coming home, they made an assault upon the castle, which however returned to their own loss. Concerning Dumbarton Castle, the bearer can inform you how they sank ships to stop up the haven and what state it is in. It is pitiful to think in what state General Ruthven is, and what number of loyal gentlemen are detained in captivity or burdened with fines, as the laird of Drum and his brother in 100,000*l*. Scottish, the Constable of Dundee [Sir John Scrimgeour] in 40,000 marks, the laird of Hadow (Gordon) in 20,000 marks, others in 15,000 marks, and all detained in constraint until they pay. It seems strange how Loudoun should escape and the rest of them and his Majesty's loyal subjects be thus tormented for their fidelity. [2 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

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18. John Towne to the Lord of Bois Gaudry, knight of the order of the blessed lady of St. Lazaro, at Wolsley. For your father's sake I pray you to ask Sir Robert Wolseley, his cousin, to be mindful of me concerning the matters which he recommended by the reverend father the bishop and Sir Basil Brooke. I hope to be with you by Monday next, St. Lawrence's Day, when I will tell you news that I have here by Mr. Coleman. Since I went from London I saw Father Philip. He hath done nothing for me as yet until the Queen shall write into France. [1 p.]

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19. Copy found among the Conway Papers of the political squib entitled "General Lesley's speech to the soldiers after they had past the river Tweed." [*Already calendared under this date, Vol. CCCCLXIV., No. 52. 2 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp.*]

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20. Paper headed: "A true copy of the Devil's letter sent to Rome by an infernal spirit, and the next day conveyed into England upon the Pope's command unto the lordly persons therein named." The substance of the letter is as follows: Lucifer, Prince of Darkness, to our dearly loved son the Pope, and our beloved children the cardinals and lordly bishops, sendeth greeting. We extol the care of our beloved children the lordly bishops in advancing our kingdom, especially by sowing discord among the English heretics and provoking the Scotch heretics to rebellion. We have imposed our command upon our beloved son, Cardinal Richelieu, to raise an army for the invasion of England at Dover and Portsmouth, when the King is most deepest embroiled

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with his subjects the Scots, which we conceive, if care be taken to divert a Parliament, will be about 3rd of November next. We take notice of our dear children's service in working the dissolution of the last Parliament with nothing effected. The nobles of England are malcontented, the country discouraged, the Commons divided, the number of our servants the Roman Catholics increased, and the whole realm oppressed by our lofty children the lordly bishops and our constant servants the lawyers, whom we have caused to swarm as Egyptian locusts over the land. We also notice the service endeavoured for the confusion of the heretics by the last conceived invincible armada procured from Spain in the year of our reign 5660 (*i.e.*, 1639), and the diligence used in preventing the discovery of that intended invasion by some of our servants' speedy repair to Dover Road and secret conference with the generallissimo of Spain, notwithstanding that the main intention of the plot was unfortunately crossed by the divine providence above and Hans Van Trump here below. We further present our royal favour to our well-beloved cousin and councillor, Signor Con, your late nuncio in the court of England, and to the present nuncio there, and with a caveat that you omit not the gaining of the Tower of London by some covert stratagem, we are pleased to remain your royal patron of all your damnable plots now in hand, and your most loving father and god of this world, Lucifer, King of Styx and Phlegethon, supreme lord of Gehenna, &c. Given at our palace of perdition, 5th September, 5661 year of our damnable reign. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp., *very closely written.*]

Sept. 17. 21. Bond of Henry Hughes of London and John and Stephen Pierce of Clerkenwell, for 80*l.*, to Henry Holland of Fenchurch Street, conditioned for the payment of 20*l.* on the 29th of October next. Witnessed by Bartholomew Bigmore and Ralph Atterton. *Latin and English.* [*Slip of parchment.*]

Sept. 24. 22. The King's speech to the Council of Peers assembled at York, already calendared under this date, Vol. CCCCLXVIII., Nos. 1–12. [ $2\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

[Sept.] 23. Warrant to the Auditors of the Imprest concerning the payment of the interest on Lord Keeper Finch's loan of 2,000*l.* from the fine of 6,000*l.* for the wardship of Heneage, Earl of Winchelsea. *Cancelled, and endorsed, "To be burned."* [*Draft.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Another draft is calendared, Vol. CCCCLXVIII., No. 125.*]

[Oct. 6.] 24. [The Marquis of Winchester to Lord Conway?] I perceive they will find you work, and indeed we are not idle here, though the business goes on but slowly. The King was not willing that we should quit the assistance of the Earl of Traquair, and directed us again to press it to their consideration, but they will not admit him nor any other. Thus all our assistants are taken from us, but the treaty goes on. The proposition they will insist on is the maintenance of their army. The King directed them to make their

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demands in writing, what they expected and how it was to be raised. They gave answer last night that they demanded [40,000*l.*] a month, and that this demand was positive. This morning the Earls of Hertford, [Bristol, and Holland], and Lords Wharton and Savile are sent to the King [at York] to acquaint him with these [demands, and to ask] directions how to proceed. We are in hopes to be removed to York. [1 *p.* *Damaged. Found among the Conway Papers. Compare Sir Henry Vane's letter of this date, Vol. CCCCLXIX., No. 44. The signature of this letter is torn off, but the writing resembles that of the Marquis, and the seal bears the Paulet arms.*]

Nov. 5. 25. Certificate by Hammond Bawtree, vicar of Friskney, co. Lincoln, John Wilbie, churchwarden, and eight others, that John Cutbert of Friskney did not appear as a trained soldier last musters, and has not been one for many years. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

[Nov. 6?] 26. Names of the Lords Committees for Petitions and the Counsel who are to attend them, slightly differing from the list already calendared under this date, Vol. CCCCLXXI., No. 27. [1 *p.*]

Nov. 7. 27. Fragment of a MS. Journal of proceedings in Parliament. It relates to Saturday the 7th of November and the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday following. [2 *pp.*, *imperfect. Printed with slight variations in Husband's "Diurnal Occurrences . . . . in this great and happy Parliament," printed for William Cooke, London, 1641, (British Museum copy, Burney Newspapers, Vol. IX.) pp. 1, 2.*]

Nov. 7. 28. Part of a speech by Sir Benjamin Rudyard in the House of Commons, already calendared under this date, Vol. CCCCLXXI., No. 38. [4 *pp.*]

Nov. 7. 29. MS. collection of speeches, &c. in Parliament, on dates ranging from 7th November 1640 to 14th January 1641 [36 *pp.*, *imperfect*], viz. :—

Nov. 7.—Sir John Holland's speech, but with the last sentence wanting. [Page 8. *Printed in Rushworth's Collections, Part III., pp. 27, 28, and in Husband's "Speeches and passages of this great and happy Parliament," (Burney Newspapers, Vol. X.) pp. 281–284.*]

Nov. 9.—Last part of Lord Digby's speech. [Page 1. *See Rushworth, Part III., pp. 30–32, and "Speeches in Parliament," pp. 6–11.*]

Dec. 3.—Scots Commissioners' return of thanks to the King for granting their first demand. [P. 3. *See "Speeches in Parliament," p. 330, but under date Dec. 30. Baillie's account of what took place makes the earlier date the more probable; see his "Letters and Journals," Vol. I., pp. 276, 279, Bannatyne Club ed.*]

Dec. 7.—Vote in Parliament concerning ship-money, other copies of which are already calendared under this date,

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Vol. CCCCLXXIII., Nos. 26, 27. [P. 3. *See Commons' Journals II.*, 46; *Rushworth, Pt. III.*, p. 88. *Husband's "Diurnal Occurrences,"* p. 11.]

Dec. [after the 7th].—Report of the Judges' answers to the House of Commons by the 16 gentlemen appointed to examine them concerning their votes about ship-money. [P. 29. *See next page. This does not appear to be printed in any easily accessible form.*]

Dec. 14.—Sir Edward Deering's third speech, concerning the canons, giving the preamble and the concluding sentences, but not the arguments. [P. 5. *See Rushworth, Pt. III.*, pp. 100–104, and "*Speeches in Parliament,*" p. 94–96.]

Dec. 16.—Charge of the Scotch Commissioners against the Archbishop of Canterbury, but the last part missing. [P. 32. *See Rushworth, Pt. III.*, pp. 113–118; *Spalding's "History of the Troubles in Scotland,"* Vol. I., pp. 275–281; "*Speeches in Parliament,*" pp. 505–518; and *Somers' "Historical Tracts,"* Vol. IV., pp. 415–422.]

Dec. 16. Charge of the Scotch Commissioners against Strafford, last paragraph only. [P. 13. *See Spalding's "History of the Troubles,"* Vol. I., pp. 282–284, and *Somers' "Tracts,"* Vol. IV., pp. 422–425.]

[Dec. 29.]—Articles against Sir George Ratcliffe. [P. 26. *Mentioned in Commons' Journals as read on December 29, and taken up to the Lords by Mr. Pym on the 31st. Printed in "Speeches in Parliament,"* p. 504, and in *Nelson's Collections, Vol. I.*, p. 701, in both of which, however, the sum which he and Strafford are accused of taking from the Exchequer of Ireland is omitted. Here it is given as 80,000*l.*

Dec. 31.—Speech by John Pym to the Lords, after the reading of the articles against Sir George Ratcliffe. [P. 27. *See "Speeches in Parliament,"* pp. 202, 203, and *Somers' Tracts, Vol. IV.*, pp. 217, 218.]

Jan. 14.—Articles against John, Lord Finch, Baron of Fordwich. [P. 13. *Presented to the Lords on January 14th by Lord Falkland and Mr. Hyde. See "Speeches in Parliament,"* pp. 76–82; and *Somers' Tracts, Vol. IV.*, p. 129–132.]

(Several of the above are also printed in *Nelson*, in *Cobbett's Parliamentary History*, and elsewhere.)

Nov. 16. 30. Warrant from Lord Cottington to the Remembrancer of the Exchequer for the hearing in Hilary term next of the cause now depending in the Exchequer between Thomas Batand and Thomas Rowe, plaintiffs, and Lord Herbert of Cherbury and others, defendants. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Nov. 31. Paper in Windebank's handwriting, and endorsed by him, "The Lord Keeper's speech, the first day of the Parliament after

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his Majesty," but which does not correspond at all with any Lord Keeper's speech during this reign. Apparently either composed by himself or a copy of one of the many squibs upon Lord Keeper Finch which were circulated at this time. It begins as follows:—

"My lords and gentlemen all, you have heard his Majesty's speech and what extraordinary confidence his Majesty hath reposed in the great wisdoms and loving affections of this present parliament. You expect not, I am sure, any re-iteration or repetition of the same. A Lacedemonian, being once invited to hear one that could well counterfeit the voice of a nightingale, put it off with this compliment, *αὐτὸν ἤκκα*, I have heard the nightingale herself." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[Dec., early in.] Report of the Judges' answers to the House of Commons by the 16 gentlemen appointed by the House to examine them in what sort they have been solicited or gave their votes about ship-money.

Lord Falkland and Mr. Hollis report that Lord Chief Justice Bramston was neither solicited nor threatened.

Sir John Culpepper and Mr. Hyde report from the Lord Chief Baron that he was not solicited, but that the case which he signed at Serjeants' Inn differed from that which is now dispersed.

[Mr. Kirton and Mr. Goodwin report that] Judge Jones (who died next day) denied any solicitation otherwise than to deliver his opinion as a Judge ought to do, which Finch often did (dying men speak truth but he thought not to die).

Sir William Pierrepont and Sir William Littleton report from Baron Trevor that Finch came and would have him subscribe.

Sir Miles Fleetwood and Sir Guy Palmes report from Judge Crooke that Finch three times came to him, and he subscribed but for conformity to the rest.

Sir Francis Seymour and Mr. Peard report that Baron Weston was neither solicited nor persuaded.

Sir John Strangeways and Mr. Waltham [Lord Wenman?] report from Justice Berkeley that a scroll was delivered by Finch, but none were solicited except he heard that Crooke was.

Sir Arthur Haslerigg and Mr. Crew report that Crawley was not solicited.

Sir Edward Askew delivers that he heard Hutton's man say often that his master could not rest, but was much disquieted for the solicitude of Finch. [*Copy, 3 pp. See No. 29 of this volume, p. 29. The order for these examinations is in Commons Journals II., p. 46. On the 7th of December these gentlemen were ordered to go "forthwith" to the Judges, and Justice Jones must have died within a few days, as his funeral was on the 14th.*]

Dec. 23. 32. Ph. Burlamachi to Thomas Windebank. I would gladly  
London. have spoken to Mr. Secretary, to show him the need of providing for your security and his own, as if the cause were decided in favour of Witherings you would both have difficulty in getting the

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moneys you have disbursed, but I could not see him, so shall go again to-morrow morning. If I were as I once was I could easily give you letters of credit, but now no one would give you a penny on them. I hoped to get credit from my son-in-law and his brother, but having heard that I am not to disburse any money in the business of the post until the case is decided, they will give no credit on this security. You should get a tally, and if the sentence is in favour of the secretaries, it can be returned without prejudice to the King, while if the sentence is in favour of Witherings, you can use the money coming in day by day for the supply of your father's needs. Do not think me negligent for not having answered. I waited until I should have spoken to [Sir Henry] Vane, but I will go early to-morrow morning, and will then see you. The trunk is gone to Rye and so to Dieppe, with orders that it is to be sent on to Paris. I will let your father know, and send him the key. And now I have something to propose to you concerning which you must consult your mother. The ambassadors from the States who are on their way, wish to rent your house for three months certain. It seems to me that this is not inopportune; you are but a small number, and could go to your brother-in-law, Dr. Turner, until spring, when your mother means to go into the country. You would get a good price, and may be assured that neither furniture nor house would suffer. Think it over, and give me your decision to-morrow. *French.* [2 pp.]

[1640 ?] 33. Notes from Scotland. Sir George Oglebie with his friends in the north of Scotland can raise 10,000 men for the King's service, who, if landed near Aberdeen, would gather good forces, whereby the north parts might be brought under the King's obedience and severed from the south parts. Lodovic, third son of the Marquis of Huntley, is coming up, sent for by his father. He is young, but last year did good service, and is in esteem in the north parts. If he were sent back with Sir George Oglebie, he would do the King more service than both his father and his brothers. Sir Donald Gorren, [Gorme,] chief of the Macdonalds, has good power in the western islands, which communicate both with Ireland and the north of Scotland. He is able to set forth 2,000 bowmen for the King. Sir John Forguestion [Farquharson?], in co. Carrick in the west, has friends and power to serve the King. These persons are considerable, and if not encouraged, the King will not only lose their service, but their example, which would be a motive to others to come forward. Mons. Triste, born in Gaunt, who has had command in the wars many years, and lastly was sergeant-major of a regiment of horse under Piccolemini, offers his services to the King. He is known to Lesley, for that he once took him prisoner, and has been dealt with lately to go and serve in Scotland upon very honourable conditions. *Endorsed by Windebank* "Concerning the Scots." [2½ pp.]

34. Note of things that are wanting in the fortification and defence of the Castle of Dumbarton, as repairs of walls and bulwarks, new storehouses, huts for soldiers, &c. With further

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note in another handwriting (Sir John Henderson's?) stating that the above are by the engineer, and presenting certain other suggestions for his Majesty's consideration. *Endorsed*, "Col. Henderson." [2 pp. *Col. Sir John Henderson was made Governor of Dumbarton in 1640.*]

35. Petition of Patrick, Lord of Ettrick, to the King, praying a Privy Seal for payment of 1,460*l.* due to him and his officers, some of whom have never received any part of his Majesty's allowance and are in great distress. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

36. Petition of — Huitt to Archbishop Laud. By decree of the High Commission Court in 1621, Richard Smart was fined 200*l.* for accompanying with one Rosamund Williams; but neglecting to appear upon his bond, his lands in Suffolk were extended by the Court. Smart died before he could come to composition, and bequeathed the lands to the said Rosamund, then married to petitioner, who was not able to discharge the debts upon them without selling them, which by reason of the extent he could not do. He has lain in prison these three years in great misery, and having almost satisfied the 200*l.* he prays release, discharge of the lands, and remittance of the fine. [1 p.]

37. Request by George Douglas to the King, on behalf of the pressers with the hot press, that a corporation may be granted them. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Found among the Conway Papers.*]

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38. Order in the House of Commons for stay of further process for levying the fines imposed in the Star Chamber on Scroggs, Midwinter, and Jones, until the House take further order; also to stay the suit of Ingram, warden of the Fleet, on their bond, for fees pretended to be due by them. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Printed in Commons' Journals II., p. 74.*]

Feb. 1.

Westminster.

39. Letters patent of the King to Sir George Booth, Bart., Sir Richard Wilbraham, Bart., Sir Thomas Delves, Bart., Sir Richard Grosvenor, Bart., Sir Edward Fitton, Bart., Sir William Brereton, Bart., and Sir Thomas Brereton; also to Richard Brereton, Henry Leigh, Thomas Stanley, William Davenport, William Downes, Peter Venables, George Cotton, Roger Wilbraham, Hugh Wilbraham, Peter Warburton of the Grange, Henry Bunbary, William Whitmore, Henry Birkhened, William Glegg, John Crew, George Purslewe, Thomas Crakestone, William Liversage, Philip Mainwaring, William Marbury, and Thomas Cholmeley, appointing them Commissioners for the levying of the first two of the four subsidies given by the present Parliament, in the county of Chester (the city of Chester and the county of the said city excepted), with writ of assistance to the sheriff of the county. *Latin.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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Brussels.

40. George Shawe to Richard Harvey at the house of Mr. Endymion Porter. Thanks for yours of 22nd January, telling me that my patron and all his are in good health Please say in

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your next whether Mr. Cortney's ships have returned. As for Mr. Lanyon, who says he is like to be a loser by the arms, he had the choosing and proving of them himself. He represents that he paid me 50*l*. I have run great hazard and been long out of purse, yet I thank my patron and you for my principal, and not him. I thank you for your good news that our Parliament goes so bravely on for reformation, yet I wish the rebels were in Scotland before the ways grow dry. [1 *p*.]

Feb. 25.  
Commission  
House,  
Fleet Street,  
London.

41. [Officers of Crown lands] to Sir Paul Pindar. On 24th November last we directed you to pay to Edward, Earl of Mulgrave, 90*l*. 16*s*. 6*d*., stayed for a debt due by him to the King; but his Lordship's agent has proved that he only owes 15*l*. 2*s*. 9*d*., which he is willing shall be paid out of his Lady-Day pension. You are therefore to pay the same to Sir David Cunningham, receiver of the King's revenue before his accession to the Crown. Signed by Lord Lumley, Sir Richard Wynne, Sir David Cunningham, Sir Charles Harbord, and Sir Richard Lane. *Underwritten, Receipt by Cunningham, dated 8th of April 1641.* [1 *p*.]

[Feb. 26.] 42. Minute of proceedings in Parliament. "Saturday was wholly "spent in the debate for the raising of moneys of the city of London "to relieve the northern counties." [*Five lines. Found among the Conway Papers. See "Diurnal Occurrences" under this date, p. 44.*]

[Feb. ?] 43. Note of the rating of Thomas, Viscount Savile, Thomas, Viscount Fairfax, of Emley [in Ireland], and Thomas Danby of Southcave, co. York, for the first of the four subsidies granted to the King from Ireland in the 15th year of his reign. *Endorsed, "Exchequer, Hilary term, anno 16th." Latin.* [1 *p*.]

March [1 ?] 44. Order of Council [to the Officers for Crown Lands ?] In May 1638, the King granted to Sir Richard Wynne, Bart., the casual profit of the fines in cos. Chester and Flint for 31 years at a yearly rent of 66*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. chargeable on the account of the Earl of Derby, chamberlain of the said counties. We are informed that there are defalcations for paper, writing of letters patent, &c., allowed to the Earl of Derby on his accounts, amounting to 23*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*., whereof you gave no allowance at Michaelmas 1639, but made stay until you should receive further direction; the which the officers of the said Earl defalked out of the profits due to Sir Richard Wynne. You are to make allowance thereof to Sir Richard out of the rents due to the King for this year, ended Michaelmas last 1640, and no more allow the same, until you have received directions from this board. *Underwritten,*

44. I. *Let Mr. Auditor [Gwynne] 'examine and certify the truth, whereon such order shall be given as is meet. Signed by Sir D. Cunningham, Sir Charles Harbord, and Sir Richard Lane.* [1 *p*.]



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March 2. 45. Certificate by William Gwynne, Auditor, that having perused the Chamberlain's accounts of the county palatine of Chester for divers years past, he finds that the sum of 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* has been usually allowed on his yearly accounts until 15 of King Charles. The great part of the revenues for which he was then accountable was granted in farm to Sir Richard Wynne, Bart., and the officers of the Earl of Derby having in that year received the profits due to Sir Richard, stopped the said allowances out of what was due to him from his Majesty's grant, whereby the King was fully answered of Sir Richard's rent and the other profits due upon the Earl's account without giving any allowance of the said 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Underwritten,*
45. I. *Note by Cunningham, Harbord, and Lane that the casual profits granted to Sir Richard Wynne cannot justly be allowed to or taken for any other use without abating so much out of his yearly rent, whereof Mr. Auditor is to take care, as also that if the allowances usually received by the Chamberlain or officers at Chester be just, they may be paid out of Sir Richard Wynne's rent or some other part of the revenue there. The sum of 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* above mentioned to be for the present abated out of the rent. 20th March 1640-1. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]*
- March 2. 46. Receipt by Sir Daniel Cunningham, Bart., Receiver-General of the King's revenues which belonged to him when Prince, of 144*l.* 2*s.* 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* from Humphrey Jones, Receiver for co. Chester, being part of the rents due out of the King's lands within his receipt for the year ending Michaelmas last. With note to Auditor [Gwynne] that he sees no cause to shorten the Receiver's portage, seeing he has paid 1,000*l.* in June and November, which is as much as ever was paid. It does not appear in his Cheshire accounts, being comprehended in his acquittances for North Wales. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- March 8. 47. Minute of order in the House of Commons that the 20,000*l.* that shall be advanced to make up the 60,000*l.* formerly promised by the city shall be repaid out of the four subsidies to [those] that advance the same, next after the 100,000*l.* advanced by the city and Sir John Harrison upon those four subsidies. [*Scrap. Damaged. Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. II., p. 99.*]
- March 8. 48. Fragment endorsed "Orders of the Commons House of Parliament, 30th November 1640 and 8th March 1640-1, concerning musters and Sir William Uvedale."
- March 31. 49. Memorandum that the sum of 70*l.* was paid into the Chamber of London on this date by William Stamper, High Collector of Chichester, on account of the first two subsidies of four granted by Act of Parliament, for which an acquittance was given dated the same day, under the seal of Isaac Pennington, Alderman, and Robert

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Bateman, Chamberlain, two of the treasurers appointed by the Act for the receipt of the said four subsidies. Copy by Edward Hodgson, Clerk of the Treasurers. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

April 3 and 6. 50. Two writs for the restoration to Robert Armstead of his ship, the "St. John Baptist," of London, unjustly detained by Solomon Westminister. Smyth and George Warner. *Latin*. [=1 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

April 6. 51. Certificate by Sir Henry Vane and Sir Roger Palmer, K.B., to the Lord Treasurer and Barons of Exchequer that Stephen Aberley, the King's yeoman packman, generally resident at Court, is valued at the rate of 3*l.* in fee. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p., *damaged*.]

April 12. 52. Certificate of the Commissioners of co. Gloucester for levying the two first subsidies granted to the King by the present Parliament, to the Lord Treasurer and Barons of Exchequer, that William Bateson, of Burton-on-the-Hill, co. Gloucester, is assessed at the rate of 5*l.* in goods. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

April 14. 53. George Willingham to his son John. Your mother and I do not forget you, though I have not had time to write. I have asked your master to let you come up to London next week by the waggon. I would have sent the boots and spurs, but we knew not how to fit them. You shall have them when you come. I charge you to be dutiful to your master and mistress, to ply your learning and to carry yourself lovingly, soberly, and godly. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 8. 54. Certificate by the Commissioners of co. Salop for levying the two last of four entire subsidies granted by the laity to the King by Act of Parliament "in the 16th year of his most happy reign" that Sharrington Talbot, of Rudge, co. Salop, is assessed at 8*l.* in lands. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p., *damaged*.]

May 13. 55. Certificate of Sir Henry Vane, Treasurer of the Household and Secretary of State, and Sir Roger Palmer, K.B., Cofferer of the Household, to the Lord Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer, that Thomas Edwards, yeoman of the cellar, resident at Court, is valued after the rate of 50*s.* in fee. *Endorsed*, "Mr. Thomas Edwards, in Nepfall's [Nevill's?] Alley, Fetter Lane." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 18. 56. Like certificate by Sir Thomas Jermyn, Comptroller, and Sir Roger Palmer, K.B., Cofferer of the Household, that Stephen Pilchard, yeoman of the Chamber, resident at Court, is valued at the rate of 18*l.* in fee. *Endorsed*, "Mr. Pilltcher, in Three Leg Alley, Fetter Lane." [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

May 18. 57. Like certificate by the same concerning John West, yeoman of the Chamber. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

May 23. 58. Anne Wolseley to her sister, asking her to buy for her a tafeta hood, powder, ribbon and other things, to be sent by Will

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Robinson, and promising to pay for them when Dick Dudley brings the moneys owing to her by William Allen. [1 p.]

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59. An Act for abolishing and taking away of all Archbishops Bishops, their Chancellors and Commissaries, Deans and Chapters, Archdeacons, Prebendaries and Canons, and all other their under officers of the Church of England. [1 sheet. *The bill was read twice on May 27. See Commons Journals, Vol. II., p. 159.*]

June 7.

60. Certificate of Sir Thomas Jermyn, Comptroller, and Sir Roger Palmer, K.B., Cofferer of the Household, to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury and the Barons of Exchequer, that William Allen, drum-major, resident at Court, is rated at 50s. in fee. *Endorsed*, "Mr. Allen the player in Shoe Lane." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

June 14.  
Castle  
Elizabeth.

61. Certificate by Sir Philip Carteret, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, of the unloading of certain goods by John Cousteur of that isle, shipped in the "Blessing" of Guernsey, John Bonamy, master, according to a coquet of 3rd of May, with request for discharge of the securities. [*Scrap, damaged.*]

June 25.

62. Certificate by Sir Thomas Jermyn and Sir Roger Palmer that Thomas Smithsby, the King's saddler, resident at Court, is rated at 8*l.* in fee. *Endorsed*, "Mr. Smithsby in Fleet Street." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

July 13.  
Tower.

63. Certificate of Sir William Parkhurst, Warden and Treasurer of his Majesty's Exchange and Moneys within the Tower of London, to the Lord High Treasurer (*sic*), the Chancellor, Under Treasurer, and Barons of Exchequer, and all other officers for the receipt of the two last subsidies of the four granted by Parliament, 3rd November 1640, that Henry Stanley of the parish of St. Dunstan's in the West is one of the auditors of his Majesty's Mint, and by virtue of divers ancient charters, confirmed by the present King, to the warden, workmen, &c. of the Mint, as well as by a special judgment of the Barons of Exchequer, is freed from the payment of subsidies. Sealed with the official seal of the Mint. [1 p.]

*Dorso*.—"Mr. Stanley, dwelling in Fleet Street. Order to set it off upon him. *Farringdon Extra.*"

July 15.

Rough account book of receipts on poll money and loan money, 15th July to 30th August 1641, with letters, orders, &c., relating thereto. The entries which have not been previously calendared are inserted under their respective dates. [24 pp. *Car. I., Case H., No. 6.*]

July 16.

64. Paper book containing the names of all the freemen of the Mercers' Company (that are not of the Livery) as they stand in the roll at this date, "whereof many may be dead and some decayed, "and some are pensioners to the said Company, according as is "noted at the end of their names." [47 written and 27 blank pages.]

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65. Statement in the case of William Shaw against Lawrence Squibb, &c. Shaw brings his action against Lawrence and Robert Squibb and John Worfield for wrongful imprisonment, to which they have pleaded not guilty, as he was committed by warrant signed by Lord Coventry, Lord Dorset, Sir Thomas Jermyn, and Secretary Windebank for railing at the Lords of the Council and others. Underwritten, a long list of names. *Endorsed*, "Shaw's witnesses." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. For date, see *Dom. Calendar* for 1641-43, p. 114. *Annexed*,

65. I. *Copy of petition of William Shaw, junior, to Council. Petitioner was summoned before Lawrence Squibb, James Proger, and Robert Squibb, Commissioners for Cards and Dice, and refusing to make oath unless he knew to what he must swear, was committed to a messenger, under whose charge he remained divers days. Has since been requested by one Fryer, a poor cardmaker, who by necessity enforced had sold a small parcel of cards unsealed, to go with him to Mr. Squibb to mediate for him, but Mr. Squibb, taking some offence at petitioner's presence, committed him to the Fleet, where he still is, to his great charges and disgrace and hindrance in his prepared voyage to Holland. Prays that all the parties may be heard, and order taken for his enlargement. [1 p. Probably presented in April 1638, see Vol. CCCLXXXVIII., No. 32, although this does not appear to be the exact petition mentioned there.]*

65. II. *Answer of the Commissioners for Cards and Dice to the petition of William Shaw, stating that many sufficient men of the City had been examined by virtue of their commission, and none had ever taken exception to the form of the oath, which they always used. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]*

July 19.  
Castle Cornet.

66. Certificate by Captain Nathaniel Darell, Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, to the customers of Weymouth, that Peter Thomas has unladen certain goods, including beer, leather, hoops, cheese, and calf-skins, for the use of the castle and island, according to a cocquet of 14th of July 1641. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Damaged.*]

July 20.

Copy of Order in the House of Commons, that any person lending or more on the Act for disbanding the armies and settling the peace of the kingdom, before the 10th of August next, will do an acceptable service, and shall be repaid with interest out of the money to be raised on that Act [*see Commons' Journals, Vol. II., p. 217*]. With receipts of loans made thereon, in sums varying from 100*l.* to 1,600*l.*, 22nd—30th July, signed by three or more of the Commissioners or Treasurers, viz., Sir Edmund Wright, Lord Mayor, Sir James Cambell, Sir George Whitmore, Sir Nicholas Rainton, and Sir Christopher Clitheroe, Aldermen, and Robert Bateman, Chamberlain of London. [*See Car. I., Case H., No. 6, pp. 20-24.*]

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 July 23. Receipts of poll money in Bucks, Surrey, Suffolk, Essex, Kent, London, and Middlesex, 23rd July to 7th August, similarly signed. [See *Car. I., Case H., No. 6, pp. 2, 3, 11-17.*]
- July 26. Earl of Warwick to the Lord Mayor and the rest of the Commissioners for Poll Money. I am appointed by Parliament to receive 120,000*l.* for relief of the northern counties out of the present poll money. I send my steward, Arthur Wilson, and desire you to take his receipt for the sums daily paid, and in the conclusion I will give a general receipt for the whole. With receipt by Wilson for 10,000*l.*, 30th July 1641. [*Ibid.*, p. 19.]
- Aug. 2. 67. Commission from the King to George Earl of Kinnoul, renewing his former grant of all customs and subsidies of smalts, saffora, and potashes in England and Wales under the same conditions as those in the former grant. Attested copy by Josua Mainet, public notary, 1644. *Endorsed*, "Copy of the Earl of Kinnoul's second commission." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Aug. 3. 68. Receipt for 150*l.*, lent by Richard Lowe, of London, for three months for the uses declared in an Act of Parliament entitled an Act for the speedy provision of moneys for disbanding the armies and settling the peace of the two kingdoms of England and Scotland, to be repaid out of the moneys received by virtue of that Act, with interest at the rate of 8 per cent. Signed by Sir Edmond Wright, Lord Mayor, and the other Commissioners. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- Aug. 4. Receipt by Arthur Wilson, on order from the Earl of Warwick, from the Lord Mayor and other Treasurers for the Poll Money, of 7,803*l.* 13*s.* to pay the complete sum of arrears to the Scotch army, and for imprest of carts to carry the money. [See *Car. I., Case H., No. 6, p. 19.*]
- Aug. 10. Copy of Order in the House of Commons that the Lord Mayor and other Commissioners for the Poll Money pay the Earl of Warwick the balance of the moneys he is appointed to receive and pay towards satisfying the brotherly assistance of the Scots. With note that Captain Venn and Mr. Wilson accounted, and that 15,398*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.* was to be paid to them. Also note of its receipt by Wilson, 11th of August 1641, and of his receipt, 12th and 13th of August, of 12,750*l.* [*Ibid.*, pp. 8, 17.]
- Aug. 10. 69. Schedule of receipts for the year 1641 up to 10th August for the great farm or subsidy, and on tobacco, wines, and currants, from the ports of Sandwich, Faversham, Milton, Rochester, Dover, Ipswich, Colchester, Maldon, Yarmouth, Lynn, Boston, Hull, Newcastle, Berwick, Chichester, Rye, Southampton, Poole, Weymouth,

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Lyme, Exeter, Dartmouth, Barnstaple, Plymouth, Bridgwater, Gloucester, Bristol, Milford, Cardiff, Chester, Liverpool, and Poulton. [1 large sheet.]

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70. Order of the House of Commons for the payment of 500*l.* to the Reformato officers by Sir Robert Pye and Mr. Wheeler. Already calendared under this date, Vol. CCCCLXXXIII., No. 101. [1 p.]

Dec. 1.  
Ordnance  
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71. Certificate of the Ordnance officers that there is due to Alexander Norman, cooper for the Ordnance Office, the sum of 23*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.* for casks, hoops, and wages, to be paid upon the estimate of 469*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.* for the charge of hiring teams to carry munition to West Chester. Signed by Francis Coningsby, Edward Sherburne, and Richard Marsh. Underwritten,

71. i. *Receipt by Alexander Norman of the above amount from Sir John Heydon, Lieutenant-General of the Ordnance. 5th of January 1641-42.*

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72. "The names of the Company of Apothecaries, as they stood in 1641, at the time of the polling." Arranged alphabetically, as to first letter only, with their addresses. [5½ pp. Book.]

73. Note of a rate made in the parish of East Greenwich towards the tax appointed by Parliament for disbanding the armies and settling the peace of England and Scotland. [1 p.]

74. Copy of the rate for Walton, in the parish of Aylesbury, for the two first of the four entire subsidies granted to the King by this present Parliament, whereof Thomas Barnabie, of Walton aforesaid, was sub-collector. 17 names, of which 14 are rated for lands and three for goods. [¾ sheet.]

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75. A certificate of the names of the several collectors in the respective counties who have not yet accounted for the two first of the four subsidies. [2 sheets.]

76. Petition of Lawrence and Robert Squibb to the Lords in Parliament concerning Shaw's action against them, which came to trial at Guildhall 16th of July last (see No. 65 above), when the jury returned them guilty, and gave 500*l.* damages to plaintiff besides costs. They conceive that the damages would have been excessive, even if they had been guilty of his imprisonment, but not being guilty thereof they pray the Lords for relief and stay of proceedings meanwhile. [1½ pp.] Prewritten,

76. i. *Note that Thistleworth Park was granted in fee farm to Sir William Russell at 25 years' purchase towards payment of the Navy. He sold the grant to Lord Cottington for 300*l.*, which was more than it was worth, and Lord*

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*Cottingham, being about to sell it to Sir Thomas Nott, finds that the right thereof was in the Queen when it was granted to Sir William Russell, which puts him to the charge of passing it anew. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*

77. Reasons, *ex parte* Lawrence and Robert Squibb, to move for a new trial upon the action brought against them by William Shaw for false imprisonment, when 500*l.* damages were given to plaintiff. [1 p.]

78. Memorandum by Nicholas. On the petition of Samuel Trelany his Majesty is graciously pleased to refer petitioner to the consideration of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, who, upon hearing of the petition, are to certify what they consider fit to be done thereon.

On the petition of the borough of Blandford. His Majesty, taking notice of the singular loyalty of the greatest part of the inhabitants of the said borough, and being well inclined to show his grace and favour to them, is graciously pleased to refer this petition to the Attorney-General, who, upon sight of the said town's charter and hearing of petitioners, is to certify what he thinks fit and reasonable for his Majesty to do therein. [=  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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79. "Directions for the tenth money, 1641, for Exon diocese." Giving the Archdeaconries, viz., Exeter, Barnstaple, Totnes, and Cornwall, with some of the deaneries, the sums due from each, amounting in all to 818*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*, and the names of the persons by whom they are to be brought in. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

Feb. 4.  
Ordnance  
Office.

80. Certificate by the Ordnance officers, that there is due to William Wallis the sum of 4*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.*, for cleaning and repairing of muskets, returned by him into the office of small guns in the Tower of London. Signed by Francis Coningsby, Edward Sherburne, and Thomas Eastbrooke.

*Underwritten.—Receipt by William Wallis from Sir Walter Erle, Lieutenant-General of Ordnance, of the above amount, dated 28th May 1644. [1 p.]*

Feb. 24.

81. Articles of Agreement between Nathaniel Fiennes, Sir Philip Stapleton, and John Hampden, M.P's., Commissioners of the House appointed to treat with the Scots Commissioners (for the relief of Ireland), and John Davies of Carrickfergus, concerning provisions to be furnished by Davies for the victualling of the English and Scottish forces in Ireland. With resolution of the House of Commons agreeing to the articles, and further resolution, dated 26th February, for the omission of certain words in them. [*Copies.* 2 pp.]

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82. Another copy of the Articles, with certain words omitted. [*Copy.*  $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

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- March 16. 83. Order for payment to Thomas Soames, Alderman, of 500*l.* with interest at 8 per cent., for money advanced by him, as appears by receipt under the hand of Edmund Wright, then Lord Mayor, dated 2nd August last (1641), according to the Statute entitled "An Act for the relief of his Majesty's Army and the northern parts of the Kingdom," by which it was enacted that the treasurers for the four subsidies in that Act named shall pay 50,000*l.* to the Chamber of London, and other 50,000*l.* to Sir John Harrison, knight, and William Harrison his son; the surplusage to be for the relief of the Army and northern parts, and for the payment of those who have advanced money, to be paid in such manner as the 16 peers and 32 commons therein named, or a quorum of them, may direct. Signed by the Earls of Essex and Salisbury, Lord Mandeville, Sir Arthur Ingram, Edmund Waller, and seven others. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  sheet.]
- March 19. 84. Minute of order by the Committee of both Houses for Irish affairs that Mr. Loftus, Deputy for the Vice-Treasurer of Ireland, is to send to Chester, to Aldermen Walley and Edwards, the sum of 2,000*l.* out of the money assigned to him by order of the House of Commons; the said sum to be employed by them for the payment of troops lying there, and for their transport to Ireland. Signed by the Earl [of Leicester, Lord Lieutenant. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*
84. i. *Note of the 2,000*l.* as appearing in Mr. Walley's account.*
- March 21. 85. A breviat of the grievances of the Cinque Ports, viz., Hastings, Romney, Hythe, Dover, and Sandwich, and of the two ancient towns of Rye and Winchelsea, humbly offered to the House of Commons by the Barons thereof. Duplicate of Vol. CCCCLXXXIX., No. 89. [*Printed pamphlet.* 4 pp.]
- [March ?] A rate made by the inhabitants of the parish of St. Andrew, Hertford, for the repairs of the church and for other necessary charge therein. 47 names, in sums ranging from 7*s.* to 3*d.* [*Strip of parchment.* The exact date has been obliterated, but as the year is 1641, it cannot have been later than this March. *Car. I., Case F., No. 20.*]
- April 3. Commission from the Earl of Leicester, Lieutenant-General of Ireland and General of the Army there, to William Gilbert, to be paymaster of the train of artillery. [*Parchment.* *Car. I., Case F., No. 21.*]
- April 22. 86. Receipt by John Lege, Mayor, and other inhabitants of the distressed town of Coleraine, from Robert Thornton, Mayor of Londonderry, by the hands of Christopher Stansby, of beer, pease, malt, wheat meal, and dowlas, total value, 128*l.* 13*s.* 11*d.*, brought



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in when "this town was in extreme necessity, and like to perish for want of provisions." 21 signatures. [1 p.]

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87. Request by [Nicholas] Briot to the King to appoint certain of the Lords of the Council to hear his proposition concerning coinage, to whom he may explain the good results which would ensue therefrom to his Majesty and to the State. *French*. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. See Vol. CCCCXC., No. 33.]

May 3.

88. Order in the Committee of Lords and Commons appointed for distributing moneys given upon the Act of Contribution for Ireland, that the Treasurers in the City of London pay 100*l.* each to Lady Tichborne, wife of Sir Henry Tichborne, Lady Martha O'Neile, widow of Sir Henry O'Neile, Lady Dorothy Rives, wife of Sir William Rives, Speaker of the Lords House in the Parliament of Ireland, and Lady Elizabeth Gifford; 50*l.* to Sir John Leeke; 30*l.* each to William Somers, Tristram Beresford, and John Martin, members of the Commons House in the Parliament of Ireland; and various sums, ranging from 30*l.* to 2*l.* to 45 other persons named. Signed by the Earls of Essex and Bolingbroke, and eight others. [3 p.]

May 7.  
York.

89. Warrant of the King, renewing the grants made to the Earl of Kinnoul on 2nd August 1641 [see No. 67 above], and on 4th February following, of the customs and subsidies of all potashes, saffora, and smalts, and requiring the Treasury Commissioners to send warrants to the Customs officers to pay to him all moneys received by them on account of the same. [*Copy*.  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

June 6.

90. Order signed by the Earl of Leicester to Nicholas Loftus, Deputy Treasurer at War for Ireland, to pay Sir Foulk Hunckes, appointed Sergeant-Major-General for the Army in Ireland, his allowance of 20*s.* per diem. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

June 13.  
Kirby.

91. William Dugdale, Rouge Croix, to Jasper Cornelius, Middle Temple. I wish my hearing might be respited until Michaelmas term, and herein wholly rely on you and Mr. Leving. Pray assist me therein with Mr. Attorney Lane, and Leving will do the same by Sergeant Whitwick. You know how far these things are out of my element and what affliction they minister to me. I will be really thankful for your favour when we meet. [*Damaged*. 1 p.]

June 13.

92. Commission by Robert, Lord Brooke, Lord Lieutenant of co. Warwick, to Thomas Willoughby, to be captain of a volunteer foot company, to be raised in Sutton Coldfield, Middleton, Tamworth, Kingsbury, and Cudworth, or within seven miles thereof, and giving him power, with consent of the major part of his volunteers, to nominate his under officers. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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- June 14. 93. Certificate by the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the Walloon Congregation in and about Canterbury that, according to the Act for a collection toward the poor distressed of Ireland, recommended to them by Mr. Cleeve Carter, the mayor of Canterbury, they have gathered from their people of all sorts, fathers and mothers, children and servants, the sum of 5*l.* 12*s.* 11½*d.*, which they have paid to Mr. Vespasian Harris, sheriff of Canterbury. Signed "in the name of all" by Philip Delmé, minister; Haye de Lobeau and Pierre le Noble, elders; and Jaques Lizis (?) and Jan Manneke, deacons. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- June 27. 94. Commission by Lord Brooke to John Barker, to be colonel of a company of horse and foot volunteers to be raised in the city and county of Coventry. [*Attested copy, damaged.* 1 p.]
- July 2. 95. Omissions in the Accounts of the Customs Commissioners from 25th of May 1641 to 2nd of July 1642. [*Paper book, 22 pp.*]
- July 2. 96. Abstract of certain items in the preceding. [2 pp.]
- July 6. 97. Order in Parliament for Francis Fairfax to be captain of a foot company of 200 men to be raised by beat of drum in London and the suburbs, or in Middlesex, Essex, Kent, and Surrey, for defence of Hull under Sir John Hotham, the governor, and for the peace of the kingdom, the said company to be under the protection of Parliament. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *The blank form of commission is printed in the Lords' Journals, Vol. V., p. 187.*]
- July 21. 98. Order of the Committee of Lords and Commons appointed for the distribution of moneys under the Act of Contribution &c., to the Treasurers in the City of London, for the payment of sums ranging from 25*l.* to 2*l.* to 73 persons named. Signed by the Earls of Essex and Pembroke, and seven others. [3 pp.]
- [July 25?] 99. Jane Hinton to George Warner, at Mr. Edward Westfield's Woolston, St. James' house in St. Lawrence Poultney Lane, London. I beg you to deliver the enclosed, and with it 40*s.*, to Mr. Talbot, for 10 lbs. of tobacco. Your uncle promises that you will so far engage yourself for Sir Roger Fielding, your cousin Greene, and myself. The money shall be honestly paid at Woolston to your sister. We and other friends are feasted here this day on venison sent from my lord Dunsmore to your uncle. The mayor of Coventry was sent for to attend the King at Leicester, but his people would not let him go. Dr. Bastwick this day is to have his trial at Leicester for appearing as a soldier against the King in Leicestershire. Your wine is good and we will give you speedy occasion to replenish your green glass roundheaded bottles. [*See Secretary Nicholas' letter calendared under date 27th July, Vol. CCCXCII., No. 90.*]
- Postscript.*—On view of your letter of the 21st of July, I am commanded to give you this advice. If your mistress be coy, be not you discouraged, nor too hasty to make a bolt or a shaft. He is a faint wooer that is put off with so modest a denial. Constancy

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becomes a man as much as modesty a maid. Keep straight and strong siege about your fort, use all your friends, but forget not to present her with fine knacks, and busk all her she-friends and the chambermaid. [1 p.]

Aug. 20.

100. Petition of the inhabitants of Havering liberty, &c., co. Essex, to Lord General Essex. We have provided 40 horse with riders to them, for the service, but have not furniture for them. We beg that they may be listed under Nath. Fiennes, and armed from the stores, and that such arms as we cannot now pay for may be trusted to John Fenning and William Comyns, who will be responsible therefor on our behalf.

*Underwritten.—Note by the Committee of Safety that this petition is granted. Signed by the Earls of Essex and Holland, John Pym, and Anthony Nicoll.*

*Also note by Stephen Estwick of delivery to the Romford troop of 8 pairs of pistols at 58s. a pair. Endorsed with notes of other pistols furnished. [1 p.]*

Aug. 22.  
Chester Castle.

101. Information of Richard Randford, bailiff of the High Sheriff of Cheshire, before Henry Bunbury, Henry Birkhened, and William Glegg, Commissioners for Wirrall hundred. Having a warrant from them to collect the rents, tithes, &c., levied on the Dean and Chapter of St. Werburg, Chester, he applied to Dean Mallory, who refused to pay, had his cattle brought into his own fold, and set three or four men to keep them, so that deponent durst not distrain. Sir William Massie, recusant, also refused to pay 1*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.* for his tithes in Wallasey, and the sons of Sir William so threatened examinant, that he durst not distrain. [1 p. *Damaged.*]

Aug. 24.

102. Commission by Alderman Thomas Atkin and 11 others of the Committee for the Militia of London, to Sam. Warner, one of their members, to receive 500*l.* appointed by his Excellency [the Earl of Essex] to be paid to them and issued by them for service of the State. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Damaged.*] *Overleaf, Receipt by Warner for the above amount.*

Aug. 24.  
Cheapside.

103. Colonel John Lilburne to Sir Gilbert Gerard. Pray pay my brother, Henry Lilburne, 90*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.*, ordered by my Lord General's warrant for a month's pay for my soldiers. I cannot wait on you, having to attend his Excellency with my company at Knightsbridge. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Aug. 30.

104. Warrant of the Committee of Safety, to Sir Anthony Irby and the other deputy lieutenants and officers of co. Lincoln, to apprehend Sir Edward Herne [Heron] K.B., high sheriff, Sir Gervase Scroope, and John Oldfield of Spalding, and bring them to London or Westminster to answer objections. With writ of assistance. *Endorsed* with note of 38*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*, expenses of Heron's capture. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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- Sept. 14. 105. His Excellency's [General Munro's] life guard, under Colonel Home, mustered at Donnaghadie, co. Down, 11 officers and 122 soldiers. [ $3\frac{1}{2}$  written and  $8\frac{1}{2}$  blank pages.]
- Sept. 23. 106. Note of money paid to the Irish Committee for providing ammunition for Ireland, from 3rd May to 23rd September. *Endorsed*, "Arms, 1,200*l*. The Sea Adventurers' business. Mr. Maurice Thomson, Mr. Pennoyer particularly." [= 1 p.]
- Oct. 7. 107. Notification by the mayor, burgesses, &c., of Southampton to the Lord Treasurer and Barons of Exchequer of the appointment of John Benger as sheriff of the said town. *Latin*. [*Slip of parchment*.]
- Oct. 28. 108. Earl of Essex to Captain Vernon. You are to pay to Sir Samuel Luke the 200*l*. due to the late Lord St. John, for which you have a warrant. With note prefixed of 23rd October from Oliver St. John, requesting this payment. Received, 28th October, by Luke. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- Nov. 1. 109. Note of receipt from Hugh Bethel, junr., of 215 oz. of white plate, lent to Parliament on the public faith. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p. *Damaged*.]
- Nov. 14. 110. Order in the Committee for maimed soldiers that the four sisters of the Savoy Hospital attend all such maimed soldiers as shall be brought there, obeying the directions of Samuel Adams, who is appointed by the master of the hospital, and that such persons as have no right to succour and lodging there depart thence, leaving the place free for maimed soldiers. With note that Smith, Fowler, and Kirke are to be removed. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Damaged*.]
- Nov. 16. 111. Notes from the goldsmith of the plate lent to Parliament, being a list of the plate of John Lister, of Linton, co. York; total weight, 321 $\frac{3}{4}$  oz. Signed by Robert Robinson. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Nov. 28. Letters patent granting to John Hoddmott, gentleman, one of the sergeants of Sir John Culpepper, Knight, Chancellor of the Exchequer, the privileges incident to his office. *Latin*. [*Strip of parchment*. See *Car. I., Case F., No. 22.*]
- Dec. 2. 112. Order of the Committee of Lords and Commons for distributing the moneys raised upon the Act of Contribution &c., to the Treasurers in the City of London, for payment of sums varying from 15*l*. to 2*l*. to 148 persons named. Signed by the Earls of Northumberland, Holland, Pembroke, and Bedford, and five others. [3 pp.]
- Dec. 12. 113. Order by Ferdinando, Lord Fairfax, to Jeremy Bentley, to be Receiver-General of moneys lent at and about Halifax on the public faith, for the army raised for defence of religion, the King, the privileges of Parliament, and the liberty of the subject. Also to take the accounts of the receiver in and about Bradford, and give them in with his own. [*Copy*.  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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Dec. 20. 114. Order in the House of Commons that the Committee for Safety of the Kingdom give a warrant to the Treasurer-at-War to pay 523*l.* to Thomas Keddy, for the use of the Earl of Danby, for so much money paid by him to Sir Hugh Cholmley. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

Dec. 22. 115. Warrant by Sir William Parsons and Sir John Borlase, Dublin Castle. Lords Justices, and the Council at Dublin to Sir Adam Loftus, his Majesty's Vice-Treasurer and Treasurer-at-War in Ireland, to imprest 11*l.* 4*s.* to certain commanders whose names are given below, for the pay of some of the soldiers of their several companies, who were omitted in the last warrant. [1 p. *Damaged.*] *Overleaf, receipts by George ——— and Capt. Mich. Biddulph.*

Dec. 23. 116. Bond of James Wilcocke of Goudhurst, co. Kent, clerk, John Wilcocke of Gray's Inn, co. Middlesex, and John Brooke of the borough of Southwark, co. Surrey, to John Hunt in 200*l.*, conditioned for the appearance of James Wilcocke before the Committee for Examinations on 13th of January next, in the Inner Court of Wards, Westminster. *Signed and sealed.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Dec. 24. 117. Robert, Lord Brooke, to Mr. Bryant. I desire you to comply with Mrs. Stoughton's request to have 8*l.* worth of plate restored to her, in consideration of some horses she has listed in [Warwick] Castle. "Christmas funeral eve." 1642. [1 p.]

Dec. 27. 118. Thomas, Lord Grey, to [William] Jessop, at Sir Gilbert Gerard's office. Having to go hastily out of town, I cannot come to receive my money, 174*l.* 13*s.*, but do not fail to deliver it to Mr. Temple, whom I have ordered to receive it for me. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Dec.] 119. Certificate by Jo. Browne, clerk of Parliament, of orders in Parliament of 6th October and 17th and 19th December, for payment of 9,025*l.* 5*s.* out of the Adventurers' money to Nicholas Loftus, of which 204*l.*, 1,650*l.*, and 1,500*l.* 8*s.* was for what was delivered to John Davies at Carrickfergus. With note by Henry Elsing, clerk of the House of Commons, that 4,161*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* thereof was paid to Mich. Casteel for corn delivered at Carrickfergus. [1 p.]

[1642 ?] 120. "A brief description of the Isle of Man," enumerating the castles, harbours, &c. The revenue is 2,000*l.* besides the bishopric. List of officers' fees. The island is the inheritance of Lord Derby and Lord Strange, who have regal power to make and execute laws at their will and pleasure. It contains a monastery and seventeen parishes, and five market towns, all adjoining the sea, one forest of red deer, and "great store of turberry, heath, and ling" for firing. Much cattle, corn, fowl, and fish, divers mills and good probability of lead ore and copper mines. List of the rates of commodities in the island. *Endorsed*, "Isle of Man. Mr. Robert Coyntmore, Mr. Wynne." [3 pp.]

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121. Petition of Katherine, widow of Mathew Milborne, to the Earl of Manchester and the Committee for Safety of the Kingdom. Her husband was Captain Palmer's ensign, in the now Earl of Manchester's regiment, and being beaten down and wounded at Edgehill he came home about a month since, fell sick, and died on New Year's Eve, leaving her with a great family and no relief, except the 12*l.* 12*s.* due to him for three months' service, of which she begs payment. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *This petition is dated 10th December 1642, which seems to be a mistake for January.*]

Jan. 11.

122. Order in the House of Commons that Colonel John Venn, governor of Windsor Castle, take into his custody 60 prisoners from prisons in and about London, which city is not fit for their safe-keeping, their quality considered; and that the Committee for Safety of the Kingdom give warrant to Sir Gilbert Gerard to pay 50*l.* to Venn for their conveyance, and for making the place ready for them. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Damaged. Printed in Commons' Journals II., p. 922.*]

Jan. 23.

123. Report by Henry Hickman, that the repairs of four barges damaged at Sion House by the king's forces will be 74*l.*

*Overleaf.*—Certificate by the Committee for the Militia of London, recommending the payment thereof from the moneys for the relief of the soldiers in Windsor Castle. 10th February. Signed by Alderman Thomas Atkin and 10 others. [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp. *Damaged.*]

Jan. 27.

124. "Orders, votes, and declarations agreed upon by the High Court of Parliament this present moneth of January, for the peace and safety of the Kingdome, the propagation of the Gospell, the honour of the King, the Priviledge of Parliament, and the Liberty of the Subject: and for the protection of such who are faithful in this service." London, 27th January. Printed for T. Wright, 1643. [*Printed. 8 pp. Dated 1643 on outside, but 1642 on first page, and containing the proceedings of January 1642-43.*]

Jan. 31.

125. Account of payments from moneys lent for Ireland by the Boards and Companies of London, the Merchant Strangers, and the Mariners on the River Thames. Signed by Edward Hodgson. *Endorsed*, "3 Feb. 1642-43. Mr. Hodgson's certificate for the Chamber of London." [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

Feb. 2.  
Windsor.

126. [Colonel John Venn ?] to Sir Gilbert Gerard. The season for action draws on, and many soldiers of my regiment are in Essex and elsewhere. I am sending two of my captains to gather them together, and wish you to pay 100*l.* towards the charges of bringing them in, and for our supply here. With warrant from the Committee of Safety for the payment. Also receipt by J. Leventhorpe, dated 21st February, for the 100*l.*, and note by William Jessop that this sum is to be charged on the 10,000*l.* ordered to Captain Vernon. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp., *damaged.*]

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Feb. 2. 127. Paper book of orders of the Committee of Parliament for the affairs of Ireland, sitting at Westminster, from 2nd February to 29th September 1643, in reference to the accounts of Sir John Clotworthy, Commissary John Davies, and Benjamin Goodwin. The orders are chiefly concerning the furnishing and transporting of arms, provisions, and clothing for the troops under command of Sir John Clotworthy, Sir William Stewart, Sir Robert Stewart, and Colonel Mervin. The most part are to be delivered to Mr. Davies, Commissary for Ulster, to be shipped to Carrickfergus and Belfast; others to William Dobbins, Commissary for Munster, to be sent to Fort Galloway. Also orders for payment, chiefly from the Adventurers' money, for the stores and of arrears to certain officers; commissions to collectors in various counties, and the statement of the opinion of the Committee on the transfer of certain part of the affairs of Ireland to a Committee of the House of Commons and the Adventurers of London, appointed by an Ordinance of 14th July 1643. A few of the more interesting entries are calendared under their dates. John Goodwin was chairman of this Committee and the names of 66 members of Parliament occur as being present at the meetings, the large number being due to the fact that any "Adventurer" who was an M.P. was admitted. [*Book of 62 written and some blank pages.*]
- Feb. 14. 128. Commission by Robert, Lord Brooke, to Isaac Bromwich, to be captain of a troop of 80 horse in cos. Stafford and Warwick, for defence of the King, Parliament, and kingdom. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Damaged.*]
- Feb. 28.  
Portfield. 129. Richard Craven to John Philips, deputy of Auditor Francis Philips. But for my great crosses in these troublesome times, I should have paid in 50*l.* of my debt, with the 25*l.* received by the sheriff this summer; but if my friends do not help me, I shall be quite overthrown. Let me know how to deal in this occasion, and commiserate a poor distressed person, by writing to take security for the old debt. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- March 17.  
Londonderry. 130. Mayor and citizens of Londonderry to Robert Harington. We have received yours of the 28th of January by the "Prosperous" of London, and understand your great care on our behalf and the success of the assistance of Mr. Goodwin and Mr. Thimelbee. By Captain Killner we nominated you as our sole agent, and intimated the same to Mr. Goodwin and Mr. Thimelbee, which we now again confirm. We gave no commission either to Captain Lawson or Captain Killner as our agents, but their instructions are to act only by your advice. They are our friends and comrades and we must stand or fall together, therefore we are assured of their fidelity. We authorize you to take the moneys collected for us and to use your own discretion in sending us a further supply. There is great want of victuals for our companies here; the provision and relief we formerly had from Enishone is gone, the country is wasted by the regiments, and we

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ready to starve in the city. The markets fail, the oatmeal is gone, the poor abound, and famine begins to show his teeth. We hear that abundance of provisions has been sent to Carrickfergus out of Scotland and from London. What unhappy people are we to be thus forgotten. We sent by Captain Lawson a large remonstrance and petition to be presented to Parliament, but he writes that it must be mended. We would gladly know if it be delivered, and what effects it hath. We pray you use your skill about procuring this city some of that money which was left to good uses. (*Margin, in pencil, "Take notis of this."*) Also pray move the Londoners to give us some powder to their guns, for want whereof we dare not try them. If you send us more corn, there is nothing like pease, they are bread and meat, and better than rye or wheat. Our companies are very impatient to see all the regiments new clothed and themselves naked. We pray you pay 10*l.* to Mr. Gabriel Heatley, which the town owes him for physicks, drugs, and salves. Signed by Robert Thornton, mayor, Nathaniel Houslock, Christopher Gifford, Tobias Smith, Edward Nicholson, Thomas Routh, Nicholas Lane, Gabriel Heatley, George Cooke, Alexander Gering, William Southery, John Ellvin, Ninian Englis, John Hansford, Luke Ash, Henry Vaughan, James Vaughan, Simon Pitt, Henry Finch, Henry Osborne, William Patteshall. [*2½ pp.*]

[March ? 21.] 131. Articles exhibited against Edward Vaughan, delivered in by Court at Oxford. Owen Andrewes:—

1. He and others opposed the execution of the King's Commission of Array, sent last summer into co. Denbigh.

2. They were in the highways as people passed to where the Commissioners were to meet, and persuaded the people that the Commission was unlawful.

3. He keeps and maintains disorderly persons, who have committed divers forcible entries in those parts.

4. He kept 40 or 50 musketeers for some weeks in his house in co. Montgomery, to the terror of the country.

5. He protected from arrest Lewis ap Hugh, who spoke treasonable words against the King.

6. He persuaded a justice of the peace in whose house he was to refuse a warrant for Lewis ap Hugh's apprehension.

7. He called a neighbour who had contributed moneys for the King's service, a traitor so doing.

8. He asked scornfully, in reference to the Commission for Array, "I pray you what gain doth Sir Edward Corbett mean to make to himself by that business?"

9. When Lord Powis had nominated Richard Herbert as Commissioner to find an office concerning the land of Herbert Vaughan, the King's ward, he excepted against Herbert as a malignant, because he was for the King against Parliament. [*Copy. 1½ pp. This paper is dated 21st May 1642, but the copyist has*



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*probably mistaken March for May, which would make it March 1642-43. In May 1642 the Court was at York, and the Commissions of Array were not yet issued.]*

March 27. 132. Warrant from Lord General Essex to the Militia Committee of London. The Militia Company of London have represented to me the great provision of horses and arms made by Papists and delinquents in London and Westminster, and their conveying much money and plate into the bordering counties, to be taken privately to Oxford or elsewhere and employed against Parliament, and have desired me to prevent this design. I therefore, in pursuance of the power given me by Parliament, authorize the said Committee, with Majors Edmund Harvey and Richard Turner, aided by their soldiers, to search for and seize such horses, arms, ammunition, money, or plate, in the hands of Papists or those who bear arms against Parliament, or refuse to pay the taxes assessed on them, living within 30 miles of the city, and to secure their persons if cause require; certifying their proceedings therein to me from time to time, wherever I shall be resident. With writ of assistance. *Endorsed, "A copy of Colonel Harvey's first warrant." [1 sheet. See Calendar for 1641-43, p. 466.]*

April 10. 133. Order of the Committee for Irish Affairs. Whereas a ship is partly laden with clothes and provisions for Carrickfergus, the Treasurers appointed on the Ordinance of 30th January last for a new loan towards the relief of Ireland are ordered to pay Nicholas Loftus, Deputy Treasurer-at-War for that kingdom, the sum of 1,000*l.*, to be by him paid to John Davies, commissary, to be laid out in victuals for Carrickfergus. Signed by Jo. Goodwyn. [*Seal with arms. ½ p.*] *Overleaf.*—Receipt by John Davies for the money, dated 10 April 1643.

April 13. 134. Commission by the Committee of Lords and Commons appointed by Parliament for sequestering certain kinds of notorious delinquents and Papists to Walter Blyth to be their solicitor and agent in Warwickshire and Coventry, giving them an account of his proceedings. Nine signatures. [*Copy. 1 p.*]

April 15. 135. I[sabel] W[arner] to her brother G[eorge] W[arner]. I am glad to hear of your recovery and pray for your safety. I heartily wish you were with our cousin, Thomas Green, or could as safely go to him as when I first advised you to it. I could not satisfy your expectations last week, for I was then amongst the mountains, where I left the old man and our brother in good health and safety, but begin to fear that shall not continue long. Our friend W. is a captain and was very well three days ago, but where he is is uncertain, neither can I tell you where Sir Thomas is. Some think he is at Shrewsbury. Our country gentlemen are not fixed but

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moveable; to acquaint you with our condition is too tedious to relate, and I refer you to my cousin Richard Broughton, who visited us on his way to Coventry. More we have suffered since, but what they intend we shall, is beyond my capacity; they have such strange inventions of cruelty. Pray let us hear what becomes of the treaty, and send some better news if you can. [1 p.]

April 15. 136. Receipt for 100*l.* sent by Parliament to be distributed amongst the poor prisoners at Oxford. Signed by Valentine Walton, John Georges, E. Wyngate, and John Francklyn. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

April 17. 137. Order in the House of Commons. Whereas on 12th April [Lionel] Playter was enjoined to make no more farthing tokens, and the Haberdashers' Hall Committee was appointed to take course that James East should cause all farthing tokens and the tools, &c., for making them to be seized, which has been done, it is now ordered that East proceed in the making of farthings, giving an account to the Haberdashers' Hall Committee of the weekly profits. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Copy. Printed in Commons' Journals III., p. 48.*]

April 21. 138. Order in the House of Commons that [Lionel] Playter, formerly intrusted with the making of farthings, bring to the Haberdashers' Hall Committee his accounts, and that [William?] Harrington and Peter Hazard, merchant of London, be added to [James] East, as overseers of the accounts of the farthing token office. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Copy. See Playter's case before the Committee for Advance of Money, in Calendar of that Committee, Vol. I., p. 124. Printed in Commons' Journals III., p. 55.*]

May 1. 139. A computation of the moneys due to the Scottish army in Ireland, conformable to the pay of the English army there. [1 sheet. *Torn.*]

May 11. 140. Alderman Thomas Andrewes, high sheriff of London and Middlesex, to [the high constable of ——— county]. We were ordered by the House of Commons to bring up the arrears of contributions for the relief of the distressed Protestants in Ireland, and we sent agents into every county with books of instructions to the sheriffs, constables, and all officers concerned, but very little has come into the Poll Office, Guildhall, from your county. Pray despatch the moneys you have received, and give us an account of what you have paid to the sheriff, lest you have your name returned to the House and your person sent for by a messenger. You are to make this known to your partner that we may receive a just account, and the names of the parishes in your hundred. [1 p.]

May 12. John Goodwyn, Chairman of the Committee for the affairs of Ireland, to the Dean and Chapter of Winchester and the Warden of the College there. We hear from the messengers employed by us in Hants to collect the new loan for Ireland that the Cathedral Church and College at Winchester, being privileged places, distinct

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from the city, and no particular directions having been given to the Dean and Warden, nothing has been done there. I am ordered by the Committee to recommend to your best care the advancement of so pious and charitable a work. [*Copy. See No. 127 above, p. 23.*]

May 18.

141. Certificate of the Committee [of Accounts] to the House of Commons that Francis Hurdman has received 2,910*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* on the composition of 2*s.* 6*d.* on every butt of sweet wines brought into the several ports, from Michaelmas 1641 to 18th of this May, 1643, of which 1,651*l.* 5*s.* 3*d.* should be allowed him. Of the 1,259*l.* 2*s.* 1*d.* due by him, he craves 28*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.*, being 2*d.* in the pound for the expenses of collection. [1 *p.* *Draft.*]

[May.]

142. [Isabel Warner] to G[eorge] W[arner]. The country affords no news but what comes post to you before my letters, else I might relate a story of Stafford, but I believe you have heard it. Colonel Percy came up with the Queen\* and visited the town where your grey horse was, and took him with them, and the best horse your friend had besides. Mr. Richard Gree is now at liberty and went to Harborough with them, but could not prevail. He dealt very strangely with the country where he came. They made no difference betwixt friends and enemies, which has caused great dislike in those parts. Mr. Sharpe, who was in prison but a little before, lost above 300*l.*, as is reported. Mr. R. G. sent a letter to acquaint us, which we sent speedily to W., and by chance he has procured your horse again. What you will be the better I know not, for W. has taken the horse, and for ought I know means to keep him. [1 *p.*]

June 12.

143. Certificate by Henry Elsing, clerk of the House of Commons, that Sir Hugh Cholmeley's bill of exchange, with the orders of the House and of the Committee of Safety, are mislaid. Also note by William Jessop that the warrant for payment of 523*l.* lent by Lord Danby to Cholmley, is not yet paid. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

June 13.

Weavers' Hall.

144. Note of 12 rings, and a bag of money, deposited by Dr. John Donne with Colonel Harvey. With order to Colonel Harvey or Colonel Mainwaring for their restoration, the restraint upon Dr. Donne being taken off, signed by Sir Henry Vane, Oliver St. John, Sir Gilbert Gerard, and John Pym. 17th June. Also receipt by Dr. Donne, dated 20th June. [1 *p.*]

June 16.

145. Order in the Committee of the House of Commons for Examinations, for Captain John Inwood or any other witnesses against Thomas Hunt of Hersham, parish of Walton-on-Thames, to appear before them on Monday, in the Inner Court of Wards. Signed, Miles Corbett. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

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\* This is a mistake. It was probably reported that the Queen had come south under escort of the troops brought by Lord Percy to the King, but she did not leave York until the 3rd of June, and then remained at Newark until the 3rd of July.

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146. Isabel Warner to G[eorge] W[arner]. I see by your letter that you have not received mine, sent in May [see No. 142 above], wherein I told you that Colonel Percy, in his march from the north to Oxford, visited Rolson [Rolleston?] and seized your horse and the best your friend Mr. B. had, for malignants. He made ill work in the country. By chance your friend Mr. Gree sent a letter, which we conveyed to W., and by that means he got yours, and has him now at Lichfield. The old men are very well. [1 p.]

June 27.

Order in the Committee for the affairs of Ireland. A petition of Viscount Ranelagh, Lord President of Connaught, to Parliament having been referred to them, they order that 500*l.* be paid over to Nicholas Loftus, Deputy Treasurer-of-War for Ireland, to be by him paid to Lord Ranelagh on account of moneys furnished by him for his regiment in Ireland. [*Copy. See No. 127 above, p. 38.*]

June 30.

147. Elizabeth Essex to Mr. Issham, Essex House. I am sorry I did not leave you a receipt, or a warrant for the 250*l.* I find my sister Essex has received her part, and I hope this letter from me, being my own act and witnessed, will enable you to receive it. I beg you to get it conveyed to my Lord of Essex, with whom I desire it should rest, and to whom I will write. Witnessed by Henry Wroughton and Henry Wrothe as being "Mrs. Essex hand and seal." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

July 20.

148. Order in the House of Commons, that the Lord Mayor and 12 others named be a Committee to enlist those who this day presented a petition to Parliament, and all others of like affections, into companies and regiments [for service in Ireland], and to consider of a fit person to command them, by authority from the Lord General. They are also to receive contributions and subscriptions for arms, horses, &c., to strengthen the said forces, and to sit at Merchant Tailors' Hall this afternoon, and afterwards, from time to time, when and where they please. [1 p. *Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 176.*]

July 21.

Resolution in the House of Commons that the above-mentioned Committee at Merchant Tailors' Hall may call to their assistance such as they think fit, and that the public faith be given for such moneys, horses, arms, &c., as shall be subscribed. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Written on the same sheet as the preceding. Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 177.*]

July 22.

149. Bond of Sir Henry Bruse of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Middlesex, and two sureties in 1,000*l.* to John Hunt, serjeant-at-arms attending the House of Commons, conditioned for his appearance on summons before the Committee of Examinations, if discharged on bail upon his suit now presented. [1 p.]

July 25.

150. Order in the Committee for Examinations, that the 110 oxen taken from Edward Midwinter by the Sequestration Committee of

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London be restored, on the security of Francis Zachary of White-chapel that Midwinter will abide the order of this Committee when the cause is heard next Friday at the Inner Court of Wards, Westminster. Signed Miles Corbett. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 27.  
Merchant  
Tailors' Hall.

Order in the Committee appointed 20th of July, that Alderman Samuel Warner, [Alderman John] Kendrick, Robert Mead, and Mr. Triplet be their treasurers or assistants for receiving money. Signed Henry Marten. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p. See No. 148 above.]

Aug. 8.

151. Order of the Committee of Adventurers of the House of Commons and Adventurers chosen in London for the affairs of Ireland, that 225*l.* (part of the 1,000*l.* received from Lawrence Halsted) be paid to Sir John Clotworthy, to be by him paid to Mr. Warner and such others as he contracted with for arms for Ireland. Attested copy by Richard Deacon, clerk of the Committee. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Aug. 16.

152. Bond of Richard Williams, of Chichester, Sussex, Timothy Cruso of London, and Edward Williams of Southwark, to John Hunt, sergeant-at-arms, in 500*l.*, conditioned that if Williams, now a prisoner in the custody of Hunt, but discharged by the Committee for Examinations, do not depart above twenty miles from London without order from the said Committee, the obligation shall be void, otherwise to be of full force. *Latin and English. Stated in endorsement to have been taken by Mr. Kirke at Mr. Corbett's house.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Aug. 17.  
Merchant  
Tailors' Hall.

153. Order of the Committee at Merchant Tailors' Hall to Alderman Warner and the rest of the treasurers to pay Ralph King, on his bill prefixed, 20*l.* for stationery and printing, furniture, salaries, &c., for the said Committee. Six signatures. Receipted by King. [1 p.]

Aug. 18.

154. Sir William Waller to Miles Corbett. The bearer, William Jones, quartermaster to Colonel Burrell in my brigade, left a trunk in his lodgings, which was broken up by Phineas Payne, one of Captain Cackwood's soldiers, who took out 3*l.* 9*s.* and a silver thimble, which were given to you. I beg an order for their return. *Annexed,*

154. I. *Order, 18th August, in the Committee for Examinations, for return of the 3*l.* 9*s.*, and receipt thereof by Jones, 19th of August.* [=1 p.]

Aug. 20.

155. Warrant from Robert, Lord Brooke, authorizing John Brian, minister, of Batsford, or Captain John Bridge, to receive money, plate, or horses for Parliament's use, and the officers at London will give Parliamentary security therefor. With note that, "upon Saturday last, 19th of August, we were more battered with Job's messenger from Coventry." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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156. Ordinance in Parliament for repayment of the 50,000*l.* which the City of London has undertaken to advance for payment of the army raised by Parliament, on security of a weekly assessment in certain places for two months, with interest at 8 per cent. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *Printed in Lords' Journals, Vol. VI., p. 195.*]

Sept. 1.

157. Commission from Colonel William Purefoy, one of the commanders in cos. Stafford and Warwick, and the cities and counties of Coventry and Lichfield, to Thomas Baldwyn, to be cornet of a troop of horse in his own regiment, of which Sergeant-Major Pont is captain. [*Strip of parchment.*]

Sept. 4.

Deal.

158. Warrant of the Earl of Warwick, commander of the three forts which command the Downs, and Sir Edward Boys, Governor of Dover Castle, to John Hollman, Robert Smyth, and William Mathews, *alias* Coulson. We are ordered by Parliament to prevent the erecting of buildings on the waste of the said castles, which would shelter a foreign enemy by hindering the plying of the ordnance. As you have lately been erecting such buildings, we require you to demolish the same before the 20th of September, and, if you refuse to do so, you will be proceeded against, and your names returned to Parliament. [1 p.]

Sept. 6.

159. Bond of Sir Alexander Radcliffe, K.B., of Ordsall, co. Lancaster, Hugh Radcliffe of Ludgate Hill, London, haberdasher, and Henry Langston of London, citizen and grocer, to John Hunt, sergeant-at-arms, in 2,000*l.*, conditioned that, if Sir Alexander Radcliffe, late prisoner in the Tower, but discharged by order of the House of Commons, shall be at all times ready to appear before the House of Commons when required, by notice left at the house of the above-bounden Hugh Radcliffe, and shall not travel into Lancashire without license of William Ashurst and Ralph Ashton, members of Parliament, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be of full force. *Latin and English.* [*Seal with arms and seal with crest.* 1 p.]

Sept. 12.

160. Lord Keeper Littleton, Lord Cottington, Secretary Nicholas, and Sir Edward Hyde, Commissioners of the Treasury, to the Auditors and Receivers of cos. York, Durham, Richmond, and Northumberland. Your accounts of the King's revenues, due last Michaelmas, are not yet received, as we required by our warrant of 27th of May last. Do not delay further, for fear of penalty. You can pretend no danger, as the auditor has to come up for the accounts of 1643, so we beg you to make up the accounts for the two years and pay in all the moneys in your hands; also your further receipts as they come in. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

160. 1. *Treasury Commissioners to the seven auditors of the King's revenues. The receivers of the King's, Queen's, and Prince's revenues, on account of present disturbances, were allowed until 15th of May to give in their accounts, but they neglect to do this, to his Majesty's great disservice. You are, therefore, to call the receivers to you, and to send*

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*or bring hither to Oxford breviates of their accounts with speed, that it may appear what moneys are due to his Majesty. Oxford, 27th May 1643. Endorsed, "Mr. Norton's warrants." [½ p.]*

Sept. 14. 161. Order in the House of Commons, that all the moneys, arms, &c., brought into the Committee at Merchant Tailors' Hall be transferred to Grocers' Hall, with the accounts, &c., and that the Grocers' Hall Committee receive them and see that all moneys gathered in by warrant from the Merchant Tailors' Hall Committee be brought into Grocers' Hall. [*See Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 240. ½ p.*]

Sept. 22. 162. Bond of David Polhill of Otford, co. Kent, and John Polhill of the same, to John Hunt, sergeant-at-arms, in 10,000*l.*, conditioned that if David Polhill, now discharged from restraint by the House of Commons, forthwith repair to the Deputy-Lieutenants and Committees in Kent, to whom it is referred to consider the accusations against him and proceed with him on the whole matter, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be of full force. *Latin and English.* [*Seals with arms. ¾ p.*]

Oct. 3. 163. Order [in the Committee for Ireland] on the petition of Sir Richard Grenville, that Mr. Collins, auditor for the army in Ireland, consider the particulars mentioned in the petition and state the same in the form of an account. [*½ p. Damaged.*]

Oct. 3. 164. Note of wines sent to Oxford, 26th January 1642 to 3rd October 1643, some for ——— Kearsley and some for Sir Thomas Merry. [*Scrap.*]

Oct. 21. 165. Order in Parliament, on certificate of the merchants and traders of London of the usefulness of the Coquet office, and their wish for its continuance (so that the charge of the passing of it be not above 2*s.*), that Sir John Wolstenholme, who has been absent above 12 months from his duties of Collector of the Customs of tonnage and poundage in the port of London, be suspended, and that Richard Shute, merchant, be admitted in his place to the said office; also that Thomas Crathorne continue to execute the Coquet office under Shute, receiving the former allowances. [*Copy. 1 p. Printed in Lords' Journals, Vol. VI., p. 266.*]

Oct. 26. 166. Order in Parliament. There being 40,051*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* due to Richard Turner, senior and junior, Maurice Gethinge, Tempest Milner, William Hawkins, and Richard Wollaston for clothing the army in Ireland, towards which an order for payment of 2,000*l.* has passed in Guildhall, it is ordered that the said creditors, with one of the Sequestration Committee, have power to secure any money, plate, or other personal estate belonging to Papists and delinquents, discovered by their means, and to sell the same, until they are repaid their said debts and eight per cent. interest. With

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writ of assistance. [1 sheet. See *Commons' Journals III.*, p. 289.]

Oct. 30.

167. Order in the House of Commons, that Sir Edward Hale's offer of 6,000*l.* for the use of the garrison of Gloucester be accepted and the sequestration taken off his own and his grandchild's lands, and their rents, goods, &c., returned to them. [*Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 293.*]

*Underwritten.*—Order by Sir Robert Pye, Thomas Pury, and Thomas Hoyle to the Camden House Committee to deliver to the bearer, for the use of Sir Edward Hales, such of his goods, trunks, and writings as are in their custody. Dated 15th November 1643, Westminster. [1 p.]

Oct. 30.

168. Order in the Committee for Examinations that the goods seized in custody of John Stacey, carrier, who was taking them to Oxford, be carried to the Sequestration Committee at Camden House, to be disposed of according to the Ordinance of Sequestration, except one suit and cloak, which are to be given to Thomas Basford, who stayed the said goods. [ $\frac{2}{4}$  p.]

Oct. 30.

169. John Baldwin to Sir William Middleton, Bart., and others concerned. You are to deliver to Thomas Bushell, lieutenant-captain in my own foot company, towards his arrears, the 160*l.* now in your hands, belonging to Sir John Bacchus, prisoner in Windsor Castle, Alderman Rowland Bacchus, prisoner in the Tower of London for malignancy, and Richard Neville and Frederick Hide, now in service against Parliament, which sum is to be defalked in making up Captain Bushell's account. With note of several sums relating thereto, total 189*l.* 18*s.* 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Nov. 12.

170. Bond of William Moreton of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, and Richard Moreton of the same, to John Hunt, serjeant-at-arms, in 100*l.*, conditioned that if William Moreton, now prisoner in Newgate, but about to be discharged by the Committee of Examinations, shall appear before the said Committee when required, and shall do nothing prejudicial to the State, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Nov. 13.

171. Order in the House of Commons, that the petition of Sergeant-Major Purefoy and Captain Purefoy, [sons of Gamaliel Purefoy of Coventry], prisoners in Lord Petre's house, be transmitted to the Lord General, to be tried by a council of war. [*Copy. Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 309.*] Also,

171. I. Order by Lord General Essex to the keeper of Lord Petre's house for the release of Sergeant-Major and Captain Purefoy, on their giving security to appear upon summons before a council of war. 15th November. [*Copy.*]

171. II. Bond of Gamaliel Purefoy of Coventry and John Withe of London in 2,000*l.*, to Robert, Earl of Essex, conditioned for



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*the appearance of Sergeant-Major George and Captain Michael Purefoy on summons, and for their not taking arms against Parliament. [Copy, damaged. 2 pp. in all.]*

Nov. 22. 172. Certificate in Chancery by Sir Richard Lee, Bart., Sir Paul Harris, Bart., and Sir Francis Ottley, that by virtue of letters of the King of the 22nd of November 1643, Thomas Edwards, nominated as sheriff, took oath before them at Shrewsbury, co. Salop, faithfully to perform the duties of that office. *Latin. [Strip of Parchment.]*

Nov 23. 173. Paper book, containing letters and orders of the Committee of the House of Commons for the affairs of Ireland from 23rd November 1643 to 13th September 1644, chiefly concerning the providing and transport of provisions and stores to Ireland, and the payments for the same, and also the collection of contributions from various countries of England. [49 pp.]

1643. Folio book of 48 written and many blank pages, bound in parchment and marked outside "Mr. Auditor Collins, No. 1," containing:—

1. List for pay and entertainment of the Lord General and his train, and the officers of horse and foot in Ireland (p. 1).

2. Summary of the charges of the forces designed for the present war in Ireland (p. 5).

3. List of the officers to be sent from England to Ulster (p. 8).

4. Particular of the forces at Carrickfergus, Belfast, Malone, and Lisnegarvey, 22nd January 1642 (p. 9).

5. Abstract of the muster rolls delivered to Commissary William Roberts by the Commissioners at Carrickfergus, and estimate of what is due to the forces in actual service, 1st April 1642 (p. 10).

6. List of the English forces in the garrisons, castles, and forts in Ireland and their governors and commanders, with notes of which have been surprised by the rebels (p. 11).

7. Abstract of muster rolls taken Jan. and Feb. 1642 (p. 19).

8. The like of troops in Munster, in 1643 (p. 25).

9. Copy of the Articles of the Treaty between the Scotch and English Commissioners, by which the Scots agree to send 10,000 men to aid in the reducing of Ireland (pp. 31–34). [*The proposals of the Scotch Commissioners are in Rushworth's Collections, Part III., p. 501, under date 24th January 1642, but the Treaty itself is not printed there*].

10. Minute of Resolutions in the House of Commons, 23rd March and 8th April 1642, concerning pay for the Scots army (p. 34). [*See Commons' Journals II., pp. 494, 517.*]

11. Abstracts of musters in Munster and Leinster, 1642 (p. 37).

12. Copies of (1), an order in the House of Commons, 17th May 1643; (2), commissions by the Earl of Leicester to Hugh Montgomery to be colonel of the regiment formerly commanded by his father, Viscount Montgomery of Ards, and to command three troops therein, 22nd October 1642; and (3), an order

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in the Committee for Ireland, concerning pay for the troops in Ulster, 29th Oct. 1642; also accounts of Crown lands in co. Lincoln. (*At the end of the book.*) [*See Car. I., Case H., No. 7.*]

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Jan. 8.  
Abingdon (?).

174. Fidelia to Philitia. I know you are impatient to hear what becomes of our friends at *Oxford*, especially Sylvander (the King?), who is in a kind of *prison* there. For Polimuse [Duke of Hamilton], though his Lordship deserves a speedy punishment, yet it is deferred, for he is sent to Pendennis Castle, there to remain a *prisoner*. Eunabia Sylvander (the Queen ?) has sent to come to *Abingdon* (?) to be brought to bed. Sylvia (Prince Rupert ?) is not yet here, nor none of your acquaintance since I wrote. I know not if Melidora has told you of the *Parliament* the King has called at *Oxford*, which I fear will be little to his advantage. He has made Mellistrate (Thomas, Viscount Savile) Duke (Earl) of Sussex, that he may be one of it. I am in haste to provide for my going to Reading to meet Quelimus to-morrow. When I come back, I shall be better able to inform you of all your servants. My service to Bestehome (?) and to my dear Culpeper. [1 p. *The words in italics are in cipher and some others spelt inversely. Over the number 37, here translated Oxford, a contemporary hand has written "London, Reading."*]

Jan. 19.

175. Order by Colonel Oliver Cromwell and Miles Sandys to Mr. Edwards, Treasurer for Wisbeach, Isle of Ely, to pay Major Dodson 600*l.* with all possible speed, that he may have wherewith to satisfy the poor people who have quartered his soldiers, and so march away to his charge under Colonel Pickering. With orders by Henry Ireton, George Glapthorne, and William Fisher, dated 20th April and 8th May, to Richard Shawe, Treasurer for the Isle of Ely, to pay 10*l.* to William Morrell and to Joshua Silvester for the soldiers in and about Wisbeach. [=1 p.]

Jan. 23.

176. Abstract of the account of Henry Sandford, Deputy Receiver General of Crown lands in Kent, Surrey, and Sussex, for the year ending Michaelmas 1642, total receipts, 1,899*l.* 10*s.* 3*d.*; with memorandum concerning certain payments to Mr. Sandford, ordered 23rd January 1643-4. [1 sheet.]

Jan. 31.  
York.

177. Henry Thomson to Major Norton, Richmond. Duplicate of letter already calendared under this date, Vol. D., No. 27. [1 p.]

Feb. 6.  
York.

178. Ro. Worrall to Major Norton, Richmond. Alderman Thomson tells me that my Lord General has ordered the Queen's moneys out of his hands by acquittance of Sir William Carnaby. On Monday I am for Oxford; nothing of news moves here now that Sceand lies with you. Let your servant handle my business with Hammond, in which I assure myself of your assistance, if it will not divert you from your weighty affairs. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Feb. 7.

179. Order in the Committee for the affairs of Ireland for the payment of 400*l.* to Maurice Thompson and William Pennoyer, according to an Ordinance of 26th January 1643 for the hire of a ship to carry clothes for the army to Carrickfergus. [1 p.]

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Feb. 20. 180. Commission by Ferdinando, Lord Fairfax, commander-in-chief of the forces raised in the northern counties "for the service of the King and Parliament," to Jeremy Bentley, to be receiver-general for the wapentake of Agbridge and Morley, with writ of assistance. [*Copy.* 1 p.]  
Selby.
- Feb. 21. 181. Order in the Committee for the affairs of Ireland. Sir John Clotworthy informing this Committee that the Committee for Ireland at Grocers' Hall lent certain muskets to the Militia Committee of London which were delivered to Alderman Bunce, to be restored when required, the said Alderman is now to be desired to deliver the same number back again to Sir John Clotworthy. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Annexed*,  
181 i. *John Goodwin to [James] Hublond, one of the [Grocers' Hall] Committee for Ireland. Pray deliver Alderman Bunce's bond to Sir John Clotworthy, who is to make present use thereof.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Feb. 29. 182. Order in the Committee for the affairs of Ireland that Mr. Hublond be required to deliver up Alderman Bunce's bond, any former order to the contrary notwithstanding. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- March 9. Commission from the Earl of Denbigh, Lord Lieutenant of cos. Warwick, Denbigh, and Flint, and General of the forces raised in cos. Warwick, Worcester, Stafford, and Salop, appointing Thomas Leving as muster master of the forces in the above counties. [*Parchment. See Car. I., Case F., No. 23.*]
- March 15. 183. Minute of Order of the House of Commons, that 7,360*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.* be paid to Thomas Cunningham for arms delivered at Leith by agreement of both kingdoms, for the Scots' army in Ireland, out of the 200,000*l.* assigned to the Scots. The Committee at Goldsmiths' Hall to take care that it be done. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Duplicate of Interregnum, G. 1, p. 5. Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 428.*
- March 26. 184. Ordinance of Parliament for Sir William Brereton to sequester estates in co. Chester, &c. [*Already calendared under this date, see Vol. for 1644, p. 72. 5½ printed pages.*]
- March 28. 185. Power of attorney from Captain Rice Powell to his brother, Walter Cuney, to receive for him any moneys which, on his petition, the Houses of Parliament shall order him, out of a large sum due to him for service in Ireland against the Irish rebels. Received by Cuney for 100*l.*, 22nd May 1644. [1 p.]
- March 28. 186. Order, signed by the Earl of Manchester and Colonel Oliver Cromwell, to the Committee at Cambridge, to deliver 26 horses to Alexander Akehurst for Captain Brown's troop. [*Scrap.*]
- [March ?] 187. Notes headed "Concerning the University Statutes," apparently meant for use against Archbishop Laud at his trial.

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No name is mentioned, but the subject of the notes is accused of procuring himself to be surreptitiously made Chancellor to the prejudice of the Earl of Pembroke, of imposing statutes on the University with a high hand, procuring the King to confirm them, annexing his own seal with the King's, and sending them down by Secretary Coke and others, to avoid opposition ; of punishing men in an arbitrary way, and of taking away the benefit of appeals. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

April  $\frac{2}{12}$ .  
Williamstadt.

188. Henry Bury to Colonel Goring, the Tower, or in his absence to Alderman Pennington, Lieutenant of the Tower. I was glad to see your hand, though you call me to an account for which I have already your discharge. After so many revolutions in the world, either I or my papers might well have miscarried, but I have accounts to prove that you have not employed the 3,000*l.* received from the sheriff of Hampshire, by order of the House of Commons, to any other than the use intended, viz, payment of Portsmouth garrison, and such other works as you thought needful for defence of the town. The sum I paid thereon appears by my account in Mr. [John] Lobb's hands to be 1,300*l.*, also bills for 26 weeks' work by 60 or 100 men, with materials, and Mr. Biggs' bills, so there was very little overplus for Colonel Goring or myself. This I will depose, making as much conscience of an oath "as the most pious zealot in Portsmouth." If any complain of non-payment, I affirm that in 1641 you paid much more than you received from Parliament for the garrison and works. If Mr. Lobb and Mr. Biggs will not produce their accounts, I will make ready those you desire and deliver them when commanded. Those that say the Portsmouth garrison was not paid according to the account are not soldiers or men of worth, but "knights of the post or sons of Belial." I shall clear you of such horrid and false aspersions. [2 pp. See letter of John Biggs, calendared under date 28th May 1644, Vol. DI., No. 146.]

April 11. 189. Order in the Committee of both Kingdoms that Sir William Balfour have his fortnight's pay as General of the Horse in the present payment of the two horse regiments of my Lord General and Sir William Balfour. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 2. 190. Order by the Committee of Citizens Adventurers for lands in Ireland that William Jennings and Francis Smith, officers of the Committee, repair to Alderman Fowke and Alderman Bunce, to receive certain stores, and also to William Morton, Mr. Gwynne (keeper of the stores at Bridewell), William Gilbert, Ralph Hardwick, William Dobbins, George Wood, Osmond Colchester, and Henry Askettle, to receive what stores they have in hand that were provided for Ireland. They are further to go to the stores belonging to Grocers' Hall and take the arms, ammunition, and other provisions which remain there, and to demand from the Fishmongers' Company all such fish as they have subscribed to deliver upon the Irish account. All which goods and provisions

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they are to lay up safe in store until this Committee gives order for the shipping of them away to Ireland. [*Copy 1½ p.*] *Annexed,*

190. I. *Copy of the Order in the Committee of both Kingdoms to the Committee of Citizens Adventurers, desiring them to collect all stores, &c., now in the hands of the persons named in their certificate. Dated 20th April 1644. [½ p. See Calendar for 1644, p. 129.]*

190. II. *Certificate by Francis Smith, Daniel Leech, and William Jennings that by virtue of the order of 2nd May they have received from George Wood, Commissary, certain stores specified. [½ p.]*

May 3. 191. Warrant of the Committee [for Scottish Affairs] on an order of the House of Commons, that the Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers pay Edward Bowles, minister, 100*l.* for his pains during his abode with the English Commissioners in Scotland, and for the charges of his journeys between England and Scotland and the northern parts. Signed by Sir Gilbert Gerard, Sir Henry Vane, jun., Sir John Clotworthy, Oliver St. John, Robert Reynolds, and John Ashe. With receipt for the money. [*½ p. Copy of this in G. 1a, p. 24.*]

May 5. 192. Assessment made in the city of Rochester for the bulwarks at Rochester and Chatham, 66 names. Total amount, 6*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.*, John Haselwood and Thomas Nicolls, collectors. With receipt for 4*l.* 5*s.* on 1st February 1644, signed by John Philpott, mayor, and for 1*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* on 20th February, signed by Henry Parnell and Zacheus Juett. *Endorsed*, "5th May. Mr. Haslam, collector for the bulwarks at Rochester and Chatham."

May 10. 193. Bond of John Crewe of Steane, co. Northampton, John Ashe of Prescott, co. Somerset, and Richard Bateman of London in 400*l.*, to Eleanor Boothby, widow, of Potters Marston, co. Leicester, conditioned for payment of 208*l.* on 12th of November next, at Goldsmiths' Hall. *Latin and English.* [1 p.]

May 10. 194. A like bond by the same, but for 600*l.*, and conditioned for payment to Mrs. Boothby of 312*l.* *Latin and English.* [1 p.]

May 14. 195. Andrew Aslton to John Lathom, Prescott. Thanks for your many favours. This, the last that I shall ask, is 30*s.* towards the payment of my men's wages for work done at Crosby. I hope to be at Warrington on Friday, when I will give you a discharge for the whole. [*¾ p.*]

May 24. Proceedings at a sitting of the Commissioners of his Highness Prince Rupert at Shrewsbury. Present, the Sheriff, Governor of Shrewsbury, Lord Newport, Sir Richard Lee, Sir Richard Leveson, Sir Francis Ottley, and Messrs. Herbert, Rentall, Sandford, Thorne, Treves, and Smith. Ordered,

That the officers and soldiers of Montford Bridge and Atcham are to have the same allowances as those at Shrewsbury; at Montford Bridge a captain with two sergeants and 40 men, and at

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Atcham a captain with one serjeant and 30 men. That John Griffiths of Oswestry be empowered to press such teams and persons to work in the fortifications of the town and castle of Oswestry as the Governor shall direct, and to take what timber and other materials are needful, giving a ticket to the owners for the same, and accounting weekly for it to the Commissioners, that satisfaction may be given. That upon recognizance given Mr. James Higgins be discharged from the custody of the Provost Marshal. That Mr. Weston shall pay to Anne, wife of Robert Harris, and Jane, wife of Matthew Harris, 3*l*. in part payment of their petition. That no officer or soldier in pay of the town shall be arrested or imprisoned by the Mayor's officers for not paying the assessments, which are to be deducted out of his pay, and no common soldier shall be arrested for debt, without license of the Governor or of his Lieutenant-Colonel. That Loumford House be slighted and demolished by Captain Bostock. That Richard, son of George Langley of Sweeney, in the parish of Broseley, is now clerk to the sheriff of Stafford. [*Interregnum*, G. 165, p. 499. 1½ p.]

May 26.  
Oxford.

196. Warrant from Henry, Lord Percy, to Captain Henry Younger to warn all attendants on the marching train of artillery not to stir from the quarters at Wolvercot, on pain of death, and to hasten any that may be at Oxford or elsewhere to their said quarters. Signed. [1 p.]

May 27.

197. Commission by Sir Thomas Middleton to [Captain] Roger Sontley to solicit subscriptions in Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridge, Isle of Ely, and Herts., for reducing North Wales to the obedience of Parliament, and to receive the submissions, according to an Ordinance of 21st February last. [*Copy*. ½ p.]

May 27  
(altered  
to 30th).

198. Minute of Order of the Committee of both Kingdoms, that William Gilbert, commissary and paymaster to the train of artillery for Dublin, deliver to the Committee of Citizens Adventurers for lands in Ireland, sitting at Grocers' Hall, or to whom they shall employ, all the stores and ammunition committed to his charge by the late Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, to be disposed of by the said Committee for the present relief of that kingdom. [The first part only of this Order is entered in the Day Book of the Committee, under date 30th May, see *Interregnum* E 7., p. 79, but the 27th would seem to be the true date.] *Overleaf*,

198 i. *Order signed by Sir D. Watkins on behalf of the Committee of Citizens Adventurers to William Jennings and Francis Smith, officers of the Committee, to repair to Alderman Fooke, Mr. Stephen Estwick, Lieutenant-Colonel Owen Roe, William Gilbert, William Dobbins, Ralph Hardwicke, and Benjamin Goodwin, and demand from them all arms, ammunition, &c., remaining in their hands. Grocers' Hall, 28th of May, 1644.* [½ p.]

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June 5.  
Oxford.

199. Order in the King's Privy Council that Sir John Heydon give an account of what horses belonging to the train [of artillery] are left behind, to the Lords Commissioners this afternoon at two o'clock, in the Privy Chamber, Christchurch. Signed by Lord Keeper Littleton, Francis, Lord Cottington, Henry, Earl of Dover, Thomas, Earl of Sussex, Francis, Baron Dunsmore, and Sir Edward Nicholas.

*Underwritten.*—*Note from Sir John Heydon to Captain Younger, to take needful assistance, and have an exact account of the draught horses ready as ordered.* [1 p.]

June 6.

200. Like order to Captain Younger to have all the horses belonging to the artillery train brought into Magdalen Grove to-morrow at 9 a.m. Signed by the Earls of Dover and Sussex, Lord Dunsmore, Sir Christopher Hatton, Sir Edward Nicholas, and Sir Edward Hyde. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

June 7.

201. Order in the Committee for Examinations that Captain William Reresby have allowance from Lady Shelley's money for his discovery thereof, and that [Captain John] Jones, agent for Sir Thomas Middleton, pay the allowance or attend to-morrow to show cause to the contrary. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

*Endorsed with receipt by Reresby, 23rd July 1644, for 100l.* [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

June 7.

Order in the Committee for the affairs of Ireland, on the petition of Mary Chichester, widow of Colonel John Chichester, referred to them by the House of Commons, whereby she set forth that the very first day of the rebellion in Ireland, the castle and shire town of Dungannon (which was her husband's, and settled on her for jointure) was surprised, and their tenants barbarously murdered by the rebels, and since then the whole town burnt to the ground. Her husband, after faithful service in Leinster, quitted his regiment there rather than submit to the destructive cessation, and betook himself to his government in Londonderry, where he has lately died, leaving her and her children utterly destitute. The Committee find no way of relieving her, but from the proceeds of certain clothes in store, which are to be given up to her accordingly. [*Copy. See No. 173 above, p. 42.*]

June 10.

202. M.S. copy of twenty-two lines of verse, headed "January 30th, Henery 8. A prophesy found in the Abbey of Saint Benedicte nere the citty of Norwitch." It begins as follows:—

"If eighty-eight be past: then thrive  
thou maist; till thirty foure or five  
After the maide is dead: a Scott  
shall govern thee: and if a plott  
Prevent him not: for then his sway  
Continue shall full many a day."

*Underwritten.*—*Short-hand note by Nicholas, dated 10th June 1644.*

*Endorsed, "Prophetick verses."* [1 p. *Seal.*]

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June 17. 203. List of 60 persons, officers, ordnance gentlemen, workmen, &c., appointed to march with the [King's] train of artillery, under Captain Younger. [2½ pp. *Compare a much fuller list calendared under date 12th February 1644, Vol. D., No. 40a.*]
- June 26.  
Nantwich. 204. Sir William Brereton to Richard Wirrall [Worrall], Aldermanbury. I wonder you have not paid Mr. Browne the 250*l.* for which I gave you order in London. As you respect my reputation fail not to make shift to pay it, and let me not need to write again.  
*Overleaf.—Receipt by Thomas Browne for the money. [=1 p.]*
- June 27.  
Nantwich. 205. James Bullen to Richard Worrall. Sir William [Brereton] has arrived here safely, though the ways are troublesome. The country goes in a body, and other counties about us join them. The Lord speed them! I send you the note for 20*l.* which please pay speedily to William Adams, St. Lawrence Lane. *Postscript.*—18th of July. The note could not be sent earlier for want of a safe messenger. Sir William and his troops are expected from York this week. [*Scrap.*] *Annexed,*  
205. i. *Order by Sir William Brereton for payment of the 20*l.*, 26th June. Receipted, 8th August 1644 for William Adams by Jo. Hollins. [½ p.]*
- June 27. 206. Certificate by Thomas Walker, that since 20th October 1643 he and Jeremy Whitworth have collected and brought in, on sundry assessments, 10,370*l.* 0*s.* 5*d.*, by direction of the Committee for Safety. With notes of payment to them at 6*d.* and 1*s.* in the pound, of 298*l.* 4*s.* [½ p.]
- June. 207. Priced list, by William Goodman, of household stuff, apparel, money, plate, cattle, &c., which he lost when Compton House was taken in June 1644; total value, 114*l.* 10*s.* [1 p.]
- July 6. 208. Certificate by Henry Scobell, Secretary to the Great Seal Commissioners, that last Hilary term,——ams, Clerk of the Exchequer, took before them the Solemn League and National Covenant, according to the Ordinance of Parliament. [*Damaged scrap.*]
- July 6. 209. Order in Parliament that the Lieutenant of Ordnance furnish 1,000 great shot, to be forthwith sent to the Lord General's army. [¼ p. *Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 553.*]
- July 10. 210. Order in Parliament. By the additional Excise Ordinance of 8th July, it is ordained that half of one-third of the moneys raised thereby shall be employed for the land forces in service of Parliament; and those in Lancashire are in great distress, the county being wasted by the enemy. Therefore 3,000*l.* of the said money is to be paid to Thomas Stone and three others of London, as formerly granted to that county on contract with the Committee



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of Safety, to be handed over to Humphrey Chetham, treasurer of the said county, who will issue it by order of any six of the deputy lieutenants, for payment of the forces. [*Copy, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp. Mentioned in Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 555.*]

July 17.  
Ely House.

211. Lionel Copley to Sir Gilbert Gerard. I hear from his Excellency that he has written you to pay me 100*l.*, of which, though the world talk otherwise, I am in extreme necessity. I beg you to direct the bearer when and where to receive it. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

July 17.

212. Authorization by Thomas Palmer, minister to Major-General Skippon, to Thomas Herbert, from whom he has borrowed 5*l.*, to receive the same from the army paymaster. [*Scrap.*]

July 20.

213. List of 35 prisoners of Colonel Russell's regiment, who came out of York on Whitsunday. With receipt by John Ranson from Mr. Weaver of 14*l.* in part of their bill. [*1 column.*]

July 21.

214. Order in the Committee of Parliament for supply of fuel for London and Westminster. Whereas Mr. Shetterden has felled woods in Kent which are liable to this purpose, and the money due therefor should have been paid to this Committee, which is answerable to Parliament for the same, he is to pay the said money, giving an account of what is yet unreceived, to Mr. Hamms, appointed supervisor of Kent, or Mr. Wheeler of Whitefriars, treasurer for this service. Signed by Sir Robert Pye. [*Copy attested by D. Shetterden.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p.*]

July 22.

215. Order in the Committee of Safety, that Stephen Estwick reimburse himself 66*l.* 2*s.* spent in the purchase of arms, and 145*l.* 7*s.* paid by him to two collectors of the 3 months and 2 months weekly assessment in Essex, out of the remainder of moneys in his hands received for purchase of arms by warrant of this Committee dated 13th July 1642. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[July ?]

216. Paper headed "The King (conserving his rights and prerogatives) is to be entreated by the Ambassadors of the high and mighty States General of the United Provinces in the Low Countries, that it will please his Majesty to consent to these articles following." The articles are evidently those presented to the King in the summer of 1644 by the Ambassadors from Holland, whose proceedings are noticed at some length by Rushworth (Vol. V., pp. 764-768), although these articles are not printed by him. The main points are:—

That the true Protestant religion shall be re-established and conserved, "as well in opposition of popish superstitions as any old or new sects contrary thereto, to which end the old laws against the said superstitions and sects are to be revived, and a synod called to examine and reform points of doctrine.

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That Parliament shall have their rights and privileges confirmed, and the laws of the kingdom and liberty of the subject be re-established and protected.

That no prejudice shall arise to any by Acts made in these present troubles, and that an Act shall be passed ordaining them to be of no force, save only those made by the King in this present Parliament.

That the Commissioners of the King and Parliament in equal numbers shall meet in such place as Parliament shall find good (*comp. Rushworth, Vol. V., p. 767*).

That there shall be a general Act of Oblivion.

That every one shall be re-established in the rights and possessions enjoyed before the time of these present troubles.

And that the armies shall be disbanded (excepting those necessary in times of peace), receiving reasonable satisfaction. [*Copy. 1 p.*]

Aug. 1. 217. Account of the charges of Sir Robert Adair's troop of horse in attending the Scots' army in Ulster, from 19th July 1642 to 1st August 1644. [*1 p.*]

Aug. 7. 218. Richard Aldworth to George Wood. Unless you repay my disbursements you will discourage me. I hope you have performed your task to my son, and I pray you pay him this small charge also. I presume all things are long since arrived at Cork, except the last packet. We have saved no small sum by sending all with Captain Constable. With bill for portorage, &c., amounting to 1*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.* Receipted by Robert Aldworth on 7th August 1644. [*1½ p.*] *Annexed,*

218. i. *Bill of freight, &c., for 3,000 shoes, stockings, caps, and coats sent to Ireland by Francis Bishop, master of the "John" of Minehead, amounting to 14*l.* 13*s.**

*Underwritten.—Receipt of the above sum from George Wood, Commissary for Ireland, by Robert Aldworth on behalf of his father, Richard Aldworth of Bristol.*  
[*1 p.*]

Aug. 8. 219. Certificate by William Hawkins, Secretary to the Commissioners, that the Lords and others, Commissioners for the affairs of Ireland, granted an order, 27th June 1642, desiring the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to give order to Nicholas Loftus, Deputy Treasurer-of-War for Ireland, to pay 1,050*l.* to Michael Casteel for corn, &c., delivered to John Davies at Carrickfergus. [*½ p.*]

Aug. 15. 220. The Earl of Manchester to Major-General Crawford. I am  
Lincoln. exceedingly joyed at your letter, imparting your good success in the taking of Sheffield Castle, which we have all great reason to bless God for, and the more that you have lost so few men before

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it. Whatever has been laid out by you, either for encouragement to the soldiers or other necessities, shall be repaid. I thank you heartily for your care of the regiments under your command, and agree, as you desire, that 100*l.* be given to your own regiment, 50*l.* to Colonel Montague's, and 50*l.* to Colonel Pickering's, as also 60*l.* for shoes and stockings for your men, which sums I pray you disburse, and they shall be allowed you. *Endorsed by Crawford.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Seal with crest and coronet.*]

Aug. 20.  
Lincoln.

221. John Weaver to Dr. William Stane (or Stanes), at Mr. Dillingham's, Bolt and Tun Alley, Fleet Street. My Lord desires you, out of the 2,000*l.* ordered you yesterday, to pay 100*l.* to Richard Tredwell, cutler, of London. You need not take any acquittance, for I have received one already, but he will deliver up to you a note under Colonel King's hand, which please keep. With receipt by Tredwell, 3rd of September. [1 p.]

Aug. 20.

222. Order in the House of Commons, that Captains Miles Dodson, Thomas Constable, Richard Warren, and Thomas Howse, who have served in the entertainment of Parliament, shall have the Public Faith for such moneys yet unpaid as they have warrants for from the Committee of Safety or the Lord General. [*Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 598.*]

Aug. 27.

223. Order in the House of Commons, that Mr. Strode and Mr. Ashe acquaint Sir David Watkins that the House is well satisfied of his good affection, and returns him thanks. [*Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. III., p. 609.*]

With note that this order was made because Sir John Clotworthy had misinformed the House that Watkins had subscribed large sums for the service and never paid them, and was "a beggarly unworthy fellow." Strode proved that Watkins had disbursed "for the advance of our brethren of Scotland" 8,492*l.*, and other sums. Also that he had paid a fine of 1,500*l.* on security to be saved harmless against the King, and 500*l.* engaged for Mr. John Pym. Dennis Bond moved that Sir David should be sent for to the House, and that Clotworthy should ask his forgiveness. [1 p.]

Sept. 16.

224. Earl of Essex to Sir Gilbert Gerard. John Raymond, late Sergeant-Major of Colonel Tyrrel's regiment, being receiver of the regiment's pay, detained 78*l.* 15*s.* belonging to the Colonel and has gone, leaving behind him the annexed warrant of 20th October for 144*l.* 18*s.* (missing) as security. As Colonel Tyrrell has lately suffered great loss by being plundered at Foy by the enemy, you are to pay him forthwith 78*l.* 15*s.*, part of the said warrant. Receipted. [*Copy.* 1 p.] *Endorsed.*—*That Lieutenant-Colonel Raymond desires a certificate for the Public Faith for the moneys due to him upon his warrants*

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Sept. 21. 225. Will of Thomas Church of Kensworth, co. Herts., giving his property to Damaris, his wife, with reversion of some lands in Totternhoe, co. Bedford, to Richard Church, son of his brother William, to whom he also bequeaths certain furniture. [1 p. *Attested copy.*]
- Sept. 29.  
Portsmouth. 226. John Baldwin to Sir Gilbert Gerard. I had hoped to wait on you before this. My Lord wishes you to pay Colonel [Francis] Thompson's warrant for 30*l.*, and his Excellency will allow it to Captain Vernon upon the next money that comes to the army. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Oct. 5. 227. Colonel Oliver Cromwell to ——. Sir, I would desire you to let these sick soldiers have convenient quarter in your town until they be recovered of their sickness. Signed.  
*Underwritten.*—Note that 1*l.* 12*s.* was paid to Elizabeth Okey and others for quartering these soldiers. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]
- Oct. 19.  
Colchester. 228. Captain John Langley to his cousin, John Langley, at Mr. Middleton's house, Leadenhall Street, London. Since I gave in the account about Colonel Long, one Abraham Comin has paid me 5*l.* 4*s.* for his  $\frac{1}{5}$ th and  $\frac{1}{10}$ th. Let it be added to the account. [ $\frac{1}{8}$  p.]
- Nov. 5.  
Newbury. 229. The Earl of Manchester to Major-General Crawford. I am sorry the Treasury is so empty as not to be able to furnish your troop with the six weeks' pay which others of the army have had. I should be loath to have their discontent increase, and therefore desire you would borrow the 147*l.* which you need of your friends, and you shall not fail to have it repaid out of the first money that comes into the Treasury. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Seal with crest and coronet.*]
- [Nov. 8?] 230. Relation by Colonel John Were of the passages in his Excellency's [Earl of Essex] army after he came to it. After Lyme was relieved (about Whitsuntide), I sent a letter to his Excellency at Dorchester, praying that 1,500 horse might be sent after Prince Maurice, but he replied that they were harrowed and needed rest. Four days after I got a letter out of Devon, saying that Prince Maurice had ordered the people there to thrash out their corn and bring it and their cattle to Exeter. On my and Lieutenant-Colonel Blake's importunity, the Earl advanced to Bridport, where I gave him many particulars about Lyme, advising him to follow Maurice. He resolved to march to Chard, and sent Lord Roberts and myself to Lyme to settle the business there, but that night he lay at Crewkerne. Lord Roberts hastened to him and prayed that he might march to Chard, and I brought my 100 musketeers to Waycroft House, and begged his Excellency to give me a party of horse. He ordered me four troops, with which I marched to Axminster and Wellington, and, hearing that some of the enemy were near Halberton, I sent two troops, who beat them from hence and took divers prisoners. If two troops could do this, what would

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1,500 horse have done? Even with that small party I should have pursued them, but the Lord General ordered my return. I afterwards understood that the cause why the 1,500 horse was denied me was a difference that fell out between his Excellency and Sir William Waller about my Lord General coming down, Waller's faction having procured a letter from the House to stay the Lord General from coming into the West, only 2,000 horse to be sent for the relief of Lyme, which the Lord General would not consent to, but would rather lay down his commission than be braved by Waller. If I had done that service with 1,500 men, it would have been visible that 2,000, according to Parliament order, would have been sufficient for the work. I perceived this to be the case by a letter which the Lord General showed me from Parliament, whereby I saw that the House distasted at some expressions used by him. Being returned I met the army on Blackdown, whence they marched to Collumpton and Tiverton, and had order to quarter at Halberton. Had there been a speedy advance we had beaten Maurice and Grenville, and returned soon enough to beat the King also. After this we went to Crediton, Bowe, Tavistock; into Cornwall to Bodmin, and so to Lostwithel. [Colonel Were goes on to relate the capture of two Frenchmen, who were released by the Lord General, and many details concerning Colonels Dolbeire, Aldridge, and Botelor, and the losing of a castle near Lostwithel by Captains Pullen and Wood; also concerning Major Orme, governor of Lyme, which town, hearing that he was parleying with the enemy, dismissed him, and he went to Exeter and came with Prince Maurice against Lyme.] *Underwritten,*

230. 1. *Petition by Colonel John Were that he may be publicly heard by Parliament for those things laid to his charge, that his witnesses may be sent for, that he may be brought face to face with the Earl of Cleveland, his accuser, that he may have his accusation in writing and time to make his answer, and that since he went on his own charges, and his estate is lost in Parliament service, he may have some maintenance until his trial. [2½ sheets in all. Colonel Were's declaration was ordered to be read on 8th November in the Committee of Both Kingdoms. See Calendar for 1644—1645, p. 104.]*

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231. Order by the Committee for sick and maimed soldiers, for regulation of the patients and nurses in the Savoy and other hospitals. All who are able are to attend the daily reading of God's word, and to go diligently every Lord's Day and Fasting Day to the services at the Savoy Church, on pain of fines.

Every soldier drunk is to be set in the stocks for the first offence, forfeit a week's pay for the second, and be expelled for the third.

Every soldier or nurse using profane language is to be fined, and for the third offence expelled.

Soldiers are only to be admitted on certificate that they received their wounds in the "King's and Parliament's" service,

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If a soldier marry a nurse they are both to be expelled.

No nurses are to be put in or out without the consent of two at least of the treasurers; they are to be chosen from the widows of soldiers so far as fit ones can be found; and to be paid 5s. a week.

The soldiers in Bartholomew's Hospital and St. Thomas's Hospital, Southwark, are to be paid 2s. per week, and none, in hospital or in friends' houses, are to receive more than 4s.

Those who receive relief yet go about as beggars are to be sent to Bridewell.

If nurses are negligent in their duty, or make any disturbance by scolding, brawling, or chiding, they are to be fined, and for the third offence expelled. Signed by Cornelius Holland. [*Copy. 3½ pp. Damaged.*]

Nov. 18. 232. Lambert Godfrey to [Daniel] Shetterden, at the Marshalsea Court, Southwark. Mrs. Milcah Crofts has an order from the Sequestration Committee, and also from the Committee at Knoll, for an annuity of 20*l.* from the estates of Sir Francis Leigh and Woolley Leigh, in the counties of Kent and Surrey. She has been paid for three quarters, and I would have paid her the 50*s.* due at Michaelmas if I could. Please to pay her without further journeys, she being very poor. Receipted, 22nd November [1 *p.*]

[Nov.] 233, 234. Two copies of John Davies' propositions to the Committee of both Kingdoms concerning the sending of arms, stores, and provisions to Cork, Youghal, and Kinsale in Munster, and to Strangford, Belfast, Londonderry, and Balleshannon in Ulster, on the credit of the Ordinance of Parliament of 18th October. [2 *pp.* *Alluded to in Proceedings of the Committee, 4th of December 1644. See Calendar of that date.*]

Dec. 5. 235. Petition of Milcah Crofts, widow, to the Sequestration Commissioners of Kent. A year ago the Sequestration Committee referred to them an annuity of 20*l.* which petitioner has long had of Sir Francis Leigh and Woolley, his eldest son, and Lady Leigh certifying that 20*l.* arrears was due, they allowed her 10*l.* from the estate in Kent and the Surrey Committee did the same. The latter have given warrant for payment, and she begs a speedy order from Kent also.

With order to Daniel Shetterden, treasurer for Sutton Lath, for payment accordingly, and note by him that 20*l.* has been paid her, in four payments, he letting her have money sometimes before it was due, because of her poverty. [1 *p.*]

Dec. 5. 236. Petition of the inhabitants of the parish of Manchester to the Sequestration Committee there. There being many chapels in this parish wanting means for preaching ministers, and divers members of the Collegiate Church, delinquents, not being yet sequestered, they beg that competent allowance may be given to the ministers of the said chapels, as has been done to others in the county, according to the order of the deputy lieutenants made at

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Preston, 22nd October 1643, and that inquisition may be made as to the said delinquents and their estates. Signed by Thomas Chetham, Richard Chorlton, Thomas Hughes, Thomas Strangeways, John Birch, William Booth, Adam Bagguley, Ralph Shelmurdyne, James Worthington, Thomas Hulme, and 36 others. [1 p.]

*Overleaf.—Order of the said Committee, signed by Ralph Ashton. John Bradshaw, and Thomas Birch, for the payment of 40l. per annum to the minister of each of the chapels in the parish. 5th December 1644.*

Dec. 8. 237. Certificate by [Colonel Sir] John Savile that Lieutenant-Colonel Francis Fairfax, late adjutant-general to Sir William Waller, is now under command of Lord Fairfax. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Dec. 10. 238. List of stores delivered to Colonel Sir Robert Stewart out of provisions brought to Londonderry by William Harris in April 1642. With note that this voucher is only on Mr. Robert Thornton's oath, not under Colonel Stewart's hand. [1 p.]

Dec. 10. 239. Power of attorney from Sir Thomas Pigott to his wife Susan to receive for her use the remainder of the moneys due to him by an order of the Earl of Essex to Sir Gilbert Gerard. *Endorsed with notes of moneys.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Dec. 11. 240. Order in the Committee of both Kingdoms to deliver biscuit, cheese, and other provisions to Captains Lane and Pinchen for Major-General [Richard] Browne at Abingdon. [1 p. *Damaged.*]

Dec. 28. 241. Minute of Order of the House of Commons, that the Committee at Goldsmiths' Hall be authorised to send 10,000*l.* to Carrickfergus for the Scots army there, in such ship or ships as shall be appointed by the Committee of both Kingdoms or the Earl of Warwick. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p. *Order already calendared under date, Interregnum, G. 1, p. 25.*]

[1644 ?] 242. Request by Maurice Thompson, William Pennoyer, and others that the Commissioners at Guildhall for the Irish subscription pay them 3,000*l.* upon account of the ships provided by them for Ireland. They were promised payment by the Committee of the House of Commons (part of it in February and the rest in May last), and relying on that money they subscribed above 6,000*l.* toward reducing Ireland, and being desirous to have Irish acres would pay in their whole subscription. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

243. Paper headed "Memorandum for Bristol," and containing an account of ammunition delivered by command of Lord Hopton, for his Majesty's use, to Captain Marsh, Sir John Winter (?), Lord Herbert, and Mr. Bushel. With notes below: Hans Copfs to be inquired for at Bristol by Lieutenant-Colonel Gam, a Swede. The mare pawned to Colonel Holliwell for 6*l.* redeemed. Mrs. Beckman

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bids him look to Dr. Meuseler's (Meisseler's) books and goods for the use of the doctor's brother, then in London. A suit of arms of Mr. Foutené to Sergeant-Major Garney at Bristol; and other memoranda. [1 p. *Partly in Dutch.*]

*Dorso.* *Further notes of arms, partly in Dutch.*

244. Petition of Joan Butt, widow, of Norton, in the county of the city of Gloucester, to [Colonel Edward Massie] governor of Gloucester. On account of non-payment of her monthly assessment, a mare belonging to one of petitioner's sons has been distrained. She has only two milk heifers to make provision for above 20 persons depending on her and is unable to pay; also part of the sum should be paid by her sister, Margaret Hawkins, of Tewkesbury. When the garrison at Baddington was besieged, 13 bushels of oats were had of her; she has quartered two troopers, and been much troubled by the demands of the garrison. Prays that these things may be accepted in satisfaction of the money due.

*Underwritten.*—*Reference by Colonel Massie to the Committee (of Gloucester).*

*Dorso.*—*Note that 16s. is to be abated for the oats, and that Margaret Hawkins is to pay her share of the rate.* [1 p.]

245. Petition of William Barnes, trooper, to the Governor of Gloucester. I was dangerously wounded at the taking of Tewkesbury garrison, and am much in debt, but being recovered I wish to serve again, and beg relief. With order by Colonel Massie to Captain Blayney for payment to him of 20s.

*Margin.*—"Let this mad Major Thomas pass to Oxford for to see his lass."

246. Petition of the same to the same. Was one of the four scouts that entered Tewkesbury, and one of the two that charged the town up to the main guard, returned to the bridge, and led on the troops with Lieutenant Freeman. Was twice shot, and took refuge in a house, where the enemy found him, stripped him to his shirt, and would have cut his throat, but the woman of the house pleaded for his life. Has only had 5s. of his pay, and begs the arrears or some other relief. With order by Colonel Massie for payment of 20s. [1 p.]

247. Fragment of a petition from one of the counties to the House of Commons, concerning religion, church government, the militia, trade, and sea-ports. [2 pp. *Much damaged.*]

248. Statements on the carriage of Benjamin Goodwin, one of the treasurers on the Ordinance of 30th January 1643 for Ireland. He is accused of providing goods at excessive rates and in bad condition; of such delay in sending them that the Fort of Galway had to surrender and the cessation at Dublin was concluded; of failing to account for them, very few reaching Ireland; of obtaining undue



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and excessive payments ; of retaining money and goods long in his hands ; and of so staying the cash that the officers could not receive their salaries, while he abused them both by words and actions. [2½ pp. *Torn.*]

249. A charge against Sir Thomas Staples and Captain Thomas Newburgh, late of the regiment of Londonderry in Ireland, of appropriating money and stores entrusted to them for relief of the poor in Londonderry. [1½ p.] *Annexed,*

249. I. *Another copy of the same.* [1 p.]

249. II. *Queries to be put to Staples and Newburgh, relative to the said charge, as to their disposal of the money received by them to buy 600 arms for Londonderry, and their share in the meal, corn, and other provisions purchased for the place. Also the time that Captain Newburgh was in the service, and how he disposed of the arms upon disbanding.* [2 pp.]

250. ——— to Nicholas Loftus. I received yours of the 11th when the Commissioners arrived, and to satisfy you I send you Captain Green's acknowledgment of 100*l.* which I got from him at York last summer. He was a major in Lord Northampton's regiment, but he is not hereabout, and I know not whether he be alive or dead. I do not know what Mr. Errington has received on my Lord's warrant, but he was to have a large sum for buying draught horses. In October I got the warrant into my hands and there is nothing endorsed on it, but I know he received 100*l.* on it. Errington is said to be at Newcastle, or with my Lord of Newcastle, I think Walley's 11*l.* is bated out of money that was to be paid to me. I will find out particulars when I get my trunks, which are either at Chester or in Ireland. [*Defaced.* 1 p.]

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251. Petition of John Pitt and other artifices of ordnance to the Navy Commissioners. William Courteen and David G—— stood bound to Sir John Heydon, late lieutenant of ordnance, for payment of a certain sum for the creditors of the office, as part of the estimate of 24,323*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* for the 15 ships and two pinnaces set to sea in 1642, the bond including interest at 8*d.* in the pound. We beg the said interest on our proportions, which will come to 16*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.* With order in the Navy Committee for payment thereof to John Pitt, and his receipt for the same, 16th January, from Sir Walter Erle, Lieutenant of Ordnance. [1 p.]

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252. Pass by Thomas, Lord Grey, for John Littlebury, his personal attendant, who should therefore enjoy all the privileges belonging to the servants of Members of Parliament. [1 p.]

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253. William Thomas to Giles Green, John Rolls, or any of the Navy Commissioners. On 20th December I took a small pink of Dunkirk bound for Ireland with ammunition ; also on 5th January a French vessel with iron and cider, having on board a letter from the Consul

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of Bilbao to the King, which I sent to Captain Batten for conveyance; they were charged, if they met any Parliament ships, to throw their letters overboard. Captain Ellison took a like vessel. On 10th January the enemy stormed Plymouth, but were repulsed, with the aid of the companies of my ship and others. They took one of our works called Penny-come-quick, and held it three hours, but we regained it, and they had 25 men slain and 63 taken prisoners (*see* Calendar for 1644–5, p. 251). As at the expiration of my victualling I have to come in, some shipping should be sent down, for the place needs support, and the State might as well lose London as this town.

*Postscript.*—On 23rd December, I was in fight with a King's man-of-war, and shot some 173 pieces of ordnance. It being in Dartmouth range, within command of the castles, I durst not lay him aboard, a sunken rock likewise being between us. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Jan. 14. 254. Order in the Committee of both Kingdoms to the Commissaries or others in charge of the oats at Reading to deliver 200 qrs. for Col. John Fiennes' regiment.

*Underwritten.*—*Receipt by Fiennes for the above, dated 23rd January.* [1 p. *See proceedings of the Committee under this date.*]

Jan. 17. 255. The Committee of both Kingdoms to the Committee of Derby House. Adventurers at Grocers' Hall. There being great necessity for expediting the business of Munster, we desire you to pay the 1,000*l.* which you have provided to advance to them, reimbursing yourselves from the first moneys which come in from London and Middlesex after certain warrants are served. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Jan. 17. 256. Oliver Cromwell to the Sequestrators of the Isle of Ely. If London. I have found any respect or favour from you, or may any ways seem to deserve any, I entreat you most earnestly and as for myself that you will pay to Dr. Wells and to Mr. William Sedgwick the money which the Earl of Manchester hath given them a warrant to receive. I am informed that moneys are not very plentiful with you, howbeit I entreat you to do this for my sake and for their sakes that should have it; for let me speak freely, whatsoever the world may judge, they do fully deserve what I desire for them. I have not been often troublesome to you. I have studied to deserve the good opinion of honest men, amongst which number as I have cause to account you, so I hope I have the like esteem with you, which I desire you to testify by fulfilling this my request. Signed. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[Jan. 31 ?] 257. Statement concerning the customs of potashes, saffora, and smalts, granted to the Earl of Kinnoul under a rent of which Mr. Abraham Baker had half, and the collection of the said customs by Mr. Lloyd. Lloyd states that he has paid over most of the receipts, by the Earl's direction, to Baker (whose receipts he produces), after deducting certain sums due to himself. He believes

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that neither the Earl nor Baker gave any account of the moneys to the King or State. Query, whether Lloyd shall be accountable for all the customs collected by him, the Earl and Baker both being dead; also whether, if the King appoint any persons to collect the tonnage and poundage granted by this present Parliament, the receiver shall be accountable, and who in this case is the receiver, the Earl or Mr. Lloyd? [1 p.] *Annexed,*

257. I. *Copy of Abraham Baker's receipts.* [1 p.]

257. II. *Copy of John Lloyd's receipts.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

257. III. *Account by John Lloyd, delivered upon oath, 31st January 1644-5, and witnessed by Oliver Cloberry and Thomas Andrewes.* [Copy.  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

257. IV. *Notes concerning the patent for the customs of potash, &c., granted to Sir George Hay and renewed to his son, the Earl of Kinnoul. Endorsed, "Mr. Lloyd's case."*

*Underwritten.—Notes of the examination of John Booker, 19th and 29th February, touching poll money and contributions for Ireland.* [=3 pp.]

Feb. 5. 258. Speaker William Lenthall to Sir Gilbert Gerard. I hear you have received some moneys out of which Mrs. Farrar is to be paid. Send me what is due to her, and I will give you an acquittance on her behalf.

With order by Gerard for payment to Mr. Speaker, on the Ordinance for the widows. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Feb. 7. 259. Order by Ferdinando, Lord Fairfax, that Lieutenant-Colonel Francis Fairfax shall forthwith repair to Colonel Sir John Savile's regiment, and take upon him the charge of Lieutenant-Colonel in that regiment as formerly, all officers and soldiers yielding obedience to him until further order. [*Scrap.*]

Feb. 26. 260. Edward Ewell to Captain John Blys in Ireland. The bearer, my kinsman, Samuel Griffin, desires to be employed under you as servant, which is my desire likewise. He was gone to West Chester before I understood anything of it. He was well fitted in London, where he was an apprentice in Blackfriars, but it seems he hath a good stomach to this course of life he hath now put himself upon. I shall not labour to deter him, knowing the cause to be good and just, but beg you not to let him want for anything, and I will see you repaid with abundance of thanks. [1 p.]

Feb. 261. Names of the persons excepted from pardon in the propositions of Uxbridge, being the same list which is printed in Rushworth's Collections, Vol. V., p. 851. *Endorsed, "Names of persons excepted from pardon by several lists and ordinances."* [*This paper was originally dated February 1644-5. The February has been altered to April, without the year being changed.*]

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Feb. 262. Engagement by Alderman James Bunce, as one of the Treasurers at Grocers' Hall, to pay 50*l.* to Captain John Banister and another. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Much damaged.*]
- March 3. 263. Order by the sub-committee appointed by the Committee of both Kingdoms for managing the affairs of Ireland, that the Treasurers appointed by the Ordinance of 16th October last pay Colonel Jephson 100*l.* for the transport of soldiers to Ireland, and other provisions for the army there.  
*Underwritten.*—*Receipt by Colonel William Jephson for the 100*l.*, dated 4th March 1644-5.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- March 9. 264. List endorsed "A note of goods of the Lord Capel, taken away, March 9, 1644-5." It includes 44 horses; cattle, corn, hops, and linen taken from Hadham Hall, and money, corn, cows, &c., taken from Cashibury, mostly by the collectors of sequestrations. Also rents from the tenants of Walkerne, Cashibury, Langley, Watford, the Grove, Barkbury [Parkbury], and Bushey; and corn, cattle, hay, timber, and other goods taken from Walkerne Park. [ $1\frac{1}{8}$  pp.]
- March 10. 265. Account by Francis Hurdman and Major Robert Mainwaring of the composition of 2*s.* 6*d.* upon every butt of sweet wines imported for the provision of his Majesty's household. Total 2,889*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*  
*Underwritten.*—*Note signed by William Prynne, Thomas Andrewes, Anthony Biddulph, and Edward Meade [members of the Committee of Accounts], that this account was delivered in upon oath by Mr. Francis Hurdman, 10th March 1644-5.* [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]
- March 13. 266. Certificate by Ferdinando, Lord Fairfax, that Lieutenant-Colonel Francis Fairfax hath behaved himself very well during the time he has served in the army, and has license to pass into any of the parliament quarters for his better preferment. [*Seal with arms.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]  
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- March 15. 267. "A valuation of the owners' yearly revenue and personal estates of the parishioners of East Wickham," made on this date. In the form of a schedule, giving owners' and tenants' names. The former are,—Lady Leigh, Thomas Leigh, the heirs of Woolley Leigh, Sir John Offley, Oliver St. John, Lady Wroth, Thomas Stroud, Richard Weale, Richard Adams, Ephraim Payne, William Knight, Edmond Reynolds, William Bacon, Katherine Pegg, and Timothy Poole. [*1 sheet.*]
- March 15. 268. Order in the House of Commons, that members of the House who are members of Sir Thomas Fairfax's Army Committee attend next Tuesday at the Duchy Court, when the Committee for Accounts are to meet them, and their names are to be set up at the door.

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[ $\frac{2}{3}$  p. In *John Rushworth's handwriting. Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. IV., p. 79.*]

March 19. 269. Order in the Committee of both Kingdoms at Derby House to Alderman Kendrick and the rest of the Treasurers for the assessment of London and Middlesex on the Ordinance of October last for the relief of the British army in Ireland, to pay 240*l.* to the Earl of Warwick for goods to that value delivered by him for Munster. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Damaged.*]

*Overleaf.—Receipt by the Earl.*

March 19. 270. Like order to the same, to pay Thomas Bettesworth 101*l.* for the use of the province of Munster. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Damaged.*]

*Overleaf.—Power of attorney from Thomas Bettesworth to John Davies to receive the money, dated 30th April 1645, and receipt by Davies, 11th July 1645.*

March 21. 271. Like order to the same to pay Sir John Clotworthy 100*l.* for attendance as Commissioner from the army in Ireland.

*Underwritten.—Receipt by Clotworthy. [1 p. See Proceedings of the Committee under this date.]*

March 21. 272. J. Barker to William Cobbe, Oxford. Meeting with the Dunkirk. opportunity of this gentleman, Captain Allen, my respects will no longer be silent. For all these hard and pinching times we sometimes drink a merry carouse to you. We have Sir Robert Rookewood here, with Sir Edward Sullyard, Sir Francis Mannock, and divers others of your friends, and do you think we will kill ourselves with melancholy? I' faith we will not, in spite of fate! Kiss my mistress once for my sake, and assure her I will live and die her servant. I commend the bearer to you. He is a loyal subject and good servant to the King, and too honest to live among rebels. I am confident you must know Mr. Chicheley (if he be living), to whom pray deliver the enclosed. [1 p.]

March 21. 273. J. Barker to Henry Chicheley. When I was a prisoner at Dunkirk. Peterhouse in London, I did several times salute you, but know not if my letters found the right way to you. I hope Harry Skipwith told you that we remembered you in such liquor as our jail afforded. The story of your adventures and successes would be very welcome, and would find me, *Chez Mons. Hobson, marchand Anglois, a Bruxelles.* If your brother Thomas Chicheley be with you, give my service to him. I have heard of great advantages and honours that have fallen to your lot, to which I cordially wish a daily increase. If our old comrade Dick Ryding be there he has my respects. *Vale.* [1 p.]

March 21. 274. J. Barker to Henry Bedingfield. If I have been in a deep Dunkirk. slumber of silence, you have been no less, although you knew that your commands would always find me at Mr. Hobson's, an English merchant's house in Brussels, while I knew not where to make my

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respects to you, and if these find you out it will be (as the blind man hit the mark) by chance. Mr. Vaughan told me he had heard from you by Jack Fitzjames, and that we might see you in France. We have divers of your friends in these parts, as your brother John, Captain Thomas Bedingfield, his brother Mathew Hary and cousin H. Bedingfield, Sir Francis Mannock, Sir Edward Sullyard, Sir Robert Rookewood, Jack Taborough, and others. [1 p.] *Two of these letters are endorsed Barker, and one Barter. The signature might be either.*

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275, 276. Two copies of order from the Committee of Accounts to [Auditor William Collins?]. We are informed from the Treasurers for receiving moneys upon subscriptions for lands in Ireland, upon the Ordinances of 30th January and 14th July 1643, that the said Treasurers, by several orders from the Committee of the House of Commons sitting at Westminster for Irish affairs, and from the Committee of the House of Commons and of the Adventurers in London for Irish affairs [Grocers' Hall Committee] have delivered to you their several accounts. We require you forthwith to bring in all such accounts to us, at Alderman Freeman's house near the Royal Exchange, that we may proceed to the auditing of the same. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

April 10.

277. Warrant from the Committee of both Kingdoms to Alderman Kendrick and the rest of the Treasurers of the Ordinance of October last, to pay Sir Robert King 7,453*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, for payment of 9*s.* 8*d.* to each soldier of the British foot forces in Ulster, consisting of 11,280 men in 11 regiments, 3 companies, and 80 boatmen, and of 40*s.* to each of the troopers of 17 troops of horse, 60 in each troop. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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278. Warrant from Sir Thomas Fairfax to Sir John Wollaston and the other Treasurers-at-War, to pay 31*l.* 10*s.* to Captain Devereux Gibben and Captain John Cobbett, of Major-General Skippon's regiment, they having been employed about recruits for the said regiment, and so not mustered with the rest, although settled in the late model. Signed. [*In Rushworth's handwriting.* 1 p.]

*Overleaf.--Receipt for 31*l.* 10*s.* by Devereux Geeybon.*]

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279. Deposition of Edward Clarke of Lincoln's Inn, and captain of a troop of foot, in behalf of Commissary Copley. In May 1643, about the time that the Earl of Essex first took Reading, deponent and Major Gunter captured a messenger with a warrant from the King to the Earl of Carnarvon to take the plate collected by his subjects and convey it to Marlborough. By direction of the Lord General, deponent marched with 80 horse from Shingvell to King's Clere, and thence to Chute Forest, about six miles from Andover, and at a gentleman's house there took a parcel of plate buried in a barn under a wheat-mow, worth about 1,200*l.* He brought it to his Excellency, then at the Abbey of Reading, and claimed it as prize, but the necessities of the soldiers obliged his Excellency to

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- April 18. 280. Certificate [by the Committee of Accounts] to the House of Commons, in favour of William Gilbert, Commissary and Paymaster to the train for Dublin, from the beginning of 1642 to June 1644, when he delivered up his commission by order of the Committee of both Kingdoms. [*Draft. 1 sheet. Mentioned in Commons' Journals under this date, Vol. IV., p. 116.*]
- April 18. 281. Warrant from the Committee of both Kingdoms to the Treasurers at Grocers' Hall, to pay Sir Robert King 7,379*l.* 13*s.*, being 26 days' pay for the officers of the regiments in Ulster. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- April 19. 282. Like warrant to the same to pay Sir Robert King 666*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for the troopers and foot soldiers of Connaught. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- May 1. 283. Petition of Philip Newgion, soldier under Major Bromhall, to Sir William Brereton, Bart., commander-in-chief of the Cheshire forces, for payment for a horse taken by him "at the getting of Stafford," and sold to Sir William.  
*Underwritten.*—*Order by Brereton to James Croxton to pay for the horse what Major Zouchy apprehends him to be worth.* [1 p.]
- May 1. 284. Order in the Committee of both kingdoms to Captain Vernon to pay Benjamin Streater 500*l.*, for pay of the officers and gentlemen of the troop lately the life-guard to the Earl of Essex. (*See Proceedings of the Committee under this date.*)  
*Underwritten.*—*Receipt by Streater for 475*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.** [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- May 7. 285. Warrant from the Committee of both Kingdoms to the Treasurers at Grocers' Hall to pay Colonel Jephson 200*l.* for the transport of Lieutenant-Colonel O'Bryan's horse to Munster and other engagements by Colonel Jephson. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- May 8. 286. Account by John Tabor of moneys received and paid for Ireland and England, from 10th August 1642 to 8th May 1645; the payments being for pistols, making of coats, &c. Certified by Oliver Cloberry and Laurence Brinley as delivered upon oath, 10th May 1645. [1 sheet.]
- May 19. 287. Order in the Committee of both Kingdoms that Captain Vernon pay 477*l.* to Captain Ramsay out of the 490*l.* delivered to

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him by [Walter] Frost, and also 10*l*. for the charges of his horse that shall convey the money.

*Underwritten.—Receipt by Alex. Ramsay for 458*l*. 13*s*. 4*d*. dated 21st May 1645.*

May 19.

288. Order in the Committee of both Kingdoms to Captain Vernon, to pay the five lame soldiers, and the troopers of Captain Ramsay's troop that want their horses, their full pay.

*Underwritten.—Receipts for 1*l*. 15*s*. by Robert Grant, John Blackburn, and Robert Tuer on behalf of himself, Nicholas Clapham, and Christopher Todd. [1 p.]*

May 23.

Marston.

289. Sir Thomas Fairfax to Francis Allen and [John] Dethick, Treasurers-at-War. In my march towards the west, Captain Griffen came to me at Reading, with Corporals Henry Tadloe and Thomas Waddington, and told me that they were going near Oxford to be present at the reducement of the troop, the Captain offering to assist therein. But as the passage was dangerous for him to go without a convoy, I promised to certify you of their readiness to be at the muster and reducement, and to recommend them for pay as other officers. [*In Rushworth's handwriting, signed by Fairfax.*]

*Underwritten.—Request by the [Army] Committee that they may receive 14 days' pay as dismissed officers. Signed, Robert Scawen.*

*Overleaf.—List of the officers of Captain Griffen's troop, with their rates of pay, and receipt by Richard Griffen of 31*l*. 3*s*. for the same. [2 pp.]*

May 24.

290. Colonel Charles Fleetwood and Major T. Harrison to Robert Scawen, chairman of the Army Committee. The General ordered the reducement of Major Ingoldsby's troop, towards the recruit of our regiment, so the lieutenant brought us his men and 14 horses. The horses were very poor and weak, as we might expect from their great duty. There were more horses, but the officers attest that they were the soldiers' own, so we cannot require them. We testify the deservings of both officers and soldiers, having shared their extreme hardships through this winter. We trust you will show them the respect granted to others in their case.

*Underwritten.—Order by the Army Committee that the officers have 14 days' pay, though not certified as dismissed officers. [1 p.]*

May 30.

London.

291. John Pett, Miles Corbett, and Gre. Gawsell, to Major-General Phil. Skippon. Major Wilde's troop was reduced at Norwich, by Sir Thomas Fairfax's order, to recruit Colonel Vermuyden's regiment, and the reduced officers have long lain in London, at great expense, to get their debentures, but cannot obtain the benefit of the Ordinance without your recommendation to the Army Committee, which we beg you to grant, as they are



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our countrymen, and we have good testimony of their service. With request by Skippon to Francis Allen and John Dethick, Treasurers-at-War, to give 14 days' pay to them, as to other reduced officers. Marston, 3rd June 1645.

Also note of the sums due to them, total 33*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*, and receipt thereof, 14th June. *Endorsed*, "Certified by the Lord of Manchester." [2 pp.] *Annexed*,

291. 1. *List of the said 10 officers, and attestation, 14th June 1645, by John Sadler, lieutenant, that they were all reduced, 2nd May 1645.*

June 16.

292. Walter Fowke to [Auditor] Nicholas Spackman. I enclose a letter for the Revenue Committee which you are to peruse and seal before it is delivered. If Mr. Serle cannot deliver it, I pray you to do so, and to get their order.

Mr. Mauleverer, Governor of Hull, demands a certain annuity out of Haltemprize which the King's revenue always used to pay and I am asked the like for lands in Molescroft, but I find nothing thereof in my great book. I enclose the letters, and beg your directions. The Governor has a clause of re-entry for non-payment, and so disturbs the payment of the Cottingham and Willerby rents. There are claims made by Sir Henry Jenkins for tithes in Faceby, and Mr. Barker challenges the Rothwell hay about Roundhay for the Queen, which I see no colour for, and do not find it among the Queen's rents. I hope to do better next year, but we are hindered by the garrisons in the castles, so that we cannot get up the rents in those parts. "We hope of better every day, if the King's great army come not amongst us." Mr. Barker has gone up with his accounts, and will strive for part of the fee for the audit. It was always allowed to [Thos.] Talbot, the King's receiver. Sir William Strickland will further me in my business at the Committee. [1 p.] *Annexed*,

292. 1. *John Mauleverer to Walter Foulke, Bishop Burton. I am surprised you do not find in the King's revenue books the 46*s.* 8*d.* yearly which was paid me as rent for lands in North Willerby until four or five years ago. I only desire from you and the tenants the rents, &c., reserved on my lease. The tenants take care to pay the King's rents, so you will not have the trouble of a distress, and I will assist you in the levying of what is payable. My occasions at present are very urgent for the public. Have patience with the tenants, who are making all the speed they can. 27th May 1645. Kingston-upon-Hull. [1 p.]*

July 11.

293. Warrant from the Committee of both Kingdoms to Captain Peter Baxter, that Mathew Figg, porter of Hurst Castle, having discharged that place with much faithfulness, and yet having been unduly put from the same, is to be restored forthwith to his place, house, and accustomed salary. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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294. Petition of George Scale, cornet, and Richard Smith, quartermaster of dragoons, to the Army Committee. Being soldiers in Major-General Holborne's regiment, on 23rd April petitioners were commanded out on a party under Lieutenant-General Cromwell, and were wounded at the assault of Farringdon on 30th April. Their musters were on the 25th, when they were disannulled as absent. Beg their pay, that they may be recruited for their former service.

*Underwritten.*—Note in their favour by Major-General Philip Skippon, and reference by the Army Committee to [Fras.] Allen recommending their payment with the other officers. [1 p.]

*Overleaf.*—Their receipt for 5*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*, dated 16th July.

July 16.  
Wood Street.

295. Richard Cooke to — Haymer. I would gladly speak with you on divers businesses, so I pray you come to Mr. Beamond's, an attorney opposite St. Alban's Church, Wood Street. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

July 21.

296. Assignment by Arthur Annesley, Sir Robert King, and Colonel William Beale, of 3,000*l.*, to James Bunce, Thomas Foote, John Kendrick, and Samuel Avery, Aldermen of London, out of the moneys received by warrant from the Committee of both Kingdoms for the relief of the British army in Ireland. [*Seals with arms.* 1 sheet.]

July 24.

297. Sir Thomas Fairfax to the Commissioners of Parliament. I pray you to deliver a serviceable nag to Mr. Ormsted, one of the life-guard, who lost his horse in the fight at Naseby. [*In Rushworth's handwriting, signed by Fairfax.*]

*Underwritten.*—Receipt for a bay mare, signed by Job Holmsted. [1 p.]

July 31.

298. Order in the Sub-Committee appointed by the Committee of both Kingdoms for managing the affairs of Ireland, that the Treasurers are to pay 30*l.* to Thomas Wennall, master of the "Blessing," for transport of provisions to Ulster, the lading and receiving of which is certified by Lord Inchiquin and others. Signed by Richard Deacon, clerk to the Sub-Committee. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

*Overleaf.*—Receipt for the money, dated 16th August 1645.

July 31.

299. Assignment by Aldermen James Bunce, Thomas Foote, John Kendrick, and Samuel Avery, to Alderman Andrewes, of 561*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.*, part of the 3,000*l.* assigned to them by Arthur Annesley, Sir Robert King, and Colonel William Beale. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  sheet. *Seals with arms.*]

Aug. 2.

300. Statement by the Committee of Accounts, on examination of the accounts of Cornelius Holland for the expenses of the household of the King's children, from October 1642. The former accounts should be produced, and those for the collection of the coinage. Also a constat for the pyxmoney and that paid by Thomas Faulconbridge (receiver of Crown revenues); a certificate

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from Walter Dobson of his payments since the sequestration of the Archbishop's estate ; a constat of moneys received from the master workers of the mint ; a particular of provisions ; an account from the clerks of the acatry and kitchen, &c. [2½ pp.] *Annexed*,

300. I. *Further notes for the examination of clerks of the household, &c., concerning provisions, wages, and liveries. 5th August. Endorsed, "Queries concerning Mr. Holland's accounts." [¾ p.]*

Aug. 7.

301. Petition of the heritors and inhabitants of the sheriffdom of Air [Ayr] to the Parliament [of Scotland?]. Great loss is like to befall petitioners by the decay of a stone bridge upon the water of Air, called the Brigg of Barskimming, which for many years has had no reparation. and is now at the point of ruin. The water of Air is strait, impetuous, and in few places fordable, and has no bridge from the Bridge of Air, at its mouth, to the head thereof, being above 20 miles, except this one aforesaid, so that the whole traffic of the country will be impeded. Petitioners pray consideration, and a recommendation to the sheriffries, burghs, presbyteries, &c., of Lenrick [Lanark], Renfrew, Air, Wigtown, Nithsdale, and the stewartry of Kirkcudbright, who all receive benefit by the bridge ; also that persons may be appointed to receive and employ the moneys for reparation of the same, and to nominate a keeper for the bridge. [1 p. *The Parliament of Scotland was sitting at Perth on this date. See Calendar for 1645-1647, p. 50.*]

Aug. 15.

Copy of the Ordinance of Parliament for continuance of the weekly assessment for Ireland six months longer, with some additions and alterations for the further managing of the Irish affairs. [*Noted in Lords' Journals as read on this date, Vol. VII. p. 539. 12 sheets. See Car. I., Case H., No. 8.*]

Aug. 28.

302. The Earl of Manchester [to the Army Committee?]. The bearer, Colonel Berkley, has valiantly demeaned himself as a soldier from the date of his commission to the reducement of the army. I beg that his faithful services may not go unrewarded. [½ p.]

Aug. 28,  
Thursday.

303. Minute by H. Elsing, Clerk of the House of Commons, that Mr. Samuel Brown reports from the Committee of both Kingdoms the desire of divers of the officers in the British army about to return to Ireland that if money enough cannot be got in any reasonable time to answer the service there, the remainder may be sent in broadcloth or other serviceable commodities which Mr. Davis will presently furnish. Report approved and assented to. [½ p., *damaged by damp. Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. IV., p. 255.*]

Aug. 30.

Note of account of Giles Bridell and Thomas Willmott, Giles-in-the-Fields, for recruit money received 30th August 1645. [*Written*

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*on the back of printed paper containing Letters Patent from the King for a collection in aid of the church of Doddington, co. Oxon. February 1636. See Vol. DXXXVI., No. 6. II. above.]*

- Sept. 11. 304. Assignment by Sir Robert King to Alderman Andrewes and Alderman Foote of 2,500*l.*, in repayment of moneys advanced by them for service of the State, being part of the 7,379*l.* 13*s.* given to Sir Robert by order of the Committee of both Kingdoms, from the assessments in London and Middlesex, for relief of the British army in Ireland.

*Underwritten.—Memorandum that it is agreed between the parties that if any part of the money be not paid before 20th January next, then the said Aldermen are not to receive it until the sum of 3,000*l.* mentioned in a deed dated 21st July last, signed and sealed by Arthur Annesley, Sir Robert King, and Colonel William Beale, be fully satisfied. Signed and sealed. [1 large sheet.]*

- Sept. 14. 305. John Walbancke to William Davenport, Agmondisham.  
[1645 ?] The high constable delivered you a return of this town of Upper  
Winchenden. Winchenden, which did not satisfy you and the other Commissioners to the articles in charge, but I hope you will accept this information. Mrs. Martin (late Mrs. Goodwin) desires the addition of sums disbursed by Colonel Goodwin for the State. I have also set down the loss I have sustained by plunder from the Parliament army, which is well known to all my neighbours. The former account named 10*l.* paid by me to Guildhall, on the propositions, but this must be struck out, as it was paid to Colonel Goodwin. [*Damaged. ½ p.*]

- Sept. 19. 306. Warrant from the Committee of both Kingdoms to Sir Robert King to pay 100*l.* to Thomas, Lord Foliat, appointed governor of Londonderry. [*½ p.*]

- Sept. 23. 307. Like warrant to the same to pay Sir Brian Stapleton 30*l.* out of the 130*l.* in his hands for the service of Ireland, and the remaining 100*l.* to Walter Frost, secretary of the Committee. [*1 p.*]

*Overleaf.—Receipt by Gualter Frost for 100*l.**

- Sept. 29. 308. Assignment by Sir Robert King to John Davies, John Chesten, Denis Gauden, and Thomas Rodbeard of 1,879*l.* 13*s.*, being part of the 7,379*l.* 13*s.* ordered by the Committee of both Kingdoms to be paid to Sir Robert by Alderman Kendrick and the rest of the Treasurers. [*¾ sheet.*]

*Overleaf.—Receipt by Davies, Chesten, Gauden, and Rodbeard for the money. 22nd May 1646.*

- Oct. 3. 309. Certificate [by the Committee of Accounts] to the House of Commons, that on this date, Robert Harrington (on behalf of himself, Robert Goodwyn, and George Thimelby, agents for Londonderry) has delivered in an account of moneys received by them from the

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churchwardens of London and the parts adjacent, from the collections of three Fast Days in January, February, and March 1643, for buying victuals for the poor distressed people of Londonderry, amounting to 1,273*l.* 9*s.* 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.* They have shipped stores which, with incidental charges, amount to 794*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.*, and there remains due to the State 479*l.* 8*s.* 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.* [1 *sheet.*]

Oct. 4. 310. County Committee of Notts. to [John] Hough. We wish you to pay 36*l.* 14*s.* to Colonel John Hutchinson, Governor of Nottingham, 26*l.* being for housekeeping in the Castle, 10*l.* 9*s.* for carriage of arms from London, &c., and 5*s.* for intelligence. With receipt by Colonel Hutchinson for 20*l.* [1 *p.* *Certified copy by Hough.*]

Oct. 7. 311. Report by John Warner, Sir George Garrett, John Fowke, William Gibbs, and Richard Chambers, Aldermen, a committee appointed to consider the request of Dr. Burgess, to Thomas Atkin, Lord Mayor, and the Aldermen of the city of London. They have viewed the house near Paul's Church, late in the possession of Dr. Steward, Dean of Paul's, assigned to Dr. Burgess, and also the account of the cost of repairing and new building part thereof, and find that Dr. Burgess has spent in all 743*l.* 10*s.* 3*d.* They recommend that the 402*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* remaining unpaid be allowed him, as they conceive that he cannot bear the payment out of his own estate, and especially as the said Deanery House proved so ruinous that great part had to be taken down, which Dr. Burgess has repaired and built up very substantially, not only for himself but his successors. With note that the allowance is to be made out of the revenues of St. Paul's. [3 *pp.*]

Oct. 10. 312. Warrant from Lieut.-Gen. Oliver Cromwell to [Col. Thos.] Herbert, Commissioner of Parliament in the army, to deliver to Capt. Jenkins, for the use of his troop, two serviceable horses, he having lost two lately at the leaguer of Basing. Signed. [*Scrap.*]

Oct. 21. 313. Three orders by the Committee for "Paul's" to Dr. Burgess, the receiver, for payment of certain sums, viz. :—

(1.) 3*l.* to Mr. Edward Browne, minister of Kentish Town, for one year's pension, due by the Dean and Chapter of Paul's at Michaelmas last.

*Underwritten.*—*Receipt by Browne for the above sum.* [1 *p.*]

(2.) 5*l.* to Mr. Pearson, almoner, who is to deliver up to the Doctor the keys of the Cloister which he has in his custody.

*Underwritten.*—*Receipt by Martin Pearson.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

(3.) 20*s.* to Thomas Burton, for business done for the Committee.

*Underwritten.*—*Receipt by Thomas Burton.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

Oct. 30. 314. Certificate by John Chapman, Robert Finch, and John King, Clavering. that the lands in Clavering parish belonging to Christ's Hospital, which ought to be taxed 13*s.* 7*d.* for the second six months [assessment] for Ireland, are cleared from all taxes by Ordinance of Parliament. [*Scrap.*] *Annexed,*

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314 I. *Like certificate for the third assessment, signed by James Cookson and Mathew Rumball.*

314 II. *Like certificate for the fourth assessment, signed by Henry Chessey and William Sanell.*

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Borden.

315. Certificate by William Mead, Nathaniel Carter, and Robert Chipfield, that a portion of the land of their parish belongs to Christ's Hospital, and is excused a part of the taxes by Ordinance of Parliament. The assessors therefore abate the sum of 10s. 8d. on the assessment for the six months' pay of the British forces in Ireland. [*Scrap.*]

Nov. 1.

316. Edward, Lord Conway and Kilultagh to [the Committee for Compounding?]. I have sent for my accounts into Ireland, but it was not possible that they should be here thus soon. I beseech you therefore to give me a longer day, and I shall not fail to obey your commands. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p. *Viscount Conway's case first came before the Committee for Compounding on 22nd November 1645.*]

Nov. 6.

317. Order in the Committee for St. Paul's to Dr. Burgess to pay Hugh Turner 14l. 11s. for glazing three windows on the east end of Paul's and a round window there, and a new window on the north side, and 5l. 10s. to John Philips, the mason, for pointing the said windows. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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318. Like order to Dr. Burgess to pay 5l. to Mr. Barnard for his present necessities.

*Underwritten.—Receipt by John Barnard.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Nov. 13.

319. Ordinance of Parliament for discharging the fine due or to be due on the wardship of William Penn, son of John Penn of co. Bucks, who died 2nd July 1641. Sarah Penn, the widow, compounded for the wardship of her son, giving bond with Henry Allen and others, and when he comes of age there will be due 1,450l. besides moneys already paid. The lands, lying in co. Bucks., are now of little value, and the friends of the ward are contented to pay 800l. to be employed for the reducing of cos. Bucks., Berks., and Oxon, if the said Sarah Penn and Henry Allen may receive discharge, which is now ordered accordingly; half of the 800l. to go to the Governor of the garrison at Windsor and the other half to the Governor of Henley. [ $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *See Commons' Journals, Vol. IV., p. 323.*] *Annexed,*

319 I. *Acquittance for the 800l. signed by Thomas Knight, treasurer to [the Committee for] the three Counties sitting at Westminster, dated 15th November 1645.*

*Underwritten.—Order dated 19th November, that the acquittance and ordinance are to be enrolled in the patent roll and filed in the Rolls Chapel.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Nov. 18.

320. Certificate [by Henry Newark?] that Thomas Major owes rent for 60 acres in Lambeth Marsh, at 1l. 7s. 6d. per acre; that no allowance was given to the bell-ringers of Windsor Castle, out of

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its revenues, but if any such has been paid, it has been out of the revenues of the Dean and Canons of St. George's Chapel; and that there has been paid to David Llewelyn, keeper of Windsor Castle gate, attending on the ingress and egress of workmen, from 4*d.* to 8*d.* a day for certain days, 1640 to 1642. Noted as sent to the Revenue Committee by Henry Newark. *Endorsed*, "For Auditor Darell." [1 *p.* *Damaged.*]

[Nov. ?]

321—332. Documents relating to the furnishing of provisions, &c., for Ireland, by John Davies, Thomas Rodbeard, John Chesten, and Dennis Gauden, viz. :—

321. Account of provisions sent to Carrickfergus by Gualter Frost, commissary, consigned to John Davies, on dates 28th July to 17th September 1642, amounting to 8,101*l.* 16*s.* 11½*d.* [1 *sheet.*]

*Dorso.*—*Note by Frost to William Collins, auditor, that the goods laden in the "Ellen" of London were re-laden in the "Blessing" of Southampton, as the former vessel sprang a leak off the Isle of Wight. London, 23rd March 1642-43.*

322. Account by John Davies of receipts and disbursements for Ireland in 1642. Carrickfergus, 28th November 1642. [=1½ *pp.*]

323. Particulars of provisions laden in the "Mary Ann" of London, Peter Walpole, captain, by John Davies and partners, bound for Ballishannon, for the use of Colonel Sir William Cole and his regiment, all which were not delivered, neither is any account made by Walpole of them. 14th April 1645. [½ *sheet.*]

324. Account of moneys and provisions received by John Davies for Ireland, from his last account, made 10th April 1642, by order of the Committee for Irish affairs, whereof Mr. John Goodwyn was chairman, up to 24th April 1645. [1 *sheet.*]

*Noted by Oliver Cloberry and James Gregory, as delivered by Davies upon oath [to the Committee for Accounts], 24th April 1645.*

325. Certificate by William Jennings and Francis Smith, employed by the Committee of Grocers' Hall in shipping goods for Ireland in the "Blessing" of London, that on Saturday, 19th July last, early in the morning, John Davies and one John Cottman of the Custom House came with an order of the House of Commons to the ship at Blackwall and took out three chests of muskets and other things. Also on Tuesday last, 30th July, Ralph Hardwick came early in the morning with the ship's master and broke open several chests of arms received for Lieutenant-Colonel Row by the Committee's order, and to which Sir John Clotworthy could have no pretence. Hardwick carried off the arms, Sir John having written a letter to the ship's master desiring him to deliver them up. August 1645 (before the 6th.) [¾ *p.* *Damaged by damp.*]

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326. Certificate by Daniel Prigg and five others that by order of the Committee of Adventurers in London for lands in Ireland, sitting at Grocers' Hall, they have viewed some of the clothes provided by John Davies and his partners for service in Ireland. They find that the coats are serviceable, but the breeches and hose are neither by cut or workmanship fit for wearing, being too strait and very ill sewn. 18th August 1645. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

327. Interrogatories to examine Daniel Sprigg (*sic*) and five others concerning the stores sent by Davies to Ireland, with allusion to their previous examination on 18th August. [1 p.]

328—331. Like interrogatories to examine certain persons named. [1 p. each.] *Annexed*,

331. I. and II. *Two scraps of paper with names and addresses.*

332. List of men from whom Davies and his partners bought most of the arms and stores. [2 pp.]

[*See Commons' Journals, Vol. IV., p. 368, under date 8th December 1645, when John Stephens presented a certificate of the Committee of Accounts of 15th November, and several depositions taken by the Committee touching the accounts of Mr. Davies and the provisions sent by him to Ireland.*]

Dec. 6. Accounts of William Atkinson and Edward Lawrence, St. Giles in the Fields:—1. Contribution for Ireland. 2. Relief of Coleraine in Ireland. 3. Relief of Brentford. 4. Plundered ministers. 5. Transporting of children into New England. 6. Maimed soldiers. Received 6th December 1645. [*Written on the back of printed paper containing Letters Patent from the King for a collection in aid of the Church of Doddington, co. Oxon. February 1636. See Vol. DXXXVI., No. 7 II. above.*]

[Dec. 9 ?] 333. Certificate of the Committee of Accounts to both Houses of Parliament, concerning the pay and entertainment of Basil, Earl of Denbigh, as sergeant-major-general. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Mentioned in Commons' Journals of this date, Vol. IV., p. 370.*]

Dec. 22. Assessment of Lewisham, Kent, for the first and second parts of the royal subsidy, made 24th March 1641, and allowed 1st April 1643, giving lists of the landlords and tenants with their annual rents and the amounts at which they are rated. Also another assessment not dated. *Endorsed*, "The Royal subsidy collected two several times by this book. Robert Edmonds, Nicholas Neall, "Roger Langley, made oath 22nd December 1645. [11 *long strips*. *Car. I., Case H., No. 9.*]

Dec. [23.] 334. The Houses of Parliament to the King. The Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled have received your Majesty's of the 5th instant and considered it with the Commissioners of Scotland. They have always shown their desires for a safe and well-grounded peace, and would have accounted it a great happiness



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if your Majesty's actions had been answerable to the expressions you have so often made, concerning your desires for peace. Your Majesty asks a safe conduct for the Duke of Richmond, Earl of Southampton, John Ashburnham, and Geoffry Palmer, to come with propositions of peace, but they cannot admit thereof, as the persons formerly employed by you agitated other things, to the disadvantage of Parliament. As your Majesty has used former treaties for other ends, on pretence of peace, they have resolved, since the breach of the treaty at Uxbridge, to send propositions to you for a well grounded peace, and to desire your answer thereto, without any treaty to be had thereon, which they will do with all convenient speed. [*Copy. 1½ pp. Printed in Lords' Journals, VIII., 64, where, however, it is more courteously worded.*]

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335. Petition of Philibert Emanuel de Bois to the Committee of Lords and Commons for weekly assessments. Petitioner, for profession of the true Protestant religion, was 'driven out of his country and betook himself for refuge to this land, bringing nothing with him but his "art and experience in architecture and mathematical martial discipline." Having resided for six months at his brother-in-law's house in Aldermanbury, he is assessed at 200*l.* besides 40*s.* per week, which he is altogether unable to pay. Prays consideration and relief. [1 *p.*]

336. Certificate by Colonel Thomas Herbert and Harcourt Leighton, Commissioners of Parliament for the Army, that the day before Bristol was taken, they were ordered by Lord General Fairfax to issue out the money which they and Colonel Pinder had received for goods sold in Bridgwater after it was stormed, amounting to 681*l.* 13*s.* (besides plate worth 1,200*l.* sent to the treasurers), to pay the officers of the foot regiments the 6*s.* gratuity formerly promised the foot soldiers by the General. They had to borrow 1,300*l.* on account from the Treasury (Mr. Grosvenor then being deputy to Captain Blackwall, and Mr. Bilton delivering it to them) which not sufficing they were obliged to add 100*l.* from the money received to buy horses for the army, all which moneys were paid by them at Stapleton, near Bristol, on the 9th of September 1645, as appears by the receipts then given by the officers. [1 *p.*]

337. List of books left in the Chamber at Ware Park :—

Historia Ecclesiastica per Eusebium et alios, volum. duo.

The History of the Council of Trent.

The History of the World, by Sir Walter Raleigh.

Pauli Jovii, historia, volum. duo.

Morninus [Morin ?] de Missa, lib. 2.

Opera Sti. Chrysostomi. 4 volum.

Biblia Vulgaris.

The English Concordance.

Brightman [Thos.] on the Revelation.

Prynne's Hystriomastix.

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Sancti Bernardi, Opera.

A part of Bishop Jewell's Works.

"I lent Mr. Craven" [Bishop Thos.] Morton's Protestants' Appeal and Cani Opera, [*i.e.*, works of Melchior Canus].

"I myself have" a piece of [Wm.] Perkin's Works and Dr. [Wm.] Fulke upon the Rheims testament. [1 p.]

(*Ware Park was Sir Thomas Fanshawe's house.*)

338. Petition of the inhabitants of Hanwell, co. Oxon, to the Committee of Accounts in co. Warwick. When Col. [Wm.] Purefoy's regiment was in co. Warwick, Major Pont's troop was quartered upon them for nine weeks, he promising to pay the charges. Pray order that they may receive what justly belongs to them. *Eight signatures.* [1 p.]

339. Petition of Robert Coulson of Sleaford, co. Lincoln, to Lieutenant-General Cromwell. At your worship's last coming against Lincoln, Major Moore, Captain Bury, Captain Swallow, Captain Walton, and others, with their troops, were quartered in and about Sleaford, and 14 waggon loads of petitioner's hay were eaten up by the horses. Your worship gave order that the hay should be prized and paid for, and, accordingly, it was valued at 7*l.*, yet petitioner is ordered to pay 7*l.* to the [County] Committee. *Endorsed*, "The within-mentioned 7*l.* to be charged on Colonel Cromwell's troop." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p., *torn.*]

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Jan. 5.  
Newport  
Pagnell,  
7 at night.

340. Colonel Charles Doilie [Doyly, Governor of Newport Pagnell] to Major Ennis. I understand a great party of the enemy are drawn out this way, and have threatened Hanslop and Thrup. I would have you draw thither with your troop to join Lieutenant Adams, and use your utmost endeavour for the security of those places. Give notice hereof to Colonel Whalley, and where we expect the enemy this night. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Jan 10.

341. Interrogatories to be exhibited by the witnesses on behalf of Joseph Fludd. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Annexed*,

341. I.—v. *Examinations on his behalf of Lady Anne Holborne, Jane Hughes, Beatrice Cope, Wm. Commins, and Roger Vaughan, who testify that Fludd had no correspondence with Sir Robert and Lady Holborne when they were in Oxford, that he voluntarily contributed for the relief of Taunton, and that he had borne arms against the King.* [= 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

Jan. 17.  
Westminster.

342. Sir William Masham to Mr. Pennings, Ashwell [Ashfield ?] Suffolk. I marvel much that I have not heard of your rent, due at Michaelmas last, about which I wrote to you before. I am more mindful of you, for I have got a good addition of maintenance to your minister. I will get a warrant to Mr. Base to keep last Michaelmas rents in his hands for your minister and the minister of Debenham, to whom is granted the sequestered tithes there. [1 p. See No. 352 below.]

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Jan. 19.  
Conway.

343. [Archbishop of] York to Lord Digby (in Ireland). Right honourable and my noble lord, I hope by this time you are cloyed with my many letters. *Chester doth daily expect to have help from Ormond, and without that force, Chester and Rhuddlan will be lost. The soldiers from the King is (are) still at Worcester, and want food. We have here in Rhuddlan war horses, weapons, food, ready for to go along with them. When my letter was thus farre, your chirurgeon or oculist (Lord Astley ?) brought me the letter to the Bishop (?) of Lichfield which I did save (?) and have sent yours to the King by another road. We be all lost in Wales by this business between you and the Lord of Glamorgan. The oculist did not return speedily from the King.\* The drunken master (?) of Conway does leave Conway to the Parliament and intreats consent for his composition.† Mitton is now coming for North Wales. Chester can hold out, yt has done bravely. The force from the King is retarded and is still at Worcester for lack of food. If you be desperate as we be here, desire Ormond to send a frigate to Bangor (?) and to save York. Else he is lost. General Gerard is at Oxford, and Rupert, in great enmity with Digby. The oculist does likewise lay much blame on the same Lord, because of Glamorgan his business, and has put us all here to desperation. If you can, and hold it fit for the use of the King, save your servant. [Archbishop of] York. Conway, 19th January 1645-46.*

*Postscript.*—Until this day we have been desperate in Rhuddlan because of a report that Chester was in treaty, but that is not true. Our hope of help you find in this letter. Sir Nicholas Byron does you no good offices. He reports Digby to be the cause of our misery ; that Glamorgan has done nothing but with your consent and the King's. This is believed in Rhuddlan. York, Jan. 24. Dorso, "Letter in cypher directed to the Lord Digby. Intercepted by Clarke and sent to the Committee of Lords and Commons for the Admiralty."

*[The words in italics are in cipher. This letter, being written after the capture of Digby's papers at Sherburn, is in a quite different cipher from any previously used in his correspondence. Those of the King and Queen, Jermyn and Nicholas, have also been tried in vain. The editor has therefore had to construct a key.]*

Jan. 21.

344. Petition of Robert Mowson, one of Captain Johnson's troop, to the standing Committee for co. Westmoreland. Petitioner being pursued by the enemy at Sherburn, escaped, but was so "plunged and bruised" that he fell sick, and was ill a month, to his great charge. He lost two horses in the service against Skipton, and is 14 weeks in arrears for his pay. Begg payment of the arrears and satisfaction for his losses.

\* See Dugdale's Diary, 22nd December 1645 : "My Lord Astley went from Oxford towards Worcester."

† See Calendar of Committee for Compounding, p. 980.

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*Underwritten.—Order by the Committee to [Roger Bateman] treasurer, to pay petitioner 3l. 0s. 8d., and receipt by Mowson. [½ p.]*

Jan. 23. 345. Joseph Sergeant to Richard Andrew, at Mr. Lawnt's, Bread Northampton. Street, London. I send you the vouchers of my accounts. 21l. was paid to 50 or 60 poor people in whose houses we were constrained to quarter many of the wounded soldiers, until we could provide better for them. Some mistakes there may be, we having so many to look after, who lay crying, and some breathing their last. We acted by the advice of Major-General Skippon, obeying Parliament orders as nearly as we could. I do not send vouchers for the 26l. paid weekly for the poor of St. John's Hospital, it being a thing known to the town and country. I have asked 5l. for my pains as overseer, the sum given by the donor to the overseers and their officers. Explanation of accounts. [1 p.]

Jan. 24. 346. Declaration by Captain Arthur Hill. Certain moneys were to be paid to himself, Sir James Montgomery, and Colonel Mervyn for distribution to the other commanders in Ulster, but the distributors conceiving that their employments might occasion their parting before the said sums should be received, agreed that an acquittance by any one of them, by any other officer, or by James Traill, agent for Viscount Claneboys, should be sufficient. He therefore declares the acquittance given by John Davies for 1,260l. received on behalf of Colonel Arthur Chichester, to be as effectual as if signed by himself. [1 p. *Damaged.*]

Jan. 24. 347. Deposition by John Courte, late Constable of Tamworth, that the trained soldiers of the town were summoned in upon pain of death by the late Earl of Northampton's warrant, to appear with their arms at Warwick, during the siege of Warwick Castle, which they did accordingly, and laid up their arms at the house of one George Willmore. About a week after, the siege was raised and deponent demanded the arms from Willmore, who told him that they had been carried off by the soldiers of Warwick Castle.

*Underwritten.—Copy of receipt by Samuel Parker for arms brought to Lord Brooke, Lord Lieutenant of the county, dated 29th September 1642. [1 p.]*

Feb. 4. 348. Acquittance by William Figg, Elizabeth Porter, and Susan Figg, son and daughters of the late Mathew Figg, of Yarmouth [I. W.], porter of Hurst Castle, for 9l. 16s. received from Major Peter Baxter, Captain of the said Castle, by order of the Committee of both Kingdoms, as salary of their late father. [*Signed and sealed.* 1 p.] *Annece!*

348. I.-IV. Receipts of various sums of money from Captain Baxter for carriage of timber, dated 2nd December 1645.

348. v. Bill of John Cole for flock-beds, bolsters, blankets, &c. Receipted November 1643.

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Feb. 6. 349. Petition of Christopher Milles to the Committee [of Safety for co. Warwick and the city of Coventry], praying for the money due to him for quartering of troops as mentioned below. Is a poor man, whose means and credit are wholly trusted among the soldiers. His "legs is newly broken since the beginning of this thaw of weather," and he doubts he will be utterly lame and undone. With charges referred to, viz., for Lord Brooke's men, for horse meat and man's meat, 5*l.*; for Colonel Boswell's men, 6*l.* 6*s.* 5*d.*; for Captain Flowers, 3*l.*; and for maimed soldiers brought to his house, 10*s.*; total 14*l.* 16*s.* 5*d.*  
*Underwritten.*—Order by the Committee to [Thomas] Basnet to pay Milles 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in full payment of all charges. [1 p.]
- Feb. 17. 350. Receipt by Richard Morrell, Treasurer of the revenues of the cathedral church of St. Paul's, for 65*l.* 1*s.*, from Dr. Burgess, being the balance remaining in his hands on making up his accounts. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- Feb. 20. 351. Receipt by Sir James Montgomery for 1,327*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, from Sir Robert King, for payment of his troops in Ireland. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Damaged by damp.*]
- Feb. 27. "An account of victuals, arms, ammunition, clothes, &c., for the kingdom of Ireland, delivered by John Davies, Thomas Rodbeard, John Chesten, and Dennis Gauden, merchants, in 1644 and 1645, according to propositions made by John Davies to the Committee of both Kingdoms, and by them accepted; shipped and sent away according to their several warrants, the copies whereof are hereunto annexed, with particulars of the goods, and the rates and prices thereof." Certified by William Prynne and Oliver Cloberry, as delivered [to the Committee of Accounts] on 27th February 1646. [*Paper book, large folio. 20 written and many blank pages. Car. I., Case H., No. 10.*]
- March 4.  
Westminster. 352. Sir William Masham to Mr. Penninge, Ashfield, Suffolk  
I have written divers times about your rent, and hoped to have heard from you before this. My occasions for money are great, living here at much expense for the public service, and if my rents (which are much lessened by the great taxes) are not duly paid I shall suffer much. I pray you make payment of your last Michaelmas rent, or I shall take it very unkindly at your hands, and shall be enforced to that which will not be pleasing to me. [1 p.]
- March 9. 353. Ordinance of both Houses for the continuance of the weekly assessment for relief of the British army in Ireland for six months longer, to commence from 1st of May. [4 sheets. Copy or draft. Printed copy already calendared under this date. See also *Lords' Journals*, Vol. VIII., p. 205.] Dorso, "City and county of Chester, 948*l.*"

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- April 1. 354. Certificate by Robert Russell to the Customs Officers of the Guernsey. port of London, that Abraham Jer(myn ?) of Guernsey has unladen 30 tods of wool from the "Ann" of London. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- April 4. 355. Certificate by Lord Inchiquin that Sir Percy Smith has served faithfully in Munster against the rebels, as captain, lieutenant-colonel, and colonel, and that in February 1644-5 he was appointed provost-marshal for the province, for which services he has only received 300*l*. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- April 21. 356, 357. Two warrants by the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland to the Treasurers on the Ordinance of 15th August 1645, to pay 200*l*. to Thomas Bettesworth, and 150*l*. to Dr. Currer. Signed by Earl of Suffolk and five others. [*Each*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- April 22. 358. Petition of Hester Whyte to the Committee of Safety for co. Warwick and Coventry. Immediately after Kington fight [Edgehill] petitioner took upon her the care of the Parliament soldiers there maimed, who continued at her house in great misery (by reason of their wounds) for three months. She was often up night and day with them, and in respect of her tenderness to Parliament's friends, she laid out her own money in supply of their wants. Moreover, her husband was killed in Parliament service, at the siege of Banbury Castle, in 1644, whereby she is left destitute and comfortless. Prays consideration and relief. With note by William Bowkey and Samuel Day that Daniel White was slain at Banbury siege, and order by the Committee to Basnet to pay 20*s*. to petitioner. [1 p.]
- April 24. 359-368. Documents connected with Duncannon Fort, Ireland, viz. :—
359. Order in the Committee of both Kingdoms (on a letter from the Committee of Accounts, inquiring what money and provisions have been appointed for the Fort) that Mr. Frost send in copies of what has been ordered, viz., 2,500*l*., out of the 80,000*l*. appointed for Ireland, 1,632*l*. 19*s*. being in provisions (of which a priced list is appended), and 867*l*. 1*s*. in money. 24th April 1646. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.] *Annexed*,
359. I. *Copies of orders relative to provisions for Duncannon Fort and garrison, of 21st and 31st January and 7th and 17th February 1645.* [= 2 pp.]
359. II. *List of provisions for Duncannon.* [1 p.]
360. Interrogatories for Walter Frost and William Hawkins as to money and provisions received by them for the Fort. [1 p.]
361. The like on behalf of Lord Esmond, deceased, and Captain Richard Esmond. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
362. Letter from Captain Esmond to John Mading at Grocers' Hall, asking what money and clothes were sent him by Sir Arthur Loftus, and whether they were assigned by the Committee of both Kingdoms, as he never received any of them. Dated 3rd March 1645-6. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Endorsed with note of reply from J. Maddens, giving the moneys paid to Sir Arthur Loftus or his assigns.*
363. Interrogatories for Sir Arthur Loftus. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,
363. I. *Notes of Sir Arthur's answers.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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364. Allotment of 500*l.*, part of 2,516*l.* 4*s.*, ordered by Parliament, 10th January 1643, for Duncannon, as pay to Lord Esmond and his soldiers, with copy of order of the Committee for Ireland of 10th April 1643 for the disposal of the 500*l.* [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]
365. List of Captain Esmond's company at Duncannon, 17th March 1644–45. [*One sheet.*]
366. Particulars of provisions sent from Amsterdam for the relief of Duncannon Fort, as appears by letter from William Watson and Jonas Abell, Amsterdam, 16th December 1644. Also note of provisions delivered at Duncannon by Henrick Peterson, January 1645, with what was spent in the fort, and what burnt or lost to the enemy. [*One sheet.*]
367. Copies of (1) minute of Ordinance of Parliament of 13th March 1643, for payment of 500*l.* for Duncannon Fort; and (2 and 3) other copies of the order in the Irish Committee, 10th April 1643, for disbursement of the same. With (4) acknowledgement of the receipt of money from Nicholas Loftus, by John Bunbury. [= 4 pp.]
368. Deposition of Commissary William Dobbins, concerning the shipping of certain provisions (mentioned in annexed schedule) for relief of Duncannon Fort. They were sent to Lord Esmond, or in his absence to Sir Arthur Loftus, but the Fort was lost before they arrived. Sir Arthur took many of the things to his own use. The Committee of both Kingdoms twice ordered money wherewith Sir Arthur was to raise a troop of horse in Ireland for relief of Duncannon Fort, as deponent heard from Thomas Bettesworth, agent for Munster. 27th March 1646. [1 p.] *Annexed*,
368. 1. *The schedule above mentioned.* [1 p.]

April 24. 369. Order in the House of Commons for Nicholas Loftus to receive the 12,000*l.* appointed for the service of Munster, issuing it from time to time by warrant from the Lieutenant of Ireland. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. IV., p. 521.*]

April 27. 370. Edmund Bateman to Francis Phelps, Leadenhall Street, Coventry. to be left at Edward Brewster's, the "Bible," Fleet Bridge. I find that you are to keep an audit for Northamptonshire before Michaelmas. I had meant to come up to London to-day by a coach that is here, but it has to go to Leicester to carry one Mr. Temple and his wife to London. I shall come before Whitsuntide as I have business in Windsor, and then I will treat with you about Northampton and Coventry. Private affairs. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

May 4. 371. Warrant by the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland to the Treasurers on the Ordinance of 15th August 1645, to pay 300*l.* to Sir Hardress Waller. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 11. 372. Robert Suckling to Robert Wingfield. I have had great Woodton. trouble concerning Lord Abergavenny's estate, and have not yet a sufficient allowance from Mr. Base, the [Suffolk] sequestrator. Notwithstanding my order from the Committee of Lords and Commons of Sequestration, I am now passing an account to our Committee of Sequestrations for Norfolk; and if I can have sufficient to discharge the ladies' annuities in Norfolk, I shall not trouble about the estate in Suffolk. [1 p. *See Calendar of Committee for Compounding, p. 869.*]

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May 15. 373. Order in Parliament that 10,000*l.* be paid out of the receipts of the Grand Excise for Ireland, and that any well-affected persons advancing any part thereof shall be repaid out of the receipts of the Excise with 8 per cent. interest. [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp. *Printed in Lords' Journals, Vol. VIII., p. 317.*]
- May 19. 374. Assignment by Thomas Bettesworth of 172*l.* 10*s.* to Giles Shelley for the freight of his ship employed to carry arms and provisions to the army in Munster. Signed and sealed. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- May 22. 375. Warrant from the Committee for Ireland, engaging the credit of the Ordinance of 15th August 1645, to Thomas Rodbeard, for due payment to him of 8 per cent. interest on 4,000*l.* advanced to Colonel Robert Sterling. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- May 26. 376. Assignment by Colonel Robert Sterling of 100*l.* to Edward Barker, merchant of London, out of the 200*l.* ordered him by the Committee for Ireland, in repayment of money advanced to him by the said Barker. Signed and sealed. [1 p. *See Calendar for 1645-47, p. 438.*]
- May 29. 377. Like assignment of 50*l.* to Richard Treadwell of Fleet Street. Signed and sealed. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  sheet.]
- June 8. 378. Sir Thomas Middleton to his good cousin, Peter Warburton.  
Carehouse. Let me desire you to procure me a certificate, as my Lord of Denbigh had, and let it be left with my cousin, Mr. Richard Middleton, at his house in Leadenhall Street. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]
- June 9. 379. Copy of two acquittances from the Treasurers for Ireland to John Smith, for moneys collected by him in Surrey for the relief of Ireland. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]  
*Overleaf.—Particulars of account. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]*
- June 13. 380. Henry Frodsham to Peter Warburton. My necessities urge  
Charing me to trouble you with these lines, entreating you to move the  
Cross. merchants to examine my accounts and grant me their certificate, that I may try to procure some money on it to relieve my wife and children. I have served truly and faithfully at the hazard of my life, and many times have lost in my estate by the enemy, for which I have a certificate from the Committee of Plymouth. If the merchants cut off my pay it is very hard measure, for they have allowed my Lieutenant-Colonel the whole, and I have lost ten times more than all the officers in our regiment. If they please to cut off any of my right, then let them cut off my head, that so I may not see the misery of my wife and children. *Under-written,*
380. i. *Note from Warburton to [the Committee for Accounts?], praying them to peruse this letter, and do for this deserving gentleman, his countryman, what lawful favour they may. 17th June 1646. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]*



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381. Notes of (1) an order of the Committee of Lords and Commons for Sequestrations, 19th December 1645, for Ralph King, of St. John's College (Oxford), to receive 60*l.* for three years from the revenues of Sir Thomas White's lands belonging to the College; (2) an order of 29th January 1645-46 for Samuel Basnet, student in Emanuel College, Cambridge, to receive 20*l.* per annum, with the arrears, upon the gift of Sir Thomas White, as in regard of these distractions he cannot make himself a student of St. John's College in Oxford, now being the King's quarters; (3) an order of the Committee of Sequestration for Warwick, for John Whitwicke, student in Cambridge, to receive 20*l.* per annum for two years upon the gift of Sir Thomas White, in regard he also cannot make himself a student of St. John's, Oxford. With notes of the payment of the above amounts on 16th March and 22nd June 1646. [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

July 2. 382. Order in the Committee for Ireland that Nicholas Loftus is to receive the 10,000*l.* from the Commissioners of Excise or others, as ordered by Parliament, 15th May last, upon the credit of the Excise, for carrying on the war in Ireland. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

July 3. 383. Colonel John Hutchinson to William Prynne. I spoke to you yesterday in the Hall about sending for my accounts to the Sub-Committee at Nottingham. They have been in their hands five months, in which time I hope they have sufficiently examined them. Pray also move for an order for my brother Lieutenant-Colonel Hutchinson's accounts to be taken and certified. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Seal with arms.*]

July 8. 384. Bond of John Blatchford of Dorchester to Edward Berkehead, sergeant-at-arms of the House of Commons, in 100*l.*, conditioned that if John Blatchford, now appointed by the Commissioners and Collectors of the Customs (*i.e.* Samuel Avery, alderman, Richard Bateman, Charles Lloyd, Christopher Packet, and Walter Boothby) to the office of surveyor at Lee, co. Essex, and in all the creeks, havens, islands, &c., between the Downs and Cliffe Creek on the coast of Kent, and from the Hope of Tilbury to the blockhouse in the isle of Mersea, on the coast of Essex, do well and faithfully execute the said office of surveyor, this obligation shall be void. [1 p.]

July 11. 385. Warrant from Lord Broghill to Arthur Creed, paymaster of the army in Munster, for payment of 76*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.* to Lieutenant-Colonel Croker, for the officers and soldiers appointed for the relief of Bunratty. [1 p.]

*Overleaf.—Receipt by Walter Croker for above amount.*

July 15. 386. Order in the House of Commons, on the petition of Richard Turner, Maurice Gethin, Tempest Milner, Richard Wollaston, William Hawkins, &c., referring petitioners to the Committee of Accounts to certify the state of their debt, the moiety whereof is

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to be paid from the compositions of delinquents at Goldsmiths' Hall and the residue from the sale of delinquents' estates. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p. *Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. IV., p. 617.*] *Annexed,*

386. 1. *Account and vouchers delivered on oath by Turner, &c., to the Committee of Accounts, 23rd July 1646.* [1 large sheet.]

- July 15 and 16. 387, 388. Warrants from Philip, Lord Lisle, Lord Lieutenant-General of Ireland, to Nicholas Loftus, Deputy Treasurer-at-War, to pay 1,752*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.* severally to Colonel John Moore and Colonel Roger Fenwick, for their troops. With receipts for a moiety of the money, dated 24th July. [*Each* = 1 p.]
- July 16. 389. Further warrant that half the money is to be paid now, and the other half at the place of their rendezvous for shipping. [1 p.]
- July 17. 390. Statement of pay due to Philip Cooper, captain in the regiment of Sir John Meldrum and afterwards in that of Colonel Edward Aldrich in his Excellency's [the Earl of Essex,] late army. Sworn before Anthony Biddulph and William Harrington. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Imperfect.*]
- July 18. 391. Order in the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland that Sir John Clotworthy and Sir John Temple treat with the Commissioners of Excise and others to furnish the 10,000*l.* already ordered by both Houses in May last, or the 50,000*l.* now ordered to be paid out of the Excise, or any considerable portion of those sums. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Copy.*]
- July 20. 392. Declaration by Sir John Clotworthy and Sir John Temple, that weighty affairs of the public requiring their attendance in Parliament, they have deputed Nicholas Loftus to perform the above service in their stead. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- July 20. 393. Petition of Edward Gravenor, of Coventry, to the Committee of Parliament [for safety of co. Warwick, &c.] residing in that city. At the time of Lord Brooke's coming to besiege Lichfield, he had two horses taken from him by warrant of Colonel Barker. One of them was returned after two months, but he has had no allowance for his losses, which amount to 8*l.* 16*s.*  
*Underwritten.—Order by the Committee to Basnet to pay 5*l.* to Gravenor, being 4*l.* for the horse that was taken, and 1*l.* for hire of the other.* [1 p.]
- July 25. 394. (1—3). Three sheets of names of officers in Ireland and payments to them by Nicholas Loftus of moneys due on 18th and 25th July 1646, with the signatures of the officers in acknowledgment of receipt of the same.  
*Overleaf.—Warrants signed by Lord Broghill, to Loftus, ordering the above payments.*

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Aug. 7. 395. Deposition of Ann Kanne, widow, of Clandermond [Clander-mott], near Londonderry. When the rebellion broke out, she had to fly to Londonderry for the safeguard of herself and children. She never had the value of a pennyworth from Thornton [mayor of Londonderry], though she often sought relief from him; but he said that her husband was an Irishman, therefore he would give her none. He forced her husband to break open her trunk, and took 5*l.* 15*s.* from it, which she hath repeatedly demanded, but his answer is that if it were ten times more he would keep it all, and that he could have hanged her husband if he had pleased. She has heard that some of the provisions sent were so spoiled that they were given to the hogs, or thrown into the water. She has heard the poor who came to his door for relief say that he would rather give the food to the hogs than to relieve them, and she had seen his wife beat them away from the door with a staff. The charity sent of corn and such like was given in pay to the soldiers to her knowledge, she herself living in a captain's house. She had seen divers, old and young, perish in the street for want of relief, and knows that much provision of victuals and clothes came to Derry, but knows not how Thornton disposed of them, only she has heard some poor say that he told them the soldiers had more need than they, and has also heard that the best of the clothes were given to his own friends. [1½ pp.]
- Aug. 15. 396 (1—3). Three sheets containing the names of officers in Ireland, the payments to them by Arthur Creed, deputy of Nicholas Loftus, of moneys due respectively on 7th, 8th, and 15th August, and the signatures of the officers in acknowledgment of receipt of the same.
- Overleaf.—Warrants signed by the Earl of Inchiquin to Creed, ordering the said payments.*
- Aug. 397. "The names of some of the enemy's party who defended Pendennis Castle in Cornwall against the Parliament, together with the number of the garrison soldiers that marched forth at the rendition of the said castle, August 1646." [¾ p. See list already calendared under date August 1646.]
- Sept. 12. 398. Order by the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland to Nicholas Loftus, to desire Mr. Walley at Chester to issue the 2,000*l.* consigned to him for the purpose to the soldiers at Chester and Liverpool or the adjacent parts, about to be shipped for Ireland. [¼ p.]
- Sept. 16. 399. Deposition by Andrew Vivers of Reading, Berks, that Colonel Venn and Lieutenant-Colonel Bradley each demanded and received of him 5*l.*, in July 1643. Also, Deposition of Francis Phipps, innholder of Reading, that in August 1643 Colonel Venn demanded and received of him 20*l.* He also paid for himself and others, then imprisoned at Windsor Castle, 7*l.* 15*s.*, and to procure his enlargement was forced to give a bond for 60*l.* more. For non-payment

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thereof Commissary Blunden came to Reading, and seized wines, value 60*l*. [1 *p*.]

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Westminster.

400. Order from the Committee for Ireland to Mr. Walley [at Chester] to receive Captain Thomas Hunt and his troop of horse on their way to the seaside to embark for Belfast, to give them a month's advance of pay, and to provide for their transportation. [*Copy*. 1 *p*.]

Sept. 23.

401. Order by the Committee [at Chester] to the Sequestrators of the Revenue of the Dean and Chapter. As it appears that six pounds per annum was allowed by the late Dean and Chapter to the sexton of the great church, and that the said office is well discharged, yet the sexton has received nothing for his service since the taking of this city, you are to pay him 40*s*. for the last six months, and to forbear to take the rent of his house, which is 40*s*. more. And it is further ordered that the sexton ring the 9 o'clock bell at such hours as shall be appointed for the opening and shutting of the gates. Signed by Colonel William Massie, and by Henry Birkhed, Richard Leicester, William Davies, Edward Bradshaw, and Peter Leigh. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  *p*.]

Oct. 1.  
Court at  
Newcastle-on-  
Tyne.

402. Order to the Attorney or Solicitor General to prepare a grant to Alderman Mark Milbank of Newcastle, of the dignity of a Baronet, in consideration of his constant fidelity and affection. Signed by the King. *Endorsed*, "Sir Robert Carr," with a cancelled request for confirmation of warrants, said to be annexed, granted by "his late Majesty" for his service and sufferings. [1 *p*.]

Oct. 2.

403. Power of Attorney from Giles Shelley to Henry Sweete to receive 172*l*. 10*s*., due to Shelley from Thomas Bettesworth, agent for Munster. With receipt by Sweete. [= 1 $\frac{3}{4}$  *p*. See No. 374 above.]

Oct. 16.

404. Order in the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland to Nicholas Loftus, to send to Colonel Moore and Colonel Fenwick what moneys are due to them. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  *p*.] *Annexed*,

404. I. *Order by Philip, Lord Lisle, Lord Lieutenant-General of Ireland, to Nicholas Loftus, to send to Charles Walley the moneys due to Colonels Moore, Fenwick, and Coote. Dated 23rd September 1646.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p*.]

404. II. *Receipt by Walley for 654*l*. 18*s*. 8*d*. 31st October 1646.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  *p*.]

Oct. 16.

405. Receipt by Michael Baker, messenger and Deputy Gentleman Usher of the House of Lords, for 100*l*. from Thomas Herbert, Commissioner of Parliament for Sir Thomas Fairfax's army, and John Parry, William Packer, and Roger Williams, of the Committee for co. Monmouth (assistant Commissioners appointed by his Excellency for disposal and sale of the personal estates of the Earl of Worcester and others in the Castle of Ragland), the said sum

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being for the accommodation of the Earl and his attendants in their remove from Ragland to Parliament, according to the order of the Lords' House, dated 22nd September 1646, with the consent of the House of Commons. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,

405. I. *Order of Parliament to the Gentleman Usher or his Deputy, to take into his custody the Earl of Worcester and bring him up to London on a horse litter or some other way as he shall be able to endure the journey; the Commissioners at Ragland to make an allowance therefor as befits his quality, and the Earl's physician and such servants as he needs to be allowed to travel up with him.* [Attested copy,  $\frac{1}{2}$  p. Printed in *Lords' Journals*, Vol. VIII., p. 498.]

Oct. 19. 406 (1—8). Orders in the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland, on dates from 4th August to 19th October 1646 to Nicholas Loftus, Deputy Treasurer-at-War for Ireland, to treat and agree with any persons for the procuring of sums from 1,000*l.* to 13,000*l.*, part of the 50,000*l.* ordered for Ireland out of the Excise, by Ordinance of 22nd July last. The signatures which occur are those of the Earls of Northumberland, Pembroke, Denbigh, Kent, Salisbury, and Nottingham; the Lords Lisle, Howard of Escrick, and Say and Seale; Sir William Waller, Sir Philip Stapleton, Sir John Clotworthy, Sir Gregory Norton, Sir John Temple, Thomas Chaloner, Richard Knightley, Herbert Morley, John Lisle, Robert Goodwyn, and Robert Wallop. [= 4 pp.]

Oct. 26. 407. Petition of the county of Radnor to the Commissioners of State for both Kingdoms. Your Lordships have thought fit that the forces in Radnorshire should be disbanded, and it has been so ordered by Parliament, to the great ease of this our poor county, for which we acknowledge ourselves your thankful servants. Yet in regard of the many uproars, robberies, and other abuses unto which these late sad times have left us liable, we pray that you will allow us the security of a county troop, and that the command thereof may be given to Captain Robert Holl, a man well estated in our county, known and approved amongst us, and with Sir Thomas Middleton's forces, both by hazarding his life and estate in conveying intelligence, and also by raising a troop at his own proper cost, and who has behaved himself fairly and faithfully in Colonel Martin's regiment for more than 12 months, excepting the time of his nine weeks' imprisonment in the garrison of Ludlow. 62 signatures. [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

Oct. 27. 408. Warrant from Lord Lisle to Nicholas Loftus for payment of 20 days' pay to Colonel Thomas Searle, Lieutenant-Colonel James Finch, Major Thomas Southwell, Captain Joshua Boyle, and Captain Thomas Dutton, about to depart for Ireland. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Overleaf*.—*Receipts by Searle, Finch, and Boyle, and by Lord Broghill on behalf of Southwell and Dutton.* *Annexed*,

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408. I. *Authorisation by Southwell and Dutton for Lord Broghill to give acquittances on their behalf.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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409. Like warrant for payment of 215*l.* to Major Richard Salway. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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410. Statement that Sir John Clotworthy in his account alleges that he had 100*l.* given him to provide handmills for his own regiment, but it appears that they were for the army in Ireland, for surely 50 handmills were something too much for a regiment of 400 men. He received the money in August 1643 and bespoke the handmills of William Morton of Southwark, which he let lie on the poor man's hands until May 1644, when the Committee of both Kingdoms ordered the Committee of Grocers' Hall to send them away to Ireland. Morton then delivered but 40, "so Sir John pursed the rest of the money, and what he hath done with the mills God knows." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Sir John Clotworthy's account was ordered to be brought in to the House of Commons from the Committee of Accounts, 1st October 1646. See Commons' Journals, Vol. IV., p. 679.*] *Annexed,*

410 I. *Queries for examination of William Morton and his wife, concerning Sir John's contract for the handmills, and why they did not give them up at Grocers' Hall when required.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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411. Letters patent, purporting to be by the King "with consent of the Houses of Parliament," granting to Edward Byshe, for life, the office of Garter King-at-arms, in as ample form as it was held by Sir John Borough, late Garter, or any former King at arms, with a yearly fee of 50*l.* from the small customs in the port of London and a yearly vesture from the Great Wardrobe. *Latin.* [Draft, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  sheets. *It does not appear that this patent was ever granted by the King. Byshe was appointed by Ordinance of Parliament (see Commons' Journals of 21st October) and was removed at the Restoration.*]

Nov.  $\frac{1}{2}$  4.  
Paris.

412. Louis, King of France and Navarre, to all whom it may concern. Our well-beloved Lord Cottington, Lord Treasurer of England, being come to France by order of our dear uncle the King of Great Britain, and being charged with commissions of great importance in the service of the King his master, and our beloved aunt the Queen of Great Britain having particularly recommended him to us; by advice of the Queen Regent, our honoured mother, we do permit the said Lord Cottington to come and go in our kingdom for the space of one year, without let or hindrance. *Endorsed,* "Copy of the protection given by the French King to the Lord Cottington for one year. For Mr. Secretary Nicholas." *French.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Nov. 17.

413. Warrant of Sir Thomas Fairfax to Sir John Wollaston and the rest of the Treasurers at War, to pay to Richard Deane,

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Adjutant-General of foot, the sum of 21*l.*, being 42 days pay.  
*Underwritten,*

413 *1. Receipt by Richard Deane for the aboved-named sum from Captain John Blackwell. [½ p.]*

Nov. 23.  
[Gla]tton.

414. John Castell (a Sequestration Commissioner of co. Hunts), to [—Fulwood?]. Pray send me the news, and what effect the letters we sent to London have produced. I conceive our business must sleep until the soldiers are removed, so I beg to be excused for this week, as I hear of so many robberies of late that I dare not stir from home, nor shall I without necessity expose my life to danger from the soldiers, who are as bad as the others. So please tell the rest of the gentlemen that our meeting is deferred to Thursday 3rd December. Remember me to Mrs. Fulwood. [1 *p.*, *damaged.*]

Dec. 1.  
Rouen.

415. Francis, Lord Cottington, to the King. Your Majesty was heretofore moved at Oxford for the settling in Genoa of an able and well-affected man to be Consul for your subjects repairing into those parts, namely, for one Jacomo Anfossi, native, and one of a good family there, who speaks perfect English. Having now found him here in this town, retaining the same affection to your service, I have judged it fitting that he should be established there as Consul, and have drawn up a nomination which must go in English, and a letter in Latin to that Duke and State, which, if your Majesty will sign, the party himself will negotiate the rest there. [¾ *p.*]

Dec. 7.

416. Account by Adam Browne of moneys received and disbursed by him for repair of the house of Sir Edward Powell, Bart., in Fenchurch Street, London. [2½ *pp.*, *much damaged.*] *Annexed,*

416. *1.-XXI. Receipts by John Knight, Francis Webb, John Stamp, William Munsey, Philip Ray, Robert Masfield, John Worrell, William Curtis, William Bird, Henry Williams, William Brown, Jeremiah Brazier, and Thomas Parker, for various sums of money paid to them by Brown, for materials and work done, between 1st September and 21st November 1646. [=10 *pp.*]*

Dec. 19.

417. Resolution in the House of Commons that 500*l.* be allowed out of the estate of the Earl of Worcester for his funeral and other expenses, to be raised by the sale of his plate and other goods brought up by Mr. Thomas Herbert and now in his custody. And Mr. Herbert is to take especial care that the said Earl be buried "according to the directory and not otherwise." [¾ *p.* *Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. V., p. 20.*]

Dec. 19.

418. Order in the House of Commons that 500*l.* be raised from the Earl of Worcester's plate, &c., for the funeral of Lord Docwra, and for making provision for some of his friends, as the Committee for affairs of Ireland shall direct. [½ *p.* *See Commons' Journals, Vol. V., p. 20.*]

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Dec. 24.

419. Order in the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland, in pursuance of an order of the House of Commons of the 19th inst., that Thomas Herbert, one of the Commissioners of the Army, out of the money in his hands from the sale of the plate and other goods of the Earl of Worcester, is to pay 60*l.* to Colonel Henry Skipwith for the funeral of Lord Docwra, in part of the 500*l.* mentioned in that order; and also 10*l.* to Samuel Pryor, in discharge of rent and other expenses, Lord Docwra having died in his house. The residue of the money is to be retained by Herbert and only disposed of by order of the Committee. *Annexed,*

419. i. *Samuel Pryor's bill for rent, food, and a nurse during Lord Docwra's illness, and the expenses of those that watched the corpse, candles at home and in the church, and "blacks" wherewith to hang the dining-room and chamber.* [1 p.]

Dec. 28.

420. Two orders in the Committee for Ireland to Thomas Herbert to pay (1) ten pounds to Dr. Simon Mason and his wife (who are of near alliance to Lord Docwra), and (2) five pounds to George Bunbury, minister, to provide mourning apparel in which they are to attend the said Lord's funeral. [=  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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421. Certificate of moneys collected for Ireland in the counties of England and Wales, sent up in obedience to an order of the Committee of Lords and Commons for Irish affairs, of 3rd September 1646, amounting in all to 45,931*l.* 16*s.* 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.*, to which are added the contributions from the Chamber of London, companies of London, and loan money, bringing the total to 59,904*l.* 3*s.* 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.* No moneys have been collected in cos. Cornwall, Devon, Somerset and Wilts, by reason of the King's forces. [1 large sheet.]

*Dorso.—Certificate of the debt of Richard Turner, Maurice Gethin, Tempest Milner, Richard Wollaston, and William Hawkins, but with no amounts given.*

422. Petition of 20 artificers, lately in the train of artillery under Sir William Waller, to the House of Commons, for payment of their arrears, that their families may be preserved from perishing. Having left their trades at home and adventured their lives in the service, they cannot now provide a livelihood. [1 p. *Perhaps the petition presented on 3rd October. See Commons' Journals of that date.*]

423. Queries to be put to Lieut. Thomas Smith and James Peters relative to the time that Major-General Thompson had his troop before 6th August 1642, and whether his regiment, although raised by the Militia, was not reduced with the rest of Sir William Waller's army. [1 p. *Damaged.*]

424. "A memorial of all such as are anyways accountable for moneys for Ireland," enumerating the treasurers appointed on various ordinances of Parliament. In some cases the names are not given; those mentioned are: John Wollaston, John Towse, Thomas Andrewes, and Lawrence Halsted; Nicholas Loftus as deputy for his



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brother Sir Adam; Maurice Thompson and William Pennoyer; Sir Edmond Wright, Sir James Cambell, Sir George Whitmore, and Robert Bateman (for London); Sir Arthur Ingram, Sir Robert Pye, William Wheeler, and William Bell (for Westminster); Sir Paul Pindar, John Kendrick, Michael Casteel, and Benjamin Goodwin; and James Bunce, Thomas Foote, Kendrick and Samuel Avery (for the Adventurers' money). [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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Jan. 2.

425. Order in the House of Commons for the payment of 1,000*l.*, out of the debts and personal estate of the late Earl of Worcester, to Thomas Hodges, M.P., towards satisfaction of his losses sustained in these late troubles. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. V., p. 39.*] *Annexed,*

425. I. *Receipt of Hodges for the above sum from Thomas Herbert, dated 6th January. Seal with device.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Jan. 2.

426. Like order in favour of Thomas Pury, senior, M.P. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *See Commons' Journals, Vol. V., p. 39.*] *Annexed,*

426. I. *Receipt by Pury, dated 6th January. Seal with arms.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Jan. 4.

427. Resolution in Parliament that Sir Adam Loftus be a Counsellor of State for Ireland, taking such oath for discharge of that trust as shall be approved by both Houses. Also order by the House of Commons that such of the persons named to be of the Council of State for Ireland as shall go hence with the Lord Lieutenant, and be employed in that kingdom, shall have 500*l.* per annum until they shall be in possession of their own estates there. Copy attested by H. Aldrich. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *See Commons' Journals of this date, Vol. V., pp. 40, 41.*]

Jan. 5.

428. Order in the Committee for Ireland to Thomas Herbert to pay 100*l.* to Anthony Tierence (or Terrence), in further part of the 500*l.* to be disposed of for the use of Lady Docwra, mother of the late Lord Docwra, towards her passage out of Ireland into this kingdom, and for relief of her great necessity. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

*Overleaf.—Receipt by Anth. Tierence, dated 15th January.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Jan. 6.

429. Inventory of [certain articles of] the late Earl of Worcester's wardrobe, prized in London by John Harding and Patrick Porteous. Among the items are:—

A tawny satin petticoat, embroidered and lined with white sarsnet, 4*l.*

A pink petticoat, embroidered with pearl and lined with yellow satin, 2*l.* 10*s.*

Two white, one orange coloured, and one yellow satin kirtle, embroidered, 4*l.* 10*s.*

Five pieces of cloth of silver, 2*l.*

A black velvet carpet, embroidered, 3*l.* 10*s.*

A cloth of gold doublet laced with a tawny lace, 12*s.*

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A rich embroidered bed, 100*l*.  
 Cloth of state, with gold fringe, 8*l*.  
 Three white satin window cushions, embroidered with needle-  
 work, 1*l*. 10*s*.  
 Two cloth of silver and cloth of gold doublets, 2*l*.  
 Five orders for Knights of the Garter, 1*l*. 4*s*.  
 A black velvet cloak with a great gold lace, 6*l*.

Total, 196*l*. 12*s*. [2 *pp*.]

Jan. 11. 430. Order in the Committee for Ireland for payment of 315*l*. to Anthony Terrence, being the balance of the 500*l*. ordered to be paid by Thos. Herbert as the Committee should direct.

*Overleaf.*—*Receipt by Terrence, dated 1st February.* [ $\frac{1}{8}$  *p*.]

Jan. 13. 431. Account by Nathaniel Peacocke of receipts and payments, viz., received from sequestered rents in co. Northampton for relief of the British Army in Ireland 1,154*l*. 0*s*. 2*d*.; paid to Dennis Gauden 697*l*. 5*s*.; resting in Peacocke's hands 456*l*. 15*s*. 2*d*. [=5 *pp*.]

Jan. 14. 432. Warrant by the Lord Lieutenant to Sir Adam Loftus, by order of the Committee for Ireland, to cause the 30,000*l*. advanced by the Treasurers of Assessments for Ireland, in pieces of 8, to be put up in chests and sent to Bristol, to be shipped with the Lord Lieutenant himself. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p*.]

Jan. 15. 433. Order in the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland, concerning the payments already ordered for Captain Nicholas Lisle and Sir Hardress Waller, out of the 5,000*l*. appointed for Ireland at Haberdashers' Hall. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  *p*.] *Annexed*,

433. i. *Authorization by Waller to William Hawkins of Westminster to receive the money on his behalf.* [ $\frac{3}{8}$  *p*.]

Jan. 22. 434. Statement of Captain Oliver Cromwell's accounts, from 24th April 1633 to 16th May 1644. Sworn before William Prynne and Robert Ellis, 22nd January 1647. [=1 $\frac{1}{2}$  *pp*.]

*Dorso.*—"To bring Major-General Skippon's certificate or Sir Philip Stapleton's, and give account of what moneys he received and paid for and to his troop, and of 500*l*. ordered by the House when he pretended to go for Ireland." (*This is Major Oliver Cromwell. See his petition to the Committee for Advance of Money in the Calendar of that Committee, p. 1028.*)

Jan. 28. 435. Order of the House of Commons, that Colonel Sir Arthur Loftus (now before the Committee of Accounts upon passing his accounts), in regard of his present engagements in the service of Ireland, and the necessity of his speedy repair to his charge there, shall have liberty for 12 months to go to Ireland without let or stay. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p*. *Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. V., p. 68.*]

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Feb. 1.  
Shipley, near  
Barnard Castle.

436. Jo. Reyne to Nicholas Spackman, at Auditor Searle's office, Charing Cross. We are busy in these parts in preserving our houses, horses, and goods, on the Scots' marching. Your audit servant, Robert Toll, died 29th December last, very comfortably. He will be much missed, for I am sure we shall never have the like of him in his place. We hear that Newcastle was delivered by the Scots last Saturday; they are now all marched out of this county of Durham. Endorsed with request that Cousin Dale will give this letter to Christopher Hodgson, who will deliver it. [1 p.]

Feb. 12.

Indenture between Richard Deacon, citizen and clothworker of London, on the one part, and Humphrey Newton of Caldwell, co. Bedford, and John Newton of Bedford on the other part, that whereas the said Humphrey and John Newton stand bound before Sir Thomas Soame, Mayor of the Staple, and John Glynn, Recorder of London, in 200*l*., yet on performance of the conditions of certain deeds the bond shall be void. [*Parchment. Car. I., Case F., No. 24.*]

Feb. 26.  
Montgomery  
Castle.

437. Committee of Accounts, co. Montgomery, to the Committee for Accounts of the Kingdom. Lloyd Pierce having refused to perfect his accounts last November, we issued a warrant for his apprehension, but he sheltered himself at Redcastle, where he contrived much malicious practice against some of our members. Afterwards, attending you about his accounts, exceptions were taken by our chairman, when he departed without your consent, and got back to his place of refuge again. Our messenger apprehended him in Shropshire, and brought him to Montgomery, where we conceive he ought to stay until he has satisfied his contempt. We beg you no longer to indulge him in so much liberty of appeal, as if he were unjustly dealt with by us. Signed by Mat. Morgan, Edward Owen, Sam. Biggs, R. Griffith, and Robert Royle. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March 13.

438. Order by the Lord Lieutenant and Council of Ireland to Sir Adam Loftus to pay 50*l*. to John Walker, specially employed at Westminster by the Lord Lieutenant as agent for the affairs of Ireland. Signed by Lord Lisle, the Earl of Inchiquin, Sir Arthur Loftus, and Sir John Temple. With receipt by Walker. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[March.]

439. Petition of the ancient officers of the Kentish regiment, lately under the command of Colonel [Ralph] Weldon and now under Colonel Lilburne, since the war hath been happily ended, to Parliament. Most of petitioners have served under Colonel Weldon and Lieut.-Col. Kempson for four years. When Col. Weldon was made Governor of Plymouth, they conceived it hard measure that their Lieut.-Col. might not succeed to the command, he being civil, faithful, skilful, and valiant. Pray that Lieut.-Col. Nicholas Kempson may command the regiment in this present expedition for Ireland, he having been there already and knowing the country. Signed by William Master, Major, and twelve other officers. [1 p.]

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440. Sir Thomas Fairfax to Colonel Nicholas Kempson, at his quarters at Tripplow. At the last meeting of the officers of this army, at Saffron Walden, they were desired to make known to their regiments the intention of Parliament to send a considerable force to Ireland, for reducing of that kingdom, and also my wish to advance that service, and that if any officers are not disposed to engage in person, they should yet make known my desire and the votes of both Houses for the encouragement of others. I therefore pray you to read this letter and the votes to your regiment. [*Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See letter of the Commissioners calendared under date of 18th April, Vol. DXV., No. 46; also *Lords' Journals*, Vol. IX., p. 113.]

May 28.  
Grange near  
Hebree, in  
Wirral.

441. The Commissioners for Ulster to Nicholas Loftus. We have given order to Mr. Walley to charge you with bills of exchange for the 5,000*l.* allowed to us by the Committee of Lords and Commons at Derby House, and for the 500*l.* remaining of the 2,000*l.* ordered to us for transportation of soldiers. We desire you to accept and pay these bills in like sort as if we ourselves had charged them. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,

441. I. *Receipt by Walley for 1,500*l.* 5s. 2d. from Nicholas Loftus, dated 22nd May 1647.*

June 26.

442. Order in Parliament that the Treasurers at Weavers' Hall are to pay to Thomas Gower and the rest of the Treasurers formerly appointed for the payment of private soldiers, 6,000*l.* to be accounted part of the 20,000*l.* charged upon the credit of the moiety of receipts at Goldsmiths' Hall. [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp. *Printed in Lords' Journals*, Vol. IX., p. 297.]

July 1.

443 (1, 2). Engagement by the officers of Col. William Herbert's and Col. James Gray's regiments. It was ordered by the Committee for Ireland on 14th June last, that a month's pay should be given to the officers and soldiers of the four regiments of Colonels Herbert, Kempson, Gray, and O'Connelly, but with abatement of 10s. out of every private soldier's pay towards the defraying of their quarters. By reason of the length of time since they were last paid, and other discouragements, the soldiers are very poor and much discontented, and would be in danger of mutiny if not fully paid. Also many of them defrayed their charges by working for their landlords, and, having left their last quarters, it cannot speedily be found out whose money should be stopped and whose not. But if Parliament or the Committee for Ireland do not allow the pay now received in full, the officers engage that the abatement shall be stopped out of their next pay. Signed by Col. William Herbert, Lieut.-Col. John Melbin, Major Richard Lundey, Lieutenant William Hodskins (for Captain Shore), and Captains Bartholomew Helby, John Dunklyn, Anthony Stanyre, Henry Croft, and Charles Awbrey, for Colonel Herbert's regiment, and by Captains Jo. Bushell, William Howard, and Stephen Cane, and Lieut. Walter Kirby, for Col. Gray's, [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

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444. Order in Parliament that 1,000*l.* be charged on the moneys in the hands of the treasurers at Weavers' Hall, and forthwith paid by them to Lieut.-General Edward Massie on account. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p. See *Lords' Journals*, Vol. IX., p. 330.]

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445. Warrant by Colonel George Monk to Nicholas Loftus to pay John Mathews 821*l.* 5*s.* out of the 7,000*l.* for Ulster. With receipt. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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446 (1—3). Three warrants by the same to Sir Adam Loftus, Treasurer-at-war, to pay 170*l.* to Colonel Arthur Hill; 5*l.* to Richard Dodds (or Dobbe), provost-marshal; and a further sum of 3*l.* 15*s.* to Colonel Hill. With receipts. [= 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

Aug. 24.

Radnor.

447. Committee for Accounts in co. Radnor to the Committee for taking the Accounts of the Kingdom. We send you the accounts of Rees Evans, a pretended sequestrator to the late Committee of Sequestrations here, with his bond and sureties, and desire directions. Also copies of two letters, one from some of the Committee of co. Hereford, the other from Henry Williams, reputed Treasurer to our late Sequestration Committee, whereby you will see that the money in this county is eloynd, to what use we know not, nor can we get Williams or the clerk, Nicholas Philpott, to attend us. We sent you by John Meek a bond of 100*l.* from David ap Hugh, John Williams, and David ap Edward Phillipp, of which 20*l.* is yet unpaid, but may be recovered at the assizes. We have also sent you the accounts of John Bull and Captain John Dannige, treasurers for assessments in the county, with their bonds in 1,000*l.* to appear before you. We are burdened with toil and expenses, yet ready to perform the trust reposed in us. Signed by John Evans, Roger Stephens, Robert Curtler, R. Meyrick, and John Probart of Llanvareth. [ $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

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&amp; 12.

448 (1—3). Three warrants from Col Michael Jones, Governor of Dublin and Commander of the forces in Leinster, to Sir Adam Loftus, to imprest four weeks' pay to the four troops of Col. Coote's regiment (viz., his own, Major Astley's, Capt. Peisley's, and Capt. Palmer's), and three weeks' pay to the four troops of his own regiment and to the two troops of Captains Meredith and Parsons, and also 5*s.* to each trooper in the last named six troops, in lieu of oats. All with receipts. [= 4 pp.]

Sept. 13.

449. Gregory Baker to Francis Phillips, Leadenhall Street. I have received your precepts for Worcestershire, and will deliver them. Pray send me that for my bailiwick of Bordsly. I hoped to have been appointed to collect the Priory of Whiston Malvern, in place of George Lea, and would allow the poor man part of the fees to help him and his family. I pray you do your best for him. I have paid your cousin Dorcas 5*l.* I want the usual fees of 13*s.* 4*d.* for cos. Worcester and Hereford, and Mr. Crowne and Mr. Sankey want theirs for Shropshire and Staffordshire. [1 p.]

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Sept. 30. 450. Order in Parliament that Sir John Wollaston, Thomas Adams, John Warner, Thomas Andrewes, and George Witham, Aldermen, and Francis Allen and John Dethick, Esqs., Treasurers at War for the monthly assessment for the armies of Sir Thomas Fairfax and of Ireland, having advanced 30,000*l.*, are to be repaid out of the third and fourth months' collections of the said assessment, the said Treasurers continuing in their office and receiving their allowances as before. [ $5\frac{1}{4}$  pp. *Printed in Lords' Journals, Vol. IX., p. 457.*]
- Oct. 8. 451, 452. Two Orders in the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland to the Treasurers for the Weekly Assessments for Ireland to pay the interest due to Thomas Rodbeard for the 40,000*l.* lent by him and assigned to Colonel Sterling by Colonel Jephson and Thomas Bettsworth, for the raising, arming, and transporting of a regiment of foot; and to pay Eliah Palmer 2*s.* on every 20*s.* brought in by his solicitation, in satisfaction of moneys assigned to him by George Hamilton and Captain Payne Fisher, besides the ordinary allowances to him as an agent for bringing in the said moneys. [*Each*  $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- Nov. 16.  
Derby House. 453—487. Warrants of the Committee for the Affairs of Ireland, sitting at Derby House, from 20th May to 16th November 1647. The names which occur as signing them are the following:—The Earls of Warwick, Manchester, Suffolk, Lincoln, and Northumberland; Lords Dacre, Lisle, Maynard, and Willoughby of Parham; Sir William Armyne, Sir John Clotworthy, Sir Gilbert Gerard, Sir Philip Stapleton, Sir John Temple, Sir Henry Vane, jun., and Sir William Waller; and Arthur Annesley, Denzil Holles, William Lewis, Colonel Edward Massie, Robert Reynolds, Richard Salway, Zouch Tate, Col. John Venn, Robert Goodwin, William Pierrepont, and Robert Scawen. Some of these, however, are members of the Army Committee, which was joined with the Committee for affairs of Ireland for transaction of certain business.
- May 20. 453. To Nicholas Loftus, Deputy Treasurer-at-war for Ireland, to discharge bills for Mr. Annesley, Sir Robert King, and Sir Robert Meredith, not exceeding 5,000*l.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,  
453 i. *Receipt by Charles Walley for this sum, 2nd July.*
- June 6. 454. To Sir John Wollaston and the rest of the Treasurers-at-war, to pay Lieut.-Col. Jackson 100*l.* for his officers and soldiers. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Overleaf.—Receipt by Thomas Jackson. Annexed*,  
454 i. *Account of the disbursement of the money. June 1647.* [1 p.]
- June 6. 455. To the same, to pay 200*l.* to Sir Robert Pye. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]  
*Overleaf.—Authorization by Pye to pay the money to Edmond Hampden, and receipt by Hampden, 10th June.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 6. 456. To Alderman Bunce, Richard Glyde, and Laurence Bromfield, Treasurers at Weavers' Hall, to pay 100*l.* to the Treasurers-at-war for Lieut.-Col. Jackson and other officers and soldiers. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 6. 457. To the same, to pay 200*l.* to the Treasurers-at-war for Col. Greves. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,  
457 i and ii. *Two copies of Order in Parliament of 5th June, authorizing the above, and desiring the Irish Committee*

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- to confer with the knights of the shire and gentlemen of Middlesex and Surrey, and with Colonel Greves, concerning the quartering of his soldiers. [2 pp.]*
- June 12. 458. To the same, to pay Nicholas Loftus 10,000*l.*, to be issued as directed by the Committee of the forces for Ireland. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*
- 458 i. and ii. Orders in Parliament of 11th and 12th June, authorizing the above to be paid to such persons as the Irish Committee and the Committee for the Army, jointly, shall appoint. [2 pp.]*
- June 12. 459. To the same, to pay 200*l.* to Capt. John Farmer for his company of dragoons. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*
- 459 i. Order in Parliament, 11th June, referring it to the Irish Committee to take care for quartering Captain Farmer's dragoons, and authorizing above payment. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*
- June 14. 460. To the same, to pay the Treasurers at War 10,000*l.*, according to the ordinance of 11th June. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 14. 461. To the Treasurers at War, to give certain officers three months' pay. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 14. 462. To Nicholas Loftus, to give one month's pay to the regiments of Cols. William Herbert, Owen O'Connelly, Nich. Kempson, and James Gray. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See No. 443 above.]
- Overleaf.—Names of officers, particulars of the moneys, and receipts for the same by the four Colonels. [2 pp.]*
- June 19. 463. To the Treasurers at War, to give Cornet George Butler his pay. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Overleaf.—Receipt by Butler for 28*l.* 10*s.**
- June 19. 464. To the same, to give the officers and gentlemen of the Life Guard three months' pay. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 20. 465. To the same, to pay 3,063*l.* 18*s.* to certain troops mustered by Mr. Cludd, and "come off the army." [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- June 20. 466. To the same, to pay 777*l.* to Captain Henry Hall of Sir Thomas Fairfax's Life Guard, in payment of arrears "to 36 gentlemen and one sadler." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Overleaf.—Receipt by Captain Hall, and agreement by the same to pay the moneys to the said persons. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]*
- July 1. 467. To the same, to give the officers on the annexed list three months' pay, if due. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- Overleaf.—List of officers, viz., Captain Henry Ingoldsby, Lieutenants Ralph Hooker, John Coplyn, John Close, and Thomas Johns, Cornets Christopher Purslow and Richard Coomes, Ensigns John Rashley and Roger Burgis, and Quartermaster Richard Smart. Signed by Gualter Frost, Clerk to the Committee. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*
- July 6. 468. To the Treasurers at Weavers' Hall, to pay Nicholas Loftus 7,230*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* for transportation of Colonel Ponsonby's regiment of horse to Ireland. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*
- 468 i. Order in Parliament authorizing the above. 5th July. [1 p.]*
- July 9. 469–470. To Nicholas Loftus, to transmit 1,000*l.* of the 8,000*l.* he has received from Michael Herring with all speed to Munster to be issued by warrant from Lord Inchiquin, and the other 7,000*l.* to Bristol to be ready for transport to Munster with the Commissioners of Parliament, there to be issued according to their warrant. [*Each*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- July 12. 471. To the Treasurers at War, to pay Major Charles Duckett three months' pay, if due. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Overleaf.—Receipt by Duckett for 56*l.* 14*s.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]*

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- July 16. 472. To the same, to give Sergeants Thomas Fulford and John Dye, in Colonel Ingoldsby's regiment, 14 days' pay. Receipted. [=1 p.]
- July 16. 473. To the same, to give the ten troopers whose names are endorsed 14 days' pay. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]  
*Overleaf.—List of and receipts by the ten troopers. [1 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]*
- July 16. 474. To the same, to pay Captains Muscot and Highfield 14 days' pay for their men as mustered by Edmund Cludd. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]  
*Overleaf.—Receipt by the two officers for 34l. 11s. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] Annexed,*  
 474. i. Certificate by Cludd of the men in these two companies mustered by him, formerly serving in the General's own regiment. [2 pp.]
- July 17. 475. To the same, for a fortnight's pay to George Long and Charles Leighton, in Major Sedascue's troop, Robert Strafford, in Colonel Butler's troop and William Ludford, in Captain Cecil's troop. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]  
*Overleaf.—Receipts by the four troopers, but the two first cancelled. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]*
- July 20. 476. To the Weavers' Hall treasurers, to pay Nicholas Loftus 27,362l., according to the Ordinance of Parliament of 19th July, for the service of Ireland. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,—*  
 476 i. Copy of the above-mentioned Ordinance. [1 p.]
- July 20. 477-479. To Nicholas Loftus, to transport to the waterside 7,000l. to be sent to Ulster and there issued by warrant of the Commissioners; also 8,000l. to be sent to Sir Charles Coote, and issued according to his warrants; and to send to Chester 9,850l., thence to be transported to Dublin for the service of Leinster, as directed by the warrants of the Commissioners there. [*Each*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- July 20. 480. To the same, to pay Colonel Ponsonby 425l. for pistols, &c., to furnish his troop. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*  
 480. i. Receipt for 400l. by Colonel John Ponsonby, and for 25l. by William Hamilton, on Colonel Ponsonby's behalf. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- July 20. 481. To the same, to transmit to Dublin one month's pay to Colonel Ponsonby for his regiment. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*  
 481. i. Receipt by Col. Michael Jones, Governor of Dublin and Chief Commander of the forces in Leinster, for 1,500l., brought over for Col. Ponsonby. 30th Sept. 1647. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- July 22. 482. To Lieutenant-Colonel Jackson, to certify to the Treasurers-at-War such sums as he has paid to any officers come from the army, out of the 100l. received by him for the same. [*Copy.*  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- July 22. 483. To the Treasurers at War, to pay Captains Muscot and Highfield 176l. 2s. 7d., as expressed in the list signed by Mr. Frost, Secretary to this Committee, deducting any moneys paid by Lieut.-Col. Jackson or the Treasurers themselves. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Overleaf.—Receipts by the two captains. [1 p.] Annexed,*  
 483 i and ii. Estimates of the arrears of the non-commissioned officers and private soldiers in Captain Muscot's and Captain Highfield's companies. Schedules with names and amounts, signed by Gualter Frost. [2 pp.]
- July 22. 484. To the same, to pay 413l. 1s. to the non-commissioned officers and privates in the annexed list. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]  
 484 i. Receipts by the same. [5 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]  
 484 ii. The list alluded to; schedule with names and amounts due. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]  
*(In both this and the preceding only a moiety of what is due is paid, but it is stated to be the final payment on discharge.)*



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Aug. 27. 485. To Nicholas Loftus, to pay 700*l.* of the 8,000*l.* ordered for Sir Charles Coote in Ireland to Sir Robert King, to be used in London by Sir Charles' direction. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,  
485. i. *Receipt by Sir Charles Coote.* [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

Aug. 27. 486. To the same, to pay 500*l.* to Charles Walley, being the remainder of the 2,000*l.* drawn upon Loftus by him for the Parliament Commissioners at Dublin. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed*,  
486. i. *Receipt by Walley for 388*l.* 6*s.* by the hands of Henry Aldrich. 9th September 1647.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Nov. 16. 487. To Sir Adam Loftus, Treasurer-at-war for Ireland, to send 4,500*l.* to Dublin, to Colonel Michael Jones, to be by him employed for the forces under his command. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Dec. 4.  
Westminster.

488. William Edwards to William Prynne. I proposed to wait on you and the rest of the gentlemen (of the Committee of Accounts) this day, but not knowing whether I shall be kept in as yesterday, I desire your favour to my worthy friend Col. [Wm. ?] Massey (who has no other business in town but to attend you), that you will give him as speedy dispatch as you can. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

Dec. 20.  
Stradishall.

489. Edward Steward to his father, Thomas Fabian, Court of Wards, Inner Temple, London. I would not have you think that I bear any ill-will to my brothers Peter and John, whom I love as if they were my own. I do not think my uncle Bowyer has managed your farm well, and believe I can order it better. I do not want it at an under rate, neither would I pay too high for it. I send my accounts, and will send the money for your corn before Candlemas. [1 p.] *Attached are*,

489. i. *Edward Steward to his brother. I thank you for the books you sent my boys, and my wife and daughter thank my mother and you for the tokens you sent them. 18th May 1655.* [1 p.]

489. ii. *Edward Steward to his brother, Peter Fabian. Pray send the dictionary I gave my brother Thomas Fabian, for Ned has great need of it. I hope we shall see you at Christmas. Also send me Baker's Almanac, bound. 18th October 1656.* [1 p.]

[Dec.]

490. Accounts of receipts and payments from May to December 1647, for Ferdinando Lord Fairfax and Rhoda his wife, and Sir Richard Lucy and Jane his wife, administrators of Katharine Hick's estate, to be divided for their use and that of the rest of her kindred, according to an order of Sir Nathaniel Brent in the Prerogative Court. Allowed and signed by Lord Fairfax and Lucy. [2 columns.] *Annexing*,

490. i. *Inventory of Mrs. Hick's goods, being household furniture, linen, clothes, &c.* [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  columns.]

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491. Sir Edward Aiscough, Henry Pelham, Thomas Hatcher, Thomas Lister, and Edward Rossiter (Lincolnshire M.P.s.), to [Major William] Bury [Treasurer for co. Lincoln]. The House of Commons has ordered 150*l.* per annum for Mr. Rayner, preacher, out of the revenue of the Dean and Chapter of Lincoln, which we hear is paid

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into your treasury ; but as it is not kept distinct from the revenues from delinquents' lands you cannot tell to what it amounts, and therefore Mr. Rayner is left unpaid. This would be very displeasing to the House should they hear of it, and we therefore desire you to pay Mr. Rayner from the revenues of sequestrations which come into your treasury. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

492. Notes for proofs of Articles against Sir John Clotworthy and John Davies, concerning the stores furnished by them for Ireland. Reference is made to a general waste book for the years 1646 and 1647, so the date cannot be earlier than the end of this latter year. [6 folio pages.]

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493. Account by Colonel John Bridges of moneys received by him for the payment of himself and the garrison in Warwick Castle under his command, from 21st of August 1646 to the 15th of January 1647-8. Receipts, 732*l.* 12*s.* 3½*d.*, disbursements and moneys due, 4,481*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*; leaving 3,748*l.* 18*s.* 10½*d.* still due. [2 pp.] *Annexed,*

493. I.-V. *Receipts by Colonel Bridges for various sums received from William Lesson, Constable of Priors Marston, as contributions from that town to the garrison at Warwick, from 22nd July 1645 to 14th October 1646.*

493. VI. *Fly-leaf endorsed "Vouchers concerning Priors Marston to charge Col. Bridges," and "Lieut. Colburne, his account."*

493. VII. *Notes concerning Colonel Bridges' accounts. He is to produce Lord Brooke's warrant, and to show how the money was bestowed on Kenilworth Castle, what plate he received, also what sheep and oxen, and to whom they were sold. Tom Radford and Captain Dennis are to be examined about the prizes brought to the Castle, and [Wm.] Goodman is to say what goods were taken from Compton House or from himself. [2¼ pp., folded like a book.]*

Jan. 24.

494. Order by the Committee for Ireland to the Treasurers of the Weekly Assessments to pay 50*l.* to Thomas Scott, for his son Captain Thomas Scott, in consideration of the said Captain's extraordinary charges in keeping together at land, victualling at sea, and transporting to Munster a troop of horse for the service of Parliament, the said sum to be defalked out of his pay. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

*Overleaf.—Assignment of the above sum by Thos. Scott to John Chesten, Thos. Rodbeard, and D. Gauden, with their receipt for the same. [1 p.]*

Feb. 3.

495. Articles of Agreement between Richard Hubbard of Redrith, co. Surrey, Master of the "John and William" of Northumberland, and Thomas Futter, messenger of the Army Committee,

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for the payment of 60*l.* to the said Hubbard for the carriage of ammunition to Newcastle. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  sheet.]

Feb. 5. 496. Deposition by William Adams that he has power to dispose of a certain messuage according to the terms of his lease thereof. Attested by John Bradshaw. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Imperfect.*]

Feb. 8. 497. George Joyce to the Committee of Accounts at Worcester  
Southsea Castle, House. I formerly made bold to recommend this bearer,  
near Mr. Warner, to you, having experience of your love to me and  
Portsmouth. honest men. I am confident he will faithfully serve you and the  
State. [1 p.]

Feb. 11. 498. List of guns and munitions of war shipped in the "John and William," signed by Daniel Judd. [1 p.]  
*Overleaf.—Receipt by Edward Wace, Commissary for the town of Newcastle, for the same.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

March 1. 499. List of munitions of war, "shipped by the grace of God in  
London. good order," by Daniel Judd of London, in the "Deborah" of London, William Rouse, master, for the use of the garrison of Newcastle, to be consigned to the Commander-in-Chief there. "And so God send the ship to her desired port." [1 p.]

March 3. 500. Warrant by the Committee for Affairs of Ireland to Sir  
Derby House. Adam Loftus, to repay Gabriel Beck 50*l.*, advanced by him to forward the execution of the Ordinance for raising 50,000*l.* upon the sale of houses in certain towns in Ireland. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March 9 501, 502. Two Orders by the Committee appointed on the Order  
and 11. of 13th January 1647–8, for raising 5,000*l.* for Ireland, to Sir Adam Loftus, to pay certain sums to their county agents, viz., to John Woodhouse, co. Somerset, Richard Roe, cos. Dorset and Devon, James Partridge and John Tooth, cos. Warwick, Worcester, Hereford and Salop, and Ralph Hardwick, London, Westminster, and Middlesex, and to Henry Cannon, Essex and Herts. Signed by Sir William Parsons and five others. With receipts. [= 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

March 21. 503. Contract [by Alderman Andrewes, Maurice Thomson, &c.], for delivery of corn, ammunition, and other provisions "necessary" to make the soldiers in the Kingdom of Ireland take the field "with cheerfulness this summer," made according to the desire of the Committee for Affairs of Ireland at Derby House, and in answer to propositions by the Commissioners for Irish Affairs sitting in the Star Chamber. *Unsigned.* [1 large sheet.]

*Underwritten.*—Order in Parliament agreeing to above contract, March 27, 1648. See Commons' Journals, Vol. V., p. 515.

March 31. 504. Schedule of the "distribution of the contract made with" the Parliament for the supply of the British armies in Ireland, "31st March 1648," giving the corn, clothes, munitions of war, &c., to be landed at Dublin, Cork, Dundalk, Derry, and Sligo. [1 p.]

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- April 3. Derby House. 505. Order in the Committee for the Affairs of Ireland to Sir Adam Loftus, to send 5,000*l.* to Bristol, to be transported to Munster with Colonel William Jephson, Major Richard Salway, and John Swinfen, Commissioners of Parliament to that province. Signed by the Earl of Warwick, Oliver Cromwell, and four others. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- April 5. London. 506. Engagement by Col. Thomas Rokeby, Colonel of an English regiment in the service of King Louis XIV., of France, to appoint Col. Nicholas Kempson his Lieutenant-Colonel, the appointment to date from the time that he landed with his four companies at Calais, about the 13th of March last, with permission for him to withdraw his troops at will after the end of the summer, and assignment to him of the reversion of the office of Colonel, in case of Col. Rokeby's retirement or death. *Signed and sealed.* [1 p.]
- April 7. 507. Order in the Committee for Irish Affairs, appointing William Dobbins as Commissary to view the corn, clothes, &c., to be sent by the contractors to Ireland. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Copy signed by Gualter Frost.*]
- April 14. 508. Certificate by Capt. John Blackwell that the pay of Oliver Cromwell, Lieutenant-General of the Army under his Excellency the Lord Fairfax, for 28 days, according to the establishment beginning the 3rd of November last, amounts to 84*l.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*  
508. i. *Receipt signed by Oliver Cromwell for the above sum.* [p.]
- April 18. 509. Letter signed by the Earl of Northumberland, the Earl of Manchester, William Lenthall, Oliver St. John, and Sir H. Vane, sen. and jun., to the Committee of Accounts, praying them to perfect and certify to the House of Commons the accounts of Sir William Balfour. *Endorsed with this date.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- April 21. 510. Order in Parliament that the sums due to Sir Thomas Dacres of Cheshunt, co. Herts, and to Henry Pitts, from Arthur, Lord Capel, of Hadham Hall in the same county, a delinquent, are to be paid out of the sequestration upon and the sale of Lord Capel's estate, as Dacres and Pitts cannot recover their moneys at common law, in regard of the sequestration of the said estate. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *Attested copy. Printed in Lords' Journals, Vol. X., p. 217.*] *Annexed,*  
510. i. *Declaration that the Trustees of Lord Capel's estate desire Sir Adam Loftus to pay the above-mentioned moneys out of the first rents or moneys of Lord Capel's which come to his hands. Signed by Sir William Parsons, Sir Robert Meredith, Sir Robert King, William Basil, William Hawkins, and Thos. Vincent.* [Copy,  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- May 1. Calais. 511. Colonel Thomas Rokeby to Colonel [Nicholas] Kempson, Drury Lane, At Dover I met Captain Caine, one of your captains,

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and find that he has been tampering with the Scots, to go into the Scots regiment, but if he trouble himself further I will take course that he has no company. Let me know your mind for I am resolved to stick by you. I wonder any Englishman should forsake English officers and go amongst Scots. Direct your letters to Mr. le Force, Master of the "Mermaid" at Calais, to be sent on to me. [1 p.]

May 9. 512. Complaint of William Terry in an Exchequer suit. [*Remarkable for its minute writing, being 20 lines on a slip of parchment  $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$  inches.*]

May 19. 513. Warrant by the Committee for Ireland to Sir Adam Loftus to send 1,650*l.* to Sir Charles Coote, President of Connaught, to complete the 2,500*l.* appointed for the forces under his command. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

June 8. 514. Order in the Committee for Ireland to the Treasurers of the weekly assessment for that country, to pay 122*l.* 8*s.* to Tobias Norris for his services as Commissary of the provisions for the army in Ulster and Connaught. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

June 10. 515. Resolution in the House of Commons that 200*l.* be bestowed upon Captain Edward Taylor, as a mark of his valiant and faithful service in the taking of Sir John Owen (Governor of Conway), to be paid out of the first rents of the said Sir John Owen. Also that 1,000*l.* be raised out of Owen's estate, to discharge the debts of William Lloyd, late high sheriff of co. Carnarvon. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Dated Saturday, 11th June, but the 11th was Sunday. Printed in Commons' Journals, Vol. V., p. 592.*]

June 13. 516. Acknowledgment by Ant. Masham of Westminster that he is indebted to William Powell, victualler, of the same place, in the sum of 3*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.*, for meat and drink. Signed and sealed. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Damaged.*]

June 15. 517. Order in the Committee for Ireland to the Treasurers of the weekly assessment, to pay Lady Borlase, widow of Sir John Borlase, 200*l.*, as part of the pay due to her husband for service in the war of Ireland. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Annexed,*

517. i. *Memorandum that the assignments of Lady Borlase and of Captain Jasper Hartwell were presented to Mr. Madden at Grocers' Hall on 21st December 1648.*

June 15. 518. Colonel Thomas Rokeby to Colonel Nicholas Kempson, at Paris. the French Ambassador's. Yours of the 18th of May was very welcome to me, as being the first since my being at Paris. I hope soon to send you your pay, though the commissary will make some difficulty about it. You are an old soldier and understand those people. If you could send over some recruits it would be well, for many of our soldiers have run away or been lost on the march,

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My regiment is at present in garrison at La Bassey, where I am confident we shall be besieged. Going to join them "I was soundly banged twice," but I go again to-day. I am stronger than I was. I was shot between my hat and my hair, my face being only singed by the powder; I thrust my pistol into him that did it and so sent his soul to purgatory. [1 p.]

[July 27.] 519. Appointment by Parliament of Philip, Earl of Pembroke, to the office of Constable of Windsor Castle and Keeper of the Great Park, in place of the Earl of Holland, removed. With order to Oliver St. John, Solicitor General, to prepare a patent in the usual form. [*Draft.* 1½ pp. See *Commons' Journals*, Vol. V., p. 648.]

July 29. 520. Warrant from Colonel Michael Jones to Sir Adam Loftus, Dublin. to imprest to the officers in the lists given below the sums annexed to their names, amounting to 191*l.* 1*s.*

*Underwritten.*—*The lists referred to. Received by Lieut.-Cols. J. Blaggrave, and Henry Slade, Major John Farrer, Lieut.-Col. Sir John Sherlocke, Sergeant-Major Richard Lambart; Lieut.-Col. Philip Ferneley, Lieut.-Col. Arthur Culme, Captain John Parsons, Thomas Bringham, Mayor of the town, and Philip Peake, Marshal of the city.* [2¾ pp.]

[July.] Letter explaining the manifesto drawn up by the Earl of Lanark and issued by the Scots army on entering England, July 1648. [*Printed by mistake in the Calendar of 1650, p. 71. See S. P., Interregnum, Vol. IX., No. 20.*]

Aug. 19. 521. Receipt by James Cooke for 15*l.* from Sir Adam Loftus, being part of his allowance as a minister, paid in advance. [¼ p.]

Sept. 13. 522. Committee for Ireland to Alderman Andrewes, Maurice Derby House. Thomson, Stephen Estwick, and the other contractors for Ireland. We hear that the hats ordered for the Army in Ulster were not sent with the other things. Pray send them away at once, and also complete the suits ordered and forward them to Chester for speedy transportation. [½ p.]

Sept. 19. 523. Dr. Theodore Mayerne to Lord Conway. Charleton has Chelsea. been to see me and tells me that the mischief in your ear is internal, and so he will not undertake it, in which I think he is right, but we will discuss the matter when we meet. I shall be very glad to have the receipt for the balm from Lord Chesterfield, and will compare it with that which the young lady whom I met last night is to send me. I thank you for the list of mechanics. If they are printed tell me the author, but if in some manuscript, send it me, and I will have it copied. I will keep the list until I see you and mark what I should care for most. I send you a bottle of my mercurial water. It is not to be taken, but is for bathing the parts which are irritated. Dilute it with rose or plaintain water. As to the Treaty in the Isle [of Wight], it is

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only in embryo. You will greatly oblige me by keeping me informed of what you hear of it. If we beat too much about the bush a third party will catry off the prize. I am grieved about Mr. Pierrepont's indisposition, for he is capable of good things. The late King Henry [IV., of France], my master, used to define the gout, which often tormented him, by saying that sometimes he had the gout and sometimes the gout had him. This is not the time to be ill. May God cure him and preserve you and have pity on us all, else we are in a sorry plight. I should come to see you, but I am crippled and my wife is dangerously ill. *French.* [2½ pp. *Amongst the Conway Papers.*]

523. 1. *Modern copy of the same.*

Oct. 5. 524. Order in the Committee of Lords and Commons for Ireland, that 3,637l. 8s. be charged on the weekly assessments for Ireland, and paid to Sir John Clotworthy for satisfaction of his personal pay, due for his commands and services in Ireland, up to 2nd December 1644, he willingly relinquishing all pay since then. As the engagements on these assessments are so great as not to admit of any speedy payment of this sum, the contractors, Davies, Chesten, &c., who are most concerned, have consented that Sir John be paid out of the first moneys coming in from certain counties. [½ p.]

Oct. 11. 525. Warrant of the Committee for Affairs of Ireland to the Derby House. Treasurers at Weavers' Hall, to pay 100l. to Lieut.-Col. Arthur Culme, out of moneys to be received from the Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall. [*Copy*, ½ p.]

Oct. 28. 526. ——— to his son Henry. I was taken prisoner from my house to Derby, three days after they came to keep garrison at Burton, and it was ten or twelve weeks before I could learn why they kept me. They brought my oxen to Derby to sell, though I had done nothing against them since these wars began. Then they demanded of me to lend them 100l. I told them my small estate was in cattle, but if they would give me liberty and time to sell my stock, I would lend as much as I could spare. This was refused, so I concluded to keep my oxen and lend 60l., which I paid to Major Molinus, by Sir John Gell's appointment, and was released. But the following Tuesday they came to Burton, took my oxen, plundered my house, and have since taken horses, &c., from me, value 1,000l. Be well advised what you do herein, for if they find I stir against them, they produce false witness against me, and so do me further mischief. *Endorsed*, "Copy of my father's letter in answer to mine. Received 30th October 1648." [1 p.]

Nov. 2. 527. Petition of Judith, relict of Luke Brady, to Sir William Parsons, Bart., Sir Gerard Lowther, knight, and the rest of the Commissioners sitting at the Star Chamber. Petitioner's husband, being employed about March last in the State's service to several counties, returned home sick, and died, leaving her with many children and much indebted. He had only received 6l. towards

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his expenses, and had spent 4*l.* more, and as her creditors daily threaten to sue her she prays consideration and relief.

*Underwritten.*—Order by the Commissioners to Sir Adam Loftus to pay petitioner 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* [1 *p.*]

Nov. 6. 528. Assignment by Alice, Lady Borlase, of the 200*l.* ordered her out of the weekly assessments (*see* No. 517 *above*) to Robert Erle of London. Signed and witnessed. [1½ *pp.*]

Dec. 4. 529. Richard Lowes to Auditor Phelips. On Friday there were  
Teddington. quartered upon you here seven troopers, and on Saturday and Sunday six foot soldiers. I did my best to quarter them abroad, but could not do it under 20*d.* a night for each, so thought it best to take them myself. The charges came to 16*s.*, besides 3*s.* 6*d.* for a bushel and a half of oats for the troopers. Pray send someone to look to the house, my wife being very ill. [¾ *p.* *Damaged.*]

Dec. 14. 530. The Commissioners for Ireland to Sir Adam Loftus. We  
Star Chamber, have been constrained for the more speedy despatch of our business  
Westminster. to have several Orders of the House printed, for which and other things 12*l.* is due to John Wright, printer. We desire you to advance it out of the 50,000*l.* ordered for Ireland, until a warrant may be procured from the Committee at Derby House for its payment. [¾ *p.*] *Annexed,*

530. 1. *Receipt by Wright for the money, dated 3rd January 1648–49.*

Dec. 30. 531. Assignment by Sir John Clotworthy to Edward Barker of London, of 1,113*l.* 10*s.* 11*d.*, being the balance of the 3,637*l.* 8*s.* ordered by the Committee of Lords and Commons for affairs of Ireland. *Signed and sealed.* [1 *p.*]

532. Lists of Lord Chancellors and Lord Keepers, Lord Treasurers, Lord Admirals, Chief Officers of the Household, Clerks of Council, and Admiralty Judges, 1540—1648. [2 *pp.*]

[1648 ?] 533. Petition of the Provost and Scholars of King's College, Cambridge, to the Revenue Committee. Long before the dissolution of abbeys, there were pensions payable from abbeys and monasteries to King's College, which upon their dissolution were forborne, but the Chancellor and Court of Augmentation at that time decreed that they should be paid by the King, to whom possession had devolved. They were so paid until some few years past, when they were discontinued. A petition was exhibited to the late Lord Treasurer by Samuel Collins, the late provost, and his Majesty's auditors certified that there was no reason for the discontinuance save that of 16*l.* per annum out of the manor of Atherston, co. Warwick, purchased from the Crown by Thomas, Earl of Dorset, whereupon the matter was referred to the Attorney and Solicitor General; but these distractions happening, nothing was done



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therein. Petitioners pray the Committee to take the matter into consideration and afford them relief. [*Draft, partly crossed out. 1½ pp.*]

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Jan. 3.

534. Colonel Thomas Rokeby to Colonel Kempson, London. Not having heard from you for five months, I believed you to be dead or out of England, for Capt. Corbet sent me word that you had killed a man. I moved Monsieur le Tellier for raising soldiers, but there is no money to be had. We have only had one month's pay since I left you. This I will bring or send you, but it is more than I can do in future, as our commissary is very strict. Prince Robert's regiment is put into mine, and so is Colonel Lunsford's. Colonel Thorpe's regiment is re-formed, whereat he is ill content. [1 p.]

Jan. 18.  
Londonderry.

535. Sir Charles Coote to Sir Adam Loftus. I formerly told you that Mr. Tucker had mis-spent some of the moneys entrusted to his care. With much ado, I have got all from him but about 140*l.*, and how that will be obtained I cannot say. I think fit to acquaint you that the bearer of this, Mr. King, has given good testimony of his affection to Parliament, and has faithfully acquitted himself in the management of the moneys for the army here committed to his care. If you have not otherwise disposed of it, I think he may supply your deputy's place to your satisfaction. I have sent him to inform Parliament of the present condition of their affairs here, which is very sad. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

535. I, II. *Affidavits, sworn on 30th September 1652, by Sam Tooker and John Malcott, concerning the taking of the said Tooker by the Scots in Claneboys, and the loss of his papers. [= 1 p.]*

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## SUPPLEMENTARY ADDENDA.

## TRACTS AND VERSES. MORTON PAPERS.

1625.

1. Petition of John Browne, the King's gunfounder, to the Council of War. Having made ready 300 pieces of ordnance, according to order, petitioner sent to the Ordnance officers to bring them into the stores, but they would take only what they had present occasion for, leaving the rest, which are too big for the merchant service, upon his hands. Begs order for taking the ordnance into store, or at least for payment of the moneys due. [*½ p. See Calendar for 1625-26, p. 173.*]

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1625.  
May 16. 2. Certificate endorsed with this date, but which must have been written the year before, being addressed by Peter Daniell, the Prince's feodary in co. Chester, to the Earl of Middlesex, Lord Treasurer [deprived, May 1624], and Master of the Court of Wards. A survey has been made of the lands of Sir Richard Buckley in co. Chester, and the clear yearly value of one-third is 122*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
- [August?] 3. [Duke of Buckingham to the Queen of France?]. I knew well that since you ordered my destinies I should overcome my enemies, who are now dispersed. Nothing is wanting after this storm but the continuance of your kindness to enable me to reach my supreme felicity. I send you this little ass and beg you to load him with commissions. It is not his merit which enables him to enjoy sooner than I do the presence of Rosa Bella, and I should not envy him, except as you did the letter of yours which fell into my hands, if it were not that, unlike the paper, he has the gift of sight. I trust it will only serve to make him on his return a mirror wherein I may behold the present state of her who is the preservation of my life, whose last sparks have often been almost extinguished by this long separation. I can now assure myself of [life's] continuation and of the felicity which should crown it, for I have only to arrange an object for my journey, and to know by the bearer if I may still hope to reach my supreme desire. I adjure you, give me some assurance that will soften the wounds which my long deprivation has caused. *French.* [*Copy.* 1 p. *Amongst the Conway Papers. Probably written soon after the dissolution of Parliament, 12th August 1625.*]
4. Modern copy of the same. [1 p.]
5. Modern notes concerning the same. [1 p.]
- [1625?] 6. [Pierre] Civet [Equerry to Queen Henrietta Maria] to the Duke of Buckingham. While you are occupied in gaining places, I enjoy an idleness like that of the dead, troubled only by fears about your health. I would not be importunate, but you should know that your "pauvre drôle" has lately had a little fit of ill-humour on the part of his good mistress. I think Monsieur [the King?] was the cause of it, but Madame will put that to rights. She treats me perfectly well in private, as does the Earl of Holland, but in public he is my real friend. He expects to leave here soon to go and see you. I wish I could do the same. *French.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p. *Modern copy, amongst the Conway Papers.*]
1626.  
Jan. 15. 7. Letter from the Privy Council to the Earl of Worcester, Lord Privy Seal, discharging Thomas Gowyn, co. Somerset, of his Privy Seal for payment to the loan. Signed by Lord Treasurer Ley, the Earl of Manchester, and 8 others. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Jan. 16. 8. The like for discharge of William Hickes, co. Somerset. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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Jan. 25.  
Wytham.

9. Robert Hopton to Sir John Horner. Sir Edward Rodney and myself, relying upon the reports of the Justices of the Peace of the divisions [of co. Somerset] far from us, were misinformed of the estate of the bearer of this, Richard Kelwaye, of Barton; and finding it to be but 30*l.* a year, we pray you to return his Privy Seal to the Lord Treasurer, and to substitute William Crane of Compton Dendon, a rich man, and well able to lend 20*l.*

*Underwritten.*—Note by Robert Long that “my Lord” [Treasurer] thinks it fitting to discharge Kelwaye, and to send a Privy Seal to the other instead. June 1626. [1 p.]

[Feb. ?]

10. News letter from Flanders, containing interesting details respecting the Pope, Emperor and King of Spain, the state of Bohemia, the designs of Spain upon Flanders, &c. Amongst other persons are mentioned the Marquis (Spinola), the Archduchess (Infanta Isabella), the Duc de Guise, Duc de Rohan, Duke of Bavaria, Count Mansfeld, Count Henry de Berg and the Earl of Argyle. [4 pp., closely written, found amongst the Conway Papers. Not dated, but the internal evidence points to this time.]

March 3.  
Whitehall.

11. Letter from the Privy Council to the Lord Privy Seal, discharging Arthur Broomefield, co. Hants, and William Thory, co. Lincoln, of their Privy Seals for the loan, and requesting that three new ones may be directed to Anthony Palmer, Christopher Palmer, and John Pereson, of Burrowe in the Marsh, co. Lincoln, for 10*l.* apiece. Signed by Lord Treasurer Marlborough, the Earl of Manchester, and 8 others. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

March 7.  
Whitehall.

12. The like letter, discharging William Brayly, co. Devon, and substituting Thomas Dennis of Ilford Combe [Ilfracombe] and John Peard of Georgeham, co. Devon. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[March ?]

13. Sir John Peyton, Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey, to the Council. I told his Majesty's Secretaries of the Bailiff's death, and from many years' experience of the sufficiency of Sir Philip Carteret, especially during the time of his exercising the office of Lieutenant-Governor, I propounded him to be Judge-delegate, and he was well received by the Estates of the isle. It was hoped that the King's pleasure about choice of a Bailiff would have been sent over before term opens, and it is earnestly desired here that the office may be given to Sir Philip. Signed also by seven jurats. [Copy. 1 p. Compare p. 109 above, Vol. DXXXIII., No. 67.]

April 14.  
Pickwell.

14. John Cane to his cousin, William Jeter, of Skeffington. I am credibly informed that you oppress the town of Skeffington by erecting new houses there, subdividing our poor dog-kennel contrary to the statutes of the realm, and admitting inhabitants of very ill name, noted for breaking hedges and stealing wood. This you do not of ignorance, but for your own vain glory, seeking to have many tenants. If the complaint should come before the assizes or quarter sessions it would be neither for your profit nor

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credit. I pray you do that freely which otherwise you may be enforced to, and give the town satisfaction that neither your tenants nor their children shall be a burden hereafter. [1 p.]

April 15.  
Whitehall.

15. Letter from the Council to the Lord Privy Seal, discharging Sir William Masters and Charles Townshend, of co. Gloucester, John Griffith of co. Carnarvon, and David Speede, co. Denbigh, of their Privy Seals for the loan. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

April 16.  
Whitehall.

16. The like, discharging divers of His Majesty's tenants in the lordships of Bromfield and Yale, co. Denbigh, stated to be named in a schedule annexed [*missing*]. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

April 22.  
Whitehall.

17. Warrant of Lord Treasurer Marlborough to the Remembrancer of the Exchequer, to send him a particular of the lands in Clavering and Langley, co. Essex, lately belonging to Henry Huddleston, deceased, of Sawston, co. Cambridge, and now seized into the King's hands in aid of Moses Trion, Esq., debtor to his Majesty, as also of the other lands mentioned in the inquisition. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p.]

[June 8.]

18. Copy of speech [by the Duke of Buckingham to the Peers on his impeachment], beginning, "In a cause of pressure considered by itself," and ending, "I am at peace with all men, and in this charity I come to my trial." [2 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *Amongst the Conway Papers. Printed with some variations in Rushworth, Pt. 1, p. 375.*]

July 18.

19. Notes of letters written in London, apparently by a Dutch merchant, on July 11th, 15th and 18th, 1626, to Sir John and Sir Giles Van de Lusse or de Lussele, Sir Peter Vandentrelle, and the writer's brother, in Dutch, and to Sir John le Candele and Theodore Locart, in French. [1 $\frac{1}{4}$  pp.] *Annexed,*

19. i. *Notes of payments.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Oct. 29.  
Leyden.

20. Dr. Dorislaus to Sir Francis Nethersole, at the Hague. My only hope as to my petition is in the liberality and bounty of the Prince, and in your prudence and care. I hope for your indulgence, for you are not ignorant that I am reduced to this necessity by the iniquity of the age, when for the profit of our great ones, all access to honours and dignities is blocked up by favouritism, so that none can advance but by secret flatteries and bribery. Having accepted so many benefits from you, I am ashamed to apply afresh, but am emboldened by your kind goodwill towards me. *Latin.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p., *damaged.*]

Dec. 22.  
Fulwood's Rents,  
London.

21. Lionel Tichborne to Henry Sherfield, Recorder of New Sarum. The persons against whom the subpoenas are served are John Ivie, Mayor of Salisbury, Henry Sherfield, recorder, Mathew Bee, Bartholomew Tuggie, Thomas Rye, Henry Pierson, Thomas Squibb, and James Abbott, aldermen, and Thomas Hill, George Beeche, and George Farwell, gentlemen. I find as yet no person employed but Mr. Attorney's messenger, and if he serve them,

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there are no fees to be paid, as he is allowed by the King for all such employments. If half the persons served appear, you shall have a *dedimus potestatem* for examination of the rest. The subpoenas will be sealed this afternoon. *Seal with arms.* [1 p.]

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22. Note that the late King James, by patent dated 15th August 1616, granted to John Gray and Samuel Jones of London two messuages with land, and the chapel of St. Mary, at Wolvey, co. Warwick, to be held by fealty in free and common socage of the Queen's manor of East Greenwich, reserving 10s. rent per annum. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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March 28.

23. Petition of Thomas Pierpoint, executor of Robert Warcoppe, gunner at Carlisle, to Lord Treasurer Marlborough, praying for payment of arrears due to the said Robert Warcoppe at the time of his death; with order accordingly, signed by Marlborough. [1 p.] *Annexed,*

23. i. *Earl of Marlborough to John Braddell, Receiver General of Cumberland. I hear that by warrant from the Revenue Commissioners for stay of pensions, you refuse the allowances due to the Governor, gunners, and soldiers of Carlisle, which was not intended. You are therefore to pay their entertainment as it becomes due. Dec. 11, 1626.* [1 p.]

April.

24. (1-7).—Letters of John Wiseman, Elsenham, mostly to his friend Arthur Pyne, of Cathanger, co. Somerset (*see* Vol. LXVI., No. 78), whom he addresses as his brother. The earliest is dated 14th July 1626 and the last April 1627.

1. John Wiseman to Arthur Pyne. As regards your love to my cousin Grace [Barlee], I think she favours you, and that by good husbandry you may reap a plentiful crop of barley. On the Wednesday after you left there dined here my lord of Warwick, Sir Nathaniel Rich, and Sir Francis Barrington, who brought with them my Lord Saye and Seale and his son, Mr. Fiennes, who is your rival. Sir Nathaniel Rich has engaged himself about that match, but I am sure the young gentleman was least of all pleasing to my little cousin. My uncle is very reserved, and shows not his determination either way. 14th July 1626. [1 p.]

2. The same to the same. I had just finished my letter to you when I received yours. It is true the guests I mentioned have the full consent of all my cousin's friends, yet I think they fail of the approval of her nearest friend, her heart, and my affection to you will hatch such difficulties as shall throw, instead of golden balls, such leaden ones in your opponent's way as he shall not fail but stumble at. I like well the time of your coming. I wish your brother-[in-law] Wyndham could accompany you. Same date. [1 p.]

3. The same to the same. I have delivered your letter. The answer she defers to your coming, as unworthy any ear but yours. We have not heard from the lords again. Sir Francis Barrington

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tells me that Lord Warwick is contented to desist for a while, as my uncle shows himself unwilling to dispose of her. 4th August 1626. [1 p.]

4. The same to the same. I know not whether I shall appear a messenger of greater love or fear. The love shows itself in the constancy of your mistress; the ground of fear proceeds from the opposition which she and her mother foresee, Sir William Fleetwood having renewed his old and bed-ridden hopes. An agent of his has been in the town enquiring about your proceedings, and it is known that your man has been here bringing letters. 16th September 1626. [1 p.]

5. The same to Mr. Abdy, barber, Lincoln's Inn Gates. I enclosed a letter to you for Mr. Pyne, which I thought would ere this have been answered by his presence. Pray tell me whether he is yet come to town. 24th September 1626. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

6. The same to Hugh Pyne. We are this night returned from my Lord of Warwick's. Your son will tell you of his noble carriage in his invitation of us, as also of the difficulty of drawing my uncle with his daughter to his house. My lord has shown himself a loving kinsman to my cousin, and a noble friend to you and your son. All his persuasions to my uncle were repelled, yet with more gentleness than usual. My Lord's own words to me were that he perceived the young parties' affections so firmly settled upon each other, and only debarred from contentment by an unreasonable man, that he professed himself bound in humanity to labour for a successful issue. He has appointed some day next week to see you in London. 8th January 1626-7. [1 p.]

7. The same to Arthur Pyne. Only since coming down have I been sensible of Lent, not because deprived of good victuals, but of good company. I spend my time in singing penitential psalms, only I have this solace that I found your second self in perfect health, very merry and very lively, as she herself will certify you. If Clem. Harby go his intended journey, let him carry my respects along with him. My Lord of Warwick's coming down is much desired by us all. Sunday [April] 1627. [1 p.]

*Endorsed with memorandum that these letters were shown to Henry Wiseman, defendant to an information of Sir Walter Pye, attorney of the Court of Wards, on behalf of Thomas Barlee and Grace, his only daughter and heir, and Arthur Pyne, Esq., husband of the said Grace, at the time of his examination taken 16th M— 1628.*

[April ?] 25. Warrant from the King to "the Mayor of Hull for the time being, Sir William Alford, &c.," appointing them Commissioners, with power of martial law over the soldiers about to meet at Hull to be transported beyond seas [to Denmark], his Majesty being more desirous to keep his people from doing mischief than to have cause to punish them for the same. With writ of assistance. [Copy. 1½ pp. See Calendar for 1627-28, p. 146.]

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June 2. 26. Act [in the Court of Guernsey] for inventarising the moveable estate of the late Thomas de Lisle, and certificate of Peter de Beauvais, King's attorney, Peter Carey, receiver, P. Gosselin, registrar, and Peter Esture, deputy provost of the King, that on this same day they repaired to Lisle's house, where Peter, his son, and Thomasse Preaulx, his widow, exhibited his effects, which they have been forbidden to remove. [*Certified copies, translated from French.* 3½ pp. *Damaged.*]
- [July?] 27. Document headed "The manner of the taking of the Isle of Rey," but containing only an account of the landing, agreeing in essential points with those already calendared. [*See Vol. LXXI., Nos. 60 and 65.* 1 p.]
- [July?] 28. "Proposition concerning trade between France and the Isles of Jersey and Guernsey." [*Duplicate of Vol. DXXVI., No. 99, above, but addressed to Lord Conway.* 2½ pp.]
- Sept. 30. 29 (1-3). Accounts of Sir Henry Vane and Sir Marmaduke Darell, Cofferers of the Household, for the year 30th September 1626 to 30th September 1627, including, amongst other items, Expenses for diet of the French Ambassador at Hampton Court; maskers, Sir Henry Killigrew's wedding, and the Feast of St. George, at Whitehall; feast of the King and Queen at Wellingbourne (*sic*); wedding of Lord Mountjoy at Whitehall; the Duke of Mantua's ambassador at Windsor and Wellingborough, and the ambassador of Denmark at Havering and Hampton Court. *Latin.* [3 copies, each one large sheet written on both sides.]
- Nov. 23. 30. Certificate by Sir Morris Abbott, Governor, Alderman Christopher Clitheroe, Deputy Governor, and three members of the East India Company, to the Master and Council of the Court of Wards, that William Priestley, of London, deceased, and his son William, have together paid in the 3,000*l.* underwritten by the said William Priestley to be paid by him into the second joint stock of the Company, and that the son as executor was bound to pay, the said adventure not being ended by the decease of the father. 1,500*l.* of the above amount has been taken out in division upon the said adventure. [¾ p.] *Annexed,*
30. i. *Certificate concerning the custom of London as regards debts and legacies in wills. Signed by John Stone, Hamlet Clarke, and Jo. Dowsy.* [¾ p.]
- Dec. [18]. 31. Propositions of the Earl of Danby to the Council, for the supply and defence of Guernsey. [*Duplicate of document already calendared, Vol. DXXVII., No. 34. See p. 239 above.* 1½ sheets.]
- [Dec. 18?] 32. "The humble demands of Guernsey" to the Privy Council, probably presented by the Earl of Danby with his own propositions. [1½ pp.]

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33. (1, 2). Two copies of the Bishop of Lincoln's letter to the Vicar of Grantham, concerning the place of the communion table. [*Already calendared, see p. 245 above. 16 pp. and 3½ pp.*]

Draft of tripartite indenture between—(1) Thomas Kirton, of Thrup [Thorpe] Mandeville, co. Northampton; (2) Sir William Cobbe, Adderbury, co. Oxon, Richard Chetwoode, of Chetwoode, co. Bucks, and Robert Baynbrigge, of Mixbury, co. Oxon, and (3) Steven Hodgson, of Sulgrave, co. Northampton, and Margaret, his wife, concerning the assignment of a messuage and tenement in Sulgrave. [12 sheets. *Car. I., Case H., No. 11.*]

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Jan. 10.

34. A note by Mr. Kinder of the charges in the suit between Mr. Craven and himself. [*Long strip, damaged.*]

[Jan.]

35. The names of the Lords and Knights, Privy Councillors, and of the nobility, to whom Privy Seals are to be directed for the loan of the several sums hereafter mentioned. The list includes the peers created in 1627, and thus must refer to the proposed Privy Seal loan of January 1628. (*See the King's letter, Vol. XCI., No. 52.*) The highest amounts are 700*l.* from the Earl of Pembroke, 600*l.* from the Earls of Northumberland, Rutland, Lincoln, Warwick, and Devonshire, and 500*l.* from the Earls of Essex, Bolingbroke, and Mulgrave, and Lord Grey of Wark. *Signed* by the Earls of Marlborough and Manchester, and 8 other members of the Council. [3½ pp.]

Feb. 21.

36. Receipt by George Bland, deputy receiver [for co. York], of 10*l.* from Marmaduke, son and heir of Peter Langdale, for a fine imposed 17 James, for lands held in Molescroft. [*Scrap.*]

March 17.

Woodloe.

37. Katherine Barfode [Barford ?] to her brother Jeter. Directions concerning moneys. [1 p.]

April 1<sup>3</sup>.

Paris.

38. Archbishop of Patrace\* to Dr. Richard [Smith], Bishop of Chalcedon. I am sorry you have not received my letters. I will write in future by the same way by which I received yours of 10th February. It was necessary to publish your brief in order to avoid grounds of complaint by those who did not know your faculty, but it is expedient to abstain from the title of Ordinary of England and Scotland, as it may vex some, especially the Scots. As to allowing the regulars to hear confessions, it is well that you should refer the matter to their superiors until the rigour of persecution grows milder, which is expected shortly. Nothing can be done as to the delinquent regulars, because neither their names nor crimes are known. I will do what I can to avoid scandal to your church. *Latin. Endorsed by Secretary Coke, "Pope's Nuntio in France to the Bish. of Calcedon."* [1½ pp.]

\* Vittorio Siri calls him "Arcivescovo di Patrasso" (*Memorie Recondite*, Vol. VI., p. 262), and Secretary Coke, in the decipher of a letter from Paris, "the Archbishop of Patar:" (French correspondence, 1628, Jan. to June).



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39. Memorandum by Sir John Coke that John Marsh of Rew, near Exeter, is a recusant, never receives the communion, goes to church but once a month, and keeps two or three priests in his house. Humphrey Burton of Silforten [Silverton] undertakes to apprehend them. They have perverted all his friends, to the number of 40 or 60 persons. The bishop to be moved. [*Scrap.*]

*Dorso.*—Note that the Danish ship which desires the passport is called the "Lintworme," Andres Brixte, master. [*See Calendar for 1628–29, p. 144.*]

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40. Petition of Robert Styche and Andrew Sellas, late constables of Cirencester, to the Privy Council, complaining that in spite of their Lordships' warrant granted in Lent last against Thomas Webbe and his son John [*see p. 304 above*], the said Webbe still persecutes petitioners by his action, and praying for a hearing, and stay of judgment meanwhile. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

41. Julian Calandrini (commissary of the troops in the Low Countries), to Philip Burlamachi, London. M. Back has not been able to see me, but has told me to send my request in writing. He has received a great affront from the mariners, who tried to throw him from his horse, and used villainous words to him. I hope it will make him more tractable. The royal ships are without provisions, and the "Regenbogen" [Rainbow] has hung her cauldron to the mast, to show that it is useless. I fear our voyage will be retarded, for I have been on board the "Vanguard" and other ships which were to be our convoy and find them all unprovided. There are rumours of losses of the Holland ships in Bordeaux river. Hans [John Calandrini?] is in want of money, and has asked Mr. Jennings for 3*l.* for his return, which he has given him. I do not write to Mr. Dolbier for want of a subject. *French.* [1 p.]

42. Statement by Richard, Bishop of Chichester, that Bishop Ralph Nevill, temp. Henry III., assigned the prebend of West Wittering to a theologian who was to teach theology in the cloisters of Chichester, the grant being confirmed by Boniface, Archbishop of Canterbury. The office having lapsed of late from its original use, to which the Bishop wishes to restore it, he has appointed Aquila Cruso, bachelor of theology, who is to expound the articles of the English confession, or the Catechism as contained in the liturgy, every Wednesday, except during his month's holiday, and from Lammas Day [1st August] to Michaelmas, when rectors and vicars are collecting their fruits and would be neither able nor willing to attend. With request to the Archbishop for confirmation of the grant. *Latin.* [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *Richard Montague became Bishop of Chichester in 1628.*]

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Jan. 1.  
Caeswall.  
[Caswell.]

43. Certificate by Alexander How, vicar of Caswell, to the Master and Court of Wards, that John and Thomas Austin

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diligently frequent their parish church, and receive the Sacrament. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

*Underwritten.—Memorandum concerning Anne Machell, widow of Marmaduke Machell, cos. York and Derby.*

April 27. 44. Complaint by William Streate against John Baldwin in the Chancellor's office [of the Bishop of Rochester?] for demandin g excessive fees. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

April 28. 45. Complaints of the country against Dr. John Farmery, Chancellor to the Bishop of Lincoln, concerning the expense and delay in obtaining sentence in the Official's Court, the proctors promising that for 5*l.* a year they will keep a cause from sentence during the life of a plaintiff or defendant. The Chancellor and his officers take unreasonable fees, and having many judges' places, he seldom sits in any of them, but has almost for every day a new deputy, men having no law nor much learning, whereby men's causes are so prolonged that they give over before obtaining sentence, lest the proctors should get all they have. There are three visitations instead of two yearly, whereby he puts the country to excessive charges, and when men are presented for never so shameful matters, they buy out their penance for money. [ $1\frac{1}{8}$  sheets.] *Subjoined.*

45. i. *The answer of Dr. Farmery to the above complaints.* [3 sheets. *Damaged by damp.*]

April. 46. Certificate by Jo. Luke and William Lytton, Commissioners for the last of the five subsidies granted 3 Car.\* in the hundred of Dacorum, co. Herts, that Ralph King, of Hemel Hempstead, is rated at 5*l.* in goods. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Damaged.*]

May 16. 47. Like certificate signed by Richard Deane, Lord Mayor, on behalf of the Commissioners for the City of London, that Henry Bromsall of the parish of St. Mary Bowe, was rated at 3*l.* [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Damaged.*]

May 20. 48. Certificate by the Commissioners for the last of the five subsidies granted 4 Car.\* within the hundred of Framland, co. Leicester, that George Bennet of Welby is rated at 20*l.* in lands. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

June 3. 49. Frances Guevara to Sir Walter Pye, Attorney of the Court  
Cowkewell. of Wards. I see the storm coming upon me with so dark a cloud  
[Cawkwell ?] that I remember the saying of the philosopher, *ubi dies est nox ibi nulla via*. I pray you consider my former complaints, as yet without redress, my dower still detained, no allowance for maintenance of the younger children, notwithstanding the decree of the

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\* These are the same. The subsidies were proposed when Parliament met in March 1627-8, but the grant was not made until the King had agreed to the Petition of Right in June.

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Court, a debt of the ward's father laid on my shoulders, and 700*l.* out of pocket for the ward and the maintenance of the younger children. My counsel is not suffered to speak, nor the clerk of the Court to read anything on my behalf. You have so overthrown me and mine that I can strive no longer against the stream. I refer myself to the Master of the Court and to you. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

June 13.  
Eccleshall  
Castle.

50. Dr. Thomas Morton, Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, to Richard Chamberlain, at the Court of Wards in the Inner Temple. I have received the order commanding Walter Henningam to repair to me for his better education, but I understand that the youth doth utterly decline me, and condemning his mother's request, is departed from her. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

June ?

51. Viscount Dorchester to Sir Philip Carteret. I thank you for your last barrel, but your bribes will not cover your knaveries. Be you an honest man, and I will be glad to hear of it. I must tell you that you have a trick to threaten those that come over as if you had all the power in your hands, and you and your allies use the King's subjects as if they were your own. Here are some that will pick a hole in your breeches. Prepare yourself for a journey here, and I and my secretary will do you the best service we can, and so will my Lord President [Lord Conway], your noble friend. If you have good canvas for napkins pray send me some. As to the account you must give of the King's money, my Lord Treasurer is informed that you have disbursed nothing of such great sums, as it doth appear by many acts of your Court. My Lord President is desirous to have another pipe of your best cider, and I another. The French ambassador is this day arrived in London, and your agents are gone over into France. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *Mons. de Chasteauneuf, French ambassador, arrived in England, June 1629.*]

July 3.  
London.

52. Owners of the ship "Prudence" of London to William Mellow, master of the same, at Leghorn, concerning the hire of the ship by John Langham and Captain [Hen.] Lee. [1 p. *See Calendar for 1629-31, p. 11.*]

July 6.

53. Sir John Walter [Chief Baron of the Exchequer] to John Parkinson, recommending the parties named in a note enclosed as sequestrators in a cause concerning the Lord Deincourt. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.] *Enclosed,*

53. i. *Warrant by Attorney-General Heath, appointing Sir Peter Frechvile, Sir Richard Harpar, and Sir Francis Cooke, knights, and Sir Thomas Burdett, Bart., with William Wright and John Ferne, to be sequestrators for the tenth of the lead in difference between Lord Deincourt and the miners, according to an Exchequer order of 13th February last. Dated 4th July. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]*

July 11.  
Clapham.

54. Attorney-General Heath to Mr. Boothby. As there are divers occasions for the City of London to use Exchequer process

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for the lands they have purchased of the King, let process be made against such persons and returnable at such times as Clement Mosse or Robert Marsh shall desire. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July 15.

55. Certificate by Sir Richard Wynn and [Sir ?] William Hudson, Commissioners in co. Middlesex for taxing and levying the last of the five subsidies granted 3 Car. that Randoll Wettwood, of Millend [Mile End], is rated at 5*l.* in goods and has paid. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

July.

56. A collection of Privy Seals payable to Philip Burlamachi, "from the 29th of July 1620 untill this present." The last three sheets are undated, but the entries correspond almost exactly with those relating to Burlamachi in the Signet Office Index during the years 1627–29, the last noted being one bearing date July 1629. [6 sheets of paper.]

Aug. 12.  
Leghorn.

57. [William Mellow, master of the "Prudence"] to Mr. Wyche, concerning the charge of setting out ships. For the Greenland voyage the ship had 90*l.* a month, and served five months. The writer has been at Constantinople and is next to go to Zante to load for home. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

Sept. 4.

58. Dr. Thomas Eden, Vicar-General of the Bishop of Ely, to Sir Robert Naunton, Master of the Court of Wards. According to the order of the Court, and by appointment of the Bishop of Ely, I caused the chancel of the parish church of Wimple [Wimpole] to be viewed by James Bridgman, parson of Lolworth, and Robert Osbaston, parson of Kingston, taking with them a skilled carpenter. They certify that it is well and sufficiently repaired. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Nov. 25.

59. Certificate by the Master, Wardens, and Assistants of the Trinity House, London, at the request of William Mellow, concerning the charges on corn shipped beyond sea. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Dec. 11.

60. Sir Thomas Trevor and Sir George Vernon, Barons of Exchequer, to John West, Deputy Remembrancer of Exchequer. Several writs of extent have lately been issued to the sheriffs of Wilts and Berks, against John Phipps, upon a fine of 500*l.* imposed on him by the Star Chamber in 19 James. But, as Phipp's lands have been already extended upon this fine, and one of 40*l.*, on Mary his wife, and a lease thereof granted to John Hollyland, at 20*l.* rent, whereof 10*l.* was paid in on 9th of this December, let writs of *supersedeas* be issued for discharge of the said writs. [1 p.]

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61. Certificate of the commissioners for taxing and levying the last of the five subsidies granted 3 Car. in Essex, that Robert Grimes of Hornchurch has been assessed and has paid. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p., damaged.]

62. Certificate by the Commissioners for the last of the five subsidies granted 4 Car. in the hundreds of Brixton and Wallington,

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Surrey, concerning the rating of George Mellish, of Sandersted. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p., *damaged*.]

63. (1-4). Certificates by John Warde concerning the taxing of (1) John Bowater of Tottenham, (2, 3) Sir John Walter of Saresden, Chief Baron of Exchequer, and (4) Widow Randall of the Ward of Farringdon Within, for subsidy. *Latin*. [4 scraps.]

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Antwerp.

64. Robert Perry to Captain Thomas Porter. The pictures you gave Mons. Van Dyke order to deliver me I sent hence long since. You gave him 48 guilders on account of yours and I paid him 52 more to make up 100, that is 10*l*. sterling, which is the rate all men pay, as I myself have been witness. Besides yours, above all, is esteemed rare. I also paid three guilders for cere-cloth for packing and re-packing (it falling into this river crossing it in foul weather), and four more for freight and charges. So all disbursed by me amounts to 59 florins, or 5*l*. 18*s*. sterling, which I pray you pay to my uncle, Mr. Hugh Perry, whom I hope has ere this reached home safely. I shall be glad to perform any other service your noble brother or yourself shall command me. [1 p. *Damaged by damp*.]

65. Petition of Peter de Thosse, Nicholas Vanderbruck (or Vanderbrecht), and other merchants of Calais, to the Council, being a duplicate of that already calendared, p. 361 above. [1 p.]

66. Petition of Peter de Tosse (*sic*) of Calais to the Privy Council. In this general arrest of French goods and ships, there is stayed at Portsmouth, in the ship of which John de Nyau is master, 50 tuns of French wine, belonging to Lewis Burie of Blois, which by long lying will utterly leak and perish. Prays that on security being given for the value of the goods, the ship may go on her voyage, or that some English mariners may bring her to London, where the wines may be sold. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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67. Petition of Henry Lane, of Norwich, and John Seaman of Yarmouth, to the Council. A ship of Dieppe called the "Good Intention" having been laden with wines by one Peronyn for petitioners' account, but they being bebarred by proclamation from unlading or selling them until 1st of February next, their Lordships gave order of 18th of last December (*see* Vol. CLIII., No. 64) that the ship should proceed to Lynn and so much wine be sold as would pay customs and freight. The said ship being much broken down by a great storm, petitioners pray that they may land the wines at Yarmouth and there sell sufficient to pay charges. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

[May 20 ?]

68. Certificate of Robert Story and others to the Lords of the Admiralty that John Seale, son of Edward Seale, master gunner of the "St. Andrew," is fit to undertake the charge of a small ship, having been at sea from his childhood and behaved himself as an honest and civil man. Eight signatures. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *A similar certificate,*

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but addressed to "those whom it may concern," and not so numerously signed, is calendared in the Volume for 1629-31, p. 261.]

June 5.  
Portsmouth.

69. Captain Richard Quail to Endymion Porter. Victuals are here at such an extraordinary rate that I shall be short of at least two months' provisions and other necessities of our voyage, and I am so much out of moneys that I cannot discharge what I owe. I therefore humbly entreat you to supply my wants. Mr. Burrall, Captain Pett, or the bearer, Richard Whitton, can certify to my care in the furtherance of our voyage. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p. *No year given, but captain Quail set out in the "Sea Horse" in the summer of 1630, and died during the voyage.*]

June 17.

Copy of Letters Patent granting to Anne Stewart, Lady Saltoun, authority to search for rents reserved and payable to the King and not answered to him for the space of 10 years past, with moiety of all arrears. Certified at Westminster, 20th February 1639-40. See Patent Roll, 6 Car. I., Part 12. [40 sheets. *Car. I., Case H., No. 12.*]

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70. Petition of Thomas Coo to the Privy Council. Has been close prisoner in the dungeon of the Fleet for three years, whereby a thousand pounds has been extorted from him, and his aged body has often been stabbed, starved and strangled by the officers; also on the 1st of October last he was "beaten down dead with an engine" by one Epsley, to his great effusion of blood and breaking of his bones, whereby he is for ever made a cripple. Was banished by order of 28th October 1629, which separates him from subjection to his Majesty's laws, so that strangers spoil his estate by laying waste his houses, making them an habitation for seminaries and recusants, to pass by night on the Thames to the Court at Whitehall, which is near to petitioner's house. Prays examination of the murderous attempts on his life, and removal to the Tower or Gatehouse, as the Deputy Warden [of the Fleet] is defendant at his suit in the Star Chamber for many conspiracies against him, and threatens to end his life. [1 p. *Compare petition of November 1633, Vol. CCLI., No. 70, where he says he has been in the Fleet for six years, and see also pp. 366 and 385 above.*]

71—73. Three other petitions to the like effect, apparently presented within a very short time of each other. [=2 pp.]

74. (1, 2). Statement by the Muscovia Company that they claim their rights by ancient charter from Philip and Mary, confirmed by Queen Elizabeth and by King James. They first discovered the parts of Russia and Greenland, and were the first to kill the whale there. They have lost above 60,000*l.* by the Dutch without any restitution. [Nath.] Edwards' pretence is by a Scottish patent, which is not of force in England. The Lords have made several orders for stay of Mr. Edwards and Mr. Horth, yet this year,

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contrary to the Order of Council of March 1629–30, they are fitting three ships at Yarmouth and London. [*Two copies. 1 sheet each. Compare Vol. DXXXI., No. 118, above.*]

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Jan. 21.  
Heath.

75. Tenants at Warmfield [Warmfield-cum-Heath, co. York] to William Rolfe, Fleck [Fleet] Street. They are willing to gather in the rents, but cannot undertake to send them up to London. Pray that some one may be appointed to receive them. Four signatures. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[Jan. ?]

76. Sir William Andrewes, late sheriff of co. Bucks, to the Council. According to your Lordships' orders of 11th November, I transmit the certificates of the Justices of Peace for the county concerning their proceedings in the execution of his Majesty's proclamation and Book of Orders for preventing the scarcity of corn. The returns of the rest of the justices are not yet come to hand, probably because it is term time. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Sir William Andrewes was sheriff from November 1629 to November 1630.*]

March 21.

77. Book of the names of those who have taken the oath of allegiance before crossing the seas, with lists of the soldiers who went over on foreign service from 29th December 1630 to 21st March 1630–31. [26 pp., much damaged.]

78. Paper with like names. [2 pp., much damaged.]

March 26.

79. Articles of agreement between John Wright, blacksmith, of Northdeane, parish of Hitchenden [Hughenden], co. Bucks, and Benjamin Palmer of the same place, merchant tailor of London, and blacksmith, concerning a co-partnership in the trade and mystery of blacksmith. [*Draft. 2 pp.*]

April 27.

80. Statement signed by twelve owners of goods shipped in the "Fortune" of Yarmouth for Rotterdam. The ship having been taken by Captain Jacques Pootes of Ghent, they have nominated Peter Van Hove, Robert Bownde, and Abraham Derick to negotiate the recovery of the said goods, and agree to pay the costs according to the value of their goods. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  sheet.]

Endorsed with note that this writing was produced at the examination of Abraham Derick, William Allen, and Thomas Rix, in January 1632–33.

May 6.

Privy Seal for Sir James Bagg, reciting the moneys and pains which he has spent in the King's service, and freeing him for certain liabilities connected therewith. [*Copy, 22 sheets. Car. I., Case H., No. 13.*] *Endorsed:* "Copy of Sir James Bagge's discharge as it passed at the Privy Seal."

May 21.

81. Affidavit by William Ryley, one of the clerks of the Records in the Tower, that one Rowley, a solicitor, came to the Tower in September last to search the records, in order to make the land of John Baron, deceased, a soccage tenure, although informed that the

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land was held of the King; and that he took only such parts of the records as made against his Majesty. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 26.

82. Certificate by Sir Richard Young, Bart., Philip Digby, Sir Nicholas Crispe, and four others of the Guinea Company, that in accordance with the order [of the Court of Wards] they have called a meeting of the Company, but the most part have not appeared. A note has been made of those who have not paid their adventures, and as the undersigned conceive that the burden of the debts should fall on those who have failed to bring in their moneys (and so have caused the ruin of the Company) they annex a particular of the debts, apportioned to such persons. They themselves, who have paid and suffered much, will be conformable to any order of the Court. [2 pp.] *Annexed*,

82. I. *Copy of Order in the Court of Wards that three decrees having been made against the Guinea Company for certain payments the said Company is to convene a Court and assess their members in satisfaction of the decrees. Dated 12 May 1631. With note by Young and Crispe that they have called the meeting.* [ $3\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

82. II. *Schedule of debts, &c., alluded to above.* [1 p.]

May 30.

83. Sir Robert Heath to Sir Robert Carr one of the gentlemen of his Majesty's bedchamber. As the King vouchsafes to hear the cause between Robert Ramsey and Goslyn, for settling Edward Ramsey's estate, I send a warrant which you may offer to him for signature. It being but a warrant it is not fit for me to subscribe it. *Seal with arms.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.] *Annexed*,

83. I. *Form of order to John Goslyn to repair to Court and appear before the King, that a day may be fixed for hearing the case presented by Robert Ramsey, brother of Edward Ramsey, the King's servant, deceased, the settlement of whose estate is interrupted by Goslyn. With note from Heath to the King, praying his Majesty to give the case a summary hearing. Dated 3 June 1631.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

Aug. 19.  
Nonsuch.

Warrant of the Lords of the Admiralty to inhibit Daniel de Clerke and Company, as also the Judge of the Admiralty Court, from further proceedings in the cause of John Lopez and Company, until the appeal of Lopez for the ships and goods taken by de Clerke be determined. [*Minute. See Vol. DXXXIII., No. 93.*]

Sept. 6.

Warrant by the Lords of the Admiralty to the Registrar of the Delegates or his deputy to make and seal a monition requiring the Judge of the Admiralty Court or his registrar to transmit proceedings in the cause of John Lopez and Company and Daniel de Clerke, concerning the ship "Nostra Signora de Rosario" and her lading, brought into Plymouth on or before the 27th of this month (*sic*). [*Minute. Ibid.*]



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Oct. 8.

Minutes of warrants by the Lords of the Admiralty: (a) to the Navy officers to prepare the "Swiftsure" now at Portsmouth and one of the "Lion's Whelps" for special service in the Narrow Seas; (b) to the same, to allow the owners of the "Priseilla and Thomasine" to buy ordnance for her out of the stores at Smithfield; and (c) to Sir John Heydon to furnish the "Swiftsure" and one of the "Whelps" with ordnance and gunners' stores for two months' service at sea. [*See Vol. DXXXIII., No. 93.*]

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84. Dr. J. Johnson, rector of Wapping, to Mr. Randoll. Pray receive for me these accustomed dues from your chapel, viz. :—

For a marriage by licence, 6s. 6d.

For a churching, 5d.

For a marriage by banns, 1s.

For a burial without a coffin, 6d.

For a burial with a coffin, 1s.

Due to the church :—Marriage, 1s. 6d.; burial in the chapelyard, 3s. 4d.; burial in the chapel, 8s.; churching, 4d. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.] *Endorsed 28th Feb. 1634–5 as being a copy of Dr. Johnson's direction, about four years ago, to the reader at Wapping.* [1 p.]

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March 5.  
Whitehall.

Warrant from the Lords of the Admiralty to Peter White, one of the four principal masters of his Majesty's ships. Having appointed you to go master in the "Convertive," whereof John Pennington is Captain and Admiral, we require you to go forthwith aboard, and to take the command accordingly, observing such directions as you shall from time to time receive from us or your said Captain and Admiral. [*Minute. See Vol. DXXXI., No. 69.*]

July 27.

Whitehall.

Warrant from the Lords of the Admiralty to [the Commissioners of the Navy], requiring them to appoint some man sufficiently instructed to attend on the 23rd of October next to prosecute the complaint against Henry Michell, who has been sent for by warrant to answer the same. [*Minute. Ibid.*]

Nov. 6.

85. Dru Burton to the Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, concerning his fees as Auditor General. [1 p.]

Dec. 22.

86. Order in Council that the complaint of the Bailiff and jurats of Guernsey against John Blanche, and his complaint against them, be referred to the Earl of Danby, and that proceedings be stayed in the meantime. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

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Feb. 7.  
Christ  
Church,  
[Oxford].

87. Paul, Lord Bayning, to George Peike, his steward. Hearing that my mother [Anne, Lady Dorehester] is selling her armoury for 212*l.*, I wish to purchase it myself, as it is a complete armoury and a good pennyworth. Pray pay the sum and put it to my account. My mother has also agreed that I shall buy the two large fair globes which Mr. Wakerlin was to have bought for a nobleman, and

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the black velvet footcloth with gold fringe and lace, valued at 20*l*. As my mother has shown me much kindness in my entertainment and has been at great charges for my sake, I pray you send her half-a-dozen hay-loads and wood for firing. [1 *p.*, *damaged*.]

April 8.  
Christ  
Church.

88. The same to the same. I have done my exercise for my degree, and intend to go forth bachelor, so that I shall trouble you to buy some gloves for me. I fear you must get them ready-made to save time. I want a dozen pairs of Spanish gloves for men, one pair very small, as they are for a young lord but fourteen years old. Also women's gloves, for my mother, grandmother, brother and sister Newark, sisters Ann, Mary and Betty, my uncle and aunt Paul, and my aunt Carleton. [2½ *pp.*]

May 17.

89. Affidavit by William Hampton, vicar of Reigate, Surrey, that Edward Thurland told him, after the death of Katherine Elyott, that she had left 4*l*. to the poor of Reigate, and had made her sister, Rachel Trapps, her executrix. The said Rachel desired Thurland to pay the 4*l*., but as she was much indebted to him, he refused to pay it until he had received his money. [½ *p.*]

July 2.

90. Inventory of goods of Sir John Cowper, Bart., deceased, at his house in Hoiborn and also at Cashiobury, which came into the possession of Lady Mary his wife, now the wife of Sir Edward Alford. Exhibited by her in the Court of Wards on above date. [15½ *pp.*]

Oct. 30.

91. Extract of fines and amerciaments presented at the Courts held at Stafffield, co. Cumberland, 8th May and 30th October 1633, before Sir Timothy Fetherstonhaugh, knight, seneschal of the Court. [2 *pp.*]

Nov. 19.

92. George Seaton to Dr. Heylin. I will take the charges of the presentation upon me as my due debt. I am at this time not very flush, but so soon as I can I will pay the money to yourself, your treasurer, or privy purse. In the interim, I pray you, keep the seal safe. [½ *p.*]

Dec.

Copy of Ordinance of Henry VIII., concerning castles and forts, together with the form of oath to be taken by their commanders, with a special clause adapted to the Governor of St. Mawes' Castle, Cornwall. [*Calendared S. P., Henry VIII., Vol. XIV., Pt. II., No. 785, but without the clause for St. Mawes' Castle.*]

*Underwritten, in Edward Nicholas's hand, note that the original, of which this is a true copy, was produced by Captain Hannibal Bonithon, Lieutenant of St. Mawes' Castle, in December 1633, to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and is remaining in the said Castle. [6½ pp. See S. P., Dom., Elizabeth, Admiralty, Elizabeth to Chas. I., Vol. CCXXXVII., folio 134.]*

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93. Statement by Thomas Childe of Sarum to Henry Sherfield, recorder of the same, relative to various oppressions by the mayor, constable, and beadles of Sarum. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  long strips.]

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March 4.

94. Thomas Watkins to his brother William Watkins, Twickenham. The town of Southampton thinks all the fishing is theirs, and that we cannot defend our right, and they have granted warrants to the fishermen to fish in the river. I have sent for a writ, but the sheriff's bailiffs have not yet taken any, they are so defended by the town. Send me my Lord's letter to Mr. Mason and I will get him to confer with the town. If we cannot bring them to reason, some course must be taken with them and with Mr. Bromefield, for his partiality makes them so bold that they brag that they will take the salmon out of the weirs. My mother relies on us to defend her rights. Salmon come in so slowly that we cannot yet send any to Sir Thomas Aylesbury, Sir Ralph Freeman, or my Lord Privy Seal. Pray look in at the office in New Inn. Wickliffe is a knave, and I intend to discharge him and put Bolles in his place. [1 p.] *Annexed*,

94. 1. *Same to the same, concerning the sale of a grey gelding.*  
[4 lines.]

March.

95. (1—33). Household bills of Lord Bayning and his mother, Lady Dorchester, dated from September 1632 to March 1633—34, and including reparations to their house in Mark Lane, bills for clothes, trimmings, disbursements by their steward, &c., and also two bills, amounting to 15*l.*, for books, of which the titles are given.

July 26.

96. Account by Alice Standen, wife of Robert Standen, and mother and administratrix of Alan Gawne, late of Aldingbourne, co. Sussex, deceased, of such goods and chattels as have come to her hands and also debts, charges and disbursements by herself in the administration of the same. With affidavit by Robert Standen, dated 19th October 1637. [ $9\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

Aug. 26.

97. Memorandum that on the 26th of August the Dean and Chapter of Lincoln received and read a letter [recited] from the Bishop, stating that he had received a letter from the Archbishop of Canterbury quoting letters of Pope Urban VI. to William, Archbishop of Canterbury (*margin* "William Courtney, who came to be Archbishop 1381"), declaring him to have the power of metropolitical visitation. *Latin. Endorsed*, "Pope Urban 6. His bull that the Archbishop of Canterbury may visit," and in another hand, "anno pont. sui 9 [*vide* Courtney, 132]." "He was Pope about 1378, "when the schism began by Clement the 5th." *Latin.* [ $3\frac{1}{4}$  pp. Compare Vol. DXXXV., Nos. 16—22.]

Oct. (?) 21.

98. Receipt by Sir Richard Wynn, Bart., receiver-general to the Queen, for 46*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.* from Humphrey Jones, receiver for co. [Chester?] in part of rents due from Her Highness' lands there at Michaelmas last, 1634. [ $\frac{1}{3}$  p., *damaged*.]

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Nov. 14.  
Chester.

99. Francis Gamul, mayor and escheator of Chester, to the Master and Council of the Court of Wards. The jurors sworn to find an office after the death of Sir Robert Stanley gave a verdict on 13th November that his lands were held in common socage and not by knight's service *in capite*. Conceiving this to be contrary to the judgment of your court, I refused to take the verdict, and have ordered them to deliver it again on the 27th. I pray direction what course I am to take, if they then find not according to your decree. [1 p.]

Dec. 3.

100. Memorandum that Henry Fowke, co. Lincoln, Charles Fowke of the parish of St. Faith, ward of Farringdon Within, and Thomas Nevill, of the parish of St. Gregory, ward of Barnard Castle, have entered into a recognizance of 80*l.*, before Sir John Denham, Baron of Exchequer, conditioned that if Henry Fowke (having been fined 40*l.* in the Court of Star Chamber, which by reason of his poverty he cannot pay) pay 5*l.* into the receipt at Westminster each Hilary term until the whole is satisfied, this bond shall be void. *Latin and English.* [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]

[1634 ?]

101. List of [Lord Bayning's] expenses, "since 3rd June 1634," being mostly small presents to friends, relatives and servants. It includes play at the Cockpit, 13*s.*, and at the Globe, 9*s.* Total, 39*l.* 6*s.* [ $2\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

102. Copy of a document of the year 1288, being a statement by Robert de Kynelingworth, canon of Lincoln, that by desire of Oliver [Sutton], bishop of Lincoln, he has read, in the presence of witnesses, a declaration by the said bishop, that in a dispute with John [Peckham], Archbishop of Canterbury, concerning the goods of deceased holders of certain benefices and manors, he has appealed to the Pope, by whose decision he will abide. Certified by John de Anlaweby, clerk and public notary of York. *Latin.* [Probably copied during the disputes between Archbishop Laud and Bishop Williams of Lincoln. 2 pp.]

Instructions of the King to Archbishop Laud of Canterbury. Every bishop to whom, in regard of the small revenues of his see, permission is granted to hold *in commendam* any lease, benefice, or ecclesiastical preferment, is to be required to give an account yearly to his metropolitan, that he doth not put them out of his *commendam* to give to any son, kinsman, or other, to the detriment of succeeding bishops. [*Copy. See Vol. DXXX., No. 106, above.*]

1635.  
Feb. 18.

103. Report of Archbishop Laud, the Earl of Arundel, and Sir John Coke to the King, on reference of the petition of Sir Fulke Greville. They find that on a treaty of marriage between Sir Edward Greville, petitioner's father, and the daughter of John [William ?], Lord Grey, then widow of Mr. Denny,\* Sir Fulke Greville, father of [Fulke] late Lord Brooke, for advancement of his brother and

\* William, 13th Baron Grey de Wilton had one daughter, Honora, who married Henry Denny, Esq. See Dugdale's Baronage.

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furtherance of the match, promised the widow, by letter, to settle the manor of Haselour upon his brother, his brother's wife, and their heirs. The marriage took place, but the manor was never settled, and, after his father's death, Lord Brooke in lieu thereof made a deed of conveyance of his house and lands at Hackney, after his own death without issue, to petitioner and his heirs. For want of livery and seisin the deed carried nothing, yet shows that Lord Brooke intended the same. After his death, petitioner applied to the now Lord Brooke [Robert Greville, half cousin to the late Lord], who promised performance when the estate came out of the hands of the executors into his own. Lord Brooke being now pressed to carry out his predecessor's intention, refuses so to do. [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]

- April 14. 104. Memorandum of a bond of John Talbot (appointed steward and collector of the revenues of the former priories of Thicked, Yeddington, Nasedale [Nostal], and Handall, the monastery of West Deneham, and the priory of Gromont in Bolland, parcel of the late monastery of Kirkstall, co. York), and of Thomas Talbot, of the parish of St. Giles, Cripplegate, receiver general for Crown revenues, and Agmondisham Pickayes, of the parish of St. Vedast, goldsmith, before the Chief Baron of the Exchequer, conditioned for the due fulfilment by the said John Talbot of the duties of his office. Signed by Sir Humphrey Davenport. *Latin and English*. [ $2\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]
- May 18. Particular by Sir Henry Croke, Clerk of the Pipe, concerning the office of gauger in the port of Chester, made by order of Lord Cottington. [*Sheet of parchment, Car. I., Case C., No. 18.*]
- May 22. 105. Memorandum that in the case of John Fraker and his wife *versus* Charles Fisher and others, the said Charles Fisher maketh oath that Thomas Leckington is a material witness, and is upon the King's service in the north of the kingdom. With note that Mr. Leckington is yeoman of the salt store to the King. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- June 6. 106. Executor's accounts by Lady Elizabeth Bodvell, after the death of her husband, Sir John Bodvell, giving rents in cos. Anglesea and Carnarvon (with names of tenants), debts, tithes, goods and chattels, and disbursements. [*12 sheets. First part missing. Damaged.*]
- Nov. 18. Particular by Sir Henry Croke of the farm of the hundred of Broxtowe, co. Notts. With order [from Lord Cottington ?] to Croke, to prepare a grant of the same to Sir John Byron. [*Parchment. Car. I., Case C., No. 19.*]
- Nov. 20. 107. Thomas Hallam to Nicholas Pescod, merchant and alderman, Oxon. Southampton. I am ready to put foot in stirrup for London to get a good parsonage for my wife's brother, which I doubt not to effect through a special friend there. Send me word what you demand of me, and give power to some one in London to receive it,

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and if I can, I will pay you all. I shall be at Essex House, at my very good Lord's, who is the donor of the parsonage. Endorsed with notes of payments, &c. [1 p.]

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108. Declaration of the estate remaining for payment of Sir John Cowper's debts, portions, and legacies, with list of the same. Total debts, legacies, &c., 16,340*l.*; assets, 5,060*l.*; "more charge than the estate can pay," 11,280*l.* [2½ pp.]

Nov. 24.

109. Nicholas Pescod to his cousin, Jasper Cornelius, London. Church and I have been served with the enclosed subpoena [*missing*] out of Chancery. I think it concerns Dewston's business. Pray take course that we may answer his bill by commission, and see that I receive no wrong, for he would play the knave with me if he could. [½ p.]

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110. Schedule of assessment for ship-money in cos. Lincoln, Notts, Derby, and Chester, with the names of the borough towns, and the amount charged upon each. [1¾ pp.] *Annexed,*

110. i. *Note of the borough towns named in the writ.* [1¼ pp. *The details of this paper do not quite agree with any of the assessments for ship money, but they seem newer those of 1635 than any other.*]

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Feb. 10.

Particular of the bailiwick of Green's Norton, co. Northampton, by Auditor Francis Phelips, with order (by Lord Cottington?) to Sir Henry Croke, to prepare a grant thereof to Richard Crane. [*Sheet of parchment. Car I., Case D., No. 22.*]

[Feb.]

111. John Padfield to Sir John Coke. There is an ancient family in my native county of Derby, so far extinct as only one daughter survives, and she in right a ward to his Majesty by the father's side. She has neither uncle nor aunt to be her guardian; the mother and her family are recusants, which makes them incapable. I beseech you for charity's sake to pity and foster a fatherless and friendless innocent, that she may enjoy her father's religion and rights. The ward is Gertrude Strelley, aged four years and four months, sole daughter and heir of William Strelley of Beachiff [Beauchief], co. Derby, (and of Gertrude Eyre, daughter of Adam Eyre of Bradway, in the said county, recusants). The said William Strelley died at his house at Beachiff, 27th December last, seized in fee *de monasterio de bello capite* of his abbey of Beachiff, as was his father Gervase, and for want of livery died ward to the King. The yearly rent of the said lands amounts to 300*l.* per annum, more or less. The said William Strelley about Midsummer had sealed an *ejectione firma*, or entry on the two manors of Strelley and Bilborough, co. Notts, as legitimate heir of those lands, and composition was offered by the executors of the last illegitimate heir. [1 p. *The date of this is fixed by Strelley's Post Mortem Inquisition, which states that he died 27 Dec.*]

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1635, and that his daughter was four years old in the previous October.]

March 18. 112. Lord Cottington's apothecary's bill, from October 1635 to March 1636, with price of each article. Amount 31*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* [2 $\frac{3}{4}$  strips.]

May 3. 113. Elizabeth Collinge to John Naylor, at Lady Isabella Sackfield's house in Aldersgate Street, praying him to receive certain moneys on her behalf and send them to her. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

May 12. 114. Sir George Sherley to the Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, concerning moneys held by him (as trustee to the late Sir Peter Garton) for his nephews, Henry and Robert Garton. 100*l.* is demanded of him, which Robert Garton told Lord Goring was a gift; and there is another 100*l.* due to him, which at Robert's request he paid to the now Earl of Dover, in discharge of an obligation of Sir Thomas Garton, the eldest brother. [1 p.]

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March 27. 115. John Bryan to Mr. Butterfield, Preston. I mean to be at the Court which is to be held at Shenley, unless prevented by the sickness [plague], but perhaps I may see you on your way to or from Leicester. I must be in London on the eve of the term. God send good success of this purchase, and that our bucklers keep off knocks. [1 p.]

[May 10 ?] 116. Captain William Rainborowe to Captain George Carteret, of  
"The Leopard," the "Antelope," Vice-Admiral. The Saint has sent for three or four  
Wednesday. of our men to go to his army. I desire you, if you have one or two that have seen land service, and that are willing to go up, that you would send them. They shall only for this time view the place, and after I suppose we must send more men to stand by the ordnance. The Spaniard is yet ashore, and will never get off while this sea goes. I pray you send me word about the men, for they must go ashore to-day that they may go betimes to-morrow to the Saint. My boat shall not go aboard if Captain Hatcher has one that is sufficient. [1 p. See *Captain Rainborowe's Journal*, Vol. CCCLXIX., No. 72.]

May 13. 117. Note of small sums received in some office not specified, from 13th April to 13th May 1637. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

[July 29.] 118. Captain William Rainborowe to Captain George Carteret,  
"The Leopard," Vice-Admiral. I salute you and the new town that sent me  
Saturday. 13 captives, and I hope I shall have all the others. I am determined to let the Alcaldo go ashore, and they desire to see whether you have any Moors amongst the renegadoes. If they say they be Moors, I pray let them have them; if they say they be Christians, I pray keep them. When I salute him, follow me with 21 pieces. *Endorsed*: "For saluting the Governor of Sally with 21 guns." [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. See *Rainborowe's Journal*, Vol. CCCLXIX., No. 72.]

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Nov. 9. London. 119. Thomas Sontley to Nathaniel Pringle. Pray send me the bill of exchange for which I asked you before. Endorsed as produced by John Pringle in the case of *Allen versus Sontley*. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Nov. 26. Moneys received for the household expenses of Prince Charles, on dates from 30th December 1635 to 26th November 1637. [*Two sheets of parchment. Car. I., Case D., No. 23.*]
120. Rough draft of a warrant for the making of two parchment books for the two years ending Michaelmas 1636 and 1637, to enter the new increase of imposts upon wines, the said books to be sent to Sir Abraham Dawes, collector of these imposts. [ $\frac{2}{3}$  p.]
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Jan. 16. 121. Certificate by the constables, churchwardens, overseers and others of the parish of Fotheringay, co. Northampton, that John Parishe, sen. is seised of an estate there. [1 p.]
- Feb. 14. 122. Petition of Thomas Dearsle, vicar of Edwardston, Suffolk, to Archbishop Laud, complaining that the farmer of the rectory, not content with his impropriation, which is worth 100*l.* a year, has taken vicarage tithes also to the amount of 30*l.*, and, on judgment being given against him, has sold the rectory to a lawyer, a great man and of such place that no ordinary man dare cross him. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- Underwritten, request from the Archbishop to the Lord Privy Seal to show the Church all lawful favour in this poor clergyman's person. In Dell's writing, signed by Laud.*
- March 29. 123. Report of Sir John Baker, Bart., Peter Courthope, and Thomas and William Plummer, to the Earl of Manchester, giving details of an arrangement with the creditors of one John Levett, with the names of those who did not appear. *Seals with arms.* [ $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp.]
- May 3. Whitehall. 124. Certificate by Sir John Coke concerning the sum of 500*l.* allowed for the funeral of Sir George Douglas, late ambassador from his Majesty to Poland, stating what payments were made to Thomas Skinner for Joseph Avery, the English agent at Hamburg, and to James Douglas, brother of Sir George. [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]
- May 22. 125. Order signed by the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer [to Sir Robert Pye?] for payment of 200*l.* to Jacques de Nowell Perron, Abbot of St. Tauryn and Lyre, Great Almoner to the Queen, being part of his allowance of 400*l.* per annum.
- Underwritten, request by Sir Rob. Pye to Mr. Savyle to pay the above. [1 p. The Abbot's acquittance for the money is calendared in the volume for 1637-38, p. 461.]*
- Oct. 18. Ramsey. 126. Certificate of Sir Oliver Cromwell to the Lord Privy Seal and the rest of the Council of his Majesty's Court of Whitehall. William Campion sues Stephen Goslyn in the Ecclesiastical Court



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for tithes of grain, &c., due to him for three years as farmer of Westowe parsonage, co. Hunts. He was farmer only for two years, and I believe the tithes were all paid. Goslyn is a very honest and sufficient man, and I verily believe that Campion commenced the suit only in malice because, when he was put out for non-payment of rent, Goslyn became tenant of the said parsonage. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Nov. 29.

127. Award by Humphrey Hooke, alderman of Bristol, umpire in a suit between William Willett and John Langton concerning the ship "Hope of Grace" of Kerkady [Kirkcaldy?], Scotland. *Signed and sealed.* [1 sheet.]

Dec. 6.

128, 129. Two certificates by Robert Wolrych on a reference by order of the Court of Requests in a case in which Praise God Barbone and John Attwood are plaintiffs and Cheney Ebourne and Gabriel Richards defendants. [= 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  pp.]

130—140. Letters from Anne, Viscountess Dorchester (whose first husband was the first Lord Bayning), to George Picke, the family steward, 1633–38. With copy of a letter to Mr. Shute. Her ladyship writes of the good bargains that are offered to her, and bids him put all moneys out to profit, and let none lie dead. In 1634 she states that her son Paul has given her authority to borrow 5,000*l.* from him without interest. There is mention of the purchase of an estate called Inglefield, and of loans to Lord Newark, Sir Richard Young, Mr. Sands, Sir Philibert Vernatti, Sir Cheney Culpeper and some of her own cousins. Apparently she borrowed money belonging to the estates of her son and daughters for these loans, and one of 6,000*l.* was not only made with Lord Bayning's money, but in his name. As his majority approaches, she grows uneasy, wishing new deeds to be made, and begging Picke not to leave any of her papers where they may be found. In June 1637 Lord Bayning begins to examine his affairs, and she gives orders that he is to be allowed to see the books, but not to carry them away. She complains repeatedly of his distrust and unkindness, but hopes he may "find all so just as the devil himself cannot do you or I (*sic*) any injury for it." [= 14 pp. *These letters were probably put into the Court of Wards after young Lord Bayning died, in June 1638, leaving an infant daughter. See Calendar for 1637–38, p. 556.*]

141—146. Receipts and memoranda by Lady Dorchester. [6 scraps.]

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147. Reasons why the inhabitants of Guernsey are not liable to writs of subpœna out of the Star Chamber. [1 $\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *Duplicate of Vol. DXXXVIII., No. 63 above.*]

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148. Account by Hampden Ashfield, executor of Lady Elizabeth Darell, the executrix of Sir Sampson Darell, both of the personal

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estate of Sir Sampson, unadministered by his wife, and of that of Lady Darell herself. Certified on oath. [7 sheets.]

Aug. 31. 149. Certificate by [Aldermen] Gilbert Harrison, John Cordell and Isaac Pennington, as Commissioners for the relief of distressed prisoners, on the complaint of William Nash, a poor prisoner in the Poultry Compter. Having called the creditors before them, Thomas Woodcock appeared amongst the rest and agreed to their award, but now refuses to abide by it, and still keeps Nash in prison. [1 p.]

Sept. 22. 150. [Lord Conway ?] to Queen Henrietta Maria. I do not love profaneness, nor do I fear it when I speak of you. Before yesterday, which was St. Mathew the Evangelist, I received your letter. Nothing could be so comfortable to your creature as the assurance of your continued favour, and that will be perpetual since it comes from your own goodness, not from any merit of mine. Your Majesty vouchsafes to say the King hath a good opinion of me. To you, therefore, I render my humble thanks, not only for that by you I know it to be so, but because by you it is so, and it is most just that the work should be acknowledged to the author. I have ever endeavoured to show the King that my life and fortune were subject to his pleasure and could make no laws to themselves, for so I might become a Covenanter, which I never yet had any mind to be, but it was reserved for a power no less divine than yours to make me happy. Yet I may truly say that whenever the King has doubted my affection to his service, he hath humbled himself to acknowledge that he might err, and if my inclinations have at any time seemed to be misguided, it has been when his will did not appear to me. Whosoever revolts in his heart from his sovereign is a rebel as truly as if he had taken arms against him and delivered the keys of the kingdom into the hands of an enemy. I have attained as perfect a resignation of self as is to be found in any monastery, and if I have any ability to serve the King, I crave his pardon for saying that it is his fault if it be idle, for all my life and thoughts are devoted to him and you. [1½ pp. Draft or copy. Amongst the Conway Papers. This letter is in the same handwriting as Lord Conway's letter of p. 685, and his examination of William Colville, p. 622, being probably that of his secretary. His petition to compound and statement of case (Interregnum, G. 190, Nos. 300 and 303) are in the same hand.]

Oct. 4. 151. Petition of the inhabitants of Kirkby-super-Bayne to Archbishop Laud, setting forth the ruinous condition of their church, and complaining that the inhabitants of Tumby refuse to contribute to its repair, and, although they levy a church-rate, pay nothing to the church.

*Underwritten, reference in William Dell's writing and signed by Laud, to the Lord Privy Seal, praying him to take order in the matter, lest while the parties contend, the church go to ruin. [¾ p.]*

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Nov. 1.

John Moore *contra* John Oneby. Recites Moore's information against Oneby (*see Calendar for 1639, p. 365*). Two letters having been directed by Secretary Windebank to the justices of peace and the gentlemen in the country to examine the matter, and they having twice examined and certified, Mr. Oneby was, on 1st November 1639, discharged from further attendance. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p. *Book of Petitions, Chas. I., Vol. CCCCLIII., p. 464.*]

Nov. 13.

Petition of Elizabeth de Vic, relict of the late Lord of Castle Steward, to the King. By reason of the charge which she has taken upon her of the daughters of the Earl of Northumberland, petitioner cannot go to Ireland to prosecute her right in the estate of her late husband, which, as she is a stranger, may be very prejudicial to her. Prays that if any differences arise between her husband's heirs and herself, the Lord Deputy may be desired to call the said heirs before him and determine the same.

*Underwritten.*—Order to the Lord Deputy accordingly. [*Copy.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p. Ibid., p. 112.*]

Dec. 5.

Petition of Charles Gibson to the King, praying for power to erect and maintain lighthouses on the coasts of Ireland, in cos. Wexford, Wicklow, Dublin, and Fingale,\* receiving 1*d.* or 2*d.* a ton for every ship inward or outward bound. He will pay 10*l.* per annum into the Exchequer of Ireland, and if the said lights be not continually kept burning in the night, will submit to a penalty of 5*l.*

*Underwritten.*—Reference to the Lord Deputy and the rest of his Majesty's Commissioners in Ireland, to certify thereon. [*Copy.  $\frac{2}{3}$  p. Ibid., p. 122.*]

Dec. 7.

152. Report by Sir Benjamin Rudyerd on the reference to him of a difference between Sir Edward Peyton and the Earl of Essex, guardian of Sir Charles Sherley, Bart., the King's ward. Sir Thomas Darnell, Sir Henry Sherley, the ward's father, and Edward Aiscough, Esq., being bound to Sir Edward Peyton in 400*l.* for the payment of 200*l.*, Mr. Isham and Mr. Binks, on Lord Essex's behalf, have agreed to pay 150*l.* in full discharge. Signed by the Earl, Sir Edward Peyton, and two others.

*Underwritten, warrant by Lord Cottington to the Attorney-General to draw up an order accordingly.* [1 p.]

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153. Note of proposed settlement of the manors of Stebunheath, *alias* Stepney, and Hackney, co. Middlesex, and Toddington, Tingrith and Harlington, co. Bedford, by the Earl of Cleveland, upon Lord Wentworth's marriage, with proviso that if Lord Wentworth and his lady live with the Earl, he is to allow them 900*l.* a year, and, if not, 1,200*l.* *Endorsed,* "For Sir John Lambe,"

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\* The part of co. Dublin north of the Liffey.

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and by Lambe, "A note of Mr. Dixon's, from the Earl of Cleveland." [1 p.] *Annexed*,

153. I. *Further note concerning the settlement of the manors.* [1 p.]

153. II. *Rentals, royalties, &c., of the manors in co. Bedford.* [3 pp.]

[*These papers would appear to have been drawn up at the time of Lord Wentworth's suit to Barbara Lambe. See p. 614 above.*]

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Jan. 28.

Petition of Dame Anne Cooke, widow of Sir Edward Dodington, and of Tristram and Michael Beresford, her trustees, to the King. Sir Edward Dodington was seised in his lifetime of eight town lands and the Abbey of Dungevin, co. Londonderry. At the persuasion of Lord Deputy Chichester, he surrendered his estate to the King, to give way to the Londoners' undertaking, and received a lease of the Skinners' proportion, which at his death he left to his wife, much encumbered with debts. Now the land has reverted to his Majesty, and for what little they have left, petitioners pay 40*l.* a year, and have but a 21 years' lease. Pray a grant to pass a patent in fee for what remains to them.

*Underwritten.*—Reference to the Lord Treasurer and Lord Cottington, who are to call the Commissioners for Londonderry, consider the matter and certify. [Copy. 1 p. Vol. CCCCIII., p. 145.]

Feb. 5 & 12. 154, 155. Two certificates by John Mayer, public notary, in the cause of Dame Anne Lake and Catherine Chamberlain *versus* Sir Edmund Plowden, in the Court of Delegates. [= 1½ pp.]

Feb. 12. 156. Certificate in the same cause by Francis Plowden. [½ p.]

Feb. 15. 157. Note in a cause, Sampson's executors *contra* Stephens, concerning the toll of certain fairs and markets. [¾ p.]

Feb. 19. Copy of the will of Sir William Campion of Combwell, Goudhurst, Kent, made 15th February 1639, with codicil of 20th February, proved in the Prerogative Court before Dr. Robert Aylett and Sir Henry Martin, 19th February 1640. [26 sheets of paper. *Cur. I., Case H., No. 14.*]

Feb. 20.  
Dunluce.

158. Katherine, Duchess of Buckingham, to Lord Cottington, Master of the Court of Wards. My Lord [the Earl of Antrim, her second husband] and I have considered the accounts of our sons, and find that Lord Pembroke and Sir Robert Pye have disposed of their estate with care. We beg that the tutor and servants may be admonished to follow their instructions, that the debt be not increased. Signed by the Earl of Antrim and the Duchess. *Seal with arms.* [¾ p.]

*Underwritten*, "19 May 1640," in Lord Cottington's hand.

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Petition of Malcolm Hamilton to the King. Petitioner's father, the late Archbishop of Cassiles [Cashel], had due to him at the time of his death certain sums of money which he appointed to be disposed of towards raising portions for his children, but which the debtors now refuse to pay. Prays that the Lord Lieutenant may be authorized to call the parties before him, to examine the debts, and to order that such as appear to him just shall be paid.

*Underwritten.*—Reference to the Lord Lieutenant accordingly.  
[Copy.  $\frac{3}{4}$  p. Vol. CCCCIII., p. 158.]

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Petition of the same to the King. Malcolm, Archbishop of Cassiles, his father, was seised of tenements and lands called Ardwinke, Dinawilk, Breke, Donagat, Durmanew and Killmore, all of which at his death were recovered from petitioner, the rightful heir, by one Sir John Hume of North Berwick, by the testimony of false witnesses suborned by him. The perjury has since been proved, and Sir John fined and imprisoned for it. By a deed of 24th June 1638, it was agreed that Sir John should sell to the Archbishop his title in certain lands in co. Fermanagh. But Sir John died in prison, and Sir George, his son, has possession of the lands, which ought to be given up to petitioner and his brother Archibald. Prays a reference to the Lord Lieutenant, and that he may make a final determination of the same.

*Underwritten.*—Reference to the Lord Lieutenant accordingly.  
[Copy.  $1\frac{1}{4}$  pp. *Ibid.*, p. 159.]

Feb. 29.

Petition of Sir Hamon le Strange, knight, to the King. Sir Thomas le Strange, one of Queen Elizabeth's Privy Councillors in Ireland, and commander in the wars there, died seised of the manor and castle of Athleage, and of castle Reogh and lands in the territory of Clankirne, co. Roscommon, all which descended to Sir Nicholas le Strange, petitioner's father, who also died seised thereof, when the premises should have come to petitioner, then an infant and the Queen's ward. About that time there arose a rebellion of the natives, who burnt down Castle Athleage, and one Hugh O'Connor (a potent man in those parts) took possession of Castle Reogh and the lands in Clankirne, which he and his son have held ever since. The truth was long concealed from petitioner, and owing to the lapse of time, he cannot be relieved by the Commissioners, in spite of his clear title. As his ancestors, loyal servants of the Crown, purchased the property for valuable considerations, and also in regard of his own great losses, he prays a grant of some other lands in Munster or elsewhere.

*Underwritten.*—Reference to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, who is to give petitioner such satisfaction as he shall find fit.  
[Copy.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp. *Ibid.*, p. 155.]

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Articles to be administered by his Majesty's Commissioners for Causes Ecclesiastical against Elizabeth Barcroft of Old Ford, Stepney, and John Barcroft and Thomas Buckle of London; signed

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by Sir John Lambe and Dr. Robert Aylett. With depositions of witnesses taken in January and February 1640. [270 written and some blank pages. *Car. I., Case H., No. 15.*]

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159. Accounts of Sir Thomas Stile, deceased, executor to Mr. William Stile, given up by Richard Branthwaite and Augustine Skinner, executors to Sir Thomas; including lists of rents in London and Kent, jewels, goods, &c., with debts and disbursements, and a note of the goods of William Stile. [*Paper book, 23 pp.*] *Annexed,*

159. i. *Copy of the order in the Court of Wards for the production of the accounts, dated 29th January 1639-40.*  
[ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

April 21.  
Dorchester.

160. Humphrey Jolyff to Mr. Davyes, at Mr. Langley's chamber in New Inn. Pray send me copies of the depositions for Philip Davye against William White. I had an order for a *dedimus potestatem* to make my answer in the country. This is now returned to you by the bearer, Mr. John Bartlett, of the Six Clerks' Office in Chancery. I pray you take care that no prejudice befall your clients.

*Underwritten, notes concerning various persons.* [1 p.]

April 22.  
Gerard's  
Bromley.

161. [Dutton] Lord Gerard to the Earl of Essex. Be pleased to entertain the last and most earnest suit of your dying servant. My physicians have shewed me the nearness of my end, so that as mine only trust is in God for mine own self, so is my next in you, for my wife and children, under him. I pray you be my intercessor with the King my master, that he will vouchsafe to confer the wardship of my son upon my wife. And so I take my everlasting leave, committing my soul into the hands of the Lord, and your Lordship unto his protection, in whose kingdom may we enjoy a happy meeting. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]

May 11.

Petition of John Poulett and Sarah, his wife, sister and heir to Sir George Maltby, knight, deceased, to the King. Queen Elizabeth gave to Sir Nicholas Maltby, petitioner's grandfather, in lieu of his service in reducing Connaught, the manor of Roscommon in the said province. It descended to his son, Captain Henry Maltby, petitioner's father (who was slain in service of the Crown in 1602), and then to her brother Sir George Maltby, who mortgaged it to Viscount Ranelagh, with right of redemption. But when Sir George had procured means to redeem it, Lord Ranelagh refused to reconvey the lands, and the said Sir George coming to England to sue for relief was unjustly imprisoned by one Luke Nightingale, and died in great misery in the Fleet. Lord Ranelagh still refuses to give up the lands and endeavours to obtain a grant from his Majesty to establish his possession, by which petitioners will not only be disinherited but utterly ruined. They pray that the Lord Lieutenant and some of the Commissioners for the Province

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may call Lord Ranelagh before them, examine the business, and take course for petitioners' relief. Also that Lord Ranelagh's grant may be stayed.

*Underwritten.*—*Reference to the Lord Lieutenant, and order for stay of Lord Ranelagh's grant.* [Copy. 1½ pp. Vol. CCCCIII., p. 175.]

May 11.

162. The Earl of Newcastle to Lord Cottington. I have been attended by the officers of the Duke of Buckingham with the accounts of his estate, with which the Lord Chamberlain and Sir Robert Pye are entrusted, for the years 1638 and 1639, and find no cause to except against them. [½ p.]

*Underwritten,* "19 May 1640," by Lord Cottington.

May 18.

Petition of the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of Londonderry to the King, praying for relief of their burden in supporting the magistracy and for abatement of their rents.

*Underwritten.*—*Reference to the Lord Treasurer and Lord Cottington, who are to call the Commissioners of Londonderry, consider the matter, and report.* [Copy. ⅔ p. Vol. CCCCIII., p. 177.]

June 3.

Report by William, Bishop of London, and Lord Cottington to the King on the petitions of Alexander Macdonnell, brother to the Earl of Antrim, Tristram Beresford, and Michael Crake and others, the King's footmen, concerning 10 balliboes of land in the barony of Kemaght; also on the petitions of Mr. Beresford, senior, and his daughter, Lady Cooke, to be discharged of certain accounts.

*Underwritten.*—*The Lord Treasurer and Lord Cottington are to order the Commissioners for Londonderry to contract with Mr. Beresford for one moiety of the lands, and with the three footmen for the other moiety. Mr. Beresford's and Lady Cooke's accounts are to be discharged.* [Copy. 1½ pp. *Ibid.*, p. 200.]

July 6.

Certificate by the Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, and Lord Chief Justice Littleton, on reference of a petition of Sir Thomas Reynell, explaining certain exceptions to be made in the grant of fines to petitioner. [*The petition is dated 26th March 1639; see Calendar of 1638–39.*]

*Underwritten.*—*Warrant to the Attorney-General to draw up a grant.* [Copy. 2 pp. *Ibid.*, p. 222.]

Sept. 29.

163, 164. Note of suits of apparel delivered to John Gradin, groom of the robes, in the time of his quarter's waiting, ended Michaelmas, 1640, for which he has given no account. *Two copies.* (= 3½ pp.)

Oct. 2.

165. John Milborne, Sheriff of co. Monmouth, to Lord Cottington, Master of the Court of Wards and Chancellor of the Exchequer, praying to be allowed to vindicate his proceedings in the

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1640. cause between Katherine Lacie and Philip Cecil. [ $1\frac{3}{4}$  pp. *Damaged.*]
- Oct. Interrogatories and depositions in an Exchequer suit, Sir John Bankes, Attorney General, *contra* James and William Hugesson and Richard Sladen, concerning lands below Walmer Castle, encroached upon by the sea. *Margin*, "Hall for the King, Gee for defendants." [100 sheets of paper. *Car. I., Case H., No. 16.*]  
*Dorso*, "We are gone to Boone's to dinner."
- 1641.
- March 15. 166. Edward Thurman to Daniel Earle or Thomas Goodwyn, Andover. in Clement's Inn. I pray you send me the commission which Mr. White left behind him in the suit between White and Cowley. I will defray all charges. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- June 7. 167. Auditor Francis Phelps to George Bynion, receiver of the King's revenues for co. Northampton. I received a certificate from Irtlingborough that Thomas Infield had served the cure there for a year and a half, so I gave him a debenture for 20*l.*, due to the curate for that time; but as he acts as vicar and claims tithes, I beg you to stay payment. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]
- June 11. 168. Account by Richard Branthwaite of the receipts and disbursements of rents in Coldnewton, co. Leicester, conveyed to him for security of 3,000*l.* due to the estate of Sir Thomas Stile, Bart., the King's ward, from 1635 to June 1641. Certified in the Court of Wards, 11th June 1641. [35 pp.]
- June 30. 169. Declaration by the trustees of William Bell, of Old Windsor, to the Court of Requests, that they are willing to give order for the payment of 50*l.* to the said William Bell (with the consent of his son Balthazar), to free him from imprisonment for debt. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- July 20. 170. Acknowledgment of debt of 177*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.* from John Gearinge to Daniel Harvey, endorsed, with receipt for 50*l.* thereof. [=  $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]
- Aug. 28. 171. Receipt by Henry Ingram and Edward Vernon, Commissioners for Poll Money, for 15*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* from the constable of Claynes (co. Worcester). [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]
- Sept. 27. 172. Note of charges for Lady Scudamore (lunatic) and her nurse from Midsummer 1640 to Michaelmas 1641. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- Nov. 17. 173 (1-4). Four letters, shown in the Court of Wards on this date to James Bythell, one of the defendants at the suit of James Newton:—
1. Robert Mason to his uncle, William Cooke, Worcester. My uncle Bythell says that if I will not marry he will cut down all the wood at Tedstone. For the maid, she is handsome enough, but I am not minded to marry, and am but a child. I pray you come to me at Tedstone, for I know not what to do. [1 p.]



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2. James Bythell to the same. I have a match in hand for your nephew Mason. Unless you can procure him a better I pray you come over and see the gentlewoman. Newchurch, 13th March 1640-41. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

3. [The same to James Newton.] You know that I have no means of raising money but by the marriage portion of the ward. If you will get me license to marry the ward, I hope money will be had to give us content. [*Scrap.*]

4. Same to the same. You wish to have money from me for Mason's business, but you have had large sums already. For three years I have had no allowance for the ward. The lands that I hold are William Mason's, and held by me for a valuable consideration. You threaten a suit against me. I have so many already that I know not which to put off first. 12th January 1640-41. [1 p.]

Dec. 25.  
1642.

174. Lists of tenths unpaid in Exon diocese. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

Jan. 1.

175. Jasper Cornelius to his servant Israel. Mr. Rowden's brother will pay you 40*l.* Do your business carefully, and send down my bonds.

*Underwritten.*—*Note by T. Rowdon that he is sorry he cannot furnish him according to his master's letter. Barnet, 4th January.* [1 p.]

Jan.

176, 177. Two papers concerning the making of farthings in Mr. Playter's office. [=1 $\frac{3}{4}$  pp.]

Feb. 3.

178. The Earl of Newcastle to William, Lord Saye and Sele, Master of the Court of Wards, allowing the accounts of the Duke of Buckingham for the two years ended at Michaelmas last. *Seal with arms.* [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

March 2.

179. Account by Marmaduke Peckett, merchant, Constantinople, of goods, moneys, and merchandise of John Ball, lunatic, in his hands, January 1635 to February 1642. Certified on oath. [*Paper book, folio.* 17 pp.]

March 27.

180. Authorization, signed by 18 [Scotch Officers?], for Sergeant Major Thomas Hume to receive the moneys due to them. [1 p.]

March 30.

181. Bill by William Dash for grazing of horses. [1 $\frac{1}{8}$  pp.]

April 18.  
Newport.

182. Sir John Oglander [Deputy Lieutenant of the Isle of Wight] to his cousin, Jasper Cornelius, Southampton, praying for a Privy Seal against Edmond Lanham at the suit of William Jorden. [ $\frac{1}{4}$  p.]

April 21.  
Bristol.

183. John Dowsell to Edward Ewell, Clerk of the Exchequer. I pray you send me a *dedimus potestatem*, directed to Basil Sprigg and George Moore, gents., for putting in my chequer book, as I have been long sick, and cannot come to put it in myself. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  p.]

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May 16. 184.—188. Five papers, dated February to May, relating to Ireland. [=3 pp.]
- May 16. 189. Receipt by Thomas Havers, on behalf of his master, Robert Sainthillary, of 6*l.* rent from Ezechias Scarnynge for stipend. [5 lines.]
- 190—192. Three bills for law expenses. 8—13 Car. *Found with the preceding.* [3 pp.]
- June 15. 193. Peter C—— to Jasper Cornelius, London. It is not  
Southampton. unknown to you that the town has been at great charges to sue Mrs. Clarke for the freedom of the fishing. The business goes not as it should, and she ceases not to molest the fishermen, insomuch that I have offered to farm it for 21 days, and try the suit with her at my own cost. If I go on with it, I will put in to have the cleaning of the channel, as by our charter is granted. [1 p. *Damaged.*]
- June 21. 194. Robt. Richbill to Jasper Cornelius, Inner Temple. I hear  
Southampton. from Mr. Hooper that he is about to meet his creditors. I pray you and Mr. Rawdon to recover my debt of 308*l.*, for which I will pay you 20*l.*, besides 5*l.* to buy each of you a beaver hat. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
- Nov. 16. 195. Notes of the contract between Martyn Hervey and John Langham for the purchase of Hervey's manor or moiety of the manor of Cottesbrooke, co. Northampton, and of the payments by instalments, the last being on this date. [1 p.]
1643.  
June 28. 196. "Two letters, the one being intercepted by the Parliament forces, which was sent from Sir Hugh Cholmley to Captain Gotherick, employed in the Parliament's service, advising him to quit Wrestle [Wressell] Castle, or else to secure Captain Carter and to make himself master of it and keep it for his Majesty's service.  
The other, Captain Gotherick's honest advice, in answer to the said Sir Hugh, detesting so treacherous and unworthy an act." *Printed pamphlet, with the title page inscribed as above. The second letter is dated 28th June 1643. There is a copy amongst the King's Pamphlets in the British Museum, E 60, No. 4.* [8 pp.]
- Sept. 18. 197. Bond of Francis Wright, of Witham, co. Essex, Brian Ballard, of Carter Lane, London, and William Edwards, of the Borough, Southwark, to John Hunt, Sergeant-at-arms, for 50*l.*, conditioned for the appearance of Francis Wright, now a prisoner in Southwark Compter, before the Committee for Examinations when required. *Signed and sealed. Latin and English.* [ $\frac{3}{4}$  p.]
1643. 198—262. Orders in the Committee of the House of Commons for Irish affairs, mostly for payments, and with receipts. [=83 pp.]

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1643.

263—304. Parliament orders relating to Ireland, with receipts for payments. [=46 pp.]

305—347. Miscellaneous documents relating to Ireland. [=45 pp.]

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348. Note of Attorneys in several offices who are malignants, and well able to contribute to the State. In some cases the amount of their estates or incomes are given. The names are :—

In Mr. Fanshaw's office.—Martin Boothby, Sir Simon Fanshaw (now with the King at Oxford), Walter Hillary, Humphrey Selwood, John Paine.

In the Pipe Office, Barbican.—Christopher Vernon, Richard Carrill, Benjamin Wallinger, Francis Boyton, William Burnett.

In Sir Peter Osborne's office.—Thomas Osborne, Thomas Stich, Edward Badby, William Wimondsall, Nicholas Turberville, Richard Dawson, Edward Reynolds, Edward Stripling.

*Underwritten*.—"It is a shame to hear how Turberville and Dawson do rail against Parliament, the Lord Mayor, Sir William Waller and all good men." [1 p.]

1644.

Feb.

349—353. Five notes of wood supplied from Winchester Yard, Southwark, Jan. 1642—Feb. 1644. [=6½ pp.]

Aug. 28.

354. Accounts of John Awcocke, defendant at the suit of Colonel John Cromwell and Abigail his wife, daughter of Sir Henry Clere, Bart., late the King's ward, touching the rents and profits of the manor of Buckenham Ferry, parcel of the lands of the late Sir Henry, audited and drawn up by Auditor James Tooke. [11½ sheets.] *Annexed*,

354. I. *Order by Sir Benjamin Rudyerd and Sir Rowland Wandesford, on reference to them of the petition of Colonel John Cromwell and his wife, to Mr. Auditor Tooke, to audit the accounts and to certify whether the plaintiffs are indebted to Awcocke or Awcocke to them. 5th August 1646. [1½ pp.]*

354. II. *Certificate by Rudyerd and Wandesford of the demands of Awcocke for allowances on his accounts. [2 pp.]*

[1646 ?]

355—363. Papers concerning the accounts of Sir John Clotworthy and others, Commissaries for Ireland. [=5½ pp.]

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March 1.

364. Paper book, containing, 1. A note of goods belonging to resident fellows of the University of Cambridge, seized by virtue of the Ordinance of Parliament for Sequestration. 2. An inventory of the same, the names of the owners being almost identical with the former list, but arranged according to their Colleges, as follows :—

Peterhouse.—Dr. [John] Cosins [Master], Mr. Tollye, Mr. Pennyman, Mr. Bargrave.

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Pembroke Hall.—Dr. [Benjamin] Lany [Master], Mr. Franck, Mr. Holder.  
 Bennett [Corpus Christi] College.—Mr. Heath, Mr. Tunstall.  
 Queen's College.—Mr. Couldham, Dr. Cox.  
 King's College.—Mr. Young.  
 Clare Hall.—Mr. Oley.  
 Trinity Hall.—Mr. Hatley, Mr. Lynne.  
 Caius College.—Mr. Moore, Mr. Gostlyn, Mr. Pickerin, Mr. Blanckes, Mr. Rant, Mr. London, Mr. Buxton, Mr. Blaithwell.  
 Trinity College.—Dr. Rowe, Dr. Meredith, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Nevill, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Thorndike.  
 St. John's College.—Dr. [William] Beale [Master], Mr. Bodardo, Mr. Cleaveland.  
 Magdalen College.—Mr. Howarth, Mr. Pullion.  
 Jesus College.—Mr. Greene, Mr. Boilston, Mr. Bushy, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Lincoln, Mr. Mason.  
 Sidney Sussex College.—Mr. Pendreth.  
 Christ's College.—Mr. Norton, Mr. Brierly, Mr. Wilding, Mr. Honywood.  
 Emanuel College.—Mr. Sowersby, Mr. Weller, Mr. Hall, Dr. [Richard] Holdsworth [Master].  
 Town.—Mr. Seale, Mr. Gery Tabor, John Franck, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Jacklyn, Mr. Stagg.

Also notes of moneys received, and from whom; charges for goods seized and other payments; an inventory of the goods of Mr. Willis, Dr. [Thomas] Batcheroft, [Master of Caius College], and Mr. Barrowe; and a memorandum that the incomes from delinquents' chambers in colleges cannot yet be accounted for, as very little has been received, and that there has been expended upon the sequestrators' charges 15s. per week each, from 15th November 1643 to 1st March 1646-47. [74 pp., of which 22 are blank.]

July 8. 365—400. Series of documents relating to the affairs of the Guinea Company, from 18th February 1642-43 to 8th July 1647, but mostly of the year 1644. The series is numbered 1—28, but No. 1 is missing, and there are a few additional papers [=30 pp.]

Undated. 401. Petition of Nicholas Nolsome, Whitechapel, to the Lords and Commons in Parliament, for repayment of moneys spent in quartering soldiers. [1 p.]

402. Certificate by Anna Stewart, Lady Saltoun, of the payment of 20 marks to William Ingers, goldsmith. [*Scrap.*]

403. Petition of Robert Law, vicar of St. Mary's, Huntingdon, to William [Laud], Archbishop of Canterbury. Being 71 years old, poor and decrepid, and having lost my books and household stuff by fire, I beg you to procure me the annuity of 40*l.*, left by

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one Mr. Fishbourne, mercer, of London, for maintenance of a lecture in Huntingdon, and specially in St. Mary's parish. The vicarage is only worth 5*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*, and I have lost much by encroachments, and by leave given by the Bishop of Lincoln to the people to go to any church, whereby I lose personal tithes and fees. [1 *p.* *Between 1633 and 1641.*]

404. Fragment, in Laud's handwriting, found among the Conway Papers, [being a draft for the preamble of the Proclamation of 14th July 1626], setting forth the King's grief that of late some questions seem to have been broached in matters of religion, at first meant against the Papists only, but which are like to breed great trouble and disquiet in Church and State. [ $\frac{1}{2}$  *p.*]

405. "An estimate of the charge of a diet of ten dishes at a meal, according to his Majesty's composition prices." Signed by Sir Marmaduke Darell and four others. [ $\frac{3}{4}$  *p.* *Printed in the preface to the Calendar of 1648, p. viii., but stated to be some years earlier. It must have been drawn up before March, 1631-2, when Sir Marmaduke Darell died.*]

406. Note that Stephen Bunce died six years since, seised of lands in Thoroughly, Kent, leaving a son under age. An office is found against the King. Memorandum,—To draw a petition. [*Scrap.*]

407. Notes from the Patent rolls of Edward III., concerning the treaty of marriage between Edward the Black Prince, and Leonora, daughter of Alphonso, King of Portugal; the appointment of John [Stratford], Archbishop of Canterbury, as Warden of the Principality of Wales, Duchy of Cornwall, and co. Chester, during the minority of the Prince of Wales; and the marriage of Lionel, Duke of Clarence, with Elizabeth, daughter and heir of William, late Earl of Ulster. *Latin.* [*Scrap.*]

408. Particulars of crown lands in Somersham, &c., co. Hunts., in Sir John Lambe's hand, and with notes by him. [2 *pp.*]

Copy of Court rolls of the manor of Wryardsbury, Bucks. [92 *pp.* *Car. I., Case H., No. 17.*]

Particulars of manors or lands, viz.:—Gaddesby and Willoughby Waterleyes, co. Leicester; Ickwell-bury, Maulden, and the lands of Cuthbert George, co. Beds.; Hendon Place and Pury-Place, co. Middlesex; Gedney Abbott and Pawlett, co. Lincoln; Brampton and Bromeholme, co. Norfolk; Viscount Fielding's lands in cos. Warwick, Leicester, and Rutland; Dowdalls in Camberwell, Surrey; Holdenby, co. Northampton; and lands in Godshill, (New Forest,) Hants. Also notes of rents, chiefly payable to the King in cos. Gloucester and Somerset, and particular of leases in St. Bartholomew's parish, London. [=36 *pp.* *Ibid., No. 18.*]

409. Copy from the Patent roll of 20 Edward III., granting to Adam de Walton the lands called la Westmose in the forest of Galtres,

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with power to enclose the same. Certified by William Colet, clerk, and Sir John Borough. *Latin*. [2 pp.]

410. Copy from the Patent roll of 4 Edward IV., granting to the master and brothers of St. Leonard's Hospital, York, the water mills called the Castle Mills. Certified by William Colet and Sir John Borough. *Latin*. [4 pp.] *Endorsed*, "This concerns the ancestors of Sir John Bouchier."

Extracts from the Close rolls of 13 Edward III., concerning the provision of ships by certain abbots and religious houses for defence of the kingdom, perhaps made in connection with the question of the rating of the clergy for ship-money. *Latin*. [*Imperfect*. = 10 pp. *Car. I., Case H., No. 19.*]

Fragments of copies of records, wills, pleadings, depositions, &c. Latin and English. [*Ibid.*, *No. 20.*]

Account of Cornelius Holland, Esq., Paymaster of the Household to the late King Charles' children, of such moneys as he has received and paid for pensions allowed to their servants by virtue of an Ordinance of Parliament of 4th December 1645. [5 sheets of parchment, stitched together in book form; written on 7 pp. only. *Car. I., Case F., No. 25.*]

"The booke of Acquittances for monies paid, within the yeare " ended 25th Martii, 1650, to sundry of the late King's servants and " others, specified in several lists." Also, six separate acquittances annexed at the end; and a small book of "Acquittances for monies paid to the late King's, the Queene's, and Prince's watermen," listed by warrant dated 20th December 1649. Signed throughout by the persons who received the payments. [108 folios, of which 30 blank. *On paper, bound in parchment. Car. I., Case H., No. 21.*]

"A book of Acquittances for moneys paid to sundry of the late " King's servants and others, upon several lists within the accompt " ended the XXVth of March, 1651," with two separate papers of acquittances, dated 23rd May and 16th November 1650. [72 folios. *On paper, bound in parchment. Car. I., Case H., No. 22.*]

(It is thought better to include the three preceding in this volume, as, although the accounts were paid during the Interregnum, they entirely relate to the household of the King. The books of Acquittances have been indexed.)

## M.S. TRACTS.

411. "Catholicus and Philonax," being discourses between M. B. and D. O. and between Catholicus and Philonax, chiefly concerning the claims of the Pope and the King to be head of the Church. *Latin*. [34 pp.]

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412. "An exhortation at the delivery of the habit to a novice. *Latin*. Endorsed by Sir John Coke. [3 pp.]

413. "Of the form of election of a future Pope." *Latin*. [1½ pp.]

414. Privileges of the site of the Chapel where St. Francis died, taken from the tablet hung at the door by the Church of St. Mary of the Angels. *Latin*. [4½ pp.]

415. Religious meditations. *Latin*. [140 pp. *Imperfect*.]

416. Treatise on the images of the Saints and of Christ. *Latin*. [36 pp. *Imperfect*.]

417. Rules for a confraternity of priests. [7 pp.]

418. A defence of the Church of Rome against Calvin. [8 pp. *Imperfect*.]

419. "Dangerous passages observed out of the bookes and papers of Philip Ziegler, Germane, borne in the citye of Wertzburg." [6 pp.]

419 I. [*Further*] "*notes touching the contents of these papers.*" Endorsed, "Ziegler." [4¼ pp.]

420. "Balliol College Statutes." *Begins* "De visitatore," *ends* "De magistris juramento et confirmatione." *Latin*. [5 pp.]

421. Discourse on the Saints, works, the Church, images, the sacraments, the body of Jesus, and the Mass. *French*. [8 pp.]

422. "Notes out of the Catho. Eng." of the proceedings at the Lateran Council, A.D. 1214. *French*. [3 pp.]

423. "A pious complaint to God of an impious Confederacy against his servants." [10½ pp.]

424. "Catalogue of especial books," being a list of 40 books and pamphlets, Latin, French, Italian, and English, published in the 16th and 17th centuries. [2 pp.]

425. Treatise in the controversy between the Bishop of Chalcedon and the Regulars, written in the form of parallels and answers. [48 pp. *Imperfect*. Compare Vol. DXXVI., No. 123, p. 228, above.]

426. Treatise on salvation by faith; also on the different sorts of grace, in the form of a catechism. [10 pp.]

427. Notes by Richard Ward [of Stansted Mountfichet] complaining of the mutilation of a work of his by the licensers of the press, "who favour Popery and Pelagianism." With an "Index

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expurgatorius" of the passages alluded to and a request that they may be licensed. [6 pp. *This is evidently the paper alluded to by Ward as sent up with his letter to Sir Edward Dering, calendared in the volume for 1640-41, p. 530, under date of 4th April 1641.*]

428. Annotations upon Ovid's Epistle of Penelope to Ulysses, with quotations in English decasyllabic verse, which are evidently taken from a little volume printed in 1639,—“Ovid's Heroical Epistles,” Englished by John Sherburne, gent. Printed by E. G. for William “Cooke.” (*British Museum press mark, C. 65, c. 13*). [23 pp.]

429. Treatise upon the plague, discussing the propriety of its Latin name, “*morbis sacer*” or “*morbis divinus*,” and the effect which the visitation should have upon men's minds. [8 pp.]

430. Criticism of some work, the author of which is spoken of as “the pastor,” in which the state of England and Scotland in 1638 is compared to that of Belgium when Philip II. forced bishops upon the people. The critic often quotes the King's “Large Declaration,” and expresses his conviction that his Majesty will not forsake the Scotch bishops, so that the date is probably 1639. He speaks in one place of “Charles I.,” a very unusual form at that date, but it is probably to distinguish him from Charles V. of Spain. [44 pp. *Imperfect.*]

## VERSES.

431. Paper book, containing MS. collection of verses, including a series marked 1—21 “of Dowlands,” perhaps either written or set to music by the John Dowland who wrote a treatise on the art of singing in 1609. At the end are a rhyming list of the (chief) vigils and fasting days in the year, a rule to know by heart what part of man's body is subject to any of the 12 signs (of the Zodiac), and alphabets, large and small. [24 pp. *Torn.*]

432. Verses signed by Benjamin Newell and endorsed: “My humble petition is that this may be a servant in humble duty to the most renowned and incomparable lady Vesta. Your only B. Newell.”

*Begins*, “In silenc I my selef doe reconcile  
My love being sparkeled at ye very time.” [20 lines.]

433. Part of an ode to Alexander the Great.

*Begins*, “I sing the man that never equal knew.” [64 lines.]

434. “Elegie Morale.”

*Begins*, “Il n'est plus tems, Iris, de songer à l'amour  
Peut-être touchons-nous à notre dernier jour.”

*Ends*, “Je vais ou Dieu m'appelle,  
Heureux de vous quitter pour ce Dieu que je sers,  
Et malheureux d'aimer encor ce que je perds.”

[102 lines.]



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435. "Regrets de la maitresse a Monsieur Est."  
*Begins*, "Vous doi je reveller mon amoureux soucy." [20 lines.]
436. French love song.  
*Begins*, "Quand je te vois, mon âme est interdite." [28 lines.]
437. "Hymnus, hic est modus vitæ, quo utuntur Jesuitæ."  
*Begins*, "Opulentes civitates,  
 Ubi sunt commoditates,  
 Semper quæruntisti patres." [39 lines.]
438. A comparison between Amsterdam and Venice.  
*Begins*, "Regibus, imperii caput, urbs inimica Batavi  
 Nuper et Hadriacis urbem quæ provocat undis."  
 [24 lines.]
439. Latin verses, beginning,—  
 "Cur mundus militat sub vana gloria." [32 lines.]
440. A collection of Italian verses. [12 pp.]
441. Epitaph on Sir Nicholas Smythe, beginning "Si nisi qui ingenio poterat te dignus haberi." *Endorsed*, "Rou. Wood in obitum Nic. Smyth."
442. Short pieces in Latin, mostly epitaphs. [4 pp.]
443. Verses in Spanish. *Endorsed by Sir John Coke*, "Spanish sonnet found with the priests in Newgate." [30 lines.]
444. Verses in Spanish. [32 lines.]
445. Dutch verses. [38 lines.]

## MORTON PAPERS.

- 1625-38. 446 (1-39). Letters, &c., of the Morton family, ranging in date from April 1625 to August 1638, chiefly addressed to William Morton, "preacher of God's word," first at Leicester and afterwards at Newcastle-on-Tyne. [= 50 pp.] They are as follows:—
1. Francis Churchman and Thomas Gilbert to William Morton, Sidney [Sussex] College, 7th April 1625. Business and family affairs.
  2. Narrative of a dream by William Morton, 19th May 1630.
  3. John Daintry to John Morton, 4th April 1631. Family affairs.
  4. Henry Dawson, Newcastle, to Thomas Gilbert, 24th November 1632. Mr. Alvey, lecturer at St. Nicholas, has been made vicar of Newcastle, and the townsfolk think of offering the lectureship to William Morton. The stipend is 60*l.* a year.

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5. John Blakiston,\* Newcastle, to his cousin William Morton, 27th November 1632. To like effect. The duties of the office are to lecture each Sunday afternoon and on holy-days. It would be well to get a letter from Bishop Morton of Durham.
6. Same to the same, 20th February 1633. Private affairs. Mr. Maddeson, the Mayor, hopes Morton will be in readiness to come when wanted.
7. W. Fletcher to William Morton, 1st October 1633. Private affairs.
8. Alice Daintry to her brother John Morton, 2nd May 1634 (?). Begs him to take care both of his time and his money.
9. Peter Bulkeley to — Wanley, 14th May 1634. Thinks he knows a lady who would answer William Morton's desires, but wants further information.
- 10, 11. John Blakiston to William Morton, 4th and 27th August 1634. Urges him to come to Newcastle with what speed he may. Family affairs.
12. John Billers, Linc. Coll., Oxon, to William Morton, 1st September 1634. Apologises for not writing, and for detaining a book.
13. Bulkeley to Morton, 26th September 1634. The lady's mother will not allow a meeting until Morton is provided with a place and maintenance.
- 14, 25, 32, 38. William Stanley to his cousin William Morton, 1634—1638. Family affairs and news from Leicester.
15. Bulkeley to Morton, 22nd October 1634. If Newcastle falls through, offers hope of a place in Leicestershire.
16. Morton to Bulkeley, 24th October 1634. Has decided upon Newcastle. Asks further information concerning the young lady.
- 17, 20. Bulkeley to Morton, 18th November and 24th December 1634. Combats objections which Morton has raised. Complains that Blakiston has written very bitterly to the lady's mother.
18. Articles concerning [Mr. Angel's?] conducting of divine service in Leicester, October 1634.
19. Blakiston to Morton, 22nd November 1634. Thinks the difficulties may be got over. Mr. Ward, of Ipswich, is in trouble with the High Commission Court.
21. Alice Daintry to her brother William Morton, 1634 (?). Thanks for kind letter and good counsel.
22. Queries whether it be lawful to publish the "Book of Sports."
23. Thomas Gilbert to his cousin William Morton, 5th January 1635. Family affairs. Mr. Angel (lecturer at Leicester) has been to Sir John [Lambe] and the Archbishop, and has got a toleration.

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\* M.P. for Newcastle in the Long Parliament.

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24. Blakiston to Morton, 22nd May 1635. Concerning N. E. (New England) as a refuge, in these evil days, for the people of God.
  - 26, 30. Richard Lea to Morton, 1635 (?) and 13th January 1638. Religious matters.
  27. William Morton to a lady relative, 1635 (?), recommending a suitable husband.
  28. Amore Oxley to Morton, 1635 (?). Charges him with nourishing a snake in his bosom.
  29. Blakiston to Morton, 27th March 1637. Is summoned before the High Commission Court, the vicar having complained of him to the Bishop.
  31. W. S. to Morton, 12th February 1638. Has been at Cambridge. Dr. Bromwich [Brownrigg] has much reformed the University.
  33. Thomas Ledgerd to Morton, 30th May 1638. Religious matters.
  34. "Answers to particulars propounded by his Majesty's Commissioners," 18th August 1638.
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3. LIVES OF EDWARD THE CONFESSOR. I.—*La Estoire de Seint Aedward le Rei*. II.—*Vita Beati Edvardi Regis et Confessoris*. III.—*Vita Æduardi Regis qui apud Westmonasterium requiescit*. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1858.

The first is a poem in Norman French, probably written in 1245. The second is an anonymous poem, written between 1440 and 1450, which is mainly valuable as a specimen of the Latin poetry of the time. The third, also by an anonymous author, was apparently written between 1066 and 1074.

4. MONUMENTA FRANCISCANA. Vol. I.—*Thomas de Eccleston de Adventu Fratrum Minorum in Angliam. Adæ de Marisco Epistolæ. Registrum Fratrum Minorum Londoniæ*. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. Vol. II.—*De Adventu Minorum*; re-edited, with additions. *Chronicle of the Grey Friars. The ancient English version of the Rule of St. Francis. Abbreviatio Statutorum, 1451, &c.* *Edited by* RICHARD HOWLETT, Barrister-at-Law. 1858, 1882.

The first volume contains original materials for the history of the settlement of the order of St. Francis in England, the letters of Adam de Marisco, and other papers. The second volume contains materials found since the first volume was published.

5. *FASCICULI ZIZANIORUM MAGISTRI JOHANNIS WYCLIF CUM TRITICO*. Ascribed to THOMAS NETTER, of WALDEN, Provincial of the Carmelite Order in England, and Confessor to King Henry the Fifth. *Edited by* the Rev. W. W. SHIRLEY, M.A., Tutor and late Fellow of Wadham College, Oxford. 1858.

This work gives the only contemporaneous account of the rise of the Lollards.

6. *THE BUIK OF THE CRONICLIS OF SCOTLAND; OR, A METRICAL VERSION OF THE HISTORY OF HECTOR BOECE*; by WILLIAM STEWART. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* W. B. TURNBULL, Barrister-at-Law. 1858.

This is a metrical translation of a Latin Prose Chronicle, written in the first half of the 16th century. The narrative begins with the earliest legends and ends with the death of James I. of Scotland, and the "evil ending of the traitors that slew him." The peculiarities of the Scottish dialect are well illustrated in this version.

7. *JOHANNIS CAPGRAVE LIBER DE ILLUSTRIBUS HENRICIS*. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. HUNGESTON, M.A. 1858.

The first part relates only to the history of the Empire from the election of Henry I. the Fowler, to the end of the reign of the Emperor Henry VI. The second part is devoted to English history, from the accession of Henry I. in 1100, to 1446, which was the twenty-fourth year of the reign of Henry VI. The third part contains the lives of illustrious men who have borne the name of Henry in various parts of the world.

8. *HISTORIA MONASTERII S. AUGUSTINI CANTUARIENSIS*, by THOMAS OF ELMHAM, formerly Monk and Treasurer of that Foundation. *Edited by* CHARLES HARDWICK, M.A., Fellow of St. Catharine's Hall, and Christian Advocate in the University of Cambridge. 1858.

This history extends from the arrival of St. Augustine in Kent until 1191.

9. *EULOGIUM (HISTORIARUM SIVE TEMPORIS): CHRONICON AB ORBE CONDITO USQUE AD ANNUM DOMINI 1366; A MONACHO QUODAM MALMESBIRIENSI EXARATUM*. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* F. S. HAYDON, B.A. 1858-1863.

This is a Latin Chronicle extending from the Creation to the latter part of the reign of Edward III., and written by a monk of Malmesbury, about the year 1367. A continuation carries the history of England down to the year 1413.

10. *MEMORIALS OF HENRY THE SEVENTH: Bernardi Andreae Tholosatis Vita Regis Henrici Septimi; necnon alia quædam ad eundem Regem spectantia*. *Edited by* JAMES GAIRDNER. 1858.

The contents of this volume are—(1) a life of Henry VII., by his poet Laureate and historiographer, Bernard André, of Toulouse, with some compositions in verse, of which he is supposed to have been the author; (2) the journals of Roger Machado during certain embassies to Spain and Brittany, the first of which had reference to the marriage of the King's son, Arthur, with Catharine of Arragon; (3) two curious reports by envoys sent to Spain in 1505 touching the succession to the Crown of Castile, and a project of marriage between Henry VII. and the Queen of Naples; and (4) an account of Philip of Castile's reception in England in 1506. Other documents of interest are given in an appendix.

11. *MEMORIALS OF HENRY THE FIFTH. I.—Vita Henrici Quinti, Roberto Redmanno auctore. II.—Versus Rhythmici in laudem Regis Henrici Quinti. III.—Elmhani Liber Metricus de Henrico V.* *Edited by* CHARLES A. COLE. 1858.

12. *MUNIMENTA GILDHALLÆ LONDONIENSIS; Liber Albus, Liber Custumarum, et Liber Horn, in archivis Gildhallæ asservati. Vol. I., Liber Albus. Vol. II. (in Two Parts). Liber Custumarum. Vol. III., Translation of the Anglo-Norman Passages in Liber Albus, Glossaries, Appendices, and Index.* *Edited by* HENRY THOMAS RILEY, M.A., Barrister-at-Law. 1859-1862.

The *Liber Albus*, compiled by John Carpenter, Common Clerk of the City of London in the year 1419, gives an account of the laws, regulations, and institutions of that City in the 12th, 13th, 14th, and early part of the 15th centuries. The *Liber Custumarum* was compiled in the early part of the 14th century during the reign of Edward II. It also gives an account of the laws, regulations, and institutions of the City of London in the 12th, 13th, and early part of the 14th centuries.

13. *CHRONICA JOHANNIS DE OXENEDES*. *Edited by* Sir HENRY ELLIS, K.H. 1859.

Although this Chronicle tells of the arrival of Hengist and Horsa, it substantially begins with the reign of King Alfred, and comes down to 1292. It is particularly valuable for notices of events in the eastern portions of the Kingdom.

14. A COLLECTION OF POLITICAL POEMS AND SONGS RELATING TO ENGLISH HISTORY, FROM THE ACCESSION OF EDWARD III. TO THE REIGN OF HENRY VIII. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* THOMAS WRIGHT, M.A. 1859-1861.
15. The "OPUS TERTIUM," &c. of ROGER BACON. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. 1859.
16. BARTHOLOMEI DE COTTON, MONACHI NORWICENSIS, HISTORIA ANGLICANA; 449-1298; necnon ejusdem Liber de Archiepiscopis et Episcopis Angliæ. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge, 1859.
17. BRUT Y TYWYSOGION; or, The Chronicle of the Princes of Wales. *Edited by* the Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS AB ITHEL, M.A. 1860.  
 This work, written in the ancient Welsh language, begins with the abdication and death of Cædwala at Rome, in the year 681, and continues the history down to the subjugation of Wales by Edward I., about the year 1282.
18. A COLLECTION OF ROYAL AND HISTORICAL LETTERS DURING THE REIGN OF HENRY IV. 1399-1404. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. HINGESTON, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1860.
19. THE REPRESSOR OF OVER MUCH BLAMING OF THE CLERGY. By REGINALD PECOCK, sometime Bishop of Chichester. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. CHURCHILL BABINGTON, B.D., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1860.  
 The "Repressor" may be considered the earliest piece of good theological disquisition of which our English prose literature can boast. The author was born about the end of the fourteenth century, consecrated Bishop of St. Asaph in the year 1444, and translated to the see of Chichester in 1450. His work is interesting chiefly because it gives a full account of the views of the Lollards, and it has great value for the philologist.
20. ANNALES CAMBRIÆ. *Edited by* the Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS AB ITHEL, M.A. 1860.  
 These annals, which are in Latin, commenced in 447, and come down to 1288. The earlier portion appears to be taken from an Irish Chronicle used by Tigernach, and by the compiler of the Annals of Ulster.
21. THE WORKS OF GIRALDUS CAMBRENSIS. Vols. I.-IV. *Edited by* the Rev. J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. Vols. V.-VII. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES F. DIMOCK, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire. Vol. VIII. *Edited by* GEORGE F. WARNER, M.A., of the Department of MSS., British Museum. 1861-1891.  
 These volumes contain the historical works of Gerald du Barry, who lived in the reigns of Henry II., Richard I. and John. His works are of a very miscellaneous nature, both in prose and verse, and are remarkable for the anecdotes which they contain.  
 The *Topographia Hibernica* (in Vol. V.) is the result of Giraldus' two visits to Ireland, the first in 1183, the second in 1185-6, when he accompanied Prince John into that country. The *Expugnatio Hibernica* was written about 1188, and may be regarded rather as a great epic than a sober relation of acts occurring in his own days. Vol. VI. contains the *Itinerarium Cambriæ et Descriptio Cambriæ*; and Vol. VII., the lives of S. Remigius and S. Hugh. Vol. VIII. contains the Treatise *De Principum Instructione*, and an Index to Vols. I.-IV. and VIII.
22. LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE WARS OF THE ENGLISH IN FRANCE DURING THE REIGN OF THE SIXTH, KING OF ENGLAND. Vol. I., and Vol. II. (in Two Parts). *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., Vicar of Leighton Buzzard. 1861-1864.
23. THE ANGLO-SAXON CHRONICLE, ACCORDING TO THE SEVERAL ORIGINAL AUTHORITIES. Vol. I., Original Texts. Vol. II., Translation. *Edited and translated by* BENJAMIN THORPE, Member of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Munich, and of the Society of Netherlandish Literature at Leyden. 1861.  
 There are at present six independent manuscripts of the Saxon Chronicle, ending in different years, and written in different parts of the country. In this edition, the text of each manuscript is printed in columns on the same page, so that the student may see at a glance the various changes which occur in orthography.

24. **LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGNS OF RICHARD III. AND HENRY VII.** Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* JAMES GAIRDNER. 1861-1863.

The principal contents of the volumes are some diplomatic Papers of Richard III., correspondence between Henry VII. and Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain; documents relating to Edmund de la Pole, Earl of Suffolk; and a portion of the correspondence of James IV. of Scotland.

25. **LETTERS OF BISHOP GROSSETESTE.** *Edited by* the Rev. HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1861.

The letters of Robert Grosseteste range in date from about 1210 to 1253, and relate to various matters connected not only with the political history of England during the reign of Henry III., but with its ecclesiastical condition. They refer especially to the diocese of Lincoln, of which Grosseteste was bishop.

26. **DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUE OF MANUSCRIPTS RELATING TO THE HISTORY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.** Vol. I. (in Two Parts); *Anterior to the Norman Invasion.* (*Out of Print.*) Vol. II.; 1066-1200. Vol. III.; 1200-1327. *By* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Records. 1862-1871.

The object of this work is to publish notices of all known sources of British history, both printed and unprinted, in one continued sequence. The materials, when historical (as distinguished from biographical), are arranged under the year in which the latest event is recorded in the chronicle or history, and not under the period in which its author, real or supposed, flourished. Biographies are enumerated under the year in which the person commemorated died, and not under the year in which the life was written. A brief analysis of each work has been added when deserving it, in which original portions are distinguished from mere compilations. A biographical sketch of the author of each piece has been added, and a brief notice of such British authors as have written on historical subjects.

27. **ROYAL AND OTHER HISTORICAL LETTERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGN OF HENRY III.** Vol. I., 1216-1235. Vol. II., 1236-1272. *Selected and edited by* the Rev. W. W. SHIRLEY, D.D., Regius Professor of Ecclesiastical History, and Canon of Christ Church, Oxford. 1862-1866.

28. **CHRONICA MONASTERII S. ALBANI.**—1. THOMÆ WALSINGHAM HISTORIA ANGLICANA; Vol. I., 1272-1381: Vol. II., 1381-1422. 2. WILLELMI RISHANGER CHRONICA ET ANNALES, 1259-1307. 3. JOHANNIS DE TROKELowe ET HENRICI DE BLANEFORDE CHRONICA ET ANNALES 1259-1296; 1307-1324; 1392-1406. 4. GESTA ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, A THOMA WALSINGHAM, REGNANTE RICARDO SECUNDO, EJUSDEM ECCLESIE PRÆCENTORE, COMPILATA; Vol. I., 793-1290: Vol. II., 1290-1349: Vol. III., 1349-1411. 5. JOHANNIS AMUNDESHAM, MONACHI MONASTERII S. ALBANI, UT VIDETUR, ANNALES; Vols. I. and II. 6. REGISTRA QUORUNDAM ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, QUI SÆCULO XV<sup>mo</sup> FLORUERE; Vol. I., REGISTRUM ABBATIS JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, ABBATIS MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, ITERUM SUSCEPTI; ROBERTO BLAKENEY, CAPELLANO, QUONDAM ADSCRIPITUM: Vol. II., REGISTRA JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, WILLELMI ALBON, ET WILLELMI WALINGFORDE, ABBATUM MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, CUM APPENDICE, CONTINENTE QUASDAM EPISTOLAS, A JOHANNE WHETHAMSTEDE CONSCRIPTAS. 7. YPODIGMA NEUSTRIÆ A THOMA WALSINGHAM, QUONDAM MONACHO MONASTERII S. ALBANI, CONSCRIPTUM. *Edited by* HENRY THOMAS RILEY, M.A., Barrister-at-Law. 1863-1876.

In the first two volumes is a History of England, from the death of Henry III. to the death of Henry V., by Thomas Walsingham, Precentor of St. Albans.

In the 3rd volume is a Chronicle of English History, attributed to William Rishanger, who lived in the reign of Edward I.: an account of transactions attending the award of the kingdom of Scotland to John Balliol, 1291-1292, also attributed to William Rishanger, but on no sufficient ground: a short Chronicle of English History, 1292 to 1300, by an unknown hand: a short Chronicle Willelmi Rishanger Gesta Edwardi Primi, Regis Angliæ, with Annales Regum Angliæ, probably by the same hand: and fragments of three Chronicles of English History, 1285 to 1307.

In the 4th volume is a Chronicle of English History, 1259 to 1296: Annals of Edward II., 1307 to 1323, by John de Trokelowe, a monk of St. Albans, and a continuation of Trokelowe's Annals, 1323, 1324, by Henry de Blanford: a full Chronicle of English History, 1392 to 1406; and an account of the Benefactors of St. Albans, written in the early part of the 15th century.

The 5th, 6th, and 7th volumes contain a history of the Abbots of St. Albans, 793 to 1411, mainly compiled by Thomas Walsingham: with a Continuation.

The 8th and 9th volumes, in continuation of the Annals, contain a Chronicle, probably of John Amundesham, a monk of St. Albans.

The 10th and 11th volumes relate especially to the acts and proceedings of Abbots Whethamstede, Albon, and Wallingford.

The 12th volume contains a compendious History of England to the reign of Henry V., and of Normandy in early times, also by Thomas Walsingham, and dedicated to Henry V.

29. **CHRONICON ABBATIE EVESHAMENSIS, AUCTORIBUS DOMINICO PRIORE EVESHAMIE ET THOMA DE MARLEBERGE ABBATE, A FUNDATIONE AD ANNUM 1213, UNA CUM CONTINUATIONE AD ANNUM 1418.** *Edited by the Rev. W. D. MACRAY, Bodleian Library, Oxford. 1863.*

The Chronicle of Evesham illustrates the history of that important monastery from about 690 to 1418. Its chief feature is an autobiography, which makes us acquainted with the inner daily life of a great abbey. Interspersed are many notices of general, personal, and local history.

30. **RICARDI DE CIRENCESTRIA SPECULUM HISTORIALE DE GESTIS REGUM ANGLIÆ.** Vol. I., 447-871. Vol. II., 872-1066. *Edited by JOHN E. B. MAYOR, M.A., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1863-1869.*

Richard of Cirencester's history, in four books, extends from 447 to 1066. It gives many charters in favour of Westminster Abbey, and a very full account of the lives and miracles of the saints, especially of Edward the Confessor, whose reign occupies the fourth book. A treatise on the Coronation, by William of Sudbury, a monk of Westminster, fills book ii. c. 3.

31. **YEAR BOOKS OF THE REIGN OF EDWARD THE FIRST.** Years 20-21, 21-22, 30-31, 32-33, and 33-35 Edw. I.; and 11-12 Edw. III. *Edited and translated by ALFRED JOHN HORWOOD, Barrister-at-Law. Years 12-13. 13-14, 14, 14-15, 15 and 16, Edward III. Edited and translated by LUKE OWEN PIKE, M.A., Barrister-at-Law. 1863-1896.*

The "Year Books" are the earliest of our Law Reports. They contain matter not only of practical utility to lawyers in the present day, but also illustrative of almost every branch of history, while for certain philological purposes they hold a position absolutely unique.

32. **NARRATIVES OF THE EXPULSION OF THE ENGLISH FROM NORMANDY, 1449-1450.**—Robertus Blondelli de Reductione Normanniæ: Le Recouvrement de Normandie, par Berry, Hérault du Roy: Conférences between the Ambassadors of France and England. *Edited by the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A. 1863.*

33. **HISTORIA ET CARTULARIUM MONASTERII S. PETRI GLOUCESTRIE.** Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by W. H. HART, F.S.A., Membre correspondant de la Société des Antiquaires de Normandie. 1863-1867.*

34. **ALEXANDRI NECKAM DE NATURIS RERUM LIBRI DUO; with NECKAM'S POEM, DE LAUDIBUS DIVINÆ SAPIENTIÆ.** *Edited by THOMAS WRIGHT, M.A. 1863.*

In the *De Naturis Rerum* are to be found what may be called the rudiments of many sciences mixed up with much error and ignorance. Neckam had his own views in morals, and in giving us a glimpse of them, as well as of his other opinions, he throws much light upon the manners, customs, and general tone of thought prevalent in the twelfth century.

35. **LEECHDOMS, WORTCUNNING, AND STARCRAFT OF EARLY ENGLAND; being a Collection of Documents illustrating the History of Science in this Country before the Norman Conquest.** Vols. I.-III. *Collected and edited by the Rev. T. OSWALD COCKAYNE, M.A. 1864-1866.*

36. **ANNALES MONASTICI.** Vol. I.:—Annales de Margan, 1066-1232; Annales de Theokesberia, 1066-1263; Annales de Burton, 1004-1263. Vol. II.:—Annales Monasterii de Wintonia, 519-1277; Annales Monasterii de Waverleia, 1-1291. Vol. III.:—Annales Prioratus de Dunstaplia, 1-1297. Annales Monasterii de Bermundeseia, 1042-1432. Vol. IV.:—Annales Monasterii de Oseneia, 1016-1347; Chronicon vulgo dictum Chronicon Thomæ Wykes, 1066-1289; Annales Prioratus de Wigornia, 1-1377. Vol. V.:—Index and Glossary. *Edited by HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, and Registrar of the University, Cambridge. 1864-1869.*

The present collection embraces chronicles compiled in religious houses in England during the thirteenth century. These distinct works are ten in number. The extreme period which they embrace ranges from the year 1 to 1432.



37. *MAGNA VITA S. HUGONIS EPISCOPI LINCOLNIENSIS. Edited by the Rev. JAMES F. DIMOCK, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire. 1864.*

This work is valuable, not only as a biography of a celebrated ecclesiastic but as the work of a man, who, from personal knowledge, gives notices of passing events, as well as of individuals who were then taking active part in public affairs.

38. *CHRONICLES AND MEMORIALS OF THE REIGN OF RICHARD THE FIRST. Vol. I.:—ITINERARIUM PEREGRINORUM ET GESTA REGIS RICARDI. Vol. II.:—EPISTOLÆ CANTUARIENSES; the Letters of the Prior and Convent of Christ Church, Canterbury; 1187 to 1199. Edited by the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Vicar of Navestock, Essex, and Lambeth Librarian. 1864–1865.*

The authorship of the Chronicle in Vol. I., hitherto ascribed to Geoffrey Vinesauf, is now more correctly ascribed to Richard, Canon of the Holy Trinity of London.

In letters in Vol. II., written between 1187 and 1199, had their origin in a dispute which arose from the attempts of Baldwin and Hubert, archbishops of Canterbury, to found a college of secular canons, a project which gave great umbrage to the monks of Canterbury.

39. *RECUEIL DES CRONIQUEES ET ANCIENNES ISTORIES DE LA GRANT BRETAGNE A PRESENT NOMME ENGLETERRE, par JEHAN DE WAURIN. Vol. I. Albina to 688. Vol. II., 1399–1422. Vol. III., 1422–1431. Edited by WILLIAM HARDY, F.S.A. 1864–1879. Vol. IV., 1431–1447. Vol. V., 1447–1471. Edited by Sir WILLIAM HARDY, F.S.A., and EDWARD L. C. P. HARDY, F.S.A. 1884–1891.*

40. *A COLLECTION OF THE CHRONICLES AND ANCIENT HISTORIES OF GREAT BRITAIN, NOW CALLED ENGLAND, by JOHN DE WAURIN. Vol. I., Albina to 668. Vol. II., 1399–1422. Vol. III., 1422–1431. (Translations of the preceding Vols. I., II., and III.) Edited and translated by Sir WILLIAM HARDY, F.S.A., and EDWARD L. C. P. HARDY, F.S.A. 1864–1891.*

41. *POLYCHRONICON RANULPHI HIGDEN, with Trevisa's Translation. Vols. I. and II. Edited by CHURCHILL BABINGTON, B.D., Senior Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. Vols. III.–IX. Edited by the Rev. JOSEPH RAWSON LUMBY, D.D., Norrisian Professor of Divinity, Vicar of St. Edward's, Fellow of St. Catharine's College, and late Fellow of Magdalene College, Cambridge. 1865–1886.*

This chronicle begins with the creation, and is brought down to the reign of Edward III. It enables us to form a very fair estimate of the knowledge of history and geography which well-informed readers of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries possessed, for it was then the standard work on general history.

The two English translations, which are printed with the original Latin, afford interesting illustrations of the gradual change of our language, for one was made in the fourteenth century, the other in the fifteenth.

42. *LE LIVRE DE REIS DE BRITTANIE E LE LIVRE DE REIS DE ENGLETERE. Edited by the Rev. JOHN GLOVER, M.A., Vicar of Brading, Isle of Wight, formerly Librarian of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1865.*

These two treatises are valuable as careful abstracts of previous historians. Some various readings are given which are interesting to the philologist as instances of semi-Saxonised French.

43. *CHRONICA MONASTERII DE MELSA AB ANNO 1150 USQUE AD ANNUM 1406, Vols. I.–III. Edited by EDWARD AUGUSTUS BOND, Assistant Keeper of Manuscripts, and Egerton Librarian, British Museum. 1866–1868.*

The Abbey of Meaux was a Cistercian house, and the work of its abbot is a faithful and often minute record of the establishment of a religious community, of its progress in forming an ample revenue, of its struggles to maintain its acquisitions, and of its relations to the governing institutions of the country.

44. *MATTHÆ PARISIENSIS HISTORIA ANGLORUM, SIVE, UT VULGO DICITUR, HISTORIA MINOR. Vols. I., II., and III. 1067–1253. Edited by Sir FREDERICK MADDEN, K.H., Keeper of the Manuscript Department of British Museum. 1866–1869.*

45. *LIBER MONASTERII DE HYDA: A CHRONICLE AND CHARTULARY OF HYDE ABBEY, WINCHESTER, 455–1023. Edited by EDWARD EDWARDS. 1866.*

The "Book of Hyde" is a compilation from much earlier sources which are usually indicated with considerable care and precision. In many cases, however, the Hyde

Chronicler appears to correct, to qualify, or to amplify the statements, which in substance, he adopts.

There is to be found, in the "Book of Hyde," much information relating to the reign of King Alfred which is not known to exist elsewhere. The volume contains some curious specimens of Anglo-Saxon and mediæval English.

46. **CHRONICON SCOTORUM: A CHRONICLE OF IRISH AFFAIRS**, from the earliest times to 1135; and **SUPPLEMENT**, containing the Events from 1141 to 1150. *Edited, with Translation, by WILLIAM MAUNSELL HENNESSY, M.R.I.A.* 1866.

47. **THE CHRONICLE OF PIERRE DE LANGTOFT, IN FRENCH VERSE, FROM THE EARLIEST PERIOD TO THE DEATH OF EDWARD I.** Vols. I. and II. *Edited by THOMAS WRIGHT, M.A.* 1866-1868.

It is probable that Pierre de Langtoft was a canon of Bridlington, in Yorkshire, and lived in the reign of Edward I., and during a portion of the reign of Edward II. This chronicle is divided into three parts; in the first, is an abridgment of Geoffrey of Monmouth's "Historia Britonum"; in the second, a history of the Anglo-Saxon and Norman kings, to the death of Henry III.; in the third, a history of the reign of Edward I. The language is a curious specimen of the French of Yorkshire.

48. **THE WAR OF THE GAEDHIL WITH THE GAILL, OR THE INVASIONS OF IRELAND BY THE DANES AND OTHER NORSEMEN.** *Edited, with a Translation, by the Rev. JAMES HENTHORN TODD, D.D., Senior Fellow of Trinity College, and Regius Professor of Hebrew in the University of Dublin.* 1867.

The work in its present form, in the editor's opinion, is a comparatively modern version of an ancient original. The story is told after the manner of the Scandinavian Sagas.

49. **GESTA REGIS HENRICI SECUNDI BENEDICTI ABBATIS. CHRONICLE OF THE REIGNS OF HENRY II. AND RICHARD I., 1169-1192**, known under the name of **BENEDICT OF PETERBOROUGH.** Vols. I. and II. *Edited by the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, Oxford, and Lambeth Librarian.* 1867.

50. **MUNIMENTA ACADEMICA, OR, DOCUMENTS ILLUSTRATIVE OF ACADEMICAL LIFE AND STUDIES AT OXFORD (in Two Parts).** *Edited by the Rev. HENRY ANSTEE, M.A., Vicar of St. Wendron, Cornwall, and lately Vice-Principal of St. Mary Hall, Oxford.* 1868.

51. **CHRONICA MAGISTRI ROGERI DE HOUEDENE.** Vols. I.-IV. *Edited by the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford.* 1868-1871.

The earlier portion, extending from 732 to 1148, appears to be a copy of a compilation made in Northumbria about 1161, to which Hoveden added little. From 1148 to 1169—a very valuable portion of this work—the matter is derived from another source, to which Hoveden appears to have supplied little. From 1170 to 1192 is the portion which corresponds to some extent with the Chronicle known under the name of Benedict of Peterborough (see No. 49). From 1192 to 1201 may be said to be wholly Hoveden's work.

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