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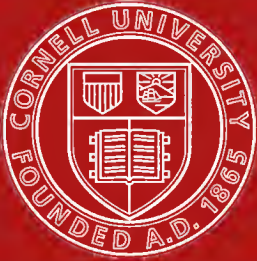
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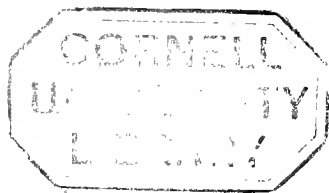
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P R E F A C E.

THE present volume of Calendar embraces the State Papers of a longer period than any of its predecessors, viz., 13 months. This is partly attributable to a greater paucity of records, and the absence, after March 1652, of the letter books of the Council of State, and partly to the reaction of quiet after the defeat of the royalist rising of 1651. The battle of Worcester had left one serious difficulty behind it in the numerous prisoners, English and Scotch, who were still crowding the prisons, in spite of the disposal of large numbers, as alluded to in the Preface to the last volume of this Calendar. Of the English prisoners confined at St. James's House, 20 were chosen to be made examples of, and were executed, but it was complained that the others, owing to their closeness of restraint, had fallen ill, and were not only infecting one another, but endangering the health of the soldiers quartered there (p. 8). The Irish and Scotch Committee were therefore ordered to send away all those from St. James's and the Mews to service in Ireland (p. 67), and they were released on bond of friends, if it could be obtained, if not, on their own parole, to march to Chester, and there present themselves for embarkation for Ireland (p. 86). A committee was also appointed to send away to the Plantations all the remainder, whether in London or elsewhere, who were under the degree of field officer (p. 46).

The case of the Scotch prisoners was less easily disposed of. The noblemen were still retained prisoners in the Tower, with permission, however, to have servants to attend them, provided the servants also became prisoners.

Among these we find the Earl Marshal, Earl of Rothes, and Lord Crawford Lindsay (pp. 12, 67); also the Earls of Leven, Carnwarth, and Kellie; George Lord Ogilvy or Ogleby of Banff and Sir David Leslie, who had the liberty of the Tower. But all to whom this privilege was granted had special keepers assigned, to see that they did not escape. A committee was also appointed to see how some of them could be disposed of elsewhere, so as to have the liberty of their respective prisons, and yet be separated from each other, and thus prevented plotting together (p. 76).

Among the prisoners was Lieut.-Gen. Middleton, whose wife Grisell, with a maid servant, was permitted to continue with him in the Tower (p. 35), and later she was allowed to depart, after she had visited him (p. 82), but within a few days it was discovered that not only she, but he, had quitted the Tower, to the great indignation of Council. They wreaked their vengeance upon the wife, who was apprehended, and upon the unfortunate maid, and the warders of the Tower, in whose charge the prisoner was, by committing them to Newgate (p. 101). This offence was considered the more heinous because Middleton had broken parole before his committal to the Tower. Council wrote to all port officers, describing him as tall, with black hair, a red face, and high nose; ordering a very strict search of all passengers setting sail, lest he should be amongst them, and offering 200*l.* reward for his apprehension; but, in spite of their efforts, he escaped from the coast of Sussex into France (p. 240).

The Earl of Leven was released on security in 20,000*l.* given by himself, by Ralph Delaval, of Seaton Delaval, Northumberland, and John Delaval, of Peterborough, that he should remain within 12 miles of Seaton Delaval, and he and his servant were thereupon dismissed from the Tower (pp. 13, 16, 17).

Of other prisoners, out of the pale of the nobility, but yet of political consequence enough to be committed to the Tower, we find Robert Douglas, Mungo Law, and Jas. Hamilton, (whose wives were allowed to repair to them, and who were granted the liberty of the Tower), John Smith, And. Authenlike, and John Robinson, all ministers; and also Andrew Kerr. These remained in custody as late as November 30th, 1652, when they were discharged, on promise to repair to Scotland, and to behave inoffensively (p. 515).

Sir Adam Hepborne had the liberty of the Tower, but he procured for his son Thomas leave to return to his studies at St. Andrew's, on bond in 2,000*l.* for good conduct, and Mr. Fotheringel was dismissed on like conditions (pp. 39, 76).

In reference to the common Scotch soldiers, reports had been received from Scotland that those allowed to return there had tried to raise new disturbances, and that others were endeavouring to get away without leave (p. 20). It was therefore suggested that Commissioners should be appointed to try them, with the powers of a constable's and marshal's court (p. 16).

Special inquiry was ordered at Bristol, and elsewhere, why the merchants who had engaged to carry the prisoners off to the Plantations had broken their contract, and left so many behind (pp. 38, 44), as infectious disease was breaking out amongst them. To remedy this, the starvation allowance of $2\frac{1}{4}d.$ a day (p. 21), hitherto granted them, was on November 28th raised by Parliament to $4d.$ (pp. 38, 44), being nearly half of the $8\frac{1}{2}d.$ allowance made to common sailors (p. 360). Those in Chelsea College were permitted to send deputies from their number, on parole, to Scotland, to obtain further relief for their subsistence from their own friends (p. 77).

Those in York Castle, Durham, Shrewsbury, and Gloucester, were, at length, allowed to return home, on taking the engagement (pp. 120, 164, 166, 313); but a careful list of them was sent to the Commissioners of the English Parliament in Scotland, that none not included therein might escape on pretence of these permits (p. 227). The officers, who were chiefly lodged in Windsor Castle, were still detained, and allowed 5*s.* each a week (pp. 44, 130).

From Scotland itself there seemed so little now to be feared, that many of the troops were removed thence to Ireland.

A Scot, writing on January 15th, 1652, speaks of the people as very inclinable to peace, except Jack Presbyter, who is still a sworn enemy to civil government, and refused the Edinburgh magistrates a voice in the election of "that sacred beast, the ruling elder," because they had taken the engagement, and submitted to the English commonwealth, forgetting that a Scotch commonwealth had been established eight years ago (p. 103).

Commissioners and justiciaries, appointed by the English Parliament, administered law in the subjugated portions of the country (pp. 28, 119, 146, 182, 191, 204, 210), whilst the surrender in June 1652 of Dunottar Castle, after many fruitless efforts, to Major.-Gen. Deane, put an end to the show of resistance (pp. 255). Commissioners were even sent by Scotland to England to negotiate the long contemplated but tardily achieved union of the Parliaments of the two realms. As their proceedings do not however terminate with the present volume, a notice of them is postponed to the succeeding Calendar.

One act of conciliation was performed; the Scotch records brought to England, especially bonds and bills, after passing through the careful methodising of Wm.

Ryley, Clerk of the Records in the Tower, were ordered to be returned to Scotland (pp. 47, 56, 97, 109). A list of these bonds and bills is preserved in the Public Record Office (*Vol. I. 134, Interregnum*).

Of the still lingering war in Ireland little notice occurs, beyond payments for it in the table of money warrants, and the drafting thither of soldiers, not only from Scotland, but from Jersey and Guernsey, after their surrender, provided the men could be induced to go (p. 174). Many of the Irish prisoners of war were allowed to enlist into the service of the Catholic King, and sent to Spain, on an engagement made by the Spanish Ambassador—to be safely kept among the records of Council—that they should never again be allowed to return to Ireland (pp. 322, 379; *see also* Index, Irish foot for Spanish service).

The notices of the exiled royal family in the present volume are scanty. On February 5th, 1652, occurs a long paper of instructions from Charles II., then at the Louvre, to George Earl of Norwich, deputed to visit the Archduke, Duke of Lorraine, Princess Royal of Orange, and the German Electors and Princes, to ask advice or solicit aid, as the case might demand (pp. 134–8.) On March 8th, is a warrant from him, also dated from the Louvre, to the Treasurer of his Exchequer, to pay 40s. a day and extraordinaries to Wm. Curtius, continued from the death of Charles I. as the King's agent to Germany; and on May 13th, a commission, again from the Louvre, appointing Charles Lord Gerard of Brandon Captain of the Life Guards raised or to be raised for His Majesty. He also granted a commission to Wm. Davenant to command some English plantations in America (p. 485). All these documents, however, could only have a provisional aspect, and their value was based on hope for the future, rather than reality for the present.

A trunk of gold which had been left by Charles II. in Worcester after his escape was an object of eager search by the Government, who offered 2,000*l.* for its discovery (p. 307); but seemingly without effect.

There is a confidential letter, dated 1st September 1652, from Sir Marmaduke Langdale to Sec. Nicolas, offering, if the King commands it, to endeavour the regaining of some port town, provided a good army can be sent to rescue it when taken, but this was a condition beyond Charles' power to fulfil (p. 389).

The King's youngest brother, Henry Duke of Gloucester, still remained at Carisbrook Castle, a solitary inmate after his sister's death. Moreover, the committee that had the power of disposing of the late King's goods, unknowing or unheeding his presence there, sold away all the goods in the castle, so that a remonstrance was sent to Parliament that he was left wholly without necessary accommodation (p. 29).

Further his attendant, Rich. Lovell, complained of the nonpayment of the salary of 1,500*l.* a year assigned him, whereby there was great difficulty in finding a supply for him and his attendants; upon which the Council of State wrote to the Revenue Committee, requiring payment of the arrears, and regular payment of the salary as it should become due in future (p. 170). This was early in March; in September, Council took it upon them to consider "the disposing of Henry Stuart, "now in the Isle of Wight" (p. 394), but the result of their deliberations does not appear in the present volume.

The under current of disaffection to Government still existed, but its manifestations were checked by the utter failure of the party at the battle of Worcester.

In Wales the collecting of the excise by distress, on failure of payment, led to violence and bloodshed, and to

the imprisonment of the excise officers (pp. 445-447). "Very foul riots and malicious actions" in Oxford were complained of against persons who met only for religious worship, worse than had been known in the time of the late King, and strict inquiry was ordered, with protection of the complainants from violence (pp. 81, 82).

The ministers were a frequent thorn in the sides of Government, by their preaching of disaffection. Those in Lancashire, Sam. Golty of Ipswich (p. 115), and Dr. Eaton of Axbridge, co. Somerset (p. 125) came in for reprimand, and also the ministers of the Merchant Adventurers' Company at Hamburg, to whose preaching was attributed much of the disaffection to the commonwealth that was frequently expressing itself in action there (pp. 69, 195, 234, 502).

The last volume of this Calendar noted the arrival in England of Ambassadors from the States-General, with whom Parliament entered into a serious and difficult negotiation; but an unexpected collision in the Downs between the Dutch and English fleets, under Blake and Van Tromp, on 19th May 1652, in which, as usual, each party threw the blame of the first attack upon the other, rendered diplomacy nugatory for the time being.

When, on May 21st, the news of this attack reached London, Council dispatched a messenger to Dover for particulars, and he was ordered to send a report from every post stage as he went down (p. 251). They decided to sit on the Lord's day afternoon, if the Lord General deemed that there was occasion (p. 252), and Cromwell at once went down in person to the coasts, forwarding the preparation of the fleet, and corresponding with Parliament and the Council of State (p. 256).

The populace of London were so incensed by this attack in time of peace that it became necessary to place a strict

guard upon the residence of the Dutch Ambassadors at Chelsea, and to offer them a body guard if they wished for it, to secure them from personal insult, if not violence (pp. 250, 253). Four files of musketeer guards and 20 horse, under a civil officer, were told off for this service, but the officer was ordered so to manage the guard that it should appear to be honourable, and to place no restraint on their persons (p. 253).

Negotiations being rendered useless, Mynheer Nieuport obtained leave to return to Holland (p. 269). Papers were still exchanged between the two powers, and the English dwelt especially upon the fact that the attack was begun by the Dutch, and so begun whilst a treaty was pending (pp. 278, 279).

On June 8th, Heer Hempstead signified to Council his arrival at Gravesend as Ambassador Extraordinary from the United Provinces, and he was received with formality and courtesy (pp. 282, 283); on June 12th he had a solemn audience before the Council of State (p. 287), and almost daily negotiations were carried on with him and two other Ambassadors Extraordinary, towards composing the differences between the States (pp. 290, 291, 302), but their proposal for the reference of the case to arbitrators being refused, and the proposals made to them by Parliament being alike negatived by them, they took leave and departed at the end of June (p. 307).

A proposition to stay all Dutch ships in English ports was made, but at first negatived (p. 251), and only Dutch men-of-war at anchor in the Thames or other ports were seized, and their sails and rudders taken away, to prevent their joining the hostile fleet (pp. 252, 267).

A few days later, however, this regulation was extended to all Dutch vessels in English ports (p. 290). The rights of mere passengers were respected, and 250 of them,

intercepted by Gen. Blake, were sent over to Holland in a special vessel (p. 273).

A sense of the emergency of the occasion roused all parties concerned to vigorous action. Ordnance officers, gunpowder makers, navy victuallers, were all urged to the utmost despatch in providing the needful supplies, and the postmasters on the road to the Downs were ordered to carry Council's letters express (pp. 254, 288, 289). A proposal was also made for reducing all the inland garrisons, and strengthening those on the coast, especially Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight (p. 258).

All ships in the service were forthwith ordered to the Downs, and permission was given to press mariners, not only from ships inward bound, but also from those outward bound—a step which had hitherto been disallowed (pp. 250, 251). The vice-admirals of the southern counties were ordered to press all seamen between the ages of 15 and 50, giving them press money, 1s. each, and mileage, $1\frac{1}{2}d.$, and all civil officers were to assist therein (pp. 257, 259).

Ships sent on other duties, as convoys, &c., were summoned back (pp. 252, 253, 256), an exception being made for those gone to the Orkney and Shetland Isles, on account of the Dutch fishing there (p. 255).

The Navy Commissioners and Committee of Trinity House were to report what merchant ships in the Thames were fit for service, and to contract for their speedy hire, but “so that the State may not, by their present necessity, be brought into too great disadvantages” (p. 254), and a messenger was sent to note any ships leaving the Thames, their condition, and how far they were on their way (p. 254). Council considering that 40 ships more than already in the service should be taken on hire (p. 256), an embargo of a fortnight, and then of 21 days,

was laid on all ships without distinction, except colliers, provision ships to Scotland and Ireland, and fishing vessels (pp. 258, 268, 269). A few days sufficed for the impress of 30 ships, guns for which were ordered on May 26th, but six fire-ships required were less readily obtained (pp. 259, 263).

An Act was also prepared and passed for calling home all English mariners, and forbidding them, under the strictest penalty, from serving any sovereign, prince, or state (p. 258). Still the lack of seamen impeding operations, numerous land soldiers were told off to duty at sea (p. 321).

The general temper of the English people was good. The men of Dover and Deal merited and received the thanks of Council for their energy in volunteering help in manning the fleet, and General Blake reported well of the willingness and unanimity of the fleet officers (p. 283).

On May 29th, a letter was received from the Mayor of Weymouth, with the serious intelligence that 60 Dutch vessels had been seen passing towards the Downs, and it was sent to Gen. Blake, with orders to intercept them if possible (p. 267). The English fleet, according to Blake's account, on June 7th, mustered 55 ships, but one of his officers reported them only as 42 (p. 280).

About June 8th, a skirmish took place between the Tiger and Laurel and two Dutch men-of-war, in which Capt. Peacock of the Tiger merited thanks for his worthy deportment (p. 285), but Capt. Taylor of the Laurel was not only severely censured, but ordered condign punishment, "to the terror of others upon a like occasion" (pp. 285, 286).

A fortnight later news was received of the steady increase of Van Tromp's fleet, and of the presence off the Land's End of 10 Dutch men-of-war, placed there to intercept English

vessels coming into the Channel, an inconvenience which Blake was requested to remedy, whilst the mayors of Plymouth and other western seaport towns were ordered to employ light barks to be sent out on appearance of English trading ships from the East Indies, Barbadoes, Turkey, the Straits, &c., to give them notice of the position of affairs, and put them on their guard (pp. 299, 304–306, 328).

About June 24th, Blake wrote from the South Foreland, announcing that his fleet was ready, and about to sail to find and encounter Van Tromp, leaving Sir George Ayscue with 16 ships in the Downs, to protect the coasts and the Channel (p. 302), not only from the Dutch, but from infesting pirates (p. 306). Pains were taken by Council to strengthen this latter fleet as much as possible, in order to make it efficient for its important duties (pp. 312, 318); but after the previous strain put on to fit out Blake's fleet they found the task more difficult than they expected (p. 317), and as late as July 10th, 20 merchant ships taken into the service were still detained in the river, for want of men (p. 327).

On July 9th, a large Dutch fleet of 102 men-of-war, beside fire-ships, being seen off the coast of Kent, troops were ordered to march to Deal for the safety of that part, and the county troops were to be raised if needful. There was much alarm lest the Dutch fleet should intercept the ships that were dropping down the river to join Ayscue's small fleet (pp. 323, 325, 328), which was obliged to seek the shelter of Dover Castle. Next day, however, brought the welcome intelligence that the fleet of Blake, which had gone northward as far as Flamborough Head and Sunderland in search of Van Tromp, was moving southward; and not too soon, for the Dutch fleet, in skirting the eastern coast, took two ships off Southwold,

and raised an alarm of a descent on the eastern coasts (pp. 317, 325). To prevent this the forts were strengthened, troops marched towards Yarmouth and Lovingland (p. 232), and the gentry even of Yorkshire were requested to look to their own coasts, towards which troops were also hastened (p. 336).

By the end of July, Ayscue's fleet, being joined by the ships in the river, had become strong enough to take the charge of the Channel, and sail westward for protection of the expected incoming merchant vessels (pp. 339, 340).

On August 15th, on information received from Sussex of 100 Dutch sail seen to the westward, Blake was requested, if he could leave his eastward position without serious disadvantage, to sail westward to find the enemy, and join Ayscue's fleet (p. 368), and three days later the tidings from Plymouth that Ayscue was in actual fight with the Dutch fleet led to a still more urgent message (p. 373).

The fight, which was of doubtful success, was over before Blake received these mandates, therefore his next orders were to despatch six or eight frigates to Ayscue, to strengthen him to re-encounter the Dutch fleet, if he could find it; but to go himself towards the coast of Holland, whence Tromp's fleet was said to be again coming forth (p. 377).

The next rumour was from Deal and Dover on September 12th, that the enemy's fleet had appeared off the South Sand Head; expresses were sent to Blake and Ayscue accordingly, and cautions to the eastern ports to allow none of their vessels to put to sea (p. 400). On September 14th it was seen off Beachey Head (p. 406).

Unfortunately, few details occur in the State Papers of the fight in which, on September 28th, at 4 p.m., Blake attacked a fleet of 60 Dutch vessels, sunk six or eight, and chased the remainder to their own coasts, handling

them so roughly that, but for the drawing in of the night, not half of them would have reached their own shores (p. 430).

The victory, however, had its painful side in the number of the English wounded men sent on shore. Those who were unable to travel were left in charge of the Mayor of Dover, to whom 500*l.* was assigned for their expenses; the rest were sent up to the Savoy and other hospitals in London (p. 428).

Difficulty also arose in the disposal of the prisoners taken in the Dutch ships. The vessels themselves were, of course, secured and fitted out for service (p. 295), but the harbouring of numbers of Dutch prisoners at Dover proving both inconvenient and expensive, Blake and the Mayor of Dover were ordered to send them back to Holland the first opportunity, securing only the captains and commanders (pp. 273, 284). These were at first detained in Dover Castle, but afterwards sent up to London (p. 284). Later the seamen themselves were ordered to be kept on board their respective ships; but as in the continuance of war they became more numerous, and as their good treatment was likely to secure reciprocity towards the English prisoners taken by the Dutch, a more liberal policy was adopted, and they were discharged, 5*s.* being paid to each man to help him home (pp. 406, 420).

The news of the conflict between England and Holland speedily reached Italy, where three rich merchant vessels of the Straits' fleet, with three men-of-war to guard them, were anchored at Leghorn. Thereupon 14 Dutch vessels, which had been hovering about Marseilles and Toulon, made their way into Leghorn Road, blocking the egress to the English, and their commander told the Governor of Leghorn that should any of the English ships unload their goods there, he would sink or burn them. The Governor,

however, gave the English his protection, under cover of which they landed their more valuable goods in safety in the Lazaretto (pp. 315, 316, 325). The Grand Duke, on appeal, ordered protection to the English goods in unloading, in spite of the plea urged by the Dutch that the goods were theirs, as they had besieged the vessels (p. 330). For weeks they hovered about the port, sometimes veering off for a day or two, but re-appearing (pp. 346, 378), until the position of the English, whose provisions were nearly consumed, and who were months without receiving their English letters, on account of an outbreak of plague at Genoa, became uncomfortable and anxious (p. 352).

Capt. Rich. Badiley, who had been at Smyrna with three men-of-war convoying the Smyrna fleet of 24 merchantmen, was at Zante on his homeward route, when he met the Constant Warwick, sent from Leghorn to warn him that there was a breach with Holland, and that 14 Dutch vessels were in and about Leghorn. On the 27th, the Dutch, leaving only three or four ships for the blockade of Leghorn, attacked Badiley, and after a hot dispute,—in which the English claimed the advantage, but lost one of their best vessels, the Phoenix,—Badiley succeeded in putting into Porto Longone, where he was hospitably received, and his wounded taken ashore and cared for by the Governor (pp. 380, 384, 402, 403, 477). This gentleman, who was of high position, was disgusted with the conduct of the Dutch agent there, who had offered him 8,000 pistoles for liberty to fall upon the English ships (pp. 435, 436), and had also tried to send in a fire-ship amongst the English vessels, but he had prevented it (p. 443).

The two English squadrons were now only a few miles apart, and Capt. Hen. Appleton, commander of those at Leghorn, wrote urgently for permission to engage the

unladen merchant vessels to act in the service as men-of-war, or to hire some Venetian ships, and then he would try to avail himself of some unguarded moment to slip away, join Capt. Badiley's squadron, and defy the blockading fleet. This request was granted, but with the proviso that Badiley should assume the command of the joint squadron (p. 407). Appleton had incurred some displeasure by not attempting to force his way out of Leghorn harbour, when the main force of the Dutch being away, first on the attack and then on the blockade of the other squadron, his power was superior to that of the four vessels left to keep him in (p. 410). His excuse for inaction was that he could not persuade the merchant vessels to engage unless they received definite orders from the Council of State (pp. 414-418). He also pleaded difficulty on account of intelligence given to the Dutch by the numerous English royalists in and about Leghorn (p. 429). The Dutch had meantime so strengthened their fleet by the addition of merchant and other vessels, that nothing less than a fleet from England could be strong enough to break through them; and how was this to be obtained when every available vessel was needed at home? Yet Longland, the agent resident at Leghorn, wrote letter after letter imploring for a fleet to be sent, and speedily, or the Straits' trade would be entirely destroyed (p. 410).

Badiley himself wrote on Oct. 17th, in the same strain, and complaining of injury to the cause, owing to the tardiness in the arrival of orders. Had his commission to seize Holland ships come earlier, he could have taken two rich prizes, now made men-of-war against him. If the order often requested, and at length tardily given, to employ merchant ships in the service, had come six weeks earlier, it had then been possible for the Leghorn ships to break through and join him, but now the Dutch fleet had in-

creased to 40 sail, 25 being men-of-war, and they were still taking up merchant ships, their own and the Genoese, and what could the small English squadrons attempt against such odds? (pp. 443, 451).

Though orders were now definitely sent to engage the merchant ships, other difficulties arose; the captains had not the consent of the owners, they wanted money to fit their ships as men-of-war, and they had not sufficient men. Orders were therefore again requested to hire Venetian ships (pp. 453, 478, 494).

At last there came some hope of the long wished for succour from England. On Oct. 22nd, it was promised as speedily as affairs would permit (p. 453). On Nov. 12th, the resolution took the shape of sending 20 vessels, to be fitted out by Dec. 1st (p. 489). Every effort was made to have them ready and victualled by that time (p. 497), and Capt. Peacock was appointed their commander until they should arrive at the Straits, when Capt. Badiley was to take the command of the entire squadron (p. 498). It was suggested that land soldiers should be sent on board some of the ships, Capt. Appleton having reported that this was done by the Dutch, and that their fleet was greatly strengthened thereby (p. 502).

The presence of the captured English ship *Phoenix* before Leghorn was a perpetual silent reproach to the English. She was now turned into a Dutch man-of-war, and this seemed to give a colour to the Dutch boasts of their great victories at sea. Attempts to seize or fire her were whispered, but checked by fear of violation of respect to the neutral port of the Grand Duke (pp. 421, 429).

At length a favourable opportunity presenting itself to regain her, the temptation proved irresistible. Capt. Appleton, probably anxious to vindicate his character by a deed of daring, despatched Capt. Cox one dark night with

three boats full of stout mariners, 80 in all, to the Dutch fleet; they glided silently and unobserved to the side of the Phoenix, entered her, took possession with but little opposition, cut her cables and slipped away, escaping the chase of two men-of-war who followed on the movement being perceived. Moreover the younger Van Tromp was captured on the Phoenix, and another commander only escaped through the cabin port, and swam for his life (p. 503).

The political difficulties caused by this violation of the rights of a neutral port will appear in the next volume.

In the thick of the trouble of the Dutch war, another arose from a very unexpected quarter. The King of Denmark seized and detained in his ports 20 Eastland merchant ships, laden with the commodities so needful to the Navy at this juncture, and 18 men-of-war sent to convoy them home were forced to depart without them (pp. 442, 453).

On this all Danish ships in the Thames were stayed by order of Parliament, till these vessels should be released, or security given for their safe return (pp. 447, 448). Rich. Bradshaw was sent from Hamburg to Denmark to remonstrate (p. 461), but the issue of his negotiation does not appear in the present volume.

The relationships with France still continued in the same hostile position as mentioned in the preface to the preceding volume of this Calendar, and no attempts were made at negotiation or compromise.

This volume begins with the concluding month of the second Council of State. The third Council, comprising 28 old and 13 new members, sat for the first time on 2nd Dec. 1652, and with this alteration in its *modus operandi*, that instead of the perpetual presidency of Bradshaw, a President was chosen for each month of

four weeks (p. 42). The Presidents were successively Bradshaw, Com. Whitelock, Hesilrigge, Viscount Lisle, Com. Lisle, Chief Justice Rolle, Sir Hen. Vane, the Earl of Pembroke, Bond, Purefoy, Chief Justice St. John, Sir J. Harrington, Sir W. Constable, and Sir W. Masham.

The attendances are shown in the tables printed at the close of this preface. The number of meetings held was 330, and the average number present was 15·98, being a reduction of 3·2 on the previous year's attendance. The Parliamentary average on the other hand rose from 50·4 to 57·1, chiefly owing to the interest excited by the passing in January of the Act of Oblivion. The largest number of members present was 97, the smallest 38, but, during the last few months, the average attendance did not exceed 48.

In the month of March, 1562, Council lost the assistance of their laborious secretary, Gualter Frost, sen., who died seemingly in straitened circumstances, for 1,000*l.* was ordered to be paid to his widow and children, and Parliament was requested to settle on them some support (p. 341). Complaint was also made that his executors were liable for debts which he had personally incurred in behalf of Parliament. An investigation was ordered, and the report showed that he died worth 5,900*l.*, 3,400*l.* of which he had cleared during 11 years' employment in affairs of State; but on the other hand, he had become responsible in 1642 for debts on account of provisions for Ireland, which now amounted with interest to upwards of 5,000*l.*, and from this his family requested liberation (pp. 512, 513).

The successor to Frost in office was John Thurloe, who was assigned the salary of 600*l.* a year, three times the amount granted to Milton (p. 203). During his regime the transcript volumes of the Council of State letter books cease, but the historical student will pardon the omission

for the sake of the large collections of documents preserved by him, a selection from which was afterwards published and is well known as the Thurloe State Papers.

Gualter Frost, jun. was continued in the post of assistant secretary, and on him was devolved the management of the Council's money matters, which had previously been entrusted to his father (pp. 199, 120), and which was no sinecure, as 64,000*l.* passed through his hands in one year (p. 514).

The most important feature of home legislation was the passing on Jan. 18th, 1652, of a general Act of pardon and oblivion for all political crimes, fines, and forfeitures committed before 3rd Sept. 1651, though with numerous and important exceptions, as well appear by the abstract of it given on pp. 106–108.

A committee was appointed to consider the inconveniences of the law, and from the list of reports presented to it by the officers of the courts of Exchequer and Chancery, may be gathered with some accuracy the amount of their salaries and fees (pp. 159–163, 189).

The Mint also called for its share of attention ; there are papers relating to the expediency of a small coinage of tin, brass, or copper ; the prevention of the export of gold and silver, the giving currency to foreign coin, and the securing the import of coin and bullion, &c. (pp. 23–26, 243). A letter from an English merchant of Amsterdam, date 26th May 1652, contains a vigorous exposure of mismanagement in the Mint, and of the reasons of the light and counterfeit coin so abundant, especially in Scotland and Ireland (see pp. 31, 45, 508, 510). He complains also that 300,000*l.* worth of gold and silver lace is made annually in England, which ought to be prevented until the nation is recruited with treasure (pp. 260, 263).

The business of coinage was one much in dispute. Pierre Blondeau, the celebrated French coiner, was very anxious to introduce his method of coining money marked at the edge as well as on both sides, and therefore much less susceptible of paring and filing, and a warm contest arose between him and the former workmen of the Mint, as to their modes and facilities of working, and much beating down of each other as to the minimum cost of coining. Blondeau's coins were, after a fair trial, allowed to bear the palm, both in point of workmanship and cost, over those produced by the Mint workmen (pp. 153-157).

The administration of the posts was attended with difficulty, owing to the rival claims of five persons holding patents by possession or assignation, and their adjustment was the subject of frequent consultation (pp. 15, 29, 189, 473, 509, 510); but at last it was referred by the Council of State to the sole decision of Parliament (p. 505). A proposal was submitted for what was then considered *cheap* postage, that is, that letters should be delivered within 100 miles of London for 2*d.*, in other parts of England and Wales for 3*d.*, Scotland 4*d.*, and Ireland 6*d.* (p. 507) If, however, we multiply these sums by four and a half to represent the present value of money, we see how far removed were the ideas of two centuries ago from the cheap postage of the present day.

The state of the public Treasury called loudly for legislation. The several sources of income, as customs and excise, assessments, fines of delinquents, sequestered estates, receipts from sales of Crown lands, of bishops' and deans' and chapters' lands, of fee-farm rents, and of estates forfeited for treason, had all warrants assigned upon them, which were of present value just so far only as the fund in question was more or less anticipated by previous warrants. Sometimes

moneys which had no chance of being paid for months or even years from the fund on which they were assigned were transferred to other funds, and thus embarrassment and confusion arose (pp. 423, 424, 473), but it was not until the protectorate that the amalgamation of the revenue into one Exchequer was accomplished.

There are some papers of local interest;—such are those relating to the port and pier of Dover and its necessary repairs (pp. 86, 87, 202, 264).

To the state of the forts in the Isle of Wight (p. 508).

To the government of the town of Great Yarmouth (pp. 6, 168).

To the surrender of Jersey, and its subsequent jurisdiction, civil and military (pp. 54, 72–74, 80, 81, 116, 118, 126, 174, 219, 223, 461).

Also to the condition and government of the Isle of Man after its surrender (pp. 8, 22, 29, 59, 75, 131, 132, 140, 281, 330, 352).

The wild savagery of the Cornish wreckers towards men cast away on the coast, and their greed in seizing wrecked goods, called for serious remonstrance; and the Vice-Admiral of Cornwall was urged to prevent or punish it, so that neither foreigners nor natives may have cause to complain, “in case they fall into any such distress, it “ being the duty of every good Christian to give his “ assistance therein.” In case he cannot peaceably obtain the restoration of the purloined goods, the sheriff of the county “and other good people thereabouts” are required to give him their best assistance (pp. 141–143).

A serious dispute broke out between the Aldermen and the Common Council of London as to their relative shares in the election of city magistrates. A committee of 12 influential members of the Council of State, including

Cromwell, Fleetwood, Sir Harry Vane, and the two Lords Chief Justices, was appointed to meet with four deputies of each party, to compose the difference; or failing this, to report to the Council of State or Parliament (p. 46). This committee, however, succeeded in their efforts, without appeal to Parliament (p. 63).

A petition of the brickmakers urging the employment of bricks only for new buildings in London, gives some curious details of the inconveniences of the construction of the timber houses of ancient London; *e.g.*, darkening of lights by juttings and encroachments; stifling the streets; promoting the spread of plague; breeding of vermin; and especially incurring danger from repeated fires. After the perusal of such a document, one cannot regard the fire of 1666, which desolated London, as an unmixed evil (pp. 197, 198).

The question of free trade, whereby was meant not trade free of customs,—an idea much in advance of 17th century legislation—but trade free to all to engage in, rather than under the monopoly of companies, was freely discussed between Mr. Walwyn and the Turkey or Levant Company, but the company succeeded in maintaining its privileges (pp. 232, 235, 271).

A similar contest arose in reference to the exclusive right of fishing in Greenland, claimed by the Muscovy Company as discoverers of the trade, and as holders of several Parliamentary grants. It was referred to a committee, and meanwhile, the whale fishery being of consequence, both parties were to order their fishing so as not to interrupt each other (pp. 177, 178).

The Pinmakers' Company also applied for protection, not against English interlopers, but against the import of foreign pins, connived at by haberdashers and shopkeepers,

by which their trade was ruined, whilst Parliament, often appealed to, was too busy to do anything for their relief (pp. 470, 515, 516).

The Council of Trade had long been working upon reports on numerous questions in dispute, to be made to the Council of State and Parliament, but the delay of Parliament in attending to them caused great vexation to the suitors (p. 87). The woollen trade especially suffered for want of better regulation, bad and deceitful goods having been made and vented abroad to such an extent that the English were now in danger of losing the foreign market altogether (p. 88).

The different branches of the wool trade were at variance—clothiers, fellmongers, wool staplers, jobbers, and broggers, petitioning against each other, and each party defending their own rights, vindicating their own importance, and decrying their rivals (pp. 469-472, 479-481).

Of individual characters of eminence the notices are but scanty. Cromwell's influence is rather felt than seen; his commission of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, which expired on 23rd June 1652, was renewed (p. 291), and Major-Gen. Lambert was appointed to command under him (p. 113), but Cromwell refused any longer to receive the salary of Lord Lieutenant; he requested that of the arrears of 5,139*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.* due to him, 2,000*l.* should be paid to Lambert, and he remitted the remainder to the use of the State (p. 623).

His activity in the despatch of the fleet against the Dutch has been already alluded to, but the absence of land warfare made his office as Lord General of the Forces almost a sinecure. Still the sense of his importance was well recognised, not only by the Government at home, but by the royalists abroad, who wished "Cromwell's heart's

“ blood were out ” (p. 309). The Duke of Buckingham endeavouring to negotiate with Council, sent a sealed letter, not to them but to Cromwell, who, however, delivered it to Council, and the messenger was ordered to depart the realm “ within 10 days at his uttermost peril ” (p. 317).

And. Sandelands writing from Edinburgh, addresses to his friend John Milton, at his house in Petit France, beyond Westminster, a proposition for a supply of mast timber for shipbuilding from Scotland, and Milton handed over the letter to the Navy Commissioners, amongst whose papers it was found (p. 103). This letter formed the basis of a negotiation carried out in 1653, for utilising the pine timber of Scotland.

Sir Oliver Fleming, Master of the Ceremonies, sent in a remonstrance, complaining that, though Parliament appointed him in 1643 to retain his office with its former rights and allowances, his income, which used to be with incidents 1,000*l.* a year, was reduced to the low salary of 200*l.*, “ gratuities from foreign public ministers and other “ profits being laid down, as dishonourable to the com- “ monwealth,” which however had granted him no compensation therefor ; so that, unable to maintain himself in the quality demanded by his employment on means so slender, he had contracted heavy debts. Parliament was requested to give him a reward for the past, and a competent salary for the future, that he might not “ be “ under the temptation of doing things dishonourable ” (p. 334).

The famous shipbuilding family of the Petts became the subjects of grave accusation, owing to abuses which had sprung up in the dockyard at Chatham under their superintendence, Peter Pett being resident Navy Commissioner there. Those who knew of the abuses dared not expose them, it was said, because of “ the kindred,” who

were "all so knit together that the devil himself could "not discover them except one impeached the other" (pp. 37, 38), and it was argued that it was not for the State's interest "to have a generation of brothers, cousins, "and kindred packed together in one place of public "trust" (pp. 41, 42). Commissioner Pett retaliated by counter accusations against his accusers, for breach of trust and using the State's timber, and other goods for private purposes (pp. 57, 58, 127, 128, 622, 624).

The whole case,—including that of Wm. Adderley, the minister on duty, against whom a complaint was made that he would only officiate in the town, and refused to preach on board the ships (pp. 61, 62),—was referred to a local committee (p. 70), and before them were produced the accusations, proofs, and answers of the several parties. One against Rich. Holborn, master mast-maker, and cousin to Commissioner Pett, is that he not only had his bedsteads made at the State's charge, but also two coffins to bury himself and his wife when they die, which coffins are now in his own house! He acknowledges to both bedstead and coffins, but, "as he *thinks*, he paid for the workmanship himself" (pp. 127, 128). These proceedings, however, failed to unsettle the useful family of the Petts from their respective posts.

Amongst the papers of interest may be named a long letter from John Finch, dated Lyons, 2nd April 1652, giving a graphic account of the perils of French travel during the civil war (pp. 205–209).

There is also a lengthened account of the seizure of the *Marmaduke*, late vice-admiral's ship of Prince Rupert's fleet, by some of her own men, who with difficulty and danger secured her for Parliament, and brought her into Plymouth (pp. 308–312).

Several literary notices occur in this volume. Eliz. Alkin was paid 10*l.* reward, and 3*l.* 8*s.* charges for discovering the book *Manus testium, lingua testium* (pp. 39, 41).

The searchers of customs at Gravesend received thanks for intercepting some printed copies of the Meditation of the late King, and the ship in which they were sent over was ordered to be stayed (p. 78). Milton wrote a reply to this book, and John Durie was ordered a reward for translating the reply into French (p. 493).

A bond was taken of the printer of Walker's history of Independency not to sell or part with any of the sheets in his hands (80).

A committee was appointed to examine Mr. Dugard, the printer, about his printing the *Catechesis Ecclesiarum Poloniae* (p. 132).

The printer and publisher of the Faithful Scout were ordered to be examined; also Geo. Wharton, supposed author of an almanac containing something prejudicial to Government; and Parliament was requested to consider of the Act prepared for the regulation of printing, much prejudice being done "by unlicensed and scandalous pamphlets" (pp. 444, 464).

On the other hand, Council ordered payment for the printing of a book justifying the taking the engagement to the present Government; the Committee for Foreign Affairs ordered the printing of a work entitled *Mare Clausum*, with a picture of the commonwealth of England in the frontispiece, justifying the engagement with the Dutch fleet, and 200 copies were ordered for the use of the members of the Council (pp. 303, 358, 483).

Patrick Young, late librarian at St. James's, had contemplated publishing an edition of Tecla's Greck Bible, of which a MS. existed in that library; but on his decease, strict orders were given for the restoration of the

MS. to the library (p. 421); this order not being attended to with promptness, his executors were threatened with a suit by the trustees for sale of the late King's goods, and it was only stayed by order of Council, to whose care the St. James's library was committed by Parliament (p. 497).

Council pronounced its approbation of the printing of a polyglot Bible by Dr. Brian Walton, as very honourable and deserving encouragement, but referred the case to Parliament (p. 328). They also allowed 100*l.* to Fitzpayne Fisher, for a treatise which would be of great use in all schools for youth (p. 367), and they considered of an encouragement to be given to Mr. Pell, for remaining in England to read lectures on mathematics (p. 495).

The letters to Viscount Conway supply a few items; he corresponded with several scientific and literary persons who supplied him with books and curiosities of divers sorts (pp. 415, 508). A letter from James Allestrye, who was his book agent, gives several particulars of prices and editions, mentioning especially two maps of Venice by Albert Durer, one in six imperial sheets, price 12*s.*, the other in five smaller ones at 8*s.* (p. 449). Carew, son of Sir Walter Raleigh, sends him "a parcel of papers
 " which perchance you will scorn, as they are old, rotten,
 " and dirty, and such as a person less intelligent than
 " yourself would hardly understand; but they are all
 " receipts, and most in my father's hand, and therefore
 " approved ones. I have many others of verses and dis-
 " courses of several kinds, which, on the return of these,
 " shall be sent if you desire it" (p. 303).

We have a specimen of verse written by H. H. . . . to Lady Frances Seymour and Lord Molineux, on their private marriage at Essex House (pp. 468, 469).

In concluding these remarks, I beg again to offer my acknowledgments to G. J. Morris, Esq., B.A., clerk of the Public Record Office, for valuable literary assistance in the compilation of this volume, and to Mr. G. W. Thompson, transcriber, for important service in rough drafting and indexing.

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TABLES.

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TOTAL DAILY ATTENDANCE of the MEMBERS of the FOURTH COUNCIL OF STATE

* Members who were on a previous Council of State, but not the last.

† Members admitted for the first time.

The remainder were on the last Council.

		1651-2.												Totals.
MONTHS -		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	
No. of Sittings held -		23	21	19	24	21	31	37	38	36	26	28	26	330
†Blake, Rob. -		14	13	11	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49
Bond, Denis -		20	21	19	19	17	19	16	30	12	0	14	19	176
Bradshaw, John, Serjeant-at-Law -		23	20	17	23	18	30	36	37	35	26	27	26	318
†Burrell, Abrah. -		17	8	0	0	0	23	28	17	0	0	4	20	117
Carew, John -		11	15	13	8	9	22	25	16	24	13	13	10	179
Challoner, Thos.		13	15	13	12	13	17	13	18	12	9	19	14	168
†Constable, Sir William -		21	18	17	17	12	3	16	24	0	1	20	19	168
†Corbett, John -		11	11	11	14	15	22	16	19	17	1	17	14	168
Cromwell, Oliver, Lord General		8	10	9	11	10	20	12	12	11	13	10	8	134
†Dixwell, John -		11	0	16	11	9	6	25	17	1	20	23	16	155
†Downes, John -		4	8	2	3	2	3	4	6	3	4	4	3	44
Fleetwood, Lieut.-Gen. Chas. -		7	9	4	14	14	17	11	7	10	0	0	0	93
Gurdon, John		16	16	8	6	0	0	1	24	11	0	0	10	92
Harrington, Sir James -		9	9	9	8	8	14	14	7	5	23	8	6	120
†Hay, Wm.		16	10	10	6	0	20	20	23	0	15	0	13	133
†Herbert, Hen. -		11	2	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	2	14	6	42
Hesilrigge, Sir Arthur -		3	10	17	16	10	18	17	11	0	0	3	6	111
†Holland, Cornelius -		0	9	6	9	12	23	21	23	17	15	16	12	163
*Lisle, Viscount -		7	8	11	20	14	10	7	13	5	0	5	9	109
Lisle, John, Lord Commissioner of the Great Seal.		7	9	5	16	15	11	7	12	28	4	11	8	63
Love, Nich. -		15	10	12	14	10	20	16	25	27	4	7	14	174
†Marten, Henry -		10	12	9	9	7	19	19	22	19	7	11	14	158
Masham, Sir W. -		19	16	13	16	5	13	31	9	17	8	12	23	182
†Masham, Wm.		20	15	11	14	7	13	9	5	17	7	7	8	133
Morley, Herbert		5	11	6	12	14	27	24	17	0	18	0	18	147
†Nevill, Henry		20	15	15	16	19	24	28	25	18	21	20	17	238
†Pembroke, Earl of -		17	14	8	17	12	13	25	32	12	0	7	0	157
*Pennington, Alderman Isaac		16	10	10	10	11	18	19	19	12	11	10	17	163
Pickering, Sir Gilbert -		4	7	10	7	7	14	14	13	2	0	0	3	81
*Popham, Col. Alexander		3	5	1	5	6	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	28
Purefoy, Col. William		17	17	15	11	0	0	26	33	34	21	23	19	216
Rolle, Henry, Chief Justice of the Upper Bench.		10	8	5	0	9	14	8	3	0	0	1	0	58
St. John, Oliver, Chief Justice of Common Pleas.		6	0	0	0	0	7	2	2	3	4	2	0	26
Salwey, Major Rich. -		8	0	0	0	0	6	0	22	17	3	8	5	69
Scott, Thos.		16	14	12	7	12	27	23	24	28	17	13	12	205
*Stapley, Anthony -		8	0	13	12	0	20	9	15	10	0	7	11	105
Vane, Sir Henry, jun.		11	0	0	9	5	24	31	0	0	9	17	11	117
*Wallop, Rob. -		6	2	3	0	0	9	8	15	5	17	1	3	69
†Wauton, Col. Valentine -		9	0	10	18	12	9	17	0	0	0	9	14	98
*Wentworth, Sir Peter -		13	9	2	12	13	3	15	0	16	2	6	8	99
Whitelock, Bulstrode, Lord Commissioner of the Great Seal.		6	19	10	17	12	21	14	15	19	0	15	8	150
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DOMESTIC PAPERS.

1651.

Nov. 1.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Edward Paslow referred to the Admiralty Committee.
2. William Davenport, of the city of Chester, to have liberty to go to the Tower, to speak with the Earl of Lauderdale, and such others as were prisoners at Chester in his custody, about getting his money from them.
3. The Committee appointed to consider how the prisoners might be tried to prepare something, in pursuance of their opinion now reported, to be offered to the House, to give power to the High Court of Justice; Lord Commissioner Whitelock to take care thereof.
4. The Admiralty Committee to provide against next spring [tide ?] as many brass guns as are wanting for furnishing the Sovereign of the Seas.
5. The Committee who were to inquire into the orders of Parliament made concerning Sir John Clotworthy's imprisonment to report next Thursday.
6. Mr. Bradshaw, minister of Wigan in Lancashire, to be discharged from his restraint, on bond in 400*l.*, with two sureties in 200*l.* each, on the usual conditions.
7. To add to the letter to the Justices of Peace for co. Lancaster, that they are to examine such ministers as have refused to answer the questions already put to them, and if they make answer, to take their bond on the usual terms; but if they refuse, to bind them to appear before Council within 14 days; also to examine the rest of the gentlemen, and return their examinations to Council.
8. Also that they are to send the above orders, with the examinations of some Lancashire ministers, to the Lord President.
9. To write the Army Committee to order a fortnight's pay to the five companies of Major-Gen. Desborow which are disbanded, and the names of which are to be given in by the Major.
10. 10*l.* to be paid to Hen. Shotwell, for attending upon the Committee of Parliament for Whitehall for one year.
11. The petition of Capt. Reynolds referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
12. The addition of 20*l.* a year to be made to Richard Nutt, master of the State's barges, from 25 December next.
13. 5*l.* to be given to Geo. Hawkins, a poor blind soldier, for subsistence.
14. Col. Thomson to report to the House that—Council being informed that there was one Geo. Gage, an Englishman, here in England,

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings (*cont.*)

suspected to be a Popish priest, but giving himself out as an agent for the King of Portugal,—they gave order to have him apprehended and brought before Lord Chief Justice Rolle, who, on his refusing to answer whether he were a priest, committed him to Newgate; after he had remained there sometime, the King of Portugal, on the approach of the fleet of the commonwealth to Lisbon, seized the estates and some of the persons of the English merchants there, and amongst the rest imprisoned Mr. Beare and Mr. Bushell, as men most cordially affected to the present Government. After this a desire was made to Council that Mr. Gage might be set at liberty, on bail for three months, within which time he would endeavour the liberty of Beare and Bushell; the treaty with the Portuguese agent here being also broken off, and Gage's security being called upon to deliver him up, he thereupon came and tendered himself to Council, and was then returned to Newgate, to continue there upon the former warrant of commitment, according to the conditions of his bail, where he at present is.

Since then Beare and Bushell have been set at liberty in Portugal, and Beare permitted to come hither, upon his word to procure Gage's exchange for them, or to return; and he having made his address to Council for the exchange of Gage, who having in his petition to Council offered to give good security that Bushell also will be at full liberty upon the exchange to return to England, Council represents this to the House, for their direction therein.

15. Note that Sir John Clotworthy lodges with Mr. Claxton, in Hart Street, Covent Garden. [*I.* 23, *pp.* 81–84.]

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Paris.

84. N. N. to ———. The dissensions of the Royalists are incredible, not so much national, because the Scotch agree with the Louvrians, *i.e.*, the Queen and Jermyn, but the rigid Royalists are so implacable against them that they rather rejoice at the late miscarriage, preferring that the King should not be restored at all, rather than it should be done by the Scotch, or by closing with the English who opposed him and his father. The only thing that will content them is an utter suppressing of all Presbyterians and Independents, and they have firm hopes that, in a few years, by domestic dissension and foreign assistance, the King will be set up again, and revenged to the full of his enemies. They are overjoyed that the King, through what has befallen him in England and Scotland, is wholly come over to their party. He complains much against the Scotch for using him servilely, heaping indignities upon him, and making him act directly against his own liking, and giving him no powers till almost the very end of all. This, he says, was partly the cause of his miscarriage. Then he taxes them for not doing their part as soldiers. He says, at the battle of Worcester, where he had 12,000 of them, only 5,000 fought as they should. He much commends the Duke of Hamilton's fidelity, courage, and gallantry on the day of battle, but accuses David Leslie and Middleton of want of courage and conduct, if not of treachery. This was why he left them, and the great body of horse remaining with them, the night after the

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battle, fearing they would betray and deliver him up, if attacked by any pursuing parties. This has given him so great an aversion to Scotland that, when the Duke of Orleans told him it was rumoured he was gone thither, he said aside, "I had rather have been hanged."

His mother is grieved at his speaking so openly against the Scotch, still thinking that a force may be raised from the unconquered part of Scotland which, with foreign help, may clear it, and invade England. But this cannot be expected if, after having brought ruin and desolation on themselves for the King's cause, they hear that he not only gives them no thanks, but blames and traduces them. She has persuaded him to forbear publicly speaking against them, or going to church at Sir Rich. Browne's, lest he show disregard of the oath and covenant he has taken, by going to the rites they so much abhor. With this the Episcopal party is troubled, but she has still great power over him.

He says too he was deceived by the English, for he should never have thought of entering England, but he was led to expect a general rising, 7,000 armed men when he entered Lancashire, and his army increasing as he went on; the whole blame of this not rising he lays on the Presbyterians. He wants words to magnify the loyalty and affection of his own party. He does not blame their not rising, because they were not at all prepared for his coming in, as when in Scotland, he was not suffered to correspond with them.

His going to the French court was talked of, but they prefer to save expense by sending Wat. Montague, who has a rich abbacy near Poitiers, and who has great influence with the Queen mother, and will, they hope, secure the King some fair allowance. M. Monbian offered the King 1,000 pistoles, but he refused it. It is said he has received moneys from several bankers; but he and his mother keep very spare, and have but one ill-furnished table for themselves, the Duke of York, and the young princess. Since the first curiosity was over he has had few French visits. Lords Wilmot, Inchiquin, Jermyn, and Gerard, came with him. Hatton, to save his estate in England, never comes at him by his own consent. Hawley is now come, and Wentworth and Newburgh from Calais, whither they found means to escape from England, having been hidden since the battle of Worcester. The Earl of Crawford, having been in great want in Spain, has come from St. Malo in good equipage, as a frigate of his took a prize or two. Lord Ormond has come over from Caen to wait on the King, but will not stay, and so has not brought his sons.

The Queen keeps at the Louvre, except a short visit to Challiot, and is wonderfully merry; overjoyed to have the King safe near her; "but he is very sad and sombre for the most part; that cheerfulness which, against his nature, he strove to show at his first coming hither, having lasted but a few days, and he is very silent always." He said not a word on hearing that the Parliament fleet had taken Jersey, while the Duke of York, who often speaks very childishly, gloried that it had held out two days. He has not yet got any of the

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40,000 francs promised him for his troop of gendarmes. Dr. Tyrrell begins to talk wonders again, far above the truth, of his countrymen, the Irish, says they have taken Ross, &c., and will do well enough if they can yet help. [*Extract, French correspondence.*]

Nov. 3.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Ellis Coleman, of Ipswich, to have liberty to speak with the Earl of Cleveland, prisoner in the Tower, about a debt due to him in right of his wife, but only in the presence of the Lieutenant, or such as he appoints.

2. The petition of Capt. David Lyon referred to the Committee for petitions, who are to send for the petitioner, and see whether the suggestions are true, and report.

3. Mr. Darley, Sir John Trevor, Col. Wauton, and Col. Fielder to be a committee to consider the petition of the Governor of Sion College, and meet to-morrow at 8 a.m. in the Admiralty Chamber, and Col. Berkstead to attend.

4. Marie, wife of Alex. Dixon, to have liberty to seek her husband, prisoner in the West of England, and directions to be given to his keeper to give him his liberty, on parole to appear before Council within 30 days, and so from day to day, until further directions from Parliament or Council.

5. Anthony, *alias* Sir Anth. Jackson to be committed prisoner to the Tower for high treason, for invading this nation with Charles Stuart, and for proclaiming him King of England, and to be kept close prisoner, in order to examination and trial.

6. Sir John Douglas to be committed to the Tower for treason for invading England with Charles Stuart.

7. Clement Righter to pay Mr. Frost the money paid to him, which was found at Worcester.

8. The petition of Andrew Burrell referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what is fit to be allowed to him.

9. The 2,200*l.* due to Mr. Carter, the surveyor, for making conveniences for members of Parliament at Whitehall, to be paid by Mr. Frost out of the money for the use of Council.

10. The proposition of a person from France referred to the Committee that meets in the Horse Chamber.

11. Alderman Allein, Col. Purefoy, and Mr. Scott, to be a committee to consider Mr. Frost's accounts of money laid out at Council, and to report.

12. To write the Army Committee that the pay for Col. Duckenfield's seven companies expired on 20 Oct. last, and to desire an order for another month's pay for them, as they are to be further employed.

13. The books both at the Council and at the Committee for Irish and Scotch Affairs [to be searched], to see what has been promised Major Purling, for restitution of his estate in Jersey, and a letter to be written accordingly.

14. Mr. Russell, late servant to Charles Stuart, to be discharged on a bond in 400*l.*, with two sureties in 200*l.* each, on the usual conditions.

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15. Approval of the choice of William Addis to be purser of one of the frigates, in case the Admiralty Committee have appointed him.

16. Major Salway to request the House for an allowance upon the establishment for a Major-General of Foot, at 20s. a day.

17. Also an allowance of 10 to be added to the Life Guards, to make up the 40 already established to 50, besides officers.

18. Also an allowance for additional general officers, viz., one more adjutant of horse, and one of foot, one physician, one preacher, and one surgeon.

19. Order to be given to the Treasurers-at-War to send by sea to Scotland as much cash as may even the pay of the forces that remained there with that of the forces that marched out of Scotland with the Lord General, which is estimated to be a month's pay, and to defray contingent charges, according to warrants to be given to the Treasurers by the Commander-in-Chief in Scotland.

20. To write the Army Committee to issue assignments upon the northern counties for pay of the said forces in Scotland, in like manner as is done for those that remain in England. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 1-4.]

Nov. 3.
Dover.

85. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Edw. Marston, Gardeners' Lane, Westminster. We received your letter concerning the several petitions lately sent you, as also what has been already done in the case, and what you conceive is likely to be done, and in waiting the issue, beg to thank you for your pains therein. [$\frac{1}{4}$ page.]

Nov. 4.

Order in Parliament that the Council of State give order for payment of such a clerk as Mr. Speaker shall employ, to make such extracts from the records and books returned from Scotland, concerning the transactions between the two nations, as the Council shall think fit. [*I.* 89, *p.* 75.]

Nov. 4.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The papers of Col. Slaughter to be brought to Council tomorrow seven night.

2. The petition of Hugh Spence referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

3. The petition of Capt. Peniel referred to the Committee for Examinations.

4. The Committee for co. Bucks to take bail of John Atkins and Thos. Phillips, in 200*l.* each, to appear on summons, and to be of good behaviour.

5. The petition of Hen. Barret referred to the Committee of Examinations.

6. The letter of Col. Cooper from Hull, with the bill of exchange for transporting his regiment to Scotland, referred to the Scotch Committee, to take order for payment.

7. Liberty to be given to John Dixon to speak with Lord Lindsay and Lord Abergavenny, prisoners in the Tower, in presence of the Lieutenant.

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8. The business of Bird, late searcher at Gravesend, to be considered next Saturday.

9. The petition and certificate of Hen. Knap referred to the Lord Commissioner Whitelock and Col. Fielder, to consider what is fit to be allowed him for the rent of his house within Wallingford Castle, for so long as it has been and will be used by the State.

10. Sir Hen. Vane and Col. Geo. Fenwick to speak with Lord Crawford Lindsay, prisoner in the Tower, as they think fit.

11. The Committee for Examinations to further examine the business of the imprisoned members in Windsor Castle having knowledge of the late design of some of the London ministers, and in order thereto, to send for Major Alford, or any other who can speak to that business.

12. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider what of the plate and linen used by the Lords Ambassadors in Holland may be fit to be sent to Scotland, for the use of the Commissioners.

13. Order on the petition of one of the bailiffs, divers of the aldermen, and many of the inhabitants of Yarmouth—considering the great consequence that town is, and how necessary that the government should be in the hands of men well affected—that Col. Purefoy move the House that the persons mentioned in such petition be put into the places of those six aldermen that have lately laid down.

14. The Duke of Richmond to cause Dumbarton Castle in Scotland to be delivered to such as Council shall appoint, and the Irish and Scotch Committee to order the manner of doing it, and the person to whom it is to be delivered, and to signify the same to the Duke.

15. Mr. Scott to report to the House that Council—on considering the petition of Sir Jno. Clotworthy, and the information against him by Major Thos. Adams, wherein Sir John, with Sir Wm. Waller, Sir Wm. Lewis, Col. Copley, and Major-Gen. Browne, are charged to have been made acquainted with the design of Mr. Love, Wm. Drake, and their confederates, and the denial of Sir John to the whole charge—conceive it not fit to order any further proceedings till representations be made to the House, and therefore order that the petition, with the charge, answer, and papers, be reported to them for their direction.

16. Major Cavanaugh to be bailed, with sureties if he can procure them, otherwise upon his own bond; if upon the latter, in 500*l.*, but if with sureties, himself in 200*l.* and two sureties in 100*l.* each, on the usual conditions, and that he may continue in England for dispatch of his affairs, until further order.

17. Whereas an appeal has been made by Dr. Walker, the advocate, and by the Proctor of the commonwealth, from a sentence in the Admiralty Court, on behalf of Capt. Regmorton and other Dutchmen, concerning the Anthony and her lading, and a commission of delagacy is now sued out upon that appeal, and the cause now depending before the judges delegate, Council holds it reasonable that, for preventing loss in the value of the said goods by their

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perishable nature, a commission be issued for the sale of the said ship and goods to their utmost value, and that Capt. Regmorton and the Dutch have liberty to nominate commissioners on their part to join in the sale, and to see that nothing be sold at under rates, and that a perfect inventory be kept of all the particulars, and of the price they shall be sold for, that there may be a clear and fair dealing therein; and that the money for the same be deposited with the collectors of prize goods, until sentence be given by the delegates, and then delivered to those to whom the cause shall be finally adjudged; and that all expedition that the rules of law will permit be used, without hindering either side from pleading and proceeding, any former order of Council notwithstanding; this order to be sent to Dr. Walker, who is to take care that there be proceeding accordingly. [*I. 24, pp. 4-12.*]

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Westminster.

86. Warrant by the Revenue Committee to Thomas Fauconbridge, Receiver-General of the Public Revenue, to pay to Thos. Catroe 432*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*, to be by him paid to workmen and others, for work done and money laid out towards repair of West Tilbury Fort, since the last rising in Kent, according to an account attested by Col. Temple, late Governor there, and certified to the Revenue Committee by Sir Hen. Mildmay and Sir Wm. Masham. [*Copy, ¾ page.*] *Annexing,*

86. *I. Report by Sir Hen. Mildmay and Sir Wm. Masham, that, on the order of 8 Feb. last, they have examined the above petition and account of the workmen employed in repairing Tilbury Fort, and find there are several sums mentioned due to Edward and Saml. Boulton, Thos. Cartroe, and others, amounting to 432*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*; also 149*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* for repairs before the last rising, and not comprised in the petition.—11 June 1651. [*Certified copy, 2 pages.*]*

Nov. 6.

Order in Parliament—on the report of Sir Hen. Vane from the Council of State of a letter from the Commissioners in Ireland, dated Dublin, 1st inst.—that the Council take special care for sending the supplies of men, money, &c. desired.

That 100*l.* be given as a gratuity to Mr. Slater, and that the Council of State take care that it is paid.

That the letter from Col. Duckenfield and Col. Thos. Birch, from Ramsey in the Isle of Man, touching the rendition of Castle Rushin and Peel Castle, as also the articles relating thereto, be referred to the Council of State, to consider what should be done for preservation of that island.

87. That the moneys which have or shall come into the treasury at Goldsmiths' or Haberdashers' Hall, upon the composition of Sir Geo. Strode, and the trustees and creditors of the late Lord Capel, be paid to the Council of State, to be by them employed towards the present supplies for Ireland; and that the Commissioners for Compounding be required to issue their warrants to the treasurers of those receipts, for payment thereof to such person as the Council of State shall appoint. [*Also I. 89, pp. 76-77.*]

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1. The letters from the Isle of Man and Ireland referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to meet to-morrow, and to write such letters, and send such persons, both to the Isle of Man and to the forces appointed for Ireland, as shall be necessary for dispatching the business at the Isle, and sending away the forces.

2. The letters from the Isle of Man concerning the rendition of that Isle, and from Ireland as to the rendition of Limerick, to be reported to the House by Sir Hen. Vane.

3. Sir Wm. Masham and Mr. Gurdon to send for Mr. Hunscomb, and confer with him concerning what is alleged in the petition of Edw. Crouch, and give order therein.

4. The petition of Sir Thos. Urquhart referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to withdraw presently, consider it and give order for return of the persons mentioned, if they see cause, and appoint so many that are prisoners in the place of them.

5. The Committee for Examinations to call for the 100*l.* of Mrs. Anne Hedge, and report.

6. Mr. Gurdon to request the House—as Thos. Cooke has for some time past been a prisoner in the Tower, and has nothing of his own estate allowed to maintain him, and is very much in debt in the Tower,—to allow him such a portion out of his sequestered estate as will pay his debts in the Tower, and maintain him while there.

7. The petition of Rich. Mather, of Houghton in Lancashire, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to be considered when the Lord General is present; and Mr. Goodwin to take care thereof.

8. The representation offered to Council by the Admiralty Judges to be reported to the House by Col. Wauton.

9. The letter from the Militia Commissioners for Kent referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

10. The said Committee to give directions to the Commissioners for Compounding, in pursuance of the order of Parliament of the 6th instant, concerning the compositions of Sir Geo. Strode, and the trustees and creditors of the late Lord Capel. [*Also Vol. XVI., No. 87.*]

11. The said Committee to bring in the names of persons to be excepted in the propositions for Ireland this day week, in order to reporting the same to the House, in pursuance of their order.

12. The Irish and Scotch Committee to put in execution the order made this day for sending supplies of men, money, and other provisions to Ireland.

13. The petition of Capt. David and Lieut. William Lyon referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to report if they find their case to be as alleged, whereupon Council will consider of their desire of going into foreign parts.

14. Col. Fielder to report to the House that there are several English prisoners at James's House, who were taken at the battle of Worcester, 20 of which are chosen by direction of the Council to be made examples of, and that the remainder, by being kept in restraint, have fallen sick, and infect one another, and endanger the soldiers quartered there; therefore the House are to declare their pleasure as to the disposal of them.

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15. The business of Huet Leat to be considered on Thursday, and Council to be summoned; also the Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker.

16. The Admiralty Committee to report to Council what, upon their hearing of Capt. Hall, they think fit to be returned in answer to the agent of the Duke of Tuscany now here, as he is pressing for it.

17. William Style, preacher, to have liberty to return to Hull for six weeks, to remove his family and to dispatch other business, the former order of Council notwithstanding.

18. The upper gallery in the chapel, next to the rooms assigned to Council, to be kept only for the members of Parliament and the Council of State.

19. A sermon to be preached in the chapel at Whitehall every Friday at 5 p.m. by Mr. Peters, and notice hereof to be given to him, to begin on the 14th instant.

20. Council to meet every Friday at 2 p.m., and rise at 5 p.m., in order to go to the sermon.

21. The Lord President, Mr. Scott, Col. Thomson, and the Lord General to hear Col. Thomson's proposition.

22. Col. Wauton's bill of exchange for 95*l.* 18*s.* to be accepted, and a warrant issued to the Treasurers-at-War to pay it to Alderman Viner. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 7-11.]

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Whitehall.

88. Bond of James Kevanach, of Caterlough, Ireland, in 200*l.*, and of William Sommersall, of Martin's, Ludgate, and William Callis, of Andrew's, Holborn, both citizens and apothecaries of London, each in 100*l.*, that Kevanach shall appear before the Council of State when summoned at any time within 12 months, and shall not act anything to the prejudice of the commonwealth, and present Government thereof. [*1 page.*]

Nov. 7.

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1. The petition of Capt. Jno. Gardiner referred to the Admiralty Committee.

2. To answer the petition of Marie Love that the matter thereof is not proper for the cognizance of Council.

3. The same letter to be written to Mr. Stone, justice of peace in Lincolnshire, as was sent to Mr. Cuppledike, he being now in town.

4. The letter from Amsterdam to Col. Fenwick referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consult with Col. Fenwick about it.

5. Mr. Frost to pay 100*l.* to Mr. Slater, as a gratuity, according to the order of the House.

6. The order of the House concerning the Isle of Man referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to report to Council tomorrow what should be done thereon.

7. The whole report from the Admiralty [Committee], concerning the freight for the nine English ships taken before Lisbon, to be made next Wednesday.

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8. The power to Charles Longland for making provision for the ships or fleets of the commonwealth in the Levant seas to be engrossed on parchment, signed, and sealed.

9. The like *mutatis mutandis* for Jas. Wilson, for the coast of Spain.

10. Col. Copley to be brought to Council in safe custody, to answer the charge against him.

11. To add to the report which Mr. Scott has concerning Sir John Clotworthy, that there is also a petition presented to Council from Lionel Copley.

12. Mr. Slater to have liberty to speak with Col. Greaves, prisoner with the Serjeant-at-arms, and this to be signified to the Serjeant.

13. Arthur Farewell to have liberty to speak with Anthony Jackson, prisoner in the Tower, and this to be signified to the Lieutenant there.

14. The letter and papers from Hereford, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

15. Also the petition of Susanna Bowen.

16. Also the petition of Edw. Penruddock.

17. The petition of Capt. Thos. Tissenden referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

18. Hen. Box to have liberty to send Col. Stuart, prisoner of war in Windsor Castle, 25*l.* for his relief.

19. The lists of the masters of the new ships now building brought from the Admiralty Committee approved.

20. The business of Geo. Gage and the merchants, formerly ordered to be reported to the House, to be reconsidered by Council.

21. The business of the Count of Oldenburg to be again considered, before it be reported to the House.

22. Lieut-Gen. Fleetwood, and Major Gen. Harrison to consider the second part of Davenport's petition, and report.

23. Order in the case of the Tobias of Amsterdam, seized by Capt. Jno. Stokes, commander of the Dragon, upon the coast of Ireland, that Council conceiving the case properly triable by the Admiralty Court, all the papers brought to the Admiralty Committee by Dr. Walker concerning that business are to be sent to the Admiralty Court, and the Admiralty Judges to proceed therein, and give judgment both concerning the ship and goods, according to justice. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 13-16.]

Nov. 8. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of the workmen armourers of the Tower referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to meet next Monday and report on Wednesday.

2. To write the Admiralty Judges not in future to give letters for private men-of-war, but to take their bonds to pay the 10ths of their takings to the collectors for prize goods; and to call such as have had letters of reprisal to account, that it may be known whether their takings have quitted their losses.

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3. To write Col. Duckenfield to make a very exact search for Major Whitford, and to send him over to Chester, and so to London, and acquaint him with what he is charged.

4. The business of the agents of Florence and Genoa to be considered next Friday.

5. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to hasten the report in his hands concerning the Count of Oldenburg's agent.

6. The letter from the Commissioners at Dublin of the 28th ult. referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to prepare an answer from the Council of State.

7. To send to the sheriffs of London to attend Council next Monday, and to bring Lieut.-Col. Hollaway with them.

8. Col. Wauton and Alderman Allein to be a Committee to speak with the trustees at Somerset House, concerning the delivery of the trunk of arms they have belonging to the armoury at Greenwich, and the taking in lieu thereof another suit of arms now in the Tower, which also came from that place, Council having designed this suit to a special use.

9. Thos. Jaggard to be bailed in 400*l.*, with two sureties in 200*l.* each, to appear before Council when summoned, and to be of good behaviour.

10. Sir Wm. Lewis, prisoner in Arundel Castle, to be brought before Council in safe custody, and the Governor of Arundel Castle to be written to, to that purpose.

11. Mr. Frost to send for Mr. Bushell, and confer with him as to what security should be taken on the release of Mr. Gage, prisoner in Newgate, in order to the greater security of Jno. Bushell, now at Lisbon.

12. The information given to Council by James Fogg of Epping, as to felling timber in Waltham Forest by the Earl of Carlisle and others, referred to the Attorney General, whom Fogg is to attend.

13. The letter of Col. Overton, from Edinburgh, to be enclosed in one to Lieut.-Col. Salmon at Hull, who is to certify to Council the state of the matter by the next post. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 16-19.]

Nov. 10. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Jno. Trevor, Mr. Bond, Mr. Strickland, Sir Hen. Vane, Col. Fielder, Sir Hen. Mildmay, Col. Wauton and Sir Wm. Masham, to be a committee to consider what preparations are fit to be made for the reception of any ambassadors who address themselves to this commonwealth, and to report on Wednesday or Thursday.

2. The letter from Col. Birch, from the Isle of Man, to be reported to the House by Sir Hen. Vane.

3. The Earl of Rothes to have a servant allowed him in the Tower, provided he be kept a prisoner in the Tower, as Lord Rothes is.

4. Also the Earl Marshal of Scotland, on the like condition.

5. The Committee for Prisoners to dispose of such of the Scotch prisoners as are servants to any of the Lords who are prisoners in

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England, and are of ordinary quality, as they have done of others, excepting such as are allowed by Council to attend them in their imprisonment.

6. The Committee for Examinations to send for Sir Jno. Clotworthy and Major Adams, and read the last two papers of Major Adams, relating to Clotworthy, and to cause the answers by Adams to be put in writing, and sent to Council, and meantime the report to the House to be suspended.

7. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider of all necessary accommodations for the Commissioners that are to go to Scotland, and to allow thereof as they see cause, as well in reference to all officers that are to attend them, as for their other accommodation during their residence in Scotland, and their journey thither and back again.

8. James Hind to be committed close prisoner to Newgate, for high treason in adhering to Charles Stuart, and invading the commonwealth in the late Scottish Army. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 19–21.]

Nov. 11.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of John Tottell and Robert Harding referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to whom the petitioners are to give in their propositions in pursuance of their petition.

2. The petition of the widow of John Evans referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

3. Mr. Frost to inform himself of the condition of Wm. Ross, whom Major-Gen. Monroe, a prisoner in the Tower, desires may be his servant to attend him there.

4. To write the Lieutenant of the Tower to secure the Earl Marshal of Scotland by himself alone, and apart from all the rest, and to keep him close prisoner, in order to a further examination.

5. The Committee of Council formerly appointed to go to the Tower to examine the Earl Marshal of Scotland, and make such demands of him as they shall receive directions for from the Lord General.

6. The petition of Capt. Wm. Rider referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

7. The petition of Rich. Griffin, of Barterton, co. Chester, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

8. The petition of the officers of the Tiger frigate referred to the Admiralty Committee.

9. Also the petition of William Keysar.

10. To write the Commissioners, who are to go to Scotland, enclosing the papers of Wm. Pennoyer of London, merchant, and to desire them to take care that he may receive justice.

11. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning the Isle of Man, referred back to the said Committee, who are to consider the letters of Col. Duckenfield since received, and report next Thursday.

12. The Order of Parliament concerning the Earl of Leven referred

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to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider what security should be taken of him for his abode at Mr. Delaval's house, co. Northumberland.

13. 20*l.* a year for five years past to be paid to Mr. Knapp for the rent of his house in Wallingford Castle, and Lord Commissioner Whitelock and Colonel Fielder to consider where the money may be had for the time past, and for so long as the commonwealth shall make use of it.

14. The Marquis of Hertford to attend Council to-morrow.

15. Also Viscount Hereford.

16. The prisoners in Warwick Castle to be removed to London, and the Lord General to appoint a guard to bring them up.

17. To write the Governor of Warwick Castle to deliver up the prisoners in his custody to the person appointed by the Lord General to receive them, in order to their being brought up to London to be tried.

18. The letter from Wiscomb of the 8th inst. referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what directions are to be given therein, and to prepare them and report to Council.

19. The letter of Mr. Browne from Pembroke referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

20. Col. Wanton to report to the House that a petition of Col. Nicholas Borlace is presented to Council, complaining of the breach of articles, and that there have been many other complaints made to the Lord General of a similar nature, which neither he nor any but Parliament have power to give relief in, and to request the House to give some direction in such cases.

21. Oliver Fitzwilliams appeared at Council this day, when a petition was read to him, which had been presented by his wife on his behalf, and he—being demanded whether he would own it, and abide by what was therein contained—avowed and promised to stand by it; it was thereupon ordered that he should give a bond in 2,000*l.*, and two sureties in 1,000*l.* each, to appear when summoned, and be of good behaviour.

22. The petitions of Edw. Reader and Sam. Baker referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to enquire the condition of the prisoners, and whether they be not some of the 20 assigned for trial, and report with speed.

23. The letter formerly written to the Governor of Exeter, for sending Mr. Copley prisoner from thence, to be again written, and directed to Major-Gen. Desborow, there being no Governor of Exeter.

24. Mr. Frost to examine the expenses of Capt. Thos. Keysar about his apprehending a Scotch Lieut.-Colonel with a packet of letters of the Earl of Newcastle, and to pay as much as he finds to have been expended by him.

25. The petition of Dennis Kelly and Andrew Potter referred to the Admiralty Committee.

26. Mr. Frost to examine the petition of Wm. Davenport, and pay him the money he finds due thereon.

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27. The petition of the messengers lately employed by Capt. Bishop and Mr. Rushworth referred to the Committee of Examinations.

28. Sir Hen. Mildmay to report to the House that there are divers persons in prison in several parts of this nation, who were committed for seditious and scandalous language against the present Government, and have been fined for the same, but are no ways able to pay, and are like to perish in prison, and to request directions therein.

29. Col. Keith, prisoner in Windsor Castle, to have liberty for three months, for recovery of his health, on parole under hand and seal to the Governor there, to render himself prisoner again at the expiration of that time. [*I. 24, pp. 21-25.*]

Nov. 11.

89. Order of the Committee of Parliament for removing obstructions in the sale of the honours, &c. of the late King, Queen, and Prince, that the petition of the mayor, jurats, and inhabitants of Dover be referred to the trustees for sale of the said honours, to state the matter of fact, and certify; stop to be made meantime of all proceedings touching the sale and conveyance of the lands in the petition mentioned. [*Copy, 1 page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Leman added to the committee for taking an account of the expenses of Council laid out by Mr. Frost in pursuance of their orders.

2. To write the Militia Commissioners for co. Bucks to deliver the horses belonging to Mr. Atkins, taken from him when he was secured, he having been discharged.

3. The letter and papers from the Commissioners in Ireland to be reported to the House by Mr. Goodwin.

4. The petition of Anne Fawn, and the paper by Catherine Symonds, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, and if they find the prisoners named therein, they are to give her a warrant for them.

5. The letter from Capt. Stokes referred to the Committee for Examinations.

6. Also the information of Wm. Harcourt and Lieut. Garnett; the committee to manage the same as will be best for the service.

7. Memorandum to look for Price's security, taken in May.

8. Col. Wauton's bill of exchange for 95*l.* 10*s.* referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider where the money may be had.

9. Upon notice that some words had passed from Viscount Hereford to the Marquis of Hertford, seeming to tend to a challenge, Council summoned them; they appeared, and the words being acknowledged, they were both required, upon their allegiance to the Government, to keep the peace, and neither send nor accept any message or challenge, or act anything tending to the breach thereof, to which they promised obedience.

10. The establishments for Scarborough and Arundel Castle re-

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solved upon by Council to be reported to the House for their approbation, moving for an order for allowance of the same from 20 Oct. last, the officers having been mustered from that time, but not paid, because the establishment was not passed. [*I. 24, pp. 26-28.*]

Nov. 12.

90. Order of the Posts' Committee,—upon two orders of Parliament, and one of the Council of State, referring it to them to consider the offices of Postmaster inland and foreign, and the interest of the claimants,—That the five claims sent in, viz., of Hen. Robinson to both the offices of inland and foreign; of Thomas, infant son and heir of Thos. Witherings, by Sir David Watkins, his guardian to the foreign; of Walter Ward, merchant to both; of Thos. Billingsley to the foreign; and also of Benjamin [Benedict?] Moore and Wm. Jessop, on behalf of the creditors and three daughters of Robert Lord Rich, to a payment of 900*l.* a year out of the foreign letter office;—be reported to the Council of State, as also the proposals and reports for farming the said offices, in order that such proceedings may be had thereupon as they shall think fit. [*Draft, 1½ pages.*]

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91. Answer of William Jessop of Holborn, to the information of Hen. Robinson of London, merchant, exhibited to the Commissioners for Accounts and for discovering frauds, &c.

Denies that the Foreign Letter Office, with its profits, has been detained by him or his agents for 20 years, or for any other time, before or since the late Kings' death, but admits that the patent whereby the said office was granted for two lives, whereof one is yet living, were four years since assigned to him and another, upon certain trusts, and among others, that the execution of the office should remain with Thos. Witherings and his assigns.

That by agreement between the Earl of Warwick, Witherings and others, himself and Benedict Moore were, four years since, entrusted to receive 900*l.* a year from Witherings, out of the profits of the said office, for the use of the creditors and children of Robert, Lord Rich, and not to their own use; and that by virtue thereof, Mr. Moore has since received part of the arrears of the said 900*l.* a year, and paid it to the said creditors and children. That with this exception, the respondent has never intermeddled with any of the profits of the said office, and therefore hopes to be dismissed, with good damages, for the false suggestions contained in the said information, and for his trouble and charges sustained thereby. [*Draft, 1¼ pages.*]

Nov. 13.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The business about the posts to be considered this day seven night.

2. To enclose to the Sequestration Commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall the petition of Elizabeth Gibbon, widow, and desire that the goods therein mentioned may be taken and disposed of to the use of the commonwealth.

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3. The business of Huet Leat to be considered on Thursday, the Commissioners of the Great Seal, and the Lords Chief Justices to be present, and the papers to be brought in.

4. Serjeant Dendy to furnish Council with a list of the prisoners in his custody, with their names, qualities, and the cause of commitment.

5. Crouch to be bound in 100*l.*, with two sureties in 50*l.* each, that certain scandalous papers formerly taken from him, and now to be restored, be damasked by him, and not employed to any other use.

6. To report to the House that there are many of the Scottish nation now prisoners in England, who invaded this nation with Charles Stuart, and to suggest that commissioners be appointed having the powers of a constable's and marshal's court, for trial of such of the said prisoners as the House shall appoint.

7. Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, the Attorney-General, Mr. Say, and Mr. Love, to hear what Dr. Turner has to offer from the Council of War, and give such directions as they think fit; and the doctor to attend them to-morrow at 8 a.m., in the chamber of the Court of Wards.

8. The Earl of Leven, prisoner in the Tower, to give his parole under his hand and seal, and Ralph Delaval, of Seaton Delaval, co. Northumberland, John Delaval of Peterburgh, co. Northampton, and John Delaval of Dover, merchant, to enter into a recognizance of 20,000*l.*, to be jointly and severally bound, and he also himself upon his parole, that he will be a true prisoner to Parliament, as by them confined to Mr. Delaval's house at Seaton Delaval, or within twelve miles thereof, and not depart thence without leave from Parliament, nor meantime act, advise, or contrive anything prejudicial to Parliament.

9. The report made to Parliament in the case of Dr. Dorislaus to be looked out, and brought to Council to-morrow.

10. The Committee for Examinations to consider what is fit to be done for Major Adams.

11. The Earl of Clare accepted as security for Oliver Fitzwilliams, instead of the two sureties formerly appointed.

12. Mrs. Jackson to have liberty to speak with her husband, Anthony Jackson, prisoner in the Tower, in presence of the Lieutenant. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 28-29.]

Nov. 14.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The ship called the Crown to be named the Marigold, and that called the Archangel, the Gilliflower.

2. The letter of Col. Duckenfield from Rushen Castle, with the papers annexed, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider to prepare an answer, that it may be dispatched by to-morrow's post.

3. The books to be searched, and the reports that have been made from the Committee for Examinations about Philip Price or Ward,

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as to what order was made for bailing, and who took the bonds, and all to be brought to Council on Monday.

4, 13. The 20*l.* a year allowed for the rent of the house where the governor of Wallingford lived for five years, charged upon the receipts at Haberdashers' Hall, as also the growing rent from quarter to quarter, until Council orders its delivery to Mr. Knapp, the owner.

5. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider the letters from Weymouth concerning Jersey, and what victuals are to be provided for the forces therein mentioned.

6. To write the Militia Commissioners of co. Somerset that, by the former letter of Council to them for removal of the ammunition at Taunton, it was not intended to remove the powder belonging to the county, but the 25 barrels belonging to them were to be disposed to such safe place as they thought fit, and that which belonged to Council to be sent to the place appointed.

7. To write Mr. Bond at Minehead to receive into his custody such ammunition or other stores as shall be sent to him from Taunton or elsewhere, and to see them safely kept.

8. To write the Lieutenant, or other commander in Taunton Castle, that Council have appointed that castle to be demolished, and that he is to give obedience to that order.

9. To write the Militia Commissioners of co. Somerset what has been written to the said Lieutenant, and enclose them the letter to him.

10. Order—on report of the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal that the Earl of Leven had given his parole under his hand and seal, and also security by bond of other sureties, in pursuance of the order of Parliament, to be a true prisoner, &c.,—that a warrant be given to the Lieutenant of the Tower to set him at liberty, that he may go to the place of his confinement.

11. Warrant to be also sent to him for the liberty of Lochland Leslie, servant to the Earl of Leven, to enable him to attend his master.

12. To write the mayor and sheriff of Exeter to send the 16 pirates in the Marshalsea to the county gaol of Exeter, and a warrant to be sent to the sheriff of the county or his keeper to receive them. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 30-32.]

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The Leopard,
Leghorn Road.

92. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Commissioners. Our abode at Genoa was longer than you ordered, by reason of the extraordinary foul weather, insomuch that the merchant ships could not discharge their goods; and being unwilling to leave them, hearing that many French men-of-war were upon the coast, I was forced to endure the torment of a very bad road.

Being at anchor with the Bonadventure in Genoa Road, in a great storm of wind, there came in a French vessel with her colours on the bowsprit end, at whom I made some shot, but by reason our ships rolled so much, I could not exercise my desires. The Genoese, perceiving I shot at her, sent a boat aboard of her, and caused the French colours to be taken in. The signors were somewhat dis-

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pleased with me, but I forthwith salved the cure, and gave them content in full.

On the 27th ult., Jonas Poole, commander of the *Mary Rose*, arrived safe at Genoa, and having but little goods for that port, was ready with the first of the fleet to proceed for Leghorn. On the 6th, the wind presenting fair, in the morning we saw a ship under the shore, three leagues westward of Genoa, whereupon I ordered Capt. Cox in the *Constant Warwick* to make all sail to her, in company with myself in the *Leopard*; he endeavoured to get from us, but the *Constant Warwick* coming near discharged a piece of ordnance at him. The chase not answering again, being very near the shore, and knowing that he could not escape us, he blew up his ship, and the men took to their boats and got on shore. It was a French vessel, laden with backahlews, and had some 26 guns, which we heard the report of, as she burned. Seeing her in that condition, we proceeded with our merchant shipping for Leghorn, and arrived in this road on the 11th, with the rest of the convoys, where we found the Benjamin from Smyrna, with news of the death of many of our English nation this summer.

The *Constant Warwick* sailed so very heavy that we are having her careened and tallowed, which we will effect in five or six days, as many French merchant ships are expected from Alexandria and Constantinople, some of whom, we doubt not, we shall meet. [$1\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]

Nov. 15. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Anthony Mildmay referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

2. The petition of the churchwardens of Westminster referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

3. The petition of Geo. Scutt referred to the Admiralty Committee.

4. When Mrs. Bowen shall give notice to Mr. Frost that she has found out the ship in which her son is, she shall have a warrant from Council to the shipmaster to deliver him.

5. Edmond Brent and his counsel to have liberty to speak with the Earl of Cleveland, prisoner in the Tower, in presence of the Lieutenant.

6. The two papers concerning Mr. Wingfield, justice of peace in Suffolk, recommended to the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal, and Mr. Gurdon to deliver the papers to them.

7. The Committee for Examinations to do what they think fit in the business of the trunk seized by De Luke, and the paper brought to Council respecting it to be sent to them.

8. Note to look out the petition of Mr. Spencer of Kent, on which he had license for himself and family to go beyond sea.

9. To write Mr. Brandlin, justice of the peace at Ipswich, enclosing the paper given in by Mr. Hamby against Saml. Goultie, minister of the Key parish there, and requesting him to examine Mr. ——— about that paper, and take his subscription to it if he agrees to it,

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or to set down what he knows in that business; also to examine Mr. Goultie, and send up the examinations, and deliver Council's warrant to Goultie to appear before them within six days.

10. The business of the nine ships taken at Lisbon referred back to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what is fit to be allowed them for the freight.

11. The business of the Isle of Man, and the disposing of Col. Duckenfield's companies now there, which were formerly ordered to be sent for Ireland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to take it up next Tuesday.

12. The said committee to consider how the ship commanded by Capt. Young near the Isle of Man may be disposed of, and in case they order that ship to some other service, they are to consider what other ship shall be appointed thither.

13. The Admiralty Committee to give order for providing a chain and medal for Capt. Young, not exceeding 50*l.* value, to be given him in token of Council's acceptance of his good service.

14. The committee appointed to make choice of a portion of the late King's goods for the use of the State to give order for hanging such of them up as they think fit, in lieu of those now in the Chamber belonging to the Council, which are sold by the trustees for sale of the late King's goods to particular persons.

15. Mr. Say to bring in writing to Council next Monday the report made verbally this day, concerning a scruple in the trial of some persons by a court martial.

16. The Crown Flyboat to be henceforth called the Marigold, and carry 70 men and 22 guns; the prize ship Peacock, lately taken by Capt. Peacock, 60 men and 18 guns; and the prize ship Archangel, to be called the Gillyflower, 60 men and 20 guns, to be fitted forth to sea as part of the winter guard, in room of the Roebuck, cast as not fit for further service, the Wheel of Fortune, not yet condemned, and the Tresco frigate, lately cast away; the Navy Commissioners to cause the said ships to be fitted forth to sea with expedition, and the ordnance officers to fit them with guns and gunners' stores. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 32-35.]

Nov. 17. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Committee of Examinations to peruse the examinations sent from Chester, and report the brief of them to Council.

2. The letter of Mr. Drake from Wiscomb, with the particulars enclosed, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. To write the Haberdashers' Hall Committee to send the informations and examinations sent to Council from Hereford, and to give order for further examination of such as they think fit, and to proceed against them to sequestration, according to the Act.

4. The order of Parliament referring it to Council to consider the good service performed by Charles Vane in his employment to Portugal referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to report what they think should be done.

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5. The Council summoned specially to meet next Wednesday, about business concerning Scotland.

6. John Bolle, prisoner in the Fleet, to be bailed in 400*l.*, with two sureties each in 200*l.*, on the usual conditions, and the Committee of Examinations to take his bail.

7. The Lord General and his council of war to consider the engagements which have been passed by Lieut.-Gen. Middleton, and others of the Scotch nation, to be true prisoners, after they were taken in the year 1648, but they afterwards broke their parole, and to proceed against them for breach of the same, according to martial law.

8. Mr. Say to ascertain from Baron Thorpe the fitness of Thomas Gabetis to be under sheriff of Cumberland, and to certify.

9. The information of Marie Curtice, concerning the concealment of some of the late King's goods, to be transmitted to the trustees for their sale; the party who gives in the information is to attend the trustees, and they are to examine the matter further, and proceed according to the rules in such cases.

10. Mr. Love to report to the House that Council is informed that many of the Scotch prisoners who repair to Scotland endeavour to raise new troubles, and to request the House to consider of some Act for the present punishment of such as shall be taken there, and of such other of the prisoners here as shall endeavour to go out of England without leave.

11. The petition of Wm. Allen, &c., referred to the Admiralty Committee.

12. Also the petition of Capt. Gilson; the committee to examine the matter charged against him, and report.

13. Col. Greaves to be bailed for one month, on bond in 2,000*l.*, with two sureties in 1,000*l.* each, to appear before Council upon 24 hours' warning, provided the Lord General be made acquainted herewith, and he approve.

14. 10*l.* to be given to Wm. Mowbray to buy him a horse, and Col. Wauton to recommend him to the Lord General from Council, to put him into some employment in Ireland.

15. Liberty to be given to Thomas Flyar and company, to transport to Montserat 150 dozen of shoes for the use of that plantation, provided they give in security to the Commissioners of customs to transport them thither, and not to any other place; and warrant to be issued to the Customs' Commissioners to that purpose.

16. The order of Council made concerning Mr. Lye to be taken off, and so much to be signified to Col. Pyne, and the rest of the Militia Commissioners for co. Somerset. [*See p. 21, No. 3, infra; I. 24, pp. 35-38.*]

Nov. 17. **93.** Order of the Admiralty Committee,—on the petition of Andrew Burrell, that his salary may be ascertained for the time he has served, being 2½ years, and for an allowance for travelling charges, referred to them by the Council of State,—that the Navy Commissioners consider the time he has served, the amount of imprest

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money he has received, and also examine his accounts and disbursements, and certify what is fit to be given for his service and travelling charges. [1 page.]

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1. Liberty to be given to John Acred, draper of London, to trade to the several ports of Scotland under the power of the commonwealth, according to the power given by Parliament to Council.

2. Col. Wauton to report to Parliament that the time of the power of the Council, the Admiralty, and the Admiralty judges determines 1st December next.

3. Upon information against Mr. Lye, the preacher at Chard, Council wrote Col. Pyne to send for Lye, and tender the engagement to him, and upon his refusal, to require him to depart out of Chard within ten days, and not come near it by 10 miles, and not to preach within any market town in that county, without leave from Parliament or Council. But Council being now satisfied of Mr. Lye, takes off their said order, and leaves Lye at liberty to preach in Chard or any other place, as he might have done before the direction to Col. Pyne, and this to be signified to Col. Pyne.

4. The allowance of $2\frac{1}{4}l.$ a day to be made to Scotch prisoners now at York or any other place, provided they be not made over to merchants, and the Committee of Prisoners to take care that this money be allowed; Mr. Strickland and Sir John Bouchier added to that committee.

5. The account of Rich. Freeman, messenger, of the charge of the journey of the Commissioners sent to the army at Worcester, and of those sent to meet the Lord General at his return from thence, to be allowed and paid by Mr. Frost, he having first tendered the same to the Commissioners who went in those employments.

6. Order on information given to Council by Col. Thomson, which he received from Mr. Stevens, that the Admiralty Committee consider whether it may not be fit to set out some ships for recovery of the losses sustained by the French.

7. The business now reported to Council by Mr. Scott referred to the Committee for Examinations, to take such further course as they think fit for discovery thereof, either by sending for or securing any persons whom they shall be informed have any knowledge of that matter.

8. The report made to Council from the Ordnance Committee, as to allowing $1,226l. 2s. 6d.$ to Major-Gen. Harrison, referred back to the said Committee, who are, upon the debate had this day, to consider the matter further.

9. The petition of the troop of the Isle of Wight referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

10. Mr. Scott to report to the House Council's opinion, on conference with the Lord General, that 240 soldiers, in two companies of 120 men, besides officers, will be necessary for the guard of the Isle of Man, whereof 40 to be under a captain and two serjeants, to be also upon the establishment, above the officers of two complete

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companies ; and that those men and officers be established for that place.

That the Governor of the Isle of Man have 16s. a day pay as Governor, besides the pay of a captain of foot.

That Council represents to the House the following propositions offered concerning the Isle of Man ; viz., that since much of the goods in the Island belong to the well-affected in England, they may, on proof of their right, be restored ; that the rest which are lawful prize be allowed towards accommodating the garrisons there, including the two vessels for the help and benefit of the Island, not being able to subsist without traffic, or defend themselves from pirates without some such conveniency.

That the 400*l.* which was the bishops' yearly revenue, with the present profits of the sequestrable clergy, may make one purse, to be allowed to so many and such ministers as the Council of State shall appoint to preach as itineraries, at least for a time, and all scandalous or unfit ministers to be put out.

That the Isle of Man be taken in as part of England, yet retaining such laws already established as are equitable and just, and more suitable to the condition of that people than any other that can be imposed, to which end it will be convenient that Dymster Christian and his brother, the Receiver, two of the ablest and most honest gentlemen in the Island, should attend Council, by whom their Honours may receive a full and true account touching their laws.

11. Mr. Scott to report to the House Council's opinion, on conference with the Lord General, that for strengthening and increasing the forces in Ireland, the five companies of Sir Hardress Waller now in Ireland should be made up to a full regiment ; and that the other five companies of Sir Hardress that were left in England should be also made up a complete regiment, by continuing the other five companies that have been raised and joined to them, and ordered by Parliament upon disbanding to be sent to Ireland, to be under the command of Col. Clarke, and that both these regiments should be added to the establishment for Ireland.

12. That provision of victuals for the next summer's guard be made for the number of men, and at the respective ports following, viz:—

Hull	1,000	Chatham -	1,000
London	2,000	Dover - -	500
Portsmouth	2,000	Kinsale	500
Plymouth	500		

[*I.* 24, pp. 38-42.]

[Nov. 18.] 94. ——— to ———. The following proclamation, being turned into a law, because proclamations are abolished, will facilitate the work of the Mint, as warning must go before execution.
Annexing,

PROCLAMATION OF 18 ELIZ. :

94. *I.* Great abuses having lately grown by the corrupt dealings of merchants and brokers on exchanges of money, to the

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abusing the monies of the realm, and diminishing customs and subsidies, the Queen gives all merchants, brokers, &c., notice that she will have the laws for remedy of those abuses put in force, with their penalties, and the rates of exchange set up in writing in convenient places. 20 Sept. 1576.

94. II. *The law against the abuse of merchant exchange. To the same effect as the above proclamation, warning all of the penalties in laws and statutes which are to be put in force, and ordering the rates of exchange to be set up in writing. [1 $\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]*

Nov. 18. 95. Propositions [by Thomas Violet to the Mint Committee] for making farthings of tin.

1. Whether to make them of copper or tin, and if of tin, of such weight that no encouragement be given to import them from beyond seas.

Objection.—Copper money for small exchanges goes current in almost all places in the world, but tin in few or no countries; and as it may be adulterated with lead, tin farthings can be easily counterfeited.

Answer.—That as in England we have the richest tin mines in Christendom, and it is a treasure peculiar to this nation, we ought highly to improve this blessing, and do as the last King of Sweden, who had great quantities of copper mines in Sweden, which he improved by setting thousands of his subjects at work on them, and not only sold the copper in casks and bars, but also made coins of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., which went for a penny, and paid his army with them, and at such a low value that his copper coin has often been imported to England, and sold to braziers.

By these means he derived great advantages, as by paying his soldiers with copper, the latter paid his quarters, and being so heavy he could not march with any quantity, and being made at a full value, though in copper, it was as welcome to the boors in Germany as gold or silver. The like advantages may be made of our tin mines, and with our soldiers, especially in Ireland and Scotland, and set many thousands of people at work in the tin mines in Cornwall, provided the tin pieces be made so heavy, and of such fine tin by the assay, that nothing should be got by it but the pay of the workmen. For avoiding the counterfeiting of them, an Act should be passed, making it treason for any one to make farthings of tin, but such as the Statute shall appoint.

Many other reasons have been presented to the Committee to which the writer refers. [1 page.]

[Nov. 18.] 96. Proposals to the Mint Committee for coining brass or copper farthings, there being sensible loss, for want of them, in buying and selling, chiefly to the poor; and chandlers in London and Westminster minting farthings themselves to prevent this,—

That eight farthings pass for a penny, but so large that 9 or 10 are worth a penny to the braziers, so that their size will prevent

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their being carried away ; no man to be compelled to take more than 16 in one payment. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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97. Proposition by Thos. Violet to have the examination of all gold and silver transported into foreign parts, and by warrant or otherwise to seize it, with the allowance of one halfpenny the lb. for all silver coined in the Tower.

Several warrants have been obtained by the East India Company for the transportation of great quantities of gold and silver, and the like is sometimes granted to merchants and others, upon their petitions and suggestions ; and under colour of these warrants, divers other great sums of money, both English and foreign, are transported, which might be prevented if the State appointed a sworn comptroller skilled in these affairs, to view and search all bags and cases of treasure that are transported, and see to the packing up of the same, that no more is transported than is licensed, and to be allowed 2s. upon very hundred pounds by tale, or the value of every 100*l.* sterling ; and that it shall not be lawful to transport the same before it is so viewed and examined by myself or my deputy, and registered. This to be done only in the ports of London and Dover, by which means the former abuses will be prevented.

Great quantities of gold and silver are cunningly imported and exported, by which means the Mint has been wholly neglected, and an inward and outward trade driven, without paying any customs, because the State expects to have it all coined. As I have been acquainted with the ways how to discover when gold and silver is landed, and which way to cause the owners to bring it into the Mint, I would do it with an allowance for my charges and expenses of one halfpenny the lb. for all silver coined in the Tower, and 6*d.* the lb. for gold, which is 1*s.* 3*d.* for every 100*l.* in gold, and 16*d.* for every 100*l.* in silver. According to the medium for the last four years, my request is not 15*l.* a year, and whatever it makes me more must be by my industry in setting the Mint going, which must be done by keeping intelligence beyond seas, and holding correspondence in the sea ports and other places. By reason of my long experience in Mints and exchange of foreign countries, and the knowledge of the ways the transporters of gold and silver use, if I may have the view and control of all persons that send out gold and silver by license, and see it registered, and take the fees, I shall be able to hinder the transportation of such gold and silver, except by license, which would be a great benefit to the commonwealth. [2 pages.]

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98. Proposition [by Thos. Violet] for lessening the charge of the State by 2,000*l.* a year, and raising 1,000*l.* a year, by weights for foreign coin.

The master worker has a fee of 400*l.* a-year out of the Mint profits, and an allowance of 2*l.* the lb. waste, or 16 grains for the waste of melting, by which the State has paid 4,000*l.* a year to the melter, from 1630 to 1645.

It is now offered to put in good security to execute the master

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worker's place for 120*l.* a year, and to melt the silver at 10 grains, or 1¼*l.* the lb. troy; so that by this proposition, the State saves in his place, 1,800*l.* a year, the Mint being set to work with the like quantity of silver, as it was in former years. Not only will this saving be effected, but those that undertake it will find out such ways that the Mint shall go again, if Parliament will pass the Act against transporting gold.

If the State will make weights in the Tower for weighing foreign coins when they are current in England, I will make and expose them for sale in the Mint, for a sixth part of the clear profit, and the profit to the State will be above 1,000*l.* a year. [¾ page.]

Nov. 18. **99.** Notes [by Thos. Violet] about raising gold and making foreign coin current:—

1. The rix dollars, reals, and other silver coins of Spain, Holland, Flanders, France, Italy, and Hungary, and those mentioned in the tables of exchange, might be allowed to go current at as full a value as our own money.

2. You may raise the gold coins, both foreign and English, and make it advantageous to the State, but not the silver monies; for if the gold is not raised, none will be brought into the Mint, all other Mints giving more than we do.

3. It must be calculated what rate gold goes at in the Mints of Holland, Flanders, France, and Germany, and such a value set upon it as may encourage merchants to import it; if you make foreign gold coins current at the full value, people will quickly learn to know them when they see them printed in the placart. At all the seaport towns they do so, as also their value.

4. There ought to be no delay in the printing of the placart, or in a business of such consequence, considering what a deal of trouble and pains it has cost to bring it about, and the benefit the whole nation will derive when the placart is put forth. [¾ page.]

Nov. 18? **100.** [G. Frost] to Mr. Day. You are to bring to Council next Wednesday the last placart of the valuation of monies for Holland and by the States, and the last edict for valuation of monies in France. Endorsed with notes of the several coins of France, Netherlands, Flanders, Germany, Italy, and Spain, whereof assays are desired. [1¼ pages.]

[Nov. 18.] **101.** Notes on the valuation or par of the coins of gold of England, France, Flanders, and the United Provinces, showing that our gold is valued in those countries above our silver. [3½ pages.]

[Nov. 18.] **102.** Account of the par of silver and gold coins by the French and the present English placart, and of the current value, being below par.

Also like account by the Dutch placart; examined by John Reynolds, Thos. Burgh, and Jas. Hoare. [Small book of 10 written and 8 blank pages.]

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[Nov. 18.] **103.** Arguments in favour of tables of exchange; viz., the disadvantage of unequal exchange, whereby English merchants are impoverished 100,000*l.* a year.

The abasing of our own, and enhancing of foreign commodities.

The benefits accruing to France and Holland, who have tried it.

The fit proportion throughout the world is 12 oz. weight of silver for pure gold. A pound tale in silver is 20*s.*, and a pound troy weight in silver 3*l.*, being 3*d.* per dwt.

A pound tale English ought to have 36*s.* 6*d.* Flemish, but lately they have paid but 32*s.*; 24 carats is a troy lb. of gold, and each carat is more than 30*s.* silver. [1 *page.*]

[Nov. 18.] **104.** Propositions for bringing in monies into the commonwealth; (1) by the import of foreign coin, to be made current at specified rates of exchange; (2) by valuing foreign coin as highly as it is done in the Low Countries; with arguments, objections, and answers.

Also report against the currency of foreign coins in England as being—(1) illegal, (2) liable to imposture, (3) unprecedented, (4) toleration only admissible; (5) better that gold should pass out of the realm than silver; (6) if trade be well governed, gold and silver will come in as freely as into Holland.

Request that before the tables of exchange be published, the Act for premonition should be published, and those punished that exchange our monies at under-value. [1½ *pages.*]

[Nov. 18.] **105.** Considerations of the value and par of the silver coins of France, Flanders, and the United Provinces, as compared with those of England, showing the disadvantage arising from the enhancing of coins beyond seas, whilst ours remain at a stand, and statements of what the par ought to be. Disadvantages of the present state of things to the Mint, as causing a scarcity of bullion; and to general traffic, as causing an under-valuation of English, and over-valuation of foreign commodities. [6¾ *pages.*]

[Nov. 18.] **106.** Note of means to bring bullion into the Mint. No merchant or goldsmith to buy or sell at more than Mint prices, the prices for export being now much higher than at the Mint. The reason of this is the profit of 12½ per cent. made three or four times a year, on bills of exchange. The exporters of bullion are furnished with it by the melting-houses, of any fineness desired. The nation has struggled 300 years with this difficulty, and the case is difficult, but tables of exchange will make it easy. [¾ *page.*]

Nov. 19. Order in Parliament that the Council of State take care to prevent all public meetings of any persons in Scotland, for the exercise of any jurisdiction there other than such as is or shall be from the Parliament of England, or from such persons as shall have authority under them. [I. 89, p. 77.]

Nov. 19. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The report brought in by the Committee of Council concerning the disposal of the 1,000*l.* in the hands of Col. Twistleton, for dis-

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charge of quarters taken by Col. Venables' regiment when going to Ireland, in cos. Denbigh, Flint, Merioneth, and parts of Montgomery and Salop, and towards the setting up of a manufactory in the town of Denbigh, to be reported to the House by Sir John Trevor; and that 100*l.* of the said 1,000*l.* has been deducted for the use of a house of Correction in co. Salop, and also a sum for reimbursing Col. Twistleton what was expended by him in getting in this money.

2. The petition of Sir Hamon Le Strange and Sir Rich. Howell, Thos. Deerham, and Robt. Clinch to be added to the report in the hands of Col. Wauton, concerning articles.

3. Note to look out the order by which Mr. Jenkin had leave to go to his house for a month, and give a copy thereof to the Lieutenant of the Tower. [*I.* 24, *p.* 43.]

Nov. 19. **107.** Petition of Tobias Thomson to the Admiralty Committee, for the place of gunner in the Michael Archangel. Has been in actual service seven years as gunner's mate in several ships, and last in the Happy Entrance, whence he was transferred by Col. Blake to the Michael Archangel prize. With reference thereon to the Navy Commissioners to continue petitioner as gunner in the Archangel, now called the Gillyflower. [*1 page.*]

Nov. 19. **108.** Order in the Admiralty Committee, that the Navy Commissioners examine the truth of the information of Major Nehemiah Bourne, Commander of the Speaker frigate, that in sending 100*l.* in his boat on shore at Yarmouth, to pay for some victuals, the boat with the crew and money was cast away. [*1 page.*]

Nov. 20. Order in Parliament that the Council of State prepare an instruction, upon the debate had in the House, for a book to be kept of all warrants by the Council of State to the respective treasurers, for payment of money, to be yearly presented to Parliament, and kept amongst the records here, for the better information of Parliament touching the revenue, and the disposing thereof; and to report the same to-morrow. [*I.* 89, *p.* 78.]

Nov. 20. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. 100*l.* to be paid by Mr. Frost out of the contingencies of Council to Samuel Hartlib, in regard of the intelligence and correspondence maintained by him abroad, which Council had an account of.

2. Sir Arthur Hesilrigge, Mr. Scott, Sir Jno. Trevor, Mr. Strickland, and Sir Wm. Masham, to consider in what condition the allowance appointed by Parliament to Mr. Hartlib stands, and whether paid or not; and if not, where the obstruction is, and report, that further order may be taken.

3. The report made to Council by Col. Wauton, concerning the Ordnance Office, officers, and labourers, to be reported to the House by him, that resolutions may be taken therein.

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4. The business of postage of letters to be reported from the Committee of Council to whom it was referred to-morrow.
5. Huet Leat's petition to be considered next Wednesday, and such members of Council as are in town to attend.
6. The order from the Navy Committee, concerning the stay of the ships Worcester and Elizabeth from going into the Straits, referred to the Admiralty Committee.
7. The order of the Navy Committee, as to settling convoys for the year to come, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to confer with them, and report.
8. William Dilke to give security in 2,000*l.* that his house called Mackstock Castle shall not be made use of or possessed by any enemies, and then it is to remain as it is.
9. Sir Wm. Lewis to attend the Committee of Examinations next Saturday.
10. The said Committee to examine him on the informations given in to Council against him.
11. Mr. Walley's letter referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider where the sums may be paid.
12. Col. Purefoy added to the Committee for Trade.
13. The petition of Evan Vaughan referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
14. Also the petition of Abraham Johnson.
15. Also the petition of Jno. Phillips.
16. Col. Jas. Louthian to have liberty to repair to England, and reside here, provided he renders himself to Council, and takes the engagement, within 10 days after his arrival.
17. The Committee for Examinations to consider how that part of the relation made by Mr. Christian, concerning the oppressions of the late Earl of Derby in the Isle of Man, may be made public by a private hand, and give order for its being done.
18. The Committee for Examinations to write to Hull for examining Cotterel, the pirate prisoner there, and Mr. Christian to go there, to be confronted with him in his examinations about some charges concerning the Isle of Man, also to write the Governor of the Isle concerning some matter to be laid to his charge.
19. Mr. Frost to pay Mr. Christian 20*l.* for his charges in his journey to Hull about this business. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 44-46.]

Nov. 21. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to report to the House Council's opinion,—on their reference as to where the 200*l.* a year ordered to the Clerks of the records in the Tower shall be had,—that it may be paid for the present out of the exigent monies of Council, until the public treasuries be freed from anticipation, so that it may be paid from thence as it grows due.
2. Mr. Lokier, Caryll, Arthur, and Falconbridge, to go to Scotland as preachers, with the Commissioners now going thither from Parliament, and the Commissioners to speak to them about it, and signify their answer to Council.

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3. Col. Wauton, Sir Jno. Trevor, and Sir Wm. Masham added to the Committee to confer with the Aldermen and Common Council of London, and they are to take notice that the Committee will meet next Thursday.

4. The petition of the master and wardens of the Barber Surgeons' Company referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to report what they think fit to be allowed thereupon.

5. Approval of Thomas Gabetis, being nominated to Council by the Countess of Pembroke, as Under Sheriff of Westmoreland.;

6. The order of Council made yesterday, on a report from the Admiralty Committee, for giving 50*l.* to Major Bourne for his services, vacated, and instead thereof a medal, value 60*l.*, to be bestowed upon him, and the Admiralty Committee to provide the same.

7. Lord Commissioner Whitelock added to the Committee appointed to confer with the citizens concerning the business between the Court of Aldermen and Common Council.

8. The Admiralty Committee to reconsider which of the prisoners mentioned in their report are fit to be tried, and to report their names, and give order for discharging the rest.

9. To report to Parliament that Council is informed that the contractors for the sale of the late King's goods have, in pursuance of the powers given them, made sale of the goods in Carisbrook Castle, which are speedily to be delivered to the purchasers; that by reason thereof, that place, which was appointed for the custody of Hen. Stuart, will be left wholly without necessary accommodation, and that if the House think fit to continue him there, some order should be made for his accommodation.

10. Mr. Challoner to report to the House that, whereas by their order of 21 March 1650, it was referred to Council to consider the state of the offices of postmaster, and of the interest of those who claim any therein, and how the same may be settled for the time to come,—and Council having referred the same to a committee, they have reported back the claims made by several persons to those offices, which counsel judge to be only proper for the determination of the House, and have therefore thought fit the same should be reported to them, with some propositions concerning these, that further order may be given.

11. Mr. Gurdon to report to the House that Council having considered of an establishment for staff officers, and for fire and candle for the garrison in the Isle of Man, recommend the following; and if the House approve, a fit allowance should be made accordingly, viz., a surgeon at 3*s.* a day, marshal at 2*s.* a day, master gunner (who is also to be storekeeper), at 2*s.* 6*d.* a day, six matrosses at 1*s.*, fire and candle at 2*s.* [*I.* 94, *pp.* 46–51.]

Nov. 21. **109.** Order of the Admiralty Committee that the Navy Commissioners order a survey of the *Swiftsure*, and examine how she proved in the last voyage, and certify her present condition, and what charge it will be to make her a man-of-war. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

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1. The paper from the Militia Commissioners of Southwark, concerning the dragoon and draught horses taken up by them, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

2. That Committee to take the examination of Sir Wm. Lewis in writing next Wednesday morning, and present it to Council that afternoon.

3. The paper given in by Anth. Mildmay to be part of the report ordered to be made in that business.

4. The petition of Eliz. Willoughby, widow, and company, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider whether there has been a warrant granted in the case; and if so, and the money cannot be had where it was charged, to consider where it may be had.

5. The petition of John Coudrey referred to the Committee for Examinations, and if they find the matter to be of small concern, they are to order his bail.

6. Order on the petition of Matthew Franklin, concerning a ship and goods of his taken and carried to the Isle of Man, and still remaining there, that the Admiralty Judges take his oath thereon and certify, and Council write the Governor of the Isle, to give him his best assistance for the recovery of what can be had of such ship and goods.

7. Col. Copley to attend the Committee for Examinations Thursday at 8 a.m., and so from time to time, and not to depart without leave.

8. The petition of Thomas Vincent, merchant, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

9. So much of the report from the Committee for Examinations as concerns the putting out of some of the serjeants' deputies to be confirmed, except as to Hump. Holden and Wm. Ledsom, as to whom it is respited until the examinations concerning them are read at Council next Wednesday; and such report confirmed as to those that shall be continued, except the four last named, who are to be respited until the time aforesaid.

10. All those now named as to be discharged to be paid their entertainments until this day.

11. Meredith, a messenger, though formerly discharged, to be paid his wages to this date.

12. The petitions of Lieut.-Col. Geo. Forbes and Robert Karr referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

13. Jean Leslie to have access to her husband in the Tower, as she shall have occasion.

14. Order on the petition of the county troop of Cheshire, that as it is reasonable they be paid the three weeks' pay therein desired, the petition and paper be referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider where that pay may be fixed, and order to be given for payment.

15. The papers concerning—Ashton referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to bail him if they think fit, and bestow something upon him not exceeding 10*l*.

16. Note to enquire for the order made last night concerning Mr. Ryley. [*L. 24, pp. 49-51.*]

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Nov. 24. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The business of Mr. Bradshaw's letter to be considered by the Committee which meets in the Horse Chamber on Wednesday. [*I.* 24, *p.* 52.]

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110. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. The company of the *Blessing* complained against John Slade, their commander; on account of this, and the unfitness of the vessel for service, we desire you to call her in, and pay off her company, that the complaints may be proceeded in at the Navy Committee. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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Whitehall.

111. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. We ordered the *Peacock* prize to be set forth to sea, but by the enclosed petition, it would seem she is not yet condemned. Enquire, and if this be true, do not fit her out till the condemnation is passed. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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1. The paper of Dr. Palmer, and the whole business relating to Taunton Castle, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to confer with Dr. Palmer and Mr. Hill.

2. That Committee to consider the present state of Hull, and the difference in relation to the preachers there, and what is fit to be done therein in order to the safety of the place; as also for some fit maintenance for Mr. Cann, now preacher there, and where it may be had.

3. The Committee for Prisoners to dispose of the prisoners remaining at Stafford, and reimburse to the marshal there the money laid out on their account.

4. The petition of John Waters, late master of the 29th double Shallop, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

5. Mr. Gay to take care that liveries for the coachman and postilion to the second coach are forthwith provided.

6. Mr. Frost to pay Mr. Gay 200*l.* on account, towards the charge of entertaining the Holland Ambassadors.

7. To write the Customs' officers at Weymouth to suffer the necessaries that are there ready for Jersey to pass, for supply of the forces in that place, of which they are in great need.

8. To write the Mayor of Dartmouth to send for Anthony Harford, and tender him the engagement, and certify what he does thereupon; and to say that one of the pulpits, in one of the two parochial churches in that town, is to be free for the use of Mr. Pendarvis, or any other godly minister.

9. The committee formerly appointed for examining the sending false and light money to Ireland to proceed, and make their report in four days.

10. The Auditor of Imprest to audit the account of the arrears due to Edw. Ansley, on his several commissions since 10 Aug. 1647, for services in the Armoury, the Tower, and Greenwich; as also the arrears of the workmen.

11. The petition of Alex. Wilson referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

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12. Rich. Bartlett, and — Watson, watermen, to have a pair of the State's badges to wear, and Mr. Frost to give order for making them.

12*th*. The petition of Sam. Law referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to report what is fit to be done for him.

13. The instructions now read to be reported to the House by Sir Hen. Vane.

14. Major-Gen. Harrison to give Mr. Frost the account offered by him to Council, and the committee appointed to take Mr. Frost's account to peruse and perfect it.

15. Capt. Bishop to bring his account of moneys received from Council to Mr. Frost, which the above committee are also to peruse and perfect.

16. The Irish and Scotch Committee to take care that the three weeks' pay assigned to Capt. Griffith's troop may not be paid to him until he has answered the charge brought against him.

17. To write the Militia Commissioners for Cheshire that Mr. Marbury's letter was read before Council, the Lord General being present, and that the pay assigned to Capt. Griffith's troop is stayed, until he has answered the charge against him; and to know whether they have their proofs ready against him, to be sent up hither, in case the business be tried here, or whether it may not be fitter to have it heard in the country.

18. Col. Greaves to be bailed, on security by two sureties in 1,000*l.*, not to depart the cities of London and Westminster and the late lines of communication, and to appear before Council after three days' notice left at such place as he shall appoint; this condition to stand in force two months, at the end of which he is to render himself prisoner again to the custody where he is, and his bond to be made void.

19. Mr. Strickland to report to the House that Council, having considered the manner of receiving the three ambassadors from the States General of the United Provinces, think three Members of Parliament should meet them at Greenwich; and to request the House to appoint such three Members.

20. That upon notice of the Holland Ambassadors being landed or come into the Thames, Sir Oliver Fleming, Master of the Ceremonies, do repair to them at Greenwich, and take with him the second barge, with such other barges as shall be sufficient to convey the Ambassadors and their train to London.

21. That the House be moved to appoint three Members to meet the Ambassadors at Greenwich in the best barge, and that another barge be appointed to carry the Members' followers.

22. That the room formerly used for the Privy Chamber at Greenwich be made ready by Mr. Legg and Mr. Kinnersley, with hangings, chairs, &c., for the Ambassadors or Members to repose in, who shall come first.

23. That the Members invite the Ambassadors into the best barge which they came in, and land them at Tower Wharf.

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24. That John Gay see the State's two coaches prepared, and provide six horses, coachman, and postillion, to each of them, and to so many other coaches not exceeding 30 as, by the advice of the Master of the Ceremonies, shall be sufficient to convey them to their lodgings.

25. The house of Sir Abraham Williams appointed for their lodging and entertainment, and Mr. Legg and Mr. Kinnersley to furnish what hangings, beds, &c., are wanting, out of the State's stores.

26. The Ambassadors to be entertained at Sir Abraham Williams' house the first night they come at supper, and for four whole days after, at the charge of the commonwealth.

27. The three Members who accompany the Ambassadors from Greenwich to their lodging to be desired to sup with them the first night.

28. Philip Starkey appointed to provide wine, beer, wood, coals, meat, &c., and all things necessary for those nine meals, and for the Ambassadors' entertainment during that time.

29. Sir Abraham Williams to provide all linen for the Ambassadors' beds and for their followers, and all other linen and furniture for the kitchen and table.

30. Such of the plate and silver vessels of the commonwealth as shall be necessary for this service to be delivered to John Gay, and be under his charge, he appointing one for whom he will answer to assist him in looking after it.

31. John Gay to oversee the whole ordering of the diet and entertainment of the Ambassadors, and to have an inspection upon the rest of the officers.

32. Six messengers of Council, such as Mr. Frost shall appoint, and six of Serj. Dendy's deputies, such as he shall appoint, to attend the nine meals to carry up meat, and receive the commands and directions of Mr. Gay.

33. Mr. Starkey to provide cooks, a butteryman, cellarman, and server for the meat, and a porter and other necessary officers, and 200*l.* to be imprested to him towards discharge of this service upon account.

34. Legg and Kinnersley to see that the Parliament House and the Inner Court of Wards are furnished with good hangings against the day of the Ambassadors' audience.

35. Mr. Gay to provide the State's coaches, fitted with horses, &c., as aforesaid, and a convenient number of other coaches, not exceeding 30, to carry the Ambassadors and their followers to their audience. [*I. 24, pp. 52-59.*]

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112. Order of the [Irish and Scotch Committee]. Whereas by the votes of the House, three sums of 50,000*l.*, making in all 150,000*l.* for Ireland, and one 50,000*l.* for ammunition and necessaries for the stores are charged upon the sale of delinquents' estates; and this committee,—having conferred with the Ordnance Committee as to

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the pressing necessities, as well for the stores, for which a great debt is already contracted, as for Ireland,—think fit that it be propounded to Council that the first 100,000*l.* be charged to be paid for the service of Ireland, and supply of the stores in equal moities, as it shall come in; and that they issue a warrant to the treasurers-at-war to issue the same accordingly, and the other 100,000*l.* for the service of Ireland in course. [*Draft, 1 page.*]

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113. Certificate by Geo. Payler and three other Ordnance officers to the Ordnance Committee, that they have viewed 3,734 unfixed arms in the stores, and find that the boring, breeching, &c., so as to make them serviceable, will amount to 1,028*l.* 2*s.* 3*d.* [*1 page.*]

Nov. 26.

Order in Parliament that the Council of State present the names of six persons fit to be Judges of the Admiralty, for consideration by the House.

That no Member of the Council of State, or of any Committee of Parliament, shall be in the chair of that Council or Committee for any longer period than one month. [*I. 89, p. 78.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Wm. Molins referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to take his account, and consider what is to be allowed him for his pains, and to report both the state of his account, and their opinion for the allowance.

2. The petition of Rich. Gough, prisoner at the Mews, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine and report.

3. Six persons to be named to-morrow, out of whom the Admiralty Judges are to be elected by Parliament, in pursuance of their order.

4. The Earl Marshal of Scotland to have the liberty of the Tower until further order.

5. Col. Purefoy, Col. Wauton, Mr. Leman, and Alderman Allein to be a Committee to take the account of Mr. Scott's disbursements for gaining intelligence.

6. The petition of Dennis Gauden, merchant, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to report out of what money his disbursements may be paid.

7. The said Committee to consider the letter of the Militia Commissioners from Stafford, and the enclosed account, and report as to the satisfying thereof.

8. Order that—as Vavasour Powell, with a troop of 160 horse, was with Major-Gen. Harrison in the North, in the service against the Scots three months, and as Mr. Cradock was also there two months, with 250 men,—Powell have two months' pay for one complete troop of 100 men, and Cradock one month's pay for 200 men; the Irish and Scotch Committee are to consider where money may be had for their pay, they being taken into service by Major-Gen. Harrison, upon a letter from Council directing him to take on men not exceeding 500.

9. Order on the report from the Irish and Scotch Committee concerning the contract made with Capt. Jno. Whitworth, for furnishing

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oatmeal for Ireland, that he ought to be no loser by his doing his best endeavours to save the commonwealth; but Council refers it back to them to consider what part of the money is to be now paid him, and what to be suspended, until certificate comes from Ireland of the delivery of the meal there.

10. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider where money may be had for the Commissioners in Ireland for their own entertainment; Mr. Scott to attend that Committee.

11. The Committee that gave audience to the agent of the Count of Oldenburg to consider the order of Parliament of this date, and prepare an answer to be brought to Council, in order to be reported to the House.

12. The reports from the Committee for Examinations to be heard to-morrow.

13. The petition of the Navy Victuallers, for license to transport some necessary goods for the service of the navy into Ireland, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

14. 33s. to be paid to Geo. Evans, for keeping a foundling child.

15. Sir Wm. Brereton to have liberty to take David Durie, a Scotch prisoner in the custody of the Marshal General, to be his servant, and the Marshal General is to deliver him accordingly.

16. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider where the magazine for Southampton may be disposed of, the account of which has been given in by Major Murford, as he left it when he was dismissed.

17. Grissel Middleton, wife of Lieut.-Gen. Middleton, prisoner in the Tower, to have liberty, with her maid servant, to go to her husband there, provided she and her servant remain in the Tower with him; and so much to be signified to the Lieutenant of the Tower. [*I. 24, pp. 59-62.*]

Nov. 27. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Col. Edw. Massey to be committed close prisoner to the Tower, for high treason in bearing arms against the Parliament, and invading the commonwealth with Charles Stuart and his Scotch army.

2. To write the Lord Deputy of Ireland, taking notice of his great services, and to prepare an answer to be sent to his letter.

3. Mr. Frost to pay the Lieutenant of the Tower 7*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* out of the exigent money of Council, for so much expended by him.

4. To write the trustees of the late King's goods to deliver to Mr. Legg or Mr. Kinnersley hangings and other goods necessary for furnishing rooms for entertaining the Ambassadors from the States General.

5. The Attorney General and Dr. Walker to consider the report from the Admiralty Committee, concerning Edw. Paslow's purchasing six barrels of powder out of the Success, and how he may be proceeded against.

6. The petition of Hen. Buxton referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

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7. The letter from the Commissioners of Ireland of 30th October, desiring payment of 1,000*l.* to Daniel Hutchinson, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider where the money may be satisfied.

8. To report to the House that, in pursuance of their order for the nomination of six persons out of which the Judges of the Court of Admiralty are to be appointed, Council offers Dr. Wm. Stephens, M.P., Dr. Wm. Clerk, Dr. Jno. Exton, Edw. Heyward of the Inner Temple, John Sadler, and Dr. Walker as fit persons; and as Council find a great paucity of men fitly qualified, they suggest whether it may not be for the public advantage that some encouragement be propounded for the professors of the civil law, as a means to increase the number of those that may be fit to serve in that quality.

9. To report to the House that Council having understood that there are three Ambassadors coming from the States General, and that they are expected here with the first fair wind, have given order that all things may be ready for their entertainment, and have appointed Sir Oliver Fleming to be ready to go to meet them with barges at Gravesend, and bring them to Greenwich House, where some rooms are to be made ready for them, or such as shall be appointed to meet them there, to repose in, and from thence to be brought by barge to Tower Wharf, and so by coach to Sir Abraham Williams' house, where a supper is to be prepared for them that night, and they and their retinue to be entertained there four days after, at the charge of the State, and for which Council have already given order. And they request the House to appoint three of their own Members to meet the Ambassadors at Greenwich, and accompany them to Sir Abraham Williams's.

10. Council—having considered the great services of Wm. Rowe, Secretary to the Committee for Irish and Scotch Affairs, in making many contracts to a great value, and very much to the advantage of the public, both for the service of England, Ireland, and Scotland, and the reducing of the islands belonging to the commonwealth, as also his constant attendance upon the said Committee, and making many dispatches in pursuance of their orders, for nine months and 15 days past, being the time of the session of the Council,—order that 500*l.* be paid him, and refer it to the Irish and Scotch Committee to consider out of what treasury the money may be paid, and to bring in a warrant directed accordingly. [*I.* 24, *pp.* 62–65.]

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114. Drs. William Clerk, John Exton, and Wm. Stephens, Admiralty Judges, to the Council of State. Understanding that those who have commissions as private men-of-war refuse to pay the tenths of the prizes taken by them, and have been condemned in the Admiralty Court, and that when any such commissions shall be granted for the future, the parties are to give security for payment of such tenths, we beg to state that if any have not paid the tenths, the collectors for prize goods can enforce payment, the parties having entered into recognizance as well for payment of the tenths as for performance of the other articles.

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For those who have had commissions of reprisal for reparation of such losses only, and no more, as they have sustained by way of depredation, together with charges and expenses, we have not heretofore taken security of them for payment of tenths, conceiving that by law no tenths are payable out of them ; yet as a question has lately arisen in the Admiralty Committee, and an order has been made by them that no adjudication is to pass in the Admiralty Court to the prejudice of the State, we have since taken recognizance of all such as have had any such commissions, to make payment of the tenths of all prizes taken by them, if so required. We enclose a list of such commissions of reprisal already granted, and for what sums, as also the value of the prizes taken by them, and brought to judgment in the Admiralty Court ; but as the appraisements of all of them have not as yet been received, we cannot give a full account. We have caused the accounts of such as have taken any considerable prizes, in any sort answerable to their losses, to be brought in, and have awarded monitions against others to do the like, and will take care that due accounts hereof are regularly taken for the future [1 $\frac{3}{4}$ pages.] *Enclosing.*

114. I. *List of 15 Commissions of Reprisal granted by the Council of State to persons named against the French, for losses to given amounts.* [1 $\frac{1}{2}$ pages.]

114. II. *List of French ships and goods, taken by Capt. Jno. Green, Isaac Phillippis, and Rich. Alford ; Jas. Pickering ; Hen. Stephens ; Geo. Searle and Fras. Topp ; Wm. Barkeley ; Jno. Watterton ; Nich. Gould and Jno. Langley, by virtue of letters of reprisal, and adjudged to them as prize.* [6 pages.]

Nov. 27. 115. Relation by Robert Eason and Hugh Frewing, shipwrights at Chatham, to the Navy Commissioners. Thomas Symons, house carpenter at Chatham, under Mr. Whitton, storekeeper at the New Dock, confessed to us that Whitton (since there have been some whisperings between honest men of grand abuses in that dock) asked him whether anyone had been to pump him, and he said no. Whitton asked Robert Bell, a smith in Chatham, and More, the smith at Gillingham, the same things. We have strong grounds of jealousy that the State is much abused by their confederacy in regard to the ironwork. We charged Symons with his knowledge of their false dealings, but he replied that he durst not discover, for fear of being undone by the kindred, pointing to the Commissioner's house at the dock ; that if the knot was broke, it would all tumble out of itself, and that if he had known he should have been put out of his employment under Whitton, he would have shown a way how to discover their knavery.

Upon being asked if he knew anything of that black shop, pointing to the smiths' forge at the dock, he said that black forge made a white purse to some of them, which Robt. Preston, clerk and foreman to Mr. Downing, the master smith, must needs know,

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for he compared the books ; and further that they were all so knit together, that the devil himself could not discover them, except one impeached the other, and that he would be hanged before he would do so. [1 *page*.]

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Order in Parliament that 100*l.* be given to John Cliffe, who brought the letters from the Deputy General, and that the Council of State take order for payment thereof.

That the Council of State consider how Ambassadors and agents that come from foreign princes and states may be fitly received and entertained, and do therein as they think fit meantime, and report their opinions and proceedings.

That the Council of State set Moses James at liberty, if they think fit.

That they consider the business of the Scotch prisoners, and that the common soldiers have an allowance of 4*d.* a day.

That they consider the business of the officers of the Scotch army, now prisoners, and take order for fit allowance for their subsistence.

That they consider whether the merchants who contracted for transporting the common soldiers of the Scotch army have broken their contract, and take order therein.

That they dispose of the Scotch prisoners in the several counties and places as they think best, and as may tend to the preservation of their health, and preventing the danger of infection amongst the people.

That they give order for the common soldiers at St. James's and in the Mews to be sent to Ireland, and be there disposed of for the advantage of the commonwealth. [*I.* 89, *pp.* 79–80.]

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1. The Countess of Dirleton to have liberty to speak with the Earl of Lauderdale and Lord Burganey [*Abergavenny*] about some business of special concernment to her, in presence of the Lieutenant, and to take with her to that conference John Pulford whom she employs in the management of her affairs.

2. Mr. Fanshaw, prisoner in custody of John King, one of the serjeant's deputies, to have his liberty on bail for two months, for recovery of his health, he being certified to be in a deep scorbutic, on bond himself in 2,000*l.* with two sureties in 1,000*l.* each, to render himself prisoner to the Serjeant-at-arms at the end of the two months, or sooner if Council shall summon him, and to be of good behaviour meantime.

3. The procuring two physicians to go over to Ireland, referred to Council by order of Parliament, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

4. Lieut.-General Fleetwood to consider of some place for Peter Mayos, quarter-master, and to put him where he thinks fit.

5. Lord Grey to make the report to the House concerning Col. Roseworm, as also the letter of Col. Duckenfield from Castle Rushin,

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and to move them to consider what is mentioned therein concerning Col. Roseworm, Capt. Christian, and Col. Duckenfield, and to do as they judge fit.

6. Order on the letter of Giles Barrow from Gravesend, that the business be referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

7. That 500*l.* be paid to Capt. Bishop, for his services in attending the Committee of Examinations.

8. The 29*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.* in the hands of Capt. Bishop upon the foot of his account to be distributed as the Committee for Examinations think fit, amongst persons employed in the time of the late Scotch invasion, for gaining intelligence from the armies, and so much more as will make up this sum to 100*l.* to be allowed to Thos. Dyer, for attending on the Committee for Examinations as clerk to Capt. Bishop, during the sitting of the Council.

9. Approval of the account of disbursements by Capt. Bishop for gaining intelligence, and order that he be discharged of the same.

10. Sir Adam Hepburn, with the others mentioned in his petition, to have the liberty of the Tower, and he to be told that the other desires mentioned in his petition are more proper for Parliament than Council.

11. To signify to the treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall that the 300*l.* formerly ordered to be paid to Thos. Baker, executor of Col. Roger Fenwick, should be paid him before the money ordered to be paid to Wm. Hawkins, merchant of London, provided Hawkins be first conferred with thereon, and his consent given; but this is not to become a precedent to his prejudice for the future.

12. 140*l.* to be paid to such persons as gave intelligence at Worcester, whereof 100*l.* to the little maid, and the other 40*l.* to such persons as Mr. Salwey and Mr. Scott appoint.

13. The petition of Capt. Philip Eyton referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to consider his disbursements in Staffordshire, for the discharge of quarter there in 1648, being upon the service, as also his losses, and to report.

14. The petition of Capt. John Thomas referred to the same Committee, and if they find the matter of fact as suggested, they are to give such order as is desired.

15. Mr. Frost to pay Eliz. Alkin 10*l.* for good service in discovery of the book "*Manus testium, lingua testium.*"

16. The petitions of the Committee for the Tower Hamlets to be reported to the House by Col. Thomson.

17. The easing the counties of Chester and Leicester, in the laying the monthly assessments for the militia forces, in consideration of their sending out forces to the battle of Worcester beyond their proportion, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, as also the power formerly given to a Committee of Council for that business, the care of which was committed to Sir Wm. Brereton.

18. Rich. Fuller, servant to Robert Wallop, to attend Council tomorrow.

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19. So much of the order of Parliament as refers it to Council, to satisfy such clerks as shall be employed in the Scotch Records in the Tower referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to speak with Mr. Ryley thereon, and to report. [*I. 24. pp, 66-69.*]

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116. Order of the Admiralty Committee,—on information of Capt. Moulton, Navy Commissioner, that a hulk is required to careen the ships at Portsmouth, and that the Marigold, formerly the Crowned Lion, is fit to be turned into a hulk—that the Navy Commissioners certify their opinion. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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The Leopard,
Lcghorn Road.

117. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee, Treasury Chamber, Westminster. I showed your bill of credit to the merchants here, but they have not any money, and promise to supply me at Smyrna. Had it been directed to any particular merchant, I might have procured the money here at 5s. 2*l.* a dollar, but I doubt it goes so high as 6s. 6*l.* a dollar at Smyrna. We have had such foul weather since we came into this port that the merchants' ships cannot discharge their goods, which makes our time longer then you limited me; and hearing divers French men-of-war are upon the coast, I am forced to stay for the ships' safety.

Mr. Tanner, Commander of the Victory, arrived here from Russia on the 22nd, and the next day, three Holland men-of-war, with six of their convoys. Two French men-of-war took two Genoese ships off the Isles of Eriss, six days since, one carrying 40 guns, and the other 34, as also an Ostend ship of 30 guns. The great Genoese ship had one million pieces of eight aboard, too great a prize for such pirates. We shall leave this port within three days. [*1 page.*]

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1. The account of Serjt. Dendy referred to Mr. Frost.
2. Mr. Gurdon to make the report to the House which is in Mr. Goodwin's hands, in reference to Ireland.
3. The Attorney-General to return the papers concerning Col. Slaughter to the Committee for Examinations, who are to peruse them and report.
4. To write the Army Committee to give relief to such persons in cos. York and Lincoln as have suffered by free quarter, by giving them allowance out of the pay of those who have taken that free quarter.
5. To report to the House that, by reason of the clause in the Act forbidding free quarter that they shall not take above one night or two in their march, there is much free quarter taken, to the grievance of the country; and to move them to remedy it.
6. Sir Hen. Mildmay to give direction to Mr. Carter, Surveyor of Works, to make a pair of private stairs at Greenwich, for the landing of the Ambassadors.
7. The paper given in by Lieut.-Col. Joyce concerning Jersey referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to hear what he has to offer, and do as they judge fit for the public service.

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8. Mr. Frost to have 1*l.* in the 1*l.* for all monies received and disbursed by appointment of Council upon his three years' account, the sum being 60,498*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.*, of which there remains in his hands 338*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.*, which account being reported to Council by Col. Wauton, the Council approved it, and ordered the said 1*l.* in the 1*l.* to be deducted out of the surplus of 338*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.*, and a warrant of discharge to be drawn out and signed by the Lord President accordingly.

9. The Irish and Scotch Committee to prepare a warrant for two months' pay to Capt. Vavasour Powell, and one month's to Capt. Cradock's troops, in pursuance of their report.

10. The report from that Committee on the business managed at Carlisle by Geo. Hussey approved as to the matter, and referred back to the said committee to consider the manner of execution.

11. The proposals of Hen. Lyne referred to the said committee.

12. Mr. Kinnersley to have 20*l.* for his pains taken by appointment of a Committee of Council, in looking out hangings.

13. The bill of 3*l.* 8*s.* to be paid to Elizabeth Alkin, for her charges in finding out the book *Manus testium*.

14. The account of Mr. Scott of the charge of gaining intelligence for the service to be accepted and allowed, and he discharged of the same.

15. Capt. Geo. Vaux to be allowed after the rate of 100*l.* a year for all charges disbursed since the sitting of Council, being nine months 15 days, for keeping Whitehall and the courts clean; also a salary for attendance after the rate of 50*l.* a year. [*Also Vol. XVI., No. 118.*]

16. The petition of John Smalecombe referred to the Admiralty Committee.

17. Mr. Lister to report to the House that a petition being presented to Council from John Ascham, and referred to a committee, and a report made, Council have thought fit to represent what was done by Parliament [for the son and two daughters of Dr. Dorislaus on the murder of their father, viz., that there was an order for payment of 200*l.* a year to the son during his life, and that 500*l.* was paid to each of his daughters, and to leave it to the House to do in Mr. Ascham's case what they shall think fit. [*l.* 24, *pp.* 69-73.]

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119. Petition of Wm. Adderley, preacher to the navy at Chatham, Wm. Thomson, master caulker, and Thos. Colpott, boatswain to the State's yard to the Navy Committee, for a committee of enquiry into the abuses of naval affairs there. We have observed much corruption, and tried to remedy it by speaking to the Commissioner on the place, but he takes part with the offenders, and upbraids those who complain as meddlers, and smothers up abuses, his kindred being concerned therein. In our late petition to the Council of State, touching the supply of the master shipwright's place there with a man likely to prove an instrument of good, we named that it is not for the State's interest

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“to have a generation of brothers, cousins, and kindred packed together in one place of public trust,” at which the said “generation here, applying it to themselves, as well they might,”* are greatly enraged, and yet seek to make peace with us, which cannot be till we see the State righted, unless we basely betray our consciences, and suffer ourselves to be flattered or frightened from our principal end, viz., to see the State served. (*See 30 Oct., Vol. III., p. 504, supra.*)

Dec. 1.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.†

1. A President of Council to be chosen.
2. The President to continue a month.
3. Serjeant Bradshaw to be President.
- 3*a*. The Council to meet to-morrow.
4. The orders that have been made for regulating the proceedings of Council to be brought in to-morrow.
5. Copies of the instructions of Council, and of the oath of secrecy, to be made for all the members, and delivered speedily.
6. All the members now present to be desired to attend to-morrow.
7. A list of the Council for this year to be brought in to-morrow.
8. The names of the several committees of Council, as they stood last year, to be brought in to-morrow.
9. The Lord General, Lord President, Sir Hen. Vane, Lord Chief Justice St. John, and Major Salwey to be a committee to examine Mr. Massonett, late secretary to Charles Stuart, and the letter from Dundee of the 3rd ult. referred to them.
10. Gualter Frost, jun., to be called in to take his oath as assistant secretary.
11. Mr. Scott to acquaint Col. Blake with the intelligence he has received concerning the sending of ammunition from Holland to the rebels in Ireland, so that he may appoint some ships to prevent it, if possible.
12. Such members as were of the last year's Council, and are of the Committee for Irish and Scotch affairs, to be continued a committee to that purpose until other orders, and to meet to-morrow.
13. Note that all the members present took the oath of secrecy. [*I. 66, pp. 1, 2.*]

Dec. 2.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letter of Col. Heane, of 24 Nov., referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
2. That of 22 Nov. referred to the Ordnance Committee.
3. Mr. Frost to satisfy [Rich.] Bradshaw's bill of exchange for 200*l.*, for his quarter's allowance as Resident at Hamburg.
- 3*a*. The business of prisoners of war to be considered next Thursday.
5. Like letters with that to Mr. Powell at Bristol to be sent to

* The family of the Petts is here alluded to.—Ed.

† This is the first meeting of the third Council of State.—Ed.

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Chester, York, Newcastle, and any other place where the Scotch prisoners are.

6. Note that Mr. Corbett, Sir Jas. Harrington, Mr. Wallop, and Lords Chief Justices Rolle and St. John took the oath of secrecy.

7. Sir Arthur Hesilrigge, Sir Gilbert Pickering, Mr. Bond, Col. Purefoy, Col. Wauton, Sir Wm. Masham, Major Salwey, Lord General, Mr. Holland, Mr. Hay, Col. Blake, Sir Wm. Constable, Col. Downes, and Mr. Carew to be a committee for carrying on the affairs of the Ordnance, according to the former powers.

8. Sir Hen. Vane, Mr. Bond, Major Salwey, the Lord General, Lieut.-General Fleetwood, Sir Gilbert Pickering, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Scott, Sir Jas. Harrington, Mr. Love, Col. Purefoy, Col. Morley, Col. Downes, Viscount Lisle, Mr. Hay, Mr. Holland, Mr. Burrell, Col. Martin, Mr. Wallop, Col. Popham, and the Earl of Pembroke to be a committee for carrying on the affairs of Ireland and Scotland.

9. The Lord President, Sir Wm. Masham, Lord Commissioner Lisle, Mr. Scott, Mr. Carew, Mr. Gurdon, Col. Purefoy, Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Lord General, Lords Chief Justices Rolle and St. John, Mr. Love, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Corbett, Mr. Nevill, Mr. Masham, Col. Dixwell, Hen. Herbert, and Mr. Martin to be a committee for taking Examinations and informations, and to consider such things concerning Law as shall be referred to them by Council.

10. Sir Jas. Harrington, Mr. Challoner, Sir Hen. Vane, Mr. Carew, Mr. Love, Mr. Scott, Col. Purefoy, Mr. Holland, Mr. Gurdon, Col. Stapley, Col. Dixwell, Mr. Nevill, and the Earl of Pembroke to be a committee to consider the obstructions of the Mint.

11. That any five or more of the Council be a committee to consider the business of Plantations, and meet in the Admiralty Chamber.

12. Mr. Love, Sir Wm. Masham, Mr. Carew, Mr. Holland, Colonel Morley, Mr. Dixwell, Mr. Burrell, Sir Wm. Constable, Col. Stapley, Mr. Herbert, Col. Downes, Sir Hen. Vane, Col. Wauton, Mr. Bond, Mr. Masham, Sir Jas. Harrington, Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, Mr. Scott, Mr. Salwey to be a committee to take care for preserving timber, in pursuance of the instructions from Parliament.

13. Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, Sir Hen. Vane, Mr. Challoner, Mr. Carew, the Earl of Pembroke, Viscount Lisle, Hen. Nevill, Sir Wm. Masham, Mr. Gurdon, Col. Martin, Major Salwey, Mr. Scott, and Col. Purefoy to be a committee to consider the manner of giving audience to public ministers of foreign Princes, and to offer to Council what they judge fit to be done; to meet to-morrow in the matted Guard chamber and confer with Sir Oliver Fleming or whom else they think fit. Col. Martin, and Mr. Nevill are to take care of this business.

14. Orders for regulating the Council.

1. When the House does not sit, Council shall sit every day except Lord's Day and Saturday, from 3 to 6 p.m. and not

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after, unless it be for business of importance, which cannot bear delay.

Nos. 2-13 are similar to Nos. 2-10, 12, 13, and 15 of the instructions given May 17, 1649 [*see* Calendar, p. 145.]

14. Every day on which Council is to sit, all the messengers not employed by the Secretary, either abroad or at home, shall give constant attendance in the room at the stairs' head without the lobby, commonly called the back stairs, from 3 p.m. until dismissed by the Secretary; and the eldest in course of admittance shall daily give account to the Secretary of such as absent themselves from service, and of any negligence or miscarriage, that others may be provided to serve in their places.

15. Any member of this Council may relate by word of mouth, without writing, to any other member who has taken the oath of secrecy, any matter debated or resolved at Council, and wherein secrecy has been enjoined, provided that they declare that the said debates or resolutions are under the oath of secrecy. [*I.* 66, pp. 4-10.]

Dec. 2.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Jas. Powell, Bristol. The mayor and aldermen report an infectious disease among the Scottish prisoners. Aldworth must remove them to places where there will be least danger of infection, and you must pay 4*d.* a day each for their subsistence to privates, and 5*s.* a week to officers. These prisoners were to have been carried to plantations, but are left behind; inquire what merchants have left them, that some course may be taken. You shall be repaid your expenses herein. [*I.* 97, p. 1.]

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120. Petition of Shershaw Cary, merchant of Bristol, to the Navy Committee, for a hearing respecting the miscarriage of their order of 16 Oct. for discharge of the Charles of Bristol, whereby the said ship and her men were kept till 10 Nov. in King's Road. With reference thereon to the Navy Commissioners, to make out a bill to the petitioner and the rest of the owners of the Charles, for payment of the hire and freight due. [*1 page.*]

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1. The House to be moved to consider the settling of the Admiralty, it being necessary for dispatch of urgent affairs.

2. The Committee for considering how Ambassadors should be received to meet, and report to Council to-morrow.

3. Lord Chief Justice St. John added to that Committee, and notice to be given him that it meets to-morrow in some of the chambers belonging to Council at Whitehall.

4. All the references made by the former Council to any of the committees of Council to stand in force to the several committees of this Council.

5. The Committee for Ambassadors to consider what has been done by Mr. Legg or Mr. Kinnersley in pursuance of orders, and

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report what should be allowed Kinnersley for his pains, and give orders to Legg for carrying on what remains to be done.

7. The letter and bill of particulars of Col. Heane from Jersey as to his wants referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

8. Liberty to be given to the wife of Lieut.-Gen. David Leslie, with two maid servants, to go in and out of the Tower.

9. Col. Morley added to the Committee for receiving Ambassadors.

10. The petition of Major Purling referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

12. To consider next Friday what shall be done with the militia throughout the several counties.

13. The Committee formerly appointed for examining the sending false and clipped money to Ireland to be revived, Mr. Scott to take care thereof, and the Earl of Pembroke added to the committee.

14. The petition of the Militia Commissioners for cos. Cambridge and Hunts referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 11-13.]

Dec. 3.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Governor of Portsmouth. Finding it necessary for the more speedy reduction of Elizabeth Castle, Jersey, that a skilful engineer should be sent thither, and there being one at Portsmouth, send him to us to receive orders. [*I.* 97, *p.* 2.]

Dec. 4.

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1. The desires of the High Court of Justice for money for pay of their officers referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to report out of what treasury the money may be had.

2. To report to the House that a report was made to them from the Council of State, in pursuance of their order, of a list of persons fit to be made examples of justice, but that no order has been given for proceeding against any of them; and as the keeping up of the High Court of Justice is a great charge, and they now only meet and adjourn, having none sent to them to proceed against, to remind the House, that they may give order both concerning the trial of the prisoners and continuance of the court.

3. The letter from Hugh Courtney of the 25th ult., with the papers, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider how the money expended by him may be repaid.

4. The petition of Wm. Davenport referred to that committee to consider what is fit to be allowed him.

5. Col. Downes to report to the House that 8s. a day be allowed for pay to the Governor of Arundel Castle.

5*a.* Note that Lord Commissioner Whitelock took the oath of secrecy.

7. Mr. Legg to have notice that no rooms are to be prepared at Greenwich for entertaining the Ambassadors of the United Provinces.

8. The members of Council appointed to meet the said Ambassadors to repose in some convenient room in the Tower, in expecta-

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tion of their landing on Tower wharf, and Sir Oliver Fleming to send word to the Members of their coming, that they may come out of the Tower, meet them on their landing, and accompany them to Westminster.

9. The Committee appointed for Ambassadors to consider how the Members so appointed shall place themselves in the coach sent to fetch the Ambassadors.

10. The Earl of Pembroke, Viscount Lisle, and Sir Peter Wentworth to be the Members.

11. The petition of divers French merchants, with the papers annexed, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to confer with Capt. Lambert.

12. The latter part of the report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, as to making provision of victuals for the soldiers in Jersey, referred to them for reconsideration.

13. The petition of Wm. Dawby and Jno. Morris referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

14. Also the petition of Robert Montgomery.

16. The Lord General, Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Lords Chief Justices Rolle and St. John, Sir Hen. Vane, Sir Gilbert Pickering, Col. Wauton, Sir Wm. Masham, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Sir Peter Wentworth, Col. Morley, and Sir Jas. Harrington to be a committee to confer with four chosen by each party who appear before Council of the aldermen and Common Council of London, from them to understand the differences between them referred to Council, and with their consent, to endeavour a composition of them; otherwise to represent the state thereof to Council, that a report may be made to Parliament for their final determination.

17. Sir Hen. Vane, Mr. Challoner, Mr. Bond, Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, Col. Wauton, Col. Purefoy, Lord General, Col. Blake, Col. Martin, Mr. Nevill, Col. Morley, Mr. Masham, Mr. Burrell, and Col. Stapley to be a committee for carrying on the affairs of the Admiralty, according to the former powers.

18. The petition of John and Wm. Hamilton referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

19. Also the petition of Adam Cunningham, Alex. Caddell, and Alex. Hendrie.

20. The Lord President, Col. Purefoy, Sir Hen. Vane, Mr. Bond, Lord General, Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Mr. Scott, Mr. Salwey, Mr. Carew, Mr. Love, Col. Wauton, Sir Gilbert Pickering, Mr. Gurdon, Col. Morley, Sir Wm. Constable, and Sir Peter Wentworth to have power to dispose to plantations all the prisoners under the degree of a field officer taken at Worcester, or in any other place since the invasion by the Scotch army, as well those in several garrisons as those brought to London, and to report how they dispose of them, and what should be done with the field officers that are prisoners.

22. The establishment for Scarborough and Arundel Castles, resolved upon at Council, to be reported to the House for their appro-

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bation by Col. Downes, requesting them to order allowance of the same from 20 Oct. last, the officers having been mustered from that time, but not paid, because the establishment was not passed, viz. :—

	Per Mensem.		
	£	s.	d.
Scarborough,—			
One gunner, at 20s. a day	2	6	8
One mate, at 1s. 4d. a day	- 1	17	4
Two matrosses, each at 1s. a day -	2	16	0
One storekeeper, 1s. a day	1	8	0
Fire and candles for the guard, at 1s. 4d. a day	1	17	4
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	£10	5	4
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Arundel,—			
The Governor, at 8s. a day	11	4	0
Lieutenant, at 3s. a day	4	4	0
Serjeant, at 1s. 8d. a day	2	6	8
Two corporals, each at 1s. 2d. a day	- 3	5	4
Fifty soldiers at 10d. each, 2l. 1s. 8d. a day	58	6	8
One gunner, at 1s. 8d. a day	2	6	8
Two matrosses, each at 1s. 2d. a day	2	16	0
Fire and candles for the guard, at 1s. a day	1	8	0
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	£85	17	4
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23. Warrant to be issued to Mr. Frost to pay Mr. Riley 100*l.* out of the contingent money of Council, on account for the clerks to be employed about the Scotch Records in the Tower, and the charge of parchment, paper, &c. for the methodising and ordering the said records for public use; and when an account is brought in of that amount, a further sum to be ordered.

27. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider the speedy furnishing of money for carrying on of intelligence and other exigent occasions of Council, and to report with all speed where money may be had therefor. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 14-21.]

Dec. 4. Council of State to the Trustees for sale of the late King's goods.
Whitehall. The Dutch Ambassadors to Parliament being expected, we have ordered Mr. Legg to see that certain rooms are furnished for them; deliver him such of the goods reserved for the use of the commonwealth as he conceives necessary. [*I.* 97, *p.* 3.]

Dec. 4. Council of State to the Army Committee. For the better supply
Whitehall. of the forces in Jersey, three months' pay, from expiration of the former three months, should be assigned to Col. Heane's regiment. Order it to be paid to Lieut.-Col. Joyce, and the like to Major Phil. Ebzery, for the six companies of Col. Clerke's regiment, and the like to Capt. West's and Capt. Margery's troops, from which the officers may provide clothes. [*I.* 97, *p.* 4.]

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Dec. 4. Council of State to Rich. Browne, Pembroke. The 31 recruits in
Whitehall. the enclosed roll having been mustered on 15 Nov. last, when the
six weeks' pay advanced by the Army Committee for the rest of
Capt. Gale's troop was nearly expired, and that Committee not
having ordered them any pay until 23 Nov., you are to pay them
for nine days out of the 3,000*l.* ordered for the troops to be trans-
ported to Ireland, if they appear at the waterside. [*I.* 97, *p.* 5.]
- Dec. 4. Council of State to Alex. Wilson, collector. In considering your
Whitehall. petition concerning the money in your hands, proceeds of the
ordinance of Parliament for assessments for Ireland in 1645, we
have confirmed our former resolutions; therefore pay in such money
according to directions. [*I.* 97, *p.* 6.]
- Dec. 5. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
1. The order of Parliament of this day, concerning the treasuries,
referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to report to
Council, so that a report may be made to Parliament on Thursday
next.
 - 1*a.* Note that Alderman Pennington this day took the oath of
secrecy.
 2. The letters from Major-Gens. Lambert and Deane referred (for
so much of them as relates to the want of money for the army in
Scotland) to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
 3. That committee to consider what instructions not yet passed
are necessary for the commissioners who are to go to Scotland, and
report to Council, that a report may be made to Parliament next
Tuesday; the committee to meet to-morrow, and Lord Commissioner
Whitelock to be there.
 4. A special summons to be given to Council to meet on Monday
afternoon, about a business of importance.
 5. The letter of Col. Duckenfield of the 29th ult., from the Isle of
Man, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee to consider whether
anything further may be offered to the House which may tend to
the settling of that island.
 6. The letter of Col. Heane of the 25th ult. referred to the said
committee; Capt. Norman to attend.
 7. Warrant to be drawn for apprehending certain persons in and
about town who hold correspondence with Charles Stuart, and were
with him in the late invasion.
 8. The Committee for Law to draw up a report to Council, and if
they approve, to be offered to the House, concerning the printing of
the ordinances and Acts of this Parliament, in such method as they
judge to be most convenient.
 9. The business of regulating printing referred to the Committee
for Law and Examinations.
 11. Sir Wm. Fleming, prisoner in the Tower, to be examined by
that committee.
 12. Robert Douglas, Mungo Law, and Jas. Hamilton, prisoners in
the Tower, to have the liberty of the Tower, and their wives to be
permitted to repair to them.

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13. Col. Wauton to report to the House that, by their vote of 11 September last, Col. Edw. Massey was appointed to be tried at Westminster by a court-martial, but by reason of his wounds, he could not be brought to town until four days since. That the Act of 12 August last, so far as it concerns trial by a court-martial is expired, and therefore to move the House to declare their further pleasure therein, and to put them in mind of the report formerly made from Council, concerning the trial of prisoners.

14. Mr. Frost to speak to Dr. Walker to draw a letter for answer to the Duke of Tuscany, out of the narrative made by Dr. Walker to the Admiralty Committee, and by them reported to Council, and that a clause be added to intimate how willing the commonwealth is to maintain a good correspondence with him.

16. The petition of John Bellerby, of Lynn, co. Norfolk, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 22-27.]

Dec. 5.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the collectors for prize goods. Cause the Peacock frigate to be appraised and delivered to the Navy Commissioners, to be fitted forth to sea as one of the winter guard. [*I.* 97, *p.* 6.]

Dec. 5.
London.

Levant Company to Sir Thos. Bendish, Ambassador at Constantinople. We have only a short letter from you of 7 April last to answer, being all we have received since our last of 21 July. We wonder at the few advices we receive from you, and the Council of State resent your want of correspondence with them; upon consideration thereof, and advertisement of a design of the Hollanders to send thither an Ambassador with many ships and much cloth, to settle a trade there, and to supplant us, they have again lately expressed their inclination to send over another Ambassador of assured affection and resolution, to oppose this or any other attempt against our trade. We have endeavoured to vindicate you, by engaging for your performance of what may be requisite, and have again prevailed for your continuance there during the time of your contract, when you must prepare for your return, the State seeming resolved, and we having promised to provide one to be sent from hence in the spring, to succeed you. In the interim we need not urge your utmost endeavour to promote the trade, and prevent any hazard thereto from the Hollanders, as we have promised in your behalf, and as we hope will be done with less difficulty, in regard of the fair composure you write there is of all things there, as well in reference to the Turks as to the factory at Smyrna, with whom we are glad you accord so well.

In ours of 6 Feb. last, we named a complaint from Jas. Man and others of our company, of injuries sustained by the Jews combining with their Jewish brokers for avoiding bargains made with our merchants, many of whom by such means have great sums remaining due to them, as Mr. Man, Thos. Pearle, and others; for recovery whereof, and preventing that abuse in future, we desired you to

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take some course, either by battulating such dishonest brokers, or such other means as you and that factory should agree upon; but not having as yet received any answer, we again commend it to you, that something may be done for regulating so extravagant and dangerous a custom. Assist Wm. Pearle, who has many great sums owing to him and to the late Thos. Piggot, for if any accident should happen in the interim, by his death or otherwise, those debts would be utterly lost. Although, in pursuance of our former orders, Mr. Pearle may be disenabled from sitting in courts, yet we hope he shall not want the protection and assistance of yourself and your dragomen and janizaries, whereby he may be able to give all his principals satisfaction.

Wm. Sheppard, an English limner, travelling in Italy to perfect his art, from thence went lately to Constantinople, upon the John Baptist, a Dutch ship, which being cast away near Samos, he, with two other Englishmen, were taken up by the Captain Bassa, and carried to Rhodes, where they are kept in restraint; his wife here having solicited us in his behalf, we desire you to use what means you have for procuring his release at his own charge, which will be a work of much charity.

We have lately appointed Richard Midelton consul at the Morea, and he intends to go hence with the ships; furnish him with the necessaries for his establishment at his own charge, to meet him at such place as he shall desire.

In our last we desired that certain moneys of Mr. Davies and others, which you had sequestered, might be restored to them, as not being their own, but their principals'; but Davies has informed his friends here that this has not yet been done, although we find the same charged to our debt, in your last account from Constantinople. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV. pp. 184-186.*]

Dec 5.
London.

Levant Company to Spencer Bretton. We send this by the William and Thomas. We are glad to hear of your quiet condition, and hopes of a sudden and clear dispatch of the debts there, and the satisfying of our bills of exchange, which we pray you to bring to a period, by a leviation at four dollars per cloth; for the better effecting thereof, we enclose a list of such bills as are payable there.;

You request our allowance of a gratuity, and name the dragomen's reluctancy in admitting a diminution of their salary, which, if there be no remedy, we shall not press so as to deprive you of their service; yet use all possible frugality, as well in the matter of salary to our officers there, as in any other occasion of expense, wherein we hope some reformation at Constantinople, whereby you may be freed of that perpetual burden of bills charged upon you from thence; you shall not be further charged with bills from hence, but we shall take course that in future every place shall bear its own charge.

Mary Breages, wife of Mr. Breages, who lately died at Smyrna, solicited us to be a means for recovering his estate, she having administered, and deputed your servant, Wm. Baly, her assignee there; further him in her behalf, and see that nothing of what he left is

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embezzled, nor she defrauded of her due. Of the goods fairly entered here, you shall receive a list from our husband; and for other goods which have escaped his hands, we refer you to our former orders for causing them to satisfy our dues there, of which he will advertise you as soon as he has examined the Custom House books. At a court held this day, the company have thought fit, in regard of your pains in our affairs, and for your further encouragement, to order you a gratuity of 1,000 dollars at Michaelmas next. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., pp. 186-187.*]

Dec. 5.
London.

Levant Company to Henry Riley [consul at Aleppo]. We send this by the Employment, as also a list of her lading here; for other goods upon her for which they have not paid our dues, you are to see our orders put in execution. We hear of great inconvenience there by some of the factors vying one with another in the buying of commodities, to the raising the prices, and increase of animosity among the factory. Try to prevent this, and use all means for preserving union, and avoiding heats and factions. We will communicate your letter to a general court, and in the meantime let Mr. Diggs and Mr. Vivyan, our late treasurers, know that we have received their letter, with the list of the consulage extraordinary upon the Flower de luce, of which ship the news you so much feared is too true. At a court holden this day, the company ordered you a gratuity of 1,000 dollars for your care, and to be paid you at Michaelmas next. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., p. 188.*]

Dec. 5.
London.

Levant Company to Wm. Garway. By yours of 1st Sept. you remind us of a bond of 300*l.*, which your father and yourself were engaged in for Consul Hyde's performance in the Morea, of which, being made good by Thos. Pearle in your behalf, you desire restitution, either by having credit for it in our books, or by our authority for possession of his lands in the Morea, until satisfied. We have consented that you have credit for the amount, not but that you, and all those engaged for him, were really liable to make good the penalties of the bonds, which would have been but a small recompense for the injuries he did, and the debt he owed us, even by his own acknowledgment and the balance of his own account. We had no reason to refer the matter to Sir Sac. Crow or any other, nor did we ever so, until Mr. Hyde's arrival in England, where he would not adventure upon the sentence of arbitrators; therefore the sole reason that induced us hereto is our regard to you, and our unwillingness that you should be alone obnoxious to this engagement, while the other sureties who are equally liable escape the same. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., p. 189.*]

Dec. 5.
Leopard,
Leghorn Road.

121. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Commissioners. We have had contrary winds with much foul weather, and are only waiting a fair wind.

Understanding that money runs very high at Smyrna, being at 6*s.* 8*d.* or 6*s.* 10*d.* per dollar, as also little hopes of being furnished

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at Naples, I have prevailed with Charles Longland, a merchant here, and Morgan Read, a counsellor of our nation, to furnish me with 3,000 dollars at 5s. 5*d.* a dollar, they having taken it up at interest to furnish me; as the merchants on the merchant ships bound for Smyrna and Scanderoon load great quantities of money, the exchange runs the higher. We will sail for Naples with the first fair wind, with the Mary, Richard and William, Levant Merchant, Mary Rose, Agreement, and Benjamin, merchant ships. [*3* page.]

Dec. 8. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Note that Col. Popham took the oath of secrecy.
2. The Committee for Examinations to consider the letter from Ireland about false money, and order the bail of [Thos.] Hartop to bring him in, and deliver him up to Council. The committee to take further examinations, and prepare what is further to be done.
3. Mr. Carew, Col. Wauton, and Mr. Scott to be a committee to go forth and examine Mr. Bunce and the other prisoner now in custody.
4. The letter from the Commissioners in Ireland, with the paper dated from Dublin, and the letter relating to the taking of Clare Castle, to be reported to the House by Mr. Scott.
5. A special messenger to summon Thos. Hartop to appear before Council, according to the condition of his bond.
6. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider what is fit to be done in receiving the corpse of the Lord Deputy of Ireland, which is to come to Bristol, and also for its interment.
8. Col. Wauton, Mr. Scott, Col. Purefoy, Sir Jas. Harrington, Mr. Herbert, Mr. Nevill, Col. Dixwell, Mr. Challoner, and Col. Morley to be a committee to consider the petition of the Governor of Sicen College, as to removing the soldiers thence.
9. The Irish and Scotch Committee to confer with Thos. Newbury, as to his going over to Jersey to manage the mortar pieces there, and to hasten him thither with speed.
11. Note that Lord Commissioner Lisle took the oath of secrecy.
12. The letter from the Commissioners for Shropshire referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
13. Also the petition of the Governor of Shrewsbury.
14. Also the letter of Luke Robinson, with the annexed warrant of Major Bourne.
15. The letter of Mr. Stone, returning the examinations of Fretson against Richardson, referred to the Committee for Examinations.
17. The petition of Rich. and Edw. Child referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I.* 66, pp. 37-40.]

Dec. 8.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Militia Commissioners [of Kent]. Parliament having in September last passed an Act for levying a month's pay for the army at the rate of 90,000*l.* per month, as you want money for pay of the officers of your county who were in service at the late invasion by Charles Stuart, cause the said month's pay to be levied in your county, and thereout pay such officers what you find

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due, and give us an account, and reserve the residue until further directions. [*I. 97, p. 7; I. 66, p. 39.*]

Dec. 8.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Sir Wm. Strickland. We send you a paper about differences in Hull, occasioned by actings there to the disservice of the State. You are to hear the parties, examine witnesses, and send the examinations to us, with your opinion how the townsmen may be best settled in peace and fidelity. [*I. 97, p. 8.*]

Dec. 8.
Paragon,
Downs.

122. Capt. Rich. Badiley to the Navy Commissioners. We arrived here yesterday, with the *Nightingale*, where we found only five ships, bound with red herrings for the Straits; the other seven herringmen bound that way are not yet come down, neither are the three rich ships bound for Turkey got over the Flats. As the 10th is drawing near, say whether I shall proceed according to the strict letter of my instructions, and if the wind be fair, sail on that day with such ships as are bound southward, although I leave the Turkey ships behind, or whether I shall linger until they come down. [*$\frac{3}{4}$ page.*]

Dec. 9.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Peter Vander Wyer and Hen. Vander Gyne, concerning the *Peacock*, late the *Golden Eagle*, with the letter of Council annexed, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to speak with the parties pretending an interest in the ship about employing her in the service, and report.

4. The petition of Jas. Winstanley and others referred to the said Committee, who are to advise with the Admiralty judges and Dr. Walker, and report.

5. The report made this day, as to paying the ships employed in the expedition to the Isle of Man, referred back to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to examine the whole business, in presence of Col. Thos. Birch, and report.

9. The *7l. 16s. 6d.* laid out by Col. Berkstead's waggon-master, for gathering up and preserving arms, to be paid him, and the arms and ammunition taken to the Tower stores. [*I. 66, pp. 42-45.*]

Dec. 9.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Commissioners. Much free quarter has been taken by the soldiers in cos. York and Lincoln, to the discontent of the people, and disservice of the public. As just relief should be given to the sufferers, see that such charges are made good out of the pay of those who have taken free quarter. It will discourage such wrong when satisfaction must be given for what is unjustly taken. [*I. 97, p. 9.*]

Dec. 9.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Heane. We have considered the present state of affairs in Jersey, and ordered things necessary to be done. You will receive particulars from the Irish and Scotch Committee as to the mortar piece and ammunition. We have issued a warrant for 2,000*l.* to Capt. Hatsell, as a foundation for a constant stock of victuals, and 1,000*l.* to you or Lieut.-Col. Joyce, for the bill

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of exchange for 500*l.* and for defraying several debts and payments in reducing the island and the castles. Let the real and personal estates of all those in Elizabeth Castle, and all others in the island known to have been active enemies, be forthwith secured, in order to sequestration when Parliament declares their pleasure. Also enquire after the King's rents, how they were paid, and see that they are also secured. Certify us what those rents are, what lands belong to the Crown, and the names of fit persons there to whom the care of these things may be committed, when Parliament shall declare their pleasure therein.

As to what is desired for the transportation of wools to Jersey, for manufacture of stockings, and for leather for their use, we think they should have the same privileges as formerly. Ascertain how much will be necessary, and from what port they desire to transport it, that warrant may be given accordingly, and that the commonwealth be not prejudiced by fraudulent transportation. For the present, we have ordered a warrant for 200 todts of wool and 10 dickers of leather, and, upon receipt of your certificate, will give further orders. Security should be given, not only for the landing of the wool in Jersey, but that it be also manufactured there, lest more be desired than can be manufactured, and the rest be transported to other places.

That the public treasure may not be burdened unnecessarily, we desire you to retrench all expenses, but without prejudice to the safety of the island, and to the completing the reduction of the castle. That civil government may be exercised there with better justice, see that there be no election made of any jurat in place of any of those now in the castle, or that may be dead, until Parliament has taken order therein, so that such may be put into those places as will duly administer justice. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 10-12.]

Dec. 10. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The petition of Ralph Flower, merchant of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. Also the petition of the officers and seamen belonging to the navy at Chatham.

4. The petition of Sir Wm. Lewis and Mr. Copely referred to the Committee for Examinations.

5. The report brought in to Council from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning letters to be written to the commissioners of counties about raising the month's assessments, referred to Mr. Corbett, Mr. Burrell, Sir Wm. Masham, Col. Stapley, Mr. Carew, Mr. Nevill, Mr. Hay, Mr. Gurdon, Col. Dixwell, and Col. Purefoy, who are to peruse the Acts of Parliament thereon, consider what power is given to Council by Parliament, and report; Mr. Corbett to take care thereof.

6. Mr. Martin, Mr. Challoner, Mr. Nevill, Col. Blake, Alderman Pennington, Col. Purefoy, Mr. Carew, Mr. Bond, Sir Peter Wentworth, Col. Stapley, Earl of Pembroke, and Mr. Burrell, to consider the papers relating to the complaint made by the public minister of

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the Duke of Tuscany, and the narrative of the same by Dr. Walker, by appointment of the Admiralty Committee, and what answer is to be given to the Duke, and report; Mr. Challoner to take care of the business.

7. The paper containing the desires of the Revenue Committee about sitting in the Star Chamber referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to send for Mr. Hawkins about removing some papers belonging to Irish affairs, to make way for their sitting there.

10. Order to be given to the Commissioners of Customs to suffer 200 todos of wool to be exported to Jersey, to be knit into stockings, and 10 dickers of leather, as the Governor shall desire license, on security to double the value to be given in at the Custom house by the exporters. Certificate to be returned of the delivery of the same in Jersey. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 42-49.]

Dec. 10.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Militia Commissioners, co. Notts. We received yours signifying that you had expended 120*l.* in paying the officers of a troop of horse and dragoons raised against the Scots, &c., and that you have demanded repayment from Capt. Edm. Richards, Receiver-General of the monthly assessments of that county, and also desiring a letter to the Army Committee for the allowance of that sum upon his account, as we intimated that what charge you should be at in that work, Parliament would take care should be reimbursed.

The monthly assessments, being for pay of the established forces, cannot be diverted to the pay of those who were raised extraordinarily; but Parliament passed an Act last September, enabling the raising of money in each county for the very purpose your letter expresses, a copy of which Act we enclose. If you desire authority for levying any part of the said month's pay, we will send it by another way; but we cannot direct the reimbursement of that sum out of the ordinary assessments. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 13, 14.]

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2. Liberty to be given to Capt. Robert Massey to visit his brother, Col. Edw. Massey, close prisoner in the Tower, and notice hereof to be given to the Lieutenant.

3. The petition of Jno. Bennet and others referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider the losses mentioned, and report what should be allowed to the parties concerned.

7. The petition of Mathew Franklin referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. The petition of Nath. Andrewes and John Frederick, merchants of London, for letters of reprisal upon the French, referred to the said committee, who are to advise with the Admiralty judges as to granting them, with restriction to full satisfaction of their losses.

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9. Mr. Sterry, Mr. Peters, and Mr. Caryl to be the three ministers to preach before Council in Whitehall Chapel, as they did last year, with the same allowance.

10. The Commissioners going to Scotland to give such allowance as they think fit to the ministers they take with them.

11. Mr. Scott to have the same power for managing intelligence for this year as formerly.

12. Also the same allowance as formerly to be paid by Mr. Frost out of the exigent money of Council.

13. The order of Parliament as to disposing of the corpse of the Lord Deputy General referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to set money apart for defraying the charge of the funeral, find some convenient place for disposing of the body when it shall arrive, and all other things relating to that business.

14. The said committee to consider where quarters are to be had for the Lord General's regiment of foot, which is ordered to the guard of Parliament, and to take care that the captain of the guard be spoken to, that full and sufficient guards may be placed in Whitehall, especially in the night, upon all the gates entering into the house, and upon most of the principal passages within the house.

16. The letter of Lieut.-Gen. Monk, with the particulars given in by the master farrier, referred to the Ordnance Committee, to order the speedy provision of things necessary and fitting, and also 4,000 pioneers' tools, which the Lieut.-General desired in his letter to Mr. Rowe.

17. The petition of the Master, Wardens, and liverymen of the companies of the city of London,—read this day in Parliament and referred to Council,—complaining of innovations made by the Common Council in the election of magistrates, referred to the committee appointed to consider the differences between the Lord Mayor and aldermen, and the Common Council, viz., the Lord General, Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Lords Chief Justices Rolle and St. John, Sir Hen. Vane, Sir Gilbert Pickering, Col. Wauton, Sir Wm. Masham, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Sir Peter Wentworth, Col. Morley, and Sir Jas. Harrington, to which is now added Lord Commissioner Lisle; which committee is to meet on Saturday in the Guard Chamber, and petitioners and Common Council to appoint four or six on each part to attend; the committee to hear both parties, and offer their opinion thereupon to Council next Monday, in order to a report being made to Parliament next Tuesday, according to their order; notice hereof to be given to the petitioners and the Common Council.

18. The Irish and Scotch Committee to order Mr. Ryley to make particular search first of all, in his sorting of the Scotch records, for the bills and bonds for money, and to employ Andrew Ker, mentioned in Major-Gen. Lambert's letter, so far as they think fit.

23. To write the Army Committee to examine whether Lieut.-Col. Finch has accounted for the pay of the company raised by Col.

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Mackworth, or why it was not paid; and in case they find any arrears due to the company, they are to certify the amount, and whether Finch has any money in hand to pay it, or whether it should be paid out of the 20,000*l.* charged by order of Parliament upon Goldsmiths' Hall, for pay of the 4,000 foot which Council should take into pay for three months, the remainder of which money is now, by a vote of the House of 26 Sept. last, appointed to be issued by warrant of Council only. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 51-57.]

Dec. 11.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Commissioners for the Assessments for Ireland in the three eastern divisions of co. Sussex. Upon a representation made of an arrear due by Sussex, upon an assessment on an ordinance of Parliament of 16 Feb. 1647-8, the Council of State in Feb. 1650-1 wrote the Assessment Commissioners for that county to quicken the bringing in of such moneys, and in some of the rapes, the arrears have been cleared, and the money paid in; but as there is 265*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.* still due from the Lewes rape, for want of a proper settlement of the assessment there, we desire you to meet, and take order that such money may be forthwith raised and paid in. [*I.* 97, *p.* 16.]

Dec. 11.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Charles Walley. You have in store a quantity of cheese and biscuit intended for the forces in Scotland, and in danger of being spoiled. Ship them for the magazine at Dublin, and send us certificates of the Revenue Commissioners, or the Commissary of stores there, attested by the Governor, of the quantity delivered, and an account of the value and of the waste, that we may charge the same to the account of the army in Ireland, and take off the like sum from the army in Scotland. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 17, 18.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Clerke. Having ordered 100*l.* to be paid you for the widow of Lieut. John Evans, slain in the reducing of Jersey, we desire you to pay her 40*l.* for her own use, and 30*l.* a piece to her two children; but in case the child wherewith she is now pregnant shall live, then the three children are to have 20*l.* each. [*I.* 97, *p.* 19.]

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London.

123. Commissioner Peter Pett to the Committee of Merchants for regulating the Navy. On your new modelling the navy according to the Act, among other men put in by you to places which became void by delinquency, was William Thomson as master caulker at Chatham, and Thos. Colpott as boatswain of the yard; and, because these men pretended to religion, you were willing to encourage them, not only by an increase of salary, in the model presented to the Navy Commissioners, but also by singling out those two from all the rest, whose salaries by your means were immediately settled. This very great favour I thought would have invited them to lay down all perquisites, and to diligent performance of their employment; but

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instead thereof, I have not found any men in the whole navy more negligent of their duty, and breaking rules 'as to perquisites, than they.

As generals signify nothing, I shall descend to particulars:—

1. Thomson has frequently repaired to London without the least leave, and when at home, has taken little care for the strict employment of his men or boys.
2. Out of contempt of the order of the Council of State, and though many times commanded by me, he neglected the caulking of the Sovereign for two years, out of a mere design of destroying her, which was directly opposite to the Council's order; and would not let a caulker stop a seam in two years, which is a precedent beyond parallel for the rottenest ship in the navy.
3. Ever since he came, he has burnt the State's provisions for his firing, which at no time was a caulker's perquisite; but for him to do it, having had his salary increased, and to employ 20 or 30 men and boys in the State's pay in breaking it up and carrying it in, is a breach of rule, and has proved excessively injurious by way of precedent to others, as now they all begin to take a liberty.

As for Thos. Colpott,—

1. I have found him very ignorant and wilful, and he neither knows nor will know his duty, by which means the State has suffered in the loss of boats, masts, timber, &c. to a considerable value.
2. He has so frequently gone to London without leave that the State has been much damaged by his neglect in employing the many labourers under his charge, and many times poor men have lain upon demurrage so long that they have been almost undone, and the clamours of the Hoy men have at times put me upon the extraordinary duty of searching the tap house in the yard and other places, to get his men together to do the work, he being in London.
3. He has also found most of his firing at the charge of the State, and employed labourers to bring it in, which is not a perquisite to the boatswain of the yard.

Although I have power to suspend them for such breaches of trust, I rather desire you would take such effectual and speedy care to suppress these growing evils, as shall make it needless for me to make an application higher. I should not have troubled you had friendly admonitions and reproofs served the turn. [3 pages.]

Dec. 12. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The reference made 28 Nov. to the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning Leicester[shire] having sent out forces beyond their proportion, to be revived, and that committee desired to report to Council with speed.

2. The letter of Josias Drake from Hull, with the bill of particulars, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

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4. The letter of Col. Duckenfield, with the papers of Isaac Berkenhead, and the two inventories, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

5. The petition of Thomas Lloyd, Reynold Jenkins, Rich. Jones, and Morgan Jenkins, prisoners at Cardiff, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

7. The letter of Col. Bingham from Guernsey, with the papers enclosed, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. Mr. Frost to search amongst the papers of the Committee of both Kingdoms, and those which came in about the time of the siege against Hereford by the Scots, for papers relating to Sir Wm. Fleming, and his agency at that time with the Scotch army.

9. To write to — at Cardiff to discharge Sir Charles Kemis, if imprisoned only for what concerns the State, taking his bond in 2,000*l.*, with two sureties in 1,000*l.* each, to appear before Council within 12 days after notice, and to be of good behaviour.

12. Capt. Hen. Hatsell to be indemnified for what he did in obedience to Council's orders, in impressing several ships, boats, and barges, with mariners and carpenters, for the service at Jersey. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 59–63.]

Dec. 12.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Militia Commissioners of Coventry. We enclose a petition, which has been presented on behalf of the bearer, Thos. Doughty. Examine the matter, and if you find it true, set him at liberty; but if otherwise, certify us thereon. [*I.* 97, *p.* 14.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Mr. Brandling, Ipswich. We enclose a copy of a petition presented to us [from John Gurdon, a Scot]. Upon the petitioner giving a bond in a convenient sum, with or without sureties, to go with his wife and children into Scotland, and to be of good behaviour, set him at liberty, and give him a pass. [*I.* 97, *p.* 15; *I.* 66, *p.* 39.]

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Council of State to the Navy Committee. Having considered the enclosed account and certificate [from the Navy Commissioners], one for 656*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.* for provisions for the double shallops for Scotland, and the other for 1,876*l.* for victualling the men belonging to them, you are to issue your warrant to the treasurer and Commissioners of the Navy, to place to account the said sums as a naval charge, some of the said boats being already returned, and laid up in the stores. [*I.* 97, *p.* 18; *I.* 66, *p.* 63.]

Dec. 12.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Duckenfield. We have received your letter and papers concerning the goods in the Isle of Man likely to be made prize, and your other letters since the taking of that place; it has been under consultation to settle an establishment, and prepare all things necessary for the place. We return you hearty thanks for your service in reducing that island, and will send you full directions as soon as we can. [*I.* 97, *p.* 20.]

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Dec. 12. Council of State to the Army Committee. There was a foot company commanded by Capt. Robson, lately shipped at Yarmouth for Dundee, and fitted with provisions; but after they had been at sea several days, and came within sight of their port, they were driven again to sea, and carried back towards Yarmouth, and in the storm suffered many misadventures, and particularly the loss of their rudder, by reason whereof they were unable to guide themselves; being six days in this extremity, they at last run ashore near Yarmouth. There was not a man lost, but none of their provisions were saved. The company are very unwilling to venture again, and rather desire to march to Scotland by land, but are disabled for want of money. Order them one month's pay advanced upon account, to enable them to march. [I. 97, pp. 21-22.]

Dec. 12. Council of State to the Governor of the Isle of Man. You will see by the enclosed petition [of Richard and Edw. Child] what has been represented to us concerning the Betty frigate, now at your island; certify whether you have any such vessel or goods, and if so, send particulars of the goods, and carefully preserve them until further order. [I. 97, p. 23; I. 66, p. 64.]

Dec. 12. **124.** Order of the Admiralty Committee, on petition of the officers and seamen belonging to the navy at Chatham, touching Wm. Adderley and his neglect of duty in preaching on board some of the State's ships at Chatham, referred to this committee by the Council of State, that a copy of the petition be sent to Adderley, and he be desired henceforward either to preach on board some one of the ships at Chatham that is the most central, or to appear before this committee next Wednesday week, to show cause. [Copy, $\frac{3}{4}$ page.] *Annexing,*

124. *1. Petition of the officers and seamen belonging to the navy at Chatham to the Council of State, to order Wm. Adderley to preach on board some of the ships most centered to the rest, so that they may enjoy the means of salvation, or that another preacher may be assigned to them, upon similar terms as to pay and preaching. Their employment resting upon the good and safety of the navy, for their more faithful attendance and constant residence, a minister was allowed to preach on board at fit seasons, and Wm. Adderley was designed thereto, but has totally neglected that office, though receiving 100l. a year for the last two years out of the petitioners' pay, and has spent his time and pains amongst a people not properly appertaining to the petitioners, or to him. Thus petitioners are forced to pay wages to do another man's work, and perish in the interim, and are under two desperate hazards.*

1. By remoteness from their employment in the time of hearing the Gospel preached, the charge they have may fall under danger of fire or storms, and their lives and for-

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tunes, and the welfare and honour of the commonwealth are concerned in the hazard of their navy.

2. They must be deprived of the means of life and salvation in the ministry of the Gospel, and remain under the desperate notion of being heathens and infidels. [Copy, 2 pages, 42 signatures.]

124. II. *Wm. Adderley to the Admiralty Committee. There is a fallacy in the title of the petition; it is not from the most considerable part of the navy at Chatham; the masters of attendance, pursers, carpenters, and gunners have not signed it, and a like petition was rejected at the Navy Office, Tower Hill.*

I have preached constantly on shore, where most of the navy and their families have attended, and this by order of the commissioner on the place, who posted up orders for the shipkeepers to attend, or be punished as malignants. The meeting place on shore is more convenient and central, and has pews for the several officers.

1. *If there were enough boats to carry all the navy men on board that live on shore, there would not be room in any one ship to contain them, there being many hundred ordinary and extraordinary seamen.*

2. *If there were boats enough and convenient room, yet to row on the Lord's Day is judged unlawful by the Act of Parliament, and one half of the Lord's Day would be spent in rowing to and fro, unless order was given for all to have diet on board; otherwise the day would be turned into a fast.*

3. *If the Act be dispensed with as to this place, many would take the liberty to row up and down upon their own pleasure.*

4. *As to the supposed danger to the ships by fire and storms, they are in as much safety on the Lord's Day, when the mariners come on shore to hear, as they are on working days, when they come on shore daily about naval works. If they come on board any one ship to hear, all the rest of the ships are in the like danger as if they came on shore.*

For further proof and clearing what has been alleged, the accompanying letter from above 50 officers and others of the navy at Chatham, before whom I have preached in the public meeting place, will bear testimony. [Copy, 2 pages.]

124. III. *Thomas Smith, Peter Pett, and 49 other officers named of Chatham to Wm. Adderley, minister, at Pinner, near Harrow Hill. Amidst those mercies which God has vouchsafed of late to this poor kingdom, in these sinful and distracted times, we desire with thankfulness to remember his unexpressible goodness in that freedom granted to*

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godly ministers and people to preach and profess Christ without interruption; and although for years past we have lain under the judgment of having a minister in the navy, whose abilities and conversation were no way suitable to that great trust, of late, through the great prudence of Parliament,—who set forth an Act for ousting all that had any hand in the Kentish rising,—he was suspended by the Committee of Merchants for execution of that Act, and the place became void.

We belonging to the navy, being well satisfied of your abilities for such employment, make it our joint and earnest request that you will accept the place, wherein we shall expect only preaching, expounding of scripture, and catechising of youth from you; and hope that God, who has inclined our hearts to make these earnest addresses to you, will move you to acceptance, which will be a sweet and comfortable return of some of our prayers, and an exceeding great confirmation of our opinion that the Lord has some gracious work to do in these parts, in the conversion of souls, when to so many good people of late sent to reside here, he shall crown his blessing with sending faithful ministers.

We shall not need to say much touching your means, there being such great care taken by the Council of State and Navy Committee, who have already settled 100*l.* a year upon that employment. As we are confident you will endeavour the glory of God in the conversion of souls, and building us up in the kingdom of his dear Son, so we shall endeavour to further you in all things, in settling and maintaining your family in comfort. [Copy, 1 page. Noted as delivered by Commissioner Pett, and sealed with his coat of arms.]

124. IV. Warrant of the [Navy Commissioners] to Capt. Phineas Pett, Clerk of the Cheque at Chatham, to enter Wm. Adderley minister of the navy at Chatham, in the room of Thos. Graune, lately dismissed, with 100*l.* a year, and emoluments; what deficiencies may arise therein out of the mariners' groats shall be made good.—October 24, 1649. [Copy, $\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

Dec. 13.
The Paragon,
Downs.

125. Capt. Rich. Badiley to the Navy Committee, Whitehall. I received yours, giving me liberty to stay from two to six days, for several ships bound for the Straits which have not yet come; consequently I did not take the first northerly wind to set sail yesterday, with others bound to Barbadoes and several other parts, in hope that other ships at the river's mouth, bound for Italy and Turkey, would be here every tide.

The Thomas Bonadventure, Dart, Smyrna Factor, and Antelope, all laden with herrings and other goods, for several parts of Italy, sailed with the above wind, without taking notice that a convoy was provided for them, and not one of their commanders came on board to

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know whether I would take care for their convoy, or sail when they did. I do not desire to aggravate any man's failings, but if these or any of the others be lost to a foreign enemy, the nation will lose a part of its strength; you will consider of a way for its prevention in future.

The Employment is here with piece goods for Scanderoon, the Merchant's Delight for the coast of Barbary, and the Loyalty for Venice; their commanders are resolved to stay for me, and since there is no hope, so long as this wind lasts, that the other ships bound for the parts of Italy and Turkey can come down, I am resolved, with the Nightingale frigate, to set sail this night for Plymouth, and take the above three ships with me, and take those there to Falmouth, where I shall wait a while to know whether I shall stay there until the William and Thomas, with cloth for Smyrna, the Samaritan with goods for Naples, the Sun, Sarah, Parrogreene, and Mary, for Venice, and the Society and Lewis for Alicant and Genoa, shall arrive, or proceed with the three only, and such as I shall find in the West Country.

P.S.—The wind has now charged to S.S.E., so that we are not likely to sail as yet. [1 page.]

Dec. 14.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Governor of Carlisle. Those provisions laid in as a store at Carlisle, and delivered into your charge, should be speedily disposed of, the occasion for them being, by the blessing of God, now over. Freight a vessel, and send the cheese and biscuit to Carrickfergus or Londonderry, for the forces in Ulster, as Col. Venables or the Commander-in-Chief shall direct. Send with them 700 of the pioneers' tools, and enjoin the master of the ship to bring back a certificate, attested by the Governor of the place where he delivers them; place the remaining 300 tools in the stores at Carlisle. Sell such of the cheese as is in most danger of perishing towards paying the freight of the other, and for so much of the charge as shall not be thus raised, take up [money] there, and draw a bill of exchange for payment, which shall be accepted. In regard of the decaying condition of the cheese, expedite its transportation. [I. 97, pp. 24–25.]

Dec. 15 COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The Committee for Examinations and Law to send for the Admiralty Judges, and confer with them on the course to be taken for the trial of maritime offenders, now prisoners in several parts, and whether the obstruction lies that commissions have not been issued for that purpose, as formerly.

3. Sir Peter Wentworth to report to the House that, on their reference of Friday last, Council have put the difference between the citizens about the election of their magistrates into a way of examination, and will report next Thursday.

4. To write Lord Chief Justice Rolle that there are several indictments in co. Berks against Jas. Hinde, who stands committed to Newgate for treason, and to desire him to give order, before the

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next general assizes for that county, for removing him from Newgate to the gaol for co. Berks, in order to his trial for felony.

5. Order upon the report from the Admiralty Committee concerning the Peacock, that the Admiralty Judges adjudicate the cause with expedition, and signify to Council whether the ship be condemned or acquitted; if any considerable time may elapse before sentence, they are to signify the same to Council.

6. The petition of James Corbett referred to the Admiralty Committee.

7. Mr. Frost to deliver to Judge Advocate Margetts the paroles of Lieut.-Gen. Middleton, Vandrusk, and Lord Kenmore, delivered into Council by Sir Arth. Hesilrigge, to be made use of by the Council of War.

8. The petitions of Col. Sydenham, Governor of the Isle of Wight, and of Anth. Mildmay, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

9. Wednesday next at 4 p.m. appointed for giving audience to the Lord Ambassador of Spain, of which the Master of the Ceremonies is to give notice.

10. Order to be given to the Serjeant-at-arms to open the room in the house of Lady Covett, wherein are goods belonging to Jno. Gibbons who was executed, and secure them elsewhere, and leave the room to the use of her Ladyship.

11. The Earl of Rothes to have the liberty of the Tower.

12. The Committee for Prisoners to give order that the parliamentary allowance for the Scottish prisoners be constantly made to officers and private men at Tynemouth, Newcastle, and Worcester.

13. John Smith, minister, prisoner in the Tower, to have the liberty of the Tower.

15. The Ordnance Committee to send for such brass ordnance as are anywhere abroad in the garrisons, to be employed for sea service, and to cause them to be brought to such ports as they think fit.

17. Order of the Council of State that, besides the eight ships already appointed for the Straits, the Mermaid be added to go with the Worcester, the number of men in the said nine ships being 1,390; that 26 other ships be prepared for convoys for the year ensuing, with 4,030 men, for 12 months, with power to abate, change, or increase the number of ships or men as required, so as such increase do not exceed the abatement within the 12 months; the substance of this order to be written to the Navy Committee and the Navy Commissioners. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 66-70.]

Dec. 15.
Whitehall.

Council of State to John and Thos. Drake, Wm. Fry, &c. We have seen your letter to Lord Chief Justice Rolle concerning 16 maritime prisoners in Devon gaol [for piracy], whose continuance you conceive may bring about an infection among the rest of the prisoners. We will take care to put them in a way for trial; take their examinations and send them up to us, that a special and speedy order may be taken for proceeding against them, and you may be

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delivered from the danger anticipated. [*I.* 97, *p.* 22; *I.* 66, *p.* 66.]

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Whitehall.

126. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Our merchants suffer much by pirates in their trade from the coast of Lynn and Boston. Some nimble vessel should ply between Lynn and Fulness. Contract with James Clerk, of Boston, for hire of the Concord of Yarmouth, of 100 tons and 40 men, a very fit vessel, for six months. We have appointed Capt. Edw. Mould, a man well experienced on that coast, to command her. [1 page. *Also, I.* 97, *p.* 25.]

With note by Col. Wauton to [the Navy Commissioners]. 50 men are allowed to a vessel of that bulk, and Council only names 40, but you are to contract for 50.—Dec. 17. [$\frac{1}{3}$ page.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Next Friday, 4 p.m., appointed for giving audience to the Lord Ambassador of Spain, the Master of the Ceremonies to give him notice.

2. Sir Oliver Fleming to repair to Gravesend to the Lords Ambassadors from Holland and the States General of the United Provinces, and bring them up to-morrow to Sir Abraham Williams' house, and give notice of their coming to the members of Council appointed to meet them.

4. The Admiralty Committee to consider of the names of commissioners for examining the matters in difference between Peter Pett, Navy Commissioner, and Mr. Adderley, minister to the navy, and report their names to Council.

5. 2,000 copies of the Declaration of Parliament, which is to be sent into Scotland by the Commissioners of Parliament now to go thither, to be printed; Mr. Frost to take care that it be done with all possible secrecy.

6. Walter Rolt, of Clifton, co. Bedford, to have liberty to speak with the Earl of Cleveland, prisoner in the Tower, in presence of the lieutenant.

7. Hen. Rainsford to be committed close prisoner to the Gatehouse for high treason, for holding intelligence with the enemies.

8. Thomas Howard to be committed to the custody of the Serjeant-at-arms.

9. The Irish and Scotch Committee to send away the English prisoners, now at St. James's and the Mews, to Ireland, and they to have the appointed allowance meantime.

10. Sir James Harrington, Mr. Nevill, Col. Popham, Col. Dixwell, and Sir Peter Wentworth added to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to sit constantly to dispatch the things formerly and henceforth referred to that committee. Sir Jas. Harrington and Mr. Corbett to take care of their despatch.

11. The Committee for Examinations to take security of Jno. Rainsford, either by his own bond or with sureties, on the usual conditions, and then discharge him.

12. The said committee to issue a warrant for apprehending Mr. Needham, lately come out of France, examine him, and report to Council.

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13. Sir Hen. Vane to report to the House to-morrow the state of the treasuries brought into Council this day.

14. The order formerly made for the Committee of Examinations to consider what is fit to be done for Major Adams to be revived. With like order for Mr. Harvey.

15. The examinations of Sir Wm. Lewis and Commissary-Gen. Copley to be reported to the House by Mr. Scott, with the report formerly ordered concerning Sir John Clotworthy.

16. The petition of the owners of the Concord, with all the rest of the papers, to be sent to the Admiralty judges, who are to certify Council whether the case is fit and ready for letters of reprisal.

17. The paper containing the desires of Lieut.-Col. Joyce, for things to be sent to Jersey, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

18. The petition of Col. Jas. Louthian to be sent to the Committee for Examinations, who are to speak with him concerning his residing in England, and to know whether he has taken the engagement.

19. A like letter to be sent to Col. Duckenfield, upon the petitions of Robert Philpot and Peter Scutt, as ordered on the case of Mr. Franklin of Swansea.

20. Alex. Dickson, late servant to Charles Stuart, now under restraint, on taking the engagement, and giving security in 500*l.* for his good behaviour, to be permitted to go into Scotland for three months, and then return to England.

21. The bills of particulars necessary for the waggons to go to Scotland in service of the commissioners referred to the Ordnance Committee, to report out of what money payment may be made for their repair.

23. John Allein to view and prepare some fit rooms in Somerset House, and order a chariot and six horses, with other requisites, to be sent to Bristol, to fetch up the corpse of the late Lord Deputy of Ireland, now arrived there; also to consider of all requisites, and estimate the charge; 200*l.* to be imprested to him on account, for defraying the charges of the said funeral.

24. The Fellowship, which is very defective for a man-of-war, to be made a careening hulk, according to the letter of the Navy Commissioners, and the Greyhound to be docked and fitted for sea. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 71-76.]

Dec. 16.
Whitehall.

Council of State to [Col. Duckenfield,] Governor of the Isle of Man. The Swansea Merchant, a ship of Mathew Franklin, of Swansea, laden with deals and tar, was taken by the enemy, and carried to the Isle of Man, where she was captured upon the surrender of that place, and is now there. Franklin having cleared his property in the ship and goods in the Admiralty Court, deliver them to him forthwith, he having been a very deep sufferer thereby. [*I.* 97, *p.* 33; *I.* 66, *p.* 71.]

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1. The evidences mentioned in the petition of Lady Cooke to be sent from the Committee of Examinations to the Committee of Haberdashers' Hall, to be there deposited, that she may use them to prove her title to the estate.

2. The Earl of Carnwarth to have the liberty of the Tower to walk for preservation of his health.

3. A month's further time given to Hen. Hotham to perfect his discovery.

4. The petition of John Ladd referred to the Committee of Examinations, who are to report with speed.

5. Lord Crawford Lindsey to have a servant to attend him in the Tower.

7. Lord Chief Justice St. John, Lords Commissioners White-lock and Lisle, Sir Hen. Vane, Mr. Bond, Mr. Scott, Major Salwey, Lord General, Mr. Love, Col. Wauton, Col. Purefoy, Earl of Pembroke, Viscount Lisle, Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Mr. Burrell, and Sir Arth. Hesilrigge to be a committee for trade and foreign affairs, and all things referred to the former committee which met in the Horse Chamber to be revived and referred to this committee, who are to meet there every Wednesday and Friday morning.

8. The report from the Council of Trade concerning the reformation of the inland trade referred to that committee.

9. The Committee for Prisoners to consider as to discharging the Scots prisoners taken at the battle of Worcester, now in Tothill Fields and about London, and what allowance of clothing and money would enable them to return to their own country, the amount to be paid by Mr. Frost out of the exigent money of Council; also what time should be given for their performing the journey.

10. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider as to sending the English prisoners taken at the battle of Worcester, now at James's House and in the Mews, to Ireland, to be disposed of for the advantage of the commonwealth.

11. The Committee for Prisoners to consider as to disposing of Scotch prisoners at Newcastle or in any other place, and report.

13. All warrants for issuing money, which are grounded on orders of Council or reports made from committees of Council, to be signed at Council without reading them.

15. The mayor and sheriff of Worcester to have the liberty of the prison in which they now are.

16. The Committee for Examinations to examine them concerning what was done by them in assisting Charles Stuart or his party, upon his coming to Worcester, and report their answers.

17. Sir William Masham added to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

18. The account of Geo. Fisher remitted to the committee at the Horse Chamber, and Mr. Fisher to make oath of the account in the Exchequer.

19. The report from the Admiralty Committee concerning 19 pieces of iron ordnance belonging to Edw. Chappell, now at Dennis

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Fort, referred back to them, to consider, upon conference with Col Bennet and Mr. Chappell, what can be done for the petitioner; Col Wauton to take care hereof. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 78–82.]

Dec. 17.

Whitehall.

Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Being informed by the Lord General that the Scotch ships *George* and *Mary Anne* have arrived in the river, laden with coals for the commonwealth, which by order of Parliament are free of customs, let the charge laid upon such coals for customs and excise be taken off; also let the guns which they have brought from Scotland be disposed of for the navy. [*I.* 97, *p.* 27.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Fitch, Governor of Carlisle, and Thos. Lamplough, Wm. Briscoe, Miles Halton, Thos. Cholmeley, and — Carran [justices of peace for Cumberland]. Examine the matter contained in the enclosed information against Sir Wm. Musgrave and others, and send up the examinations; and if you find cause, commit them to safe custody until further orders. [*I.* 97, *p.* 28; *I.* 66, *p.* 60.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Spencer Breton, consul at Smyrna. Although it has pleased God, by so many evident passages of his Providence, to appear for the deliverance of the people of this nation from that tyranny by which their just liberties were oppressed, and for settling this commonwealth in good and peaceable condition, yet there are many people that will neither see His hand, nor be sensible of their own interest, frowardly repining against Providence, and manifesting their disaffection against this Government by malice against the well-affected. Of this sort are some of this nation under the government of your consulate, who, although natives, and enjoying the benefit of the trade of this nation into those parts, not only do not acknowledge the government of this commonwealth, but put all manner of discouragement upon those who are well-affected to it. We take all those so suffering into our protection, and they will see they shall be in safety against such affronts. We therefore hereby recommend them especially to your care, and require you to protect them from whatever wrongs, injustices, or violence shall be attempted to be put upon them, by any degenerate disaffected English there, or by any others by their procurement.

And for the better distinguishing of those who are enemies to this Government, you are hereby required to call before you all the merchants and factors residing within your consulate, and tender them the engagement which you will find written upon the enclosed roll; read and subscribe the same yourself, and require every one of them to do the like in your presence, and signify the names of such as shall refuse, that resolution may be taken what further to do with them.

Some of the English residents there live in much licentiousness. We especially recommend that particular to your care, and such as you cannot reclaim, you are to send us their names and their mis-

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carriages, that you may receive further directions concerning them. We forbear for the present sending you the particulars concerning the persons discouraging and discouraged, but commit it to your care, that there may be no more of it, we being resolved to take order that none shall suffer or be oppressed by any whomsoever (who are in our power to admonish and punish) for their good affection and manifestation of their duty. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 29-30.]

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127. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. There is great scarcity of tar in the city of London, and the quantity in the stores is but small. To avoid inconvenience by its dearness, you are to buy small cordage for the summer guard, that the tar in store may be reserved for necessaries which cannot otherwise be supplied. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

Dec. 18. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To consider next Thursday what instructions to give to the Militia Commissioners of the counties, the Militia Act now ceasing.

2. Mr. Frost to accept the bills of exchange charged by Colonel Heane upon Council for 450*l.* to be paid to Jacob Arnol, for the wages of his company, and the loss of his ship in the Jersey expedition, out of the remains of that which was set apart for Jersey; and a warrant to be brought in from the Irish and Scotch Committee for its payment. If there be none of that money left, then the bill to be paid by Mr. Frost.

3. Mr. Frost to write Mr. Littleton at Paris, that his two letters are received.

4. The committee who prepared the instructions for the Commissioners to Scotland to consider if there be anything more necessary in their instructions, and if so, to prepare and bring the same to Council.

5. The letter of Col. Heane from Jersey referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who, if they find anything further to be done therein, are to give order.

6. To write the Navy Committee and Navy Commissioners to execute the resolution reported yesterday from the Admiralty Committee to Council, concerning the number of ships to be taken on for convoy.

7. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider the letter of Rich. Bradshaw, and also those to Mr. Scott from Hamburg and those parts, complaining of the evil expressions of some ministers there against this commonwealth, and report what should be done.

8. The Committee for receiving Ambassadors to send for Mr. Starkey, and bid him take care that a more full and ample entertainment be given, both in meal and wine, to the Ambassadors of Holland.

9. Hugh Windham and — Chace committed to the custody of the Serjeant-at-arms until to-morrow, when they are to be brought before the Committee of Examinations.

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10. The letter from the Commissioners at Dublin concerning false coin referred to the said committee. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 84–86.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Sir Mich. Livesey, Augustine Skinner, Mich. Belke, [Col. Kendrick, Col. Goffe, John Parker, and Capt. Chas. Bowler]. We enclose copies of petitions from Peter Pett, Navy Commissioner, Mr. Adderley, minister 'of the navy at Chatham, and others, wherein appear dissatisfactions amongst them, and abuses in the management of the navy affairs there; examine the matters complained of, and take the examinations of witnesses, and return them to us by the end of January, that further order may be taken. [*I.* 97, *p.* 31; *I.* 66, *p.* 83.]

Dec. 19.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write the trustees for the late King's goods to furnish a room in Whitehall for Sir Wm. Constable with nine pieces of Venus and Cupid tapestry, being part of the goods at Hampton Court, reserved for the use of the commonwealth.

3. The petition of Evan Vaughan referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to consult with Mr. Attorney and hear Vaughan.

4. The petition of Col. Ralph Ashton referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to tell the creditor that he ought not to have laid his action upon the Colonel, he being imprisoned by virtue of Council's warrant, and that he is to withdraw it.

5. The said committee to send for a servant of Mr. Denham, and examine him concerning the cause of his being in town.

7. The particulars concerning Worcestershire referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report what should be done therein; Mr. Scott to take care thereof.

9. The Committee of Council formerly appointed for the reception of Ambassadors to inform themselves in what quality the public minister from Sweden comes, before the sitting of Council next Monday, that a report may be then made to Council, and a report made to the House, in pursuance of their order.

10. The petition of the gunners of the Tower referred to the Ordnance Committee.

11. The petition of Capt. Philip Eyton on behalf of the Cheshire troop referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to order that the pay due to the troop, and reserved by order of Council, except that due to the captain, be paid, unless they can give any reason to the contrary.

12. The petition of John Hume referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

13. That of John Bunce to the Committee for Examinations, to further examine him and report.

15. That of Timothy Sherman referred to the said committee, who are to bail him if they see cause.

16. Next Wednesday appointed for considering the business propounded by the Ambassador of Spain.

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17. Mr. Frost to look out by then all letters and papers concerning the death of Anthony Ascham, and all orders made by former Councils concerning the Santa Clara.

18. The letter of Col. Duckenfield from Rushin Castle, with the two inventories, to be reported to the House by Sir Wm. Constable, and they desired to declare their pleasure.

19. Order to be given to the Governor or officer-in-chief at Wallingford to deliver to Commissary John Phipps all the powder, match, bullet, &c. with certain exceptions, and bring away the said stores in a barge to the Tower, by which means the 300 barrels of powder for Ireland, and 100 granado shells for the mortar pieces at Jersey, may be forthwith had, while the ships are lading. [*I.* 66, pp. 87-91.]

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3. The paper of informations given in by Edw. Harwood referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to examine him further, and if they find he deserves it, to order Frost to pay him *5l.* or *10l.*

4. Mr. Nevill to report to the House that, on their order of Dec. 19, Council appointed a committee to inform themselves in what quality the public minister from the Queen of Sweden came; that they sent the Master of the Ceremonies to him to ask, and that he referred himself to his credential letters sent to Parliament.

5. The Committee for Examinations to consider the book entitled *The Lamb, &c.*, and report to Council what should be done thereupon.

7. The letter of Rich. Browne from Pembroke referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

8. The petition of the officers of arms referred to the said committee, who are to confer with the commissioners appointed by Parliament concerning *Heralds*, and report.

10. The letter from Col. Heane, desiring a packet boat, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

11. The Committee for Examinations to dispose of Mr. Penraddock, prisoner in the Tower, as to his enlargement, as they see cause.

12. Also to take security of Thomas Anthony, prisoner in the Gatehouse, and set him at liberty, taking his own bond if he cannot get security.

13. The letter from Knotsford referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to speak with the Lord General, and report.

14. The petition of Sir Allan Boteler and Anne Paulet referred to the Admiralty judges, who are to examine and certify whether the case be ready for letters of reprisal.

15. The petition of Marie, relict of Rich. Downes, recommended to the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal.

16. That of Hen. Shuter referred to the Attorney-General and the counsel at law, who are to report by Jan. 12.

17. That of William Hubie referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to report what should be done in reward of his services.

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18. Mr. Legg to be brought up in safe custody at his own charge, to be examined by the Committee for Examinations, who are to report on his case.

19. The petition of William Sloughter referred to that committee.

20. The said committee to consider the petition of Susanna Bowen, and according to her services, order Frost to pay her a sum not exceeding 10*l.*

22. The letter of Wm. Brock from Barnstaple referred to the Admiralty Committee.

23. The Committee for Examinations to send for Hen. Woodfall, and examine him concerning his miscarriage at Sir Abraham Williams' house, commit him if they see cause, and prosecute his bail.

24. The said committee to send for Edw. Aldham, further examine him, and bail him on the usual conditions, if they shall see cause.

25. The said committee to take bail of John Morris, a Scotchman, now prisoner with the Serjeant-at-arms.

26. The petition of Edw. Gunnell, master of the Dolphin, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to report thereon with all speed.

27. That of Christian Paul Santen referred to the said committee.

28. That of Nicholas Meredith, Jno. Bull, and Wm. Taylour, of Presteign, co. Radnor, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to bail the parties if they see cause, or give directions therefor, if they are not imprisoned about town.

29. Lewis Powell admitted a waterman to the State, and to have a badge and coat made for him, and be paid as the rest.

30, 31. The petitions of Hugh Craford and David Ross referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

32. The bills of the charge of keeping the garden in Whitehall referred to Col. Purefoy and Sir James Harrington, and if they approve and sign them, Mr. Frost is to pay the amount.

33. The Committee for Examinations to take bail of Col. Daniel Balten and Wm. Powell, either in their own bonds or with sureties. [*L.* 66, *pp.* 94-100.]

Instructions for Capt. Hen. Hatsell:—

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Whitehall.

Whereas 2,000*l.* is paid to you on account, for victuals to be bought and issued by you for the forces in Jersey, and the said provisions are being shipped for Jersey, you are to repair thither, and take care of the unloading and disposing thereof into convenient stores, and issue and sell them to the said forces for ready money, out of the three months' pay which the State has advanced them beforehand, at such rates as you think reasonable with respect to all charges upon the provisions; and out of the money you receive, you are to renew the stores with a fresh supply of provisions, and sell them in like manner.

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In case by the taking of the enemies' garrison of Elizabeth Castle, or otherwise, the soldiery should have no need to buy what remains on your hands, you are to sell it to the inhabitants there, or otherwise dispose of, to the best benefit of the State, such kinds and quantities thereof as you can spare, above what may be necessary for a standing magazine of victuals for such garrisons as may be placed there. You are to pay to your under officers, assistants, and labourers fitting recompense, and give an account of the remainder to Council.

Col. Jas. Heane, commander-in-chief, is hereby desired to afford you the assistance of soldiers for guards of the stores, or to help to unlade provisions, if occasion require, and it be not prejudicial to military service. You are likewise to assist him in disposing such stores, either ammunition, artillery, or provisions of any kind, as shall be upon the place before your coming thither, and to follow further instructions from Council therein. [*I. 66, p. 101.*]

36. Additional instruction for Capt. Hen. Hatsell:—

Upon your coming to Jersey, as time will admit, you with Col. Heane are to inquire into the nature and value of the revenue of the late King, or other public revenue in that island, and likewise of the value of the estates of such as have been in hostility against Parliament, or are otherwise sequestrable, and give intelligence thereof. [*I. 66, p. 102.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Danvers. We have received your letter and papers concerning Sir Wm. Pershall; examine that business further, and if you find any ground for further proceedings, send it. [*I. 97, p. 33.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Ordnance officers. Order was given you to prepare and furnish mortar pieces for very important service [in Jersey], and all expedition was necessary; but finding they are not yet ready, and the commonwealth being at great charge to maintain forces, which might be spared if the place were reduced where they were to be employed, we again require that all possible diligence be used, and as many hands set on work about them as the nature of the work will bear. [*I. 97, p. 38; I. 66, p. 94.*]

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2. The petition of James Bancks referred to the Committee for Examinations.

3. Also the petition of Aquila Wikes, keeper of the Gatehouse, who is to produce to the said committee a list of his prisoners, with the causes of their commitment, and the time they stood committed to him, and his desires as to his satisfaction, which the committee is to consider and report upon.

6. The petition of John Stone, minister, desiring some sword blades and halbert heads, now in his hands, which were left him by his deceased father, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

7. The petition and papers of Samuel Gelty, minister of the Key

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parish, Ipswich, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to bail or discharge him, or report.

9. The petition of Anthony Webster, ironmonger of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

11. That of Geo. Heyward referred to the said committee, to report what should be done for his relief.

12. Liberty to be given to Dorothy Cowley, widow, and Richard, Mary, and Elizabeth May, to examine Anth. Jackson, close prisoner in the Tower, upon a conveyance wherein they are concerned, and in which Jackson was a trustee, in presence of the Lieutenant of the Tower.

13. The petition of Henry Barret referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to send for him, take his bond, and dismiss him if they see cause.

14. Also the petition of Capt. Wm. Johnston.

17. The Committee to whom the difference between the Duke of Tuscany and Capt. Hall was referred to prepare an answer to the paper of the Duke's agent, and a letter to the Duke himself, both of which they are to report to Council.

18. The letter of Alex. Bence, from Alicant, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

19. The petition of Rich. Sherburne referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to discharge him if they see cause.

23. To write the Army Committee, in pursuance of an order of Parliament of 7 Oct. last, to appoint a month's pay to each of the five companies that are to go to Ireland under Lieut.-Col. Finch, from the date of their musters. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 103-107.]

Dec. 23. Council of State to the Governor of the Isle of Man. Like letters
Whitehall. with that of 16 Dec. for Mat. Franklin, on behalf of Robt. Philpott, for the Providence, laden with beer, malt, &c., for Peter Scutt, and for Mr. Child, for the Betty frigate. [*I.* 97, *p.* 33.]

Dec. 23. Council of State to the Army Committee. Major Geo. Skutt was
Whitehall. for some time appointed governor of the Garrison of Poole, and has not yet received the pay formerly allowed to governors of that place; order that he may receive it. [*I.* 97, *p.* 34.]

Dec. 23. Council of State to the Governor of Portsmouth, or Commander-
Whitehall. in-Chief there. We gave order for fitting and furnishing from hence some mortar pieces for reducing Elizabeth Castle at Jersey; but finding they cannot be ready so soon as required, deliver to Mr. Newbury the mortar piece now at Portsmouth, with shells and other necessaries, that it may be forthwith sent away in a ship now at Portsmouth, bound to Jersey. [*I.* 97, *p.* 35.]

Dec. 23. Council of State to Col. Sanders, Governor of Exeter Castle. You
Whitehall. are to send up in safe custody, and at his own charge, Mr. Legg, prisoner with you, that he may be examined and proceeded against. With note of the like to Major-Gen. Desborow. [*I.* 97, *p.* 36.]

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Council of State to the Governor of Hull. Capt. Cotterell, prisoner at Hull, can inform touching divers things of concern to the State, whereof the bearer, John Christian, has given us notice, and we have sent him to assist and direct in the examination; send for and ask Cotterell such questions as Christian gives you ground for, and take such further information as Cotterell of his own accord shall give, touching business and proceedings in the Isle of Man and elsewhere against Parliament, and send the informations and examinations to us, that we may give further directions. [*I. 97, p. 37.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Duckenfield. The bearer, John Christian, being a native of the Isle of Man, and having informed us of divers things of concern to the State, we desire you to receive his informations, and use them as you see cause. [*I. 97, p. 38.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Commissioners of Parliament in Scotland. A petition was presented to us by William Pennoyer, merchant of London, stating that he had been wronged by the Scottish nation to the value of 3,000*l.*, by the loss of his ship and goods, which went to Scotland on her return from the Caribee Islands, and that he had applied to the courts of justice, and to the Parliament of Scotland for justice, but without effect,—although it was acknowledged that what he asked was just,—by reason of the powerful support given to the wrong-doers by some of the great ones there. The matter was referred to the Admiralty judges, and they being of opinion that it was a case fit for letters of reprisal, a warrant was issued; but before it could take effect, the differences with Scotland grew higher, and the squadrons of the commonwealth lying upon the coast of Scotland, wholly took off their little trade in any vessels of their own, and so the letters of reprisal became useless.

Thereupon Council gave him letters to the Lord General, to give him satisfaction out of the estates of those who had done him wrong, but this was not then practicable.

Upon his further petition, we recommend his case to you, and in sending copies of all the proceedings, desire you to give him satisfaction out of the estates of offenders, the war between the two nations having hindered his deriving benefit from his letters of reprisal. [*I. 97, pp. 40–41.*]

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128. Petition of Richard Harris, bargeman, to the Council of State, for delivery of his barge and tackle, the only means of subsistence of himself and his wife and children. Has long been employed by the State in carrying timber from the western parts to the yards at Deptford and Woolwich, and always delivered the same correctly. Upon the last occasion he was absent from his barge, having much business to attend to in London, and his men, availing themselves of his absence, took some plank and cordage out of the yard at Woolwich, and fled, but the barge was stayed at Deptford. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.] Also,

Thos. Scott to the Navy Commissioners. Being solicited by the petitioner, my neighbour in co. Bucks, I present the above. If you

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are satisfied in the matter of fact, and of his innocence, I hope you will think the hindrance he has received by the stoppage of his barge a sufficient punishment for his absence from it, and his ignorance of the bargemen; by restoring the barge, he will be preserved from becoming a charge upon the parish. [$\frac{1}{4}$ page.]

Dec. 24.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir David Leslie to have the liberty of the Tower.
2. Mr. Hepborne, son of Sir Adam Hepborne, to be bailed, on Sir Adam's bond in 2,000*l.* and two sureties in 1,000*l.* each, on the usual conditions.
3. Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Col. Blake, Mr. Scott, Mr. Herbert, Sir Wm. Masham, and Mr. Nevill to be a committee to dispose of the Scotch prisoners in the Tower to other places of restraint, where those of most consideration, and best able to act anything prejudicial, may be separated one from another, and yet all may have the liberty of their respective prisons.
4. The business of the Spanish Ambassador to be considered to-morrow.
5. Mr. Fotheringel, prisoner in the Tower, being in the same condition with Mr. Hepborne, to be bailed on the same terms.
6. Order on the petition of Sir Wm. Godolphin, on behalf of his son, Fras. Godolphin, and the certificate of his infirmity and danger, without liberty to take better air, and use means for his health, that he have liberty on bail for 3 months, his father and one other to become bound in 2,000*l.* each, that he shall appear before Council at the end of the 3 months, or at any time before, within 14 days after summons, to answer for the matter for which he is imprisoned; and meantime to be of good behaviour.
7. The petition of Wm. Spencer referred to the Committee for Examinations to take care that Mr. Penruddock pay his prison debts before discharge.
8. Notice to be given to the Lieutenant of the Tower to take care that all those Scotch persons of quality who have had the liberty of the Tower have keepers appointed, to take especial care that they do not escape.
9. Friday afternoon appointed for settling the deputies to the Serjeant-at-arms.
10. The petition of Widow Sheapheard recommended to the Committee for Maimed Soldiers; Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to take care hereof.
11. The paper concerning Jersey referred to the Committee for Law and Examinations.
- 12, 18, 20. The liberty of the Tower granted to Alexander Earl of Kellie, John Lord Bargany [Abergavenny], and Lord Ogleby.
13. Viscount Lisle added to the Committee for Prisoners, and they desired to take care of the Scottish prisoners at the Mews.
14. The petition of Martin Hardnett of London referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to speak with the party, and report.
- 15, 17. The petitions of Archibald Sedsrif and of Thos. Windham referred to the Committee for Examinations.

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16. The petitions of Wm. Craford, master of the Goodwill of Ipswich, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to speak with the party, and report.

19. The petition of John Chase, apothecary, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to bail or discharge the prisoners.

21. Alderman Pennington to report to the House that Thos. Cook, committed prisoner to the Tower last March, and all his estate sequestered, has had his subsistence there from Lady Hartop and Mrs. Stoke, his sisters, and from the credit of his keeper; and to request that, as his sisters cannot bear that charge, nor discharge his debt to his keeper, he may have allowance out of his estate for his past charges and future subsistence.

22. Mr. Gurdon to request the House that, as the time of the continuance of the High Court of Justice is nearly expired, and there are several prisoners who will be fit to be tried by that court, they will continue it sometime longer, and also consider the reports made from Council of the names of persons fit to be made examples of justice.

24. Major Andrew Carr and Jas. Keith, prisoners in Chelsea College, to be permitted to go to Scotland for four or five months on their parole, on behalf of the rest of the prisoners in the college, to fetch them relief from their friends, for their better accommodation and subsistence during their imprisonment.

25. The seven inferior servants of the Scotch King, now prisoners in the Fleet, to be discharged, on taking the engagement, and giving their own bonds not to act anything prejudicial.

26. Note that a warrant from the Committee for Examinations, to search for some persons who escaped from Worcester, was signed and sealed. [*I. 66, pp. 110-115.*]

Dec. 25.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The account of Col. Thomas Birch of moneys disbursed in the service referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to examine and report where the money may be repaid him.

3. The petition of Thomas Sampson, servant to Fras. Godolphin, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to bail or discharge him.

4. The petition of Edw. Fleetwood referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report what should be done for him.

6. The papers concerning the Ambassadors of Spain to be considered to-morrow afternoon, and no business to intervene.

9. The petition of Thomas Ridghill referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

11, 13. Lord Sinclair and Sir Jas. Foulis to have the liberty of the Tower.

12. Order on the petition of Thos. Davies, that he attend Lord Chief Justice Rolle.

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15. 12*d.* a day to be allowed to the soldiers of the two regiments appointed for the guards of the Parliament and city, out of the Lord General's contingencies.

16. To recommend especially to the Committee of Parliament for disposal of the houses of the commonwealth, to repair James's for quartering the soldiers of both regiments of the said guard, that the three companies at Sion College may be also brought there, and Sion College quitted.

17. 50*l.* to be paid out of the Lord General's contingencies to Majors Wiggan and Allen, for fire and candle for the guards kept by the two regiments about Whitehall, James's, and the city. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 117-120.]

Dec. 25.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Mr. Barrow and Mr. Pelling, searchers at Gravesend. We have received yours and the printed copies of the books upon the Meditation of the late King, and approving your care therein, desire you to stay the ship in which they were, until we are satisfied by whom they were put on board, that further proceedings may be had against them. [*I.* 97, *p.* 42.]

Dec. 25.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. There being occasion for a ship to carry provisions from the Thames to Jersey upon important service, you are to contract for a strong vessel of 180 tons, to go to Tower wharf, and receive such lading as Commissary Dobbins shall put on board. [*I.* 97, *p.* 42.]

Dec. 25.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. By the account from Milford Haven, concerning the horse appointed to be transported thence for Ireland, we doubt that, through the not timely answering and having in readiness the money there which was proportioned for that work, some of the troops may be left behind, and so bring on a great increase in the charge. You will see by the enclosed letters where the fault is laid. To prevent the like loss of opportunity, take order that the treasurers may have warrants and assignments in readiness, that may bring in ready money for 700*l.*, the remainder of the 6,000*l.* set apart for pay of the forces to be transported for Ireland; to be sent down by the next post to Rich. Browne of Pembroke, towards pay of the said troops, in case they should not be already shipped.

As in case they are not gone, such 700*l.* will be insufficient to answer the growing charge, add to the said 6,000*l.* 1,000*l.* more, in pursuance of the order of Parliament of 7 Oct. last, and order the Treasurers-at-war to pay the same to Mr. Browne, for pay of such troops, according to our instructions to him. In case notice shall come meantime that such troops have sailed, we will advertise you or the treasurers, that those orders may be stayed, or some other course settled. [*I.* 97, *p.* 43.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Charles Walley. There are 5 companies appointed for completing Sir Hardress Waller's regiment in Ireland, which are to be shipped from Chester under Lieut. Col. Finch; that

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they may not be chargeable to the country while there, we desire you, out of the remainder of the 500*l.* sent for the pay of Capt. Kenion and Major Sadler's company, or other money appointed for this purpose, to pay their quarters for the time they lay upon the country, before they were mustered full companies. We enclose two warrants for arms for 300, and if the 300 cannot be procured, you are to buy the remainder, and deliver them on board, upon the shipping of the men. [*I.* 97, *p.* 44.]

Dec. 25.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. Examine whether there are arrears due to the foot company raised last August by the Governor of Shrewsbury, for the defence of that garrison, according to an order of Council, who were disbanded 20 Oct. following, and whether Lieut.-Col. Finch has accounted for the pay of that company. If you find any arrears due, certify whether he has any money in hand, and if not, whether those arrears are payable out of the 20,000*l.* charged upon the receipts of Goldsmiths' Hall for pay of the 4,000 foot, and since ordered to be issued by our warrant only. [*I.* 97, *p.* 45.]

Dec. 25.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. As there are five companies to be raised and transported to Ireland under Lieut.-Col. Finch, to recruit Sir Hardress Waller's regiment, we desire you, in pursuance of the order of Parliament of 7 Oct. last, to appoint a month's pay for each company from the date of their musters, attested by the Deputy-Commissary of Musters, or by Charles Walley of Chester. [*I.* 97, *p.* 46.]

Dec. 25.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. The troop of horse under Col. Duckenfield being employed in service, for guarding prisoners from Chester to London, by order of the Lord General, and in order to the design at the Isle of Man, for three weeks beyond the time they were ordered to be disbanded, we desire you to order three weeks' pay to Col. Duckenfield, for pay of the troop, from the degree of cornet. [*I.* 97, *p.* 47.]

Dec. 25.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. The matter in the enclosed paper [given in by Capt. Collins] being cognizable before you rather than us, we desire you to give such order therein as you think fit. [*I.* 97, *p.* 48 ; *I.* 66, *p.* 120.]

Dec. 26.

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2. The business of the Lord Ambassador of Spain to be considered next Monday, and a special summons given to the members in town to be present.

3. Capt. Ladd to be discharged from restraint, and all the money or goods taken from him restored.

4. The bill of charges brought in by Philip Starkey, for entertaining the Ambassadors from the United Provinces, referred to the Committee for Ambassadors.

5. Humphrey Holding continued as deputy to the Serjeant-at-arms, and the suspension laid upon him taken off.

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6. William Ledsom to be discharged from attendance as one of the deputies to the Serjeant-at-arms, and to be paid his allowance to this day.

7. Simmons, the printer, to attend Frost to give in bond, according to his bargain with Mr. Ledsom, not to sell or part with any of the reams or sheets of paper now in his hands, of the History of Independency.

8. Col. Martin to renew the report to the House from Council, on behalf of the Serjeant-at-arms.

9. The account of the serjeant's disbursements for keeping prisoners to be perused by Mr. Frost, and the amount due to be paid.

10. The petition of the inhabitants of Dartmouth referred to Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Col. Purefoy, and Mr. Herbert, who are appointed a committee to consider and report; all papers in custody of Mr. Frost, concerning that business, to be sent to that committee.

11. The petition of Geo. Browne referred to the Committee for Examinations.

12. Edw. Dendy appointed Serjeant-at-arms to the Council for this year.

13. 14 men to be allowed to attend Council as deputies to the Serjeant-at-arms for this year; Anthony Compton, Edw. Titon, Thos. Wetton, Alex. Turner, Thos. Baker, Joshua Leadbeater, Thos. Wright, Hugh Middleton, Cornet Bradley, Cornet Field, Hen. Byard, Cornet Hill, Humphrey Holden, and Rich. Alley, to be the persons.

14. The Committee for Examinations to consider to what prison prisoners apprehended by warrant of Council should be disposed of, and what fees should be taken of any delinquent prisoners by their keepers.

15. Mr. Challoner and Mr. Hay added to the Committee for Prisoners. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 124-126.]

Dec. 26.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Duke of Richmond. Having occasion to speak with you concerning some matters of public concernment, we desire you will attend us at Whitehall on Tuesday next at 3 p.m., without fail. [*I.* 97, *p.* 49.]

Dec. 27.

129. Robert Coytmor to the Navy Commissioners. The Admiralty Committee last night sent you two lists, one of the ships for next summer's guard, and the other of those employed in the Straits and the West Indies; let them be severally cast up, whereby it may appear what charge the State is at present at, and will be when the summer fleet is set forth.

P.S.—News having arrived of the surrender of Elizabeth Castle, Jersey, and Cornet Castle, Guernsey, forbear contracting with any ship for carrying provisions thither, until further order from the Irish Committee. [*1 page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to be President of the Council until this day month.

2. Sir Peter Wentworth to report to the House that a letter was brought to the Lord Mayor from the States General of the United Provinces, which he suddenly opened, and perceiving the contents, sent it sealed up to Alderman Pennington, to present it to Council; and they, upon reading it, thought it fit to be reported to the House.

4. The letters and papers from Jersey and Guernsey referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider how money may be had to satisfy the engagements of Cols. Bingham and Heane, upon the rendition of Elizabeth and Cornet Castle.

5. The business of the Lord Ambassador of Spain to be considered to-morrow.

6. Mr. Scobell to send to Council a copy of the letter from Parliament to the King of Spain, on the death of Anthony Ascham, and Parliament's answer to the Spanish Ambassador, when he had audience.

7. The Committee for Examinations to order the silks seized coming from foreign parts, belonging to the Countess of Devonshire, to be delivered to her, she paying the duties.

8. The bill brought in and read at Council, about removing obstructions in the sale of fee-farm rents, referred to Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, Lord Bradshaw, Col. Purefoy, Mr. Corbett, Sir Wm. Masham, Mr. Challoner, Mr. Love, Mr. Herbert, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Carew, to make such amendments as they think fit.

9. The said Committee to consider what should be done for encouragement of Payne Fisher, and report.

10. Mr. Milton continued Secretary for Foreign Languages to Council for the year to come. [*I.* 66, pp. 128-130.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Collectors for Prize Goods. The late Lord Deputy of Ireland having desired some rice to be sent thither for the soldiers, and they having found much benefit to their health therefrom, as you have a great quantity in your possession, we desire you to cause 60 tons to be appraised by indifferent persons, and send to Commissary Wm. Dobbins, viz., 15 tons for Waterford, and the other 45 tons for Limerick; upon his certificate of receipt, order shall be taken for paying you. [*I.* 97, p. 50.]

Dec. 29.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Mayor and Aldermen of Oxford. We enclose you a petition [of the inhabitants of Oxford] presented to us, respecting very foul riots and malicious actions in Oxford, against persons of peaceable and sober deportment and of godly conversation, for no other cause than for their private meetings for the worship of God; from which malignant persons they have suffered more than they ever did under the tyranny of the bishops, of the profaneness in the late King's court and garrison.

The thing being notorious, we conceive it must needs have come

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to your knowledge, and you have inquired into it, and after the authors, but as it is most injurious to men of peaceable life, attempting upon them in that which all good men most value,—viz., their liberty to worship God according to their conscience, as directed by the word of God,—so it has also a dangerous tendency against the peace. We more especially recommend it to your care, as we have done also to —— to inquire after all the contrivers, actors, and abettors of this riot under your jurisdiction, and take examinations of such as can testify against them, and send them to us, that course may be taken for punishment of the offenders. Meantime, take care to prevent violences against the petitioners, and let them know that due punishment shall be inflicted upon those who have injured them, and that they shall be protected against the violences of their enemies. Proceed in this affair with effect and expedition. With note of a like letter to the Vice-Chancellor and heads of the University. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 51, 52; *I.* 66, *p.* 118.]

Dec. 30. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Audience to be given to the Lords Ambassadors from the States General next Thursday, Sir Oliver Fleming to give them notice.

2. Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Nevill to be a committee to speak with the Duke of Richmond (in regard of whose want of health his present attendance upon Council this afternoon was omitted) to know if he owns the articles propounded to Lieut.-Gen. Monk by Sir Chas. Erskine, Governor of Dumbarton Castle; if he does, to return his answer to Council; but if he does not, he is to write the governor, peremptorily requiring him to deliver up the said castle, and all in it, to the use of the commonwealth.

3. Mr. Herbert to make to the House the report which was given to Col. Wauton, concerning the bringing of some delinquents to trial.

4. Sir Jas. Lockhurst to have the liberty of the Tower.

5. Grissell, wife of Lieut.-Gen. Middleton, prisoner in the Tower, to have liberty to repair to her husband, and depart after she has visited him.

6. The petitions of the merchants referred to Council by order of Parliament referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to examine them concerning their allegations, in order to their being sworn before Council.

7. Lord Bradshaw, Alderman Pennington, and Mr. Challoner added to the Committee for Foreign Affairs; Bradshaw to take care of this business.

8. The petition of Timothy Cruso, merchant, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report what should be done for him.

10. The petitions delivered this day to Council by the Lieutenant of the Tower, from several Scotchmen there, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to report what should be done with them, and give dispatch.

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11. The petition and papers of the Lieutenant of the Tower, containing an account of his disbursements for maintenance of prisoners, by order of Council, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to examine the account, and if they find it according to the usual allowance for prisoners, to direct Frost to pay the money.

12. The petition of John Bennet, master of the John, with others concerned in the ships lost upon the taking of Jersey, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

13. Order on the petition of Solomon Norris, merchant of London, that he be left to his course at law in the Admiralty Court, for recovery of the ships he alleges he has lost, by reason of a commission of Sir Jno. Grenville.

14. The petition of the owners of the Margaret of Northam referred to the Admiralty Committee.

15. That of Jno. Coursey, planter, to the Committee for Prisoners.

16. Col. Thomas Blague to have the liberty of the Tower.

17. The letter from Exeter, with three sheets of paper, containing the examinations of 16 maritime prisoners in the county gaol, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to consider how to have them tried, that a gaol delivery may be made of them.

18. The petition and two papers of Vincent de la Barre, merchant, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to report whether that case be yet ready for letters of reprisal.

19. Also the petition and paper annexed of Erasmus Purling, to certify in like manner.

20. The bill of exchange of Alderman John Preston for 750*l.* referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report where payment may be made.

21. Also the bills of exchange of Col. Venables and others from Belfast, for 624*l.* 12*s.*

22. The petition of Peter Vander Wyer referred to the Admiralty Committee.

23, 24. Those of John Jeames and Thomas Howard to the Committee for Examinations, who are to bail or discharge them.

25. The petition of Sir Joseph Douglas referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to confer with the Lord General concerning his desire.

27. The petition of Sarah Bunce referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to further examine Jas. Bunce, her son, and report.

28. To write Mr. Garland to deliver to William Legg a copy of a list of goods reserved for the commonwealth, and the places where they are, that Legg may know where to repair for them.

29. The Surveyor of Works to make strong the doors of the passage leading to the Upper Wardrobe, and give direction for making two larger presses there, for laying the rich stuff in, and also to do

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any other thing necessary for the more convenient and safe keeping of wardrobe stuff. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 133–138.]

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130. Order by the High Court of Justice that Sir Jno. Thorowgood, Jno. Harrison, Mr. Hurst, Col. Ralph Harrison, Mr. Manley, Alderman Eastwick, Mr. Shute, Sir Wm. Rowe, Col. Taylor, and Col. Rowe,—formerly appointed a committee to attend the Council of State for money to defray the salaries of the officers, and for other expenses of the Court,—do again attend Council, and earnestly desire them to give some speedy order for money to discharge the arrears due to the said officers, from their last payment to the determination of the said court, amounting to 2,272*l.* 15*s.*; to take with them a copy of the order of Parliament of 1 April 1650, by which the Council is authorised to order payment of the charges of this court, and to entreat the Attorney-General to contribute his best assistance in accompanying them to Council, that by obtaining monies for speedy satisfaction, the good service of some, and the extreme necessities of others of the said officers, who have little other subsistence, may be rewarded, and they supplied with what is due to them; Mr. Weston and Mr. Warcup added to this committee. [*1 page.*] *Annexing,*

130. i. *Order in Parliament for the charges of the High Court of Justice, &c.—1 April 1650. Calendars under that date.* [*¼ page.*]

130. ii. *Account by Chr. Barnard, clerk to the court, of the arrears of wages due to the officers and others named. Total 2,272*l.* 15*s.*—30 Dec. 1651.* [*2¾ pages.*]

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Leopard,
Naples Road.

131. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Commissioners. Having notice of some small French merchant ships that were expected from the Levant for Leghorn, I ordered the Constant Warwick to ply out to sea, when she discovered a French sattee, which she chased and took, laden with Provence wine, linen, &c., which I intend to sell here. Morgan Read, counsellor for our nation, much dislikes the taking of the vessel so near the port of the Grand Duke, and used all possible means for her re-delivery, and wrote me that I had much affronted the Grand Duke's port; but I could not perceive, by the well affected merchants of our nation, that the Grand Duke was so much displeas'd as the Popish affected counsellor.

We left Leghorn the 9th inst., but were forced by stormy weather into Porto Longone, where we remained four days, and arrived at Naples on the 21st, with all our fleet. Our provisions being spent, we have been compelled to provide more here for our three ships, so as to carry us to Turkey, and the Vice King has forced me to pay the customs, having no more favour than merchant ships. We shall be ready to depart for Messina in three days. [*1 page.*]

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132. Estimate by Rich. Hutchinson, treasurer to the Navy Commissioners, of monies required to be provided forthwith, viz. :—

	£
Mariners' wages in the river and at Portsmouth	27,700
Contracts for building 10 new frigates - -	13,000
Fitting out of ships expected to be sent home from the General - - -	16,800
Ships ordered for Portsmouth	5,800
Imprests to merchants and others - -	30,000
Bills long since assigned, which must be paid to regain lost credit, and get further supplies -	100,000

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£ 193,000

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The paper, &c. of desires of supplies for carrying on the war in Ireland, signed by Sir Hardress Waller, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report what was done by them on a former paper to that purpose, sent over from the late Lord Deputy.

2. The letter of the Commissioners in Ireland, concerning 2,200*l.* charged by them upon the Treasurers-at-War for the use of the Ulster forces, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to report where the said money may be paid.

3. The petition of Mark Bayley, mariner of Hastings, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

4. The report and papers from the Admiralty Committee, as to providing guns for the new frigates, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

6. The business of the ship Concord to be considered next Friday.

7. The Earl of Pembroke, Lord Bradshaw, Mr. Nevill, Mr. Love, Mr. Bond, Mr. Challoner, Mr. Martin, Sir Peter Wentworth, Sir Jas. Harrington, Col. Purefoy, Col. Blake, and Mr. Scott to be a committee to give audience to the public ministers sent from the Duke of Tuscany and the Count of Oldenburgh, and to sit in the matted guard chamber next Friday.

11. The former warrants to the Treasurers-at-war to pay Col. Beale, &c. 2,686*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*, and Capt. Alderne 266*l.* 17*s.* 3*d.* to be cancelled, and new warrants issued, charging the sums upon the 200,000*l.* charged by ordinance of Parliament on the sale or doublings of the fee-farm rents.

12. Thomas Freeman, domestic of the late King's son, to be discharged, on taking the engagement, and giving security in 500*l.* never to act anything prejudicial to the commonwealth.

13. The Lord General to give order to Col. Clarke to prepare his regiment to be transported to Ireland from Minehead, or such other port as he shall desire, and to signify the port and the time when they will be ready, that shipping may be prepared.

14. Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to order the Marshal General to take security of such of the English prisoners taken at the battle of

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Worcester, and now at James's House and the Mews, as can find friends that will engage with them, and to take parole of the rest under their hands, expressing their names and places where each lived, to bind them to render themselves on 25 April next to the governor at Chester, or to Charles Walley, the State's agent there, to go over to Ireland to serve the commonwealth, embarking in a vessel provided by the said governor or agent, and then to set them at liberty, and cause some of his men to see them a day's march out of the city, that they may not beg or lurk here, to do further mischief. [*I. 66, pp. 141-144.*]
- Dec. 31. Council of State to Major-General Lambert. Having seen a
Whitehall. letter to the Lord General from Lieut.-Gen. Monk, with articles enclosed, propounded by Sir Charles Erskine, for rendition of Dumbarton Castle, we caused the Duke of Richmond to come to town, and communicated them to him, and he thereupon wrote a letter to Sir Charles, of which we enclose a copy, and desire you to make such improvement therein as you see cause. [*I. 97, p. 53.*]
- Dec. 31. **133.** Capt. Rich. Badiley to the Navy Commissioners. I wrote
Paragon, the Navy Committee on the 29th that, if the Elizabeth did not
Falmouth. arrive within 10 days, I should sail without her, and not having received any order to the contrary, I am now setting sail, with six merchant ships under my convoy, viz., the Merchants' Delight, Employment, and Loyal, with piece goods for Italy and Turkey, and the Harry Bonadventure, Recovery, and Faithful, with fish for Spain and Italy. Capt. Reeves' victuals were not all on board until Thursday last, and he only came from the Isle of Wight yesterday. I wonder he was not sooner dispatched, since we have lain here 13 days at above 100*l.* a day charge; the patience of the masters of the merchant ships was almost exhausted, and myself not a little troubled to lose a fair wind, by which we might ere now have been on the coast of Spain. [*1 page.*]
- [Dec.] **134.** Petition of Wm. Cullen, Mayor, and nine jurats of the town and port of Dover to the Council of State. Gratefully acknowledge their former favour in reporting the condition of the harbour to Parliament, whereby 1,000*l.* was ordered for its repair, but that is now expended, and they are in daily apprehension of the imminent danger the harbour is and will be in, of being altogether ruined, if yearly supply is not made for its defence. As the postmaster's place for foreign letters at Dover is now void by death of Mr. Withering, and the profits thereof, if only of such as should be exported or imported through the port of Dover, would be a great help towards the maintenance of the harbour, and thereby ease the State of much charge, and would only draw forth that derived to a particular interest into a public channel, they beg settlement of the same for maintenance of the harbour. [*1 page, 10 orig. signatures.*]
- [Dec.] **135.** Petition of the same to Parliament to the same effect.
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136. Petition of the Mayor and jurats of Dover to Parliament, for a present supply for the works, required on account of the damages of the sea in November and December, by which divers houses were undermined and carried to sea, and the whole harbour endangered and for a continued maintenance in future. [1 page, 10 signatures.]

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137. Representation by Thos. Kelsey, Lieutenant of Dover Castle, and Wm. Cullen, Mayor of Dover, two of the assistants of the harbour, to the Council of State, of the present state of the harbour. King James, considering the necessity and charges of the said harbour, in the fourth year of his reign, incorporated the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, the Lieutenant of Dover Castle, and the Mayor of Dover for the time being, and eight other persons of quality, as conservators of the said harbour.

We have, with the surveyors of the harbour, in November last, and again this month, taken a survey of its condition, and of the great breaches made by the sea on the north side, whereby 10 dwelling houses of the harbour's rents have been carried to sea, and the very walls of the harbour undermined, notwithstanding the groin and gratings there made last summer, which cost 700*l.*, and yet are not half filled with stones, but which secured that part of the harbour. For this winter's defence, a grating of timber of 80 rods long should be forthwith made, from the small groin eastward, which is already begun, and will take up nearly all the harbour's stores of timber, and cost nearly all the money in hand. Next spring and summer new heads and groins must be made in the bay, which are estimated at 3,500*l.*, whereof the revenues of the harbour, being little above 200*l.* a year, will add but a small supply. The heads, groins, and sluices in and about the harbour must also be repaired with timber and iron work, being much wasted and decayed, and some other works made thereabouts. Without a sufficient yearly revenue, the harbour cannot be maintained, new breaches daily happening.

For these reasons, the imminent danger of the harbour, and the consequences thereof in the loss of the only commodious harbour in the southern parts, and ruin of many hundred families, and apprehension of those who are already driven from their habitations, and others that must suddenly be made their fellow sufferers, we beseech you to obtain from Parliament a competent supply of money for carrying on the said works, and continued maintenance for the harbour. [1 sheet.]

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138. Narrative of seven reports made by the Council for Trade to the Council of State, and of seven made to Parliament, between 9 Oct. 1650 and 20 Nov. 1651; also of their opinions on six subjects now ready to be reported; also of eight other businesses wherein great progress has been made, though further progress in most has been for some months suspended, and the many suitors quieted, in expectation of the resolutions of Parliament to the general report of the Council about manufactures, dated 22 Sept. 1651. [2 $\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]

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139. Reasons for reforming the inland trade under certain supervision:—

1. It has been represented that the trade and manufactures of the nation will be lost, and the people more reduced to want, if men are permitted to make bad and unmerchantable wares, as they will be able to sell them cheaper and quicker than those who make good, and so the honest will be deprived of their livelihood, and others be tempted to deceit. The generality of English exports are bad, and this being discovered by other nations, causes them to get into disrepute, and thus not to sell.
2. The complaints of the meaner sort of people cannot be eased without reforming inland trade. Two-thirds of the nation depend upon manufactures of one kind or another, and the complaints of the people are grounded upon the deadness of trade and want of employment caused by such malpractices.

In one port of Spain alone, within these few years, we used to vent 12,000 pieces of says, serges, and such like woollen stuff, but now scarcely 2,000; and so in other parts, the Dutch having taken up a truer way of making them. We also formerly sent a great store of darnix, draft work, and other like work, but on account of its badness and falseness, it has become totally disused. The same may be said of our cloth and several other commodities; through the want of care and inspection, they come into disrepute, and to abatement in value, and at length are refused to be bought at all, as men of other countries make them better, and are more honest, so whole trades and multitudes of persons depending thereon become ruined, and our stock more and more lessened.

It is impossible to regulate a foreign trade, or to exact the performance of articles agreed upon with other nations, for the encouragement of our commerce, without such reformation, as they cannot be obliged to traffic with our people if we will cozen them; nor can we expect a currency of price in other countries for our manufactures, if they be not of any certain goodness. [2 pages.]

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140. Certificate by John Intwood, John Wale, and John Webb, surveyors for Surrey, that they estimate the damage done to Sir Gregory Norton, tenant of Oatland Park, by felling of trees there for the navy, hewing them, making saw pits, routing the ground with carting, and breaking pales, at 10*l.* [Copy, $\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

141. Petition of Thos. Lewis, purser of the Bonadventure, to the Admiralty Commissioners, against Thos. Dodington and Jas. Denham, victuallers, who in Nov. 1649, when he was gone for Portugal, obtained from his agent a full receipt for 6 months' victuals for 180 men, although they had only supplied a part thereof,—the remainder being taken from some ships returned from sea; they promised to make good the provisions, or satisfy petitioner at his return from sea, but they now refuse, and have hindered his passing his accounts these 6 months. [1 page.]

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- 1651? **142.** Account of brass ordnance which came from Scotland, distinguishing the serviceable and unserviceable, with their sizes and weight; also note that Humph. Woodall, one of the labourers belonging to the Ordnance Office, is dead, and that an able man is wanting to supply his place. [$1\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

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Jan. 1.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The confiscation of the Hope of Hamburg, freighted from Spain with goods for Mr. Samuel —, and of the goods, suspended until further order of Parliament.
2. The former direction of Council concerning the examination of the difference at Chatham to stand.
3. The papers delivered to Council by the Ambassadors of Spain to be presented to the House by Lord Commissioner Whitelock, in pursuance of their order.
4. Also those delivered by the Ambassadors from the States General. [*I. 66, pp. 147-148.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The confiscation of the ship Michael of Flushing, freighted from the Canaries with goods for Arnold Beake, Peter Mathews, and William Moore, and also of the said goods, suspended until the further pleasure of the House.
2. The petition of Jane Gilbert referred to the Committee for Examinations to report.
3. Also the petition of Robert Limpaine.
4. The letter from the Militia Commissioners for co. York referred to the Committee for Prisoners.
5. The merchants who have presented their narratives and sworn to their cases, concerning goods shipped for England contrary to the Act for increase of trade, to give in petitions to Council, containing the substance of the narratives, that Council may proceed on the order of Parliament of 31 Dec.
6. Mr. Milton to prepare a letter in Latin of the substance of what was read in English to the Duke of Tuscany, to be brought to Council and read for their approbation.
8. The answer brought in from the committee to be sent to the Duke of Tuscany recommitted for further consideration. Lord Bradshaw added to that committee.
9. Mr. Nevill added to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

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10. The letter of Thos. Bendish from Yarmouth, with the bill of exchange dated 15 Dec. 1651, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

11. Order, on the petition of Sir William Waller for liberty, that he be sent for to appear before Council.

12. Mr. Howard to be set at liberty on bond in 1,000*l.*, with two sureties in 500*l.* each, for his good behaviour, and to have a pass to go to Holland.

13. The Committee for Examinations to examine Sir William Waller when he comes to town, concerning the business laid to his charge in reference to the late conspiracy in London.

14. The papers concerning Col. Wm. Sloughter to be looked out, and in case they have been delivered out to any member of the Council, they are to be brought in again.

15. Mr. Peecke to be bailed on a bond in 1,000*l.*, with two sureties in 500*l.*, on the usual conditions, and the Committee for Examinations to approve of the sureties.

16. All bonds taken for the appearance of any person before Council are to have the following clauses inserted:—That a special place be appointed for leaving the summons for their appearance, and that the parties are not at any time to depart from Council after they have made their appearance without leave.

18. Mr. Windham to be bailed in 1,000*l.*, with two sureties in 500*l.*, to appear on summons and to be of good behaviour.

19. Mr. Penruddock to be bailed by the Committee for Examinations in such sum, with such sureties, and upon such conditions as they think fit.

20. The Keysar of Amsterdam, and the goods therein, belonging to Thos. Ingram, merchant of London, to be free from confiscation and sale, until the pleasure of Parliament be declared.

21. The petition of Thos. Newcomen referred to the Admiralty Committee.

22. Mr. Berkenhead to make his propositions concerning the Isle of Man in writing to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to meet to-morrow morning thereon.

23. The three orders of Parliament concerning the islands of Jersey, Guernsey, and Sark referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

24. The order of Parliament for some person to receive from the Master of the Rolls the records and papers that are to be sent to Scotland referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider of some fit person.

26. Order to be given to the Collectors for Prize Goods to cause the Grenville at Plymouth, lately taken by the Dragon, condemned in the Admiralty Court as lawful prize, to be appraised and delivered to the Navy Commissioners at Plymouth, and they to cause her to be rigged, victualled, and fitted to sea forthwith for the service, as General Blake shall give order. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 151–156.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Dixwell, Governor of Dover Castle, and to the Mayor of Dover. By the enclosed articles, you will understand the charge which has been made against Jno. Whetstone, postmaster of Dover, that he expressed much disaffection to the Parliament and commonwealth, and retarded the passage of several packets which concerned the service. This ought to be inquired into, so that if he be guilty, he may be removed. Summoning the parties before you, send up their examinations, that some further order may be given. [*I. 97, p. 54.*]

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Council of State to the Commissioners of Sequestrations, Haberdashers' Hall. The enclosed letter from the Commissioners of Customs, with the examinations, having been presented to us, you are to examine the matter, and take proceedings therein. [*I. 97, p. 55; I. 66, p. 152.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Mayor of Dartmouth. Having received a petition from several well-affected persons in Dartmouth, that Mr. Pendarvis may preach in St. Saviour's Church, Dartmouth, take care that he has such liberty every Lord's Day after four p.m., and on Friday afternoons, and at other times when Mr. Hartford does not exercise. [*I. 97, p. 56.*]

Jan. 2.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Twistleton, Governor of Denbigh Castle. Sir Wm. Waller having presented a petition for liberty, and Council having ordered that he should be sent for, take care that he is sent up with speed. [*I. 97, p. 57.*]

Jan. 5.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The committee on the differences between the Mayor and aldermen and the Common Council of London to make their report next Thursday.

3. The Council is to sit every day; when three or more are met in the Council Chamber, they may read petitions, and report on them to Council when it is full, with their opinions.

4. The Committee for Examinations to consider of some way for the ease of Council in the matter of petitions.

7. That committee to bail Mrs. Bunce and her son James Bunce, in such sums and upon such conditions as they think fit.

8. The petition and papers annexed of Capt. Jno. Greene referred to the Admiralty Judges, who are to examine on oath what is therein mentioned, and state the fact with their opinion to Council with speed.

10. The petition of the late Mayor and Sheriff of Worcester referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to consider their condition, peruse the papers concerning them in the hands of the Judge Advocate of the army, and report.

11. The said Judge Advocate to deliver to the said committee all papers relating to the carriage of the late Mayor and Sheriff of Worcester, in admitting Charles Stuart and his adherents into the town.

12. Sir Wm. Constable, Col. Martin, Mr. Nevill, Wm. Masham, and

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Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to be a committee to receive more particular information from Mr. Hotham of his discovery of 14,000*l.*, before further power be given for the levy of it.

13. The four narratives of the cases of the Eastland merchants, of Samuel Mico, of the English merchants trading to Bordeaux, and of William Anderson, as sworn before Council according to the order of Parliament of Dec. 13, to be presented to the House by Alderman Pennington.

14. The letter from Hull of Dec. 27, and the paper enclosed, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

15. The letter and papers of Col. Duckenfield referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

16. The petition of Charles Nay referred to the Committee for Examinations.

18. The Navy Commissioners to treat with Isaac Fuller, painter, for painting one of the new frigates now building in the Thames by way of trial, and when it is done, the commissioners are to certify to Council their opinions of what Fuller shall do.

20. The silk belonging to the Countess of Devonshire, now remaining in custody by order of the Committee for Examinations, to be delivered to her. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 158-161.]

Jan. 5.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall. There are a quantity of oak trees in Causham Park, near Reading, Berks, heretofore belonging to Lord Craven, fit for the navy, and convenient for being brought down the river; forbear disposing of them until further order. [*I.* 97, *p.* 58.]

Jan. 6.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The petition of the Mayor of Preston and others in Lancashire referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

3. The following copy of a bond, to be taken of such persons as Council shall think fit to be let out of prison, approved:—

Know all whom these may concern, that we A., B., C., and D. do hold ourselves firmly bound to the keepers of the liberties of England in the sum of ——— to be paid to the said keepers of the liberties of England, to which payments, well and truly to be made and done, we bind us, and either of us, our and either of our heirs, executors, and administrators, by these presents, under and upon the conditions following:—The condition of this obligation is such, that if E. F. do, at all times within twelve months next ensuing the date hereof, upon respective summons to be left in writing for him at the dwelling-house of G.H., make his personal appearance before the Council of State, or their Committee for Examinations, upon their respective summons, and upon such his appearance, do not depart without the respective leave of the said Council or Committee, and if he, the said E.F., do not act anything, directly or indirectly, to the prejudice of the Parliament or the present Government, that then this obligation to be void, or else to be and remain in full force and virtue.

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4. Lord Commissioner Whitelock and Mr. Bcnd to have power to dispose of 100*l.* for carrying on a service of importance.

5. The account brought in from the Trustees for sale of fee-farm rents to be reported to the House by Mr. Scott.

6. The petition of Edw. Bushell, merchant of London, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to proceed according to law, and if they find any special obstruction whereby Mr. Bushell may not be admitted to make the claim desired in his petition, they are to certify what the obstruction is, that Council may consider further.

7, 8, 9. Lord Crawford Lindsey, Sir Wm. Fleming, and Col. Jno. Buller, close prisoners in the Tower, to have the liberty of the Tower.

10. Mr. Frost to certify to Mr. Berners and ——— that Dr. Sibbald, D.D., a Scotchman, formerly presented a petition to Council for liberty to remain in the commonwealth, and to officiate there, he offering to take the engagement, but that Council laid his petition aside, and now leave it to Berners to proceed with him according to law.

11. The petition and certificate of William Spittlehouse referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are also to consider how some livelihood may be provided for him, he being now discharged from the service of Council.

12. The report from the Committee of Foreign Affairs concerning the account of Geo. Fisher allowed, and Mr. Frost is to pay him 87*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* and the 284 pieces of eight taken by Mr. Fisher of Mr. Ascham when he died, for which Mr. Fisher has accounted, to be paid to Ascham's brother, at 4*s.* 4*d.* a piece.

13, 15. The petitions of Capt. Alexander Montgomery and Thomas Acton referred to the Committee for Examinations.

16. That of Marcellus Rivers to the Admiralty Committee.

17. That of Rich. Swan, of Shrewsbury, to the Ordnance Committee.

18. Mr. Frost to examine the petition of Rich. Nutt, for payment of his arrears to the day of his discharge, and to pay him what is due out of the exigent money.

19, 20. The petitions of Major James Mercer, prisoner at Chelsea, and Thos. Hepborne, prisoner in the Tower, referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

21. Mr. Frost to take such bail for Thos. Freeman, prisoner in the Fleet, as he thinks fit.

22, 23, 25. The petitions of Mary Fletcher, Margaret Roberts and Anne Parrie, of Joshua Fugill, and of Robert Godfrey referred to the Committee for Examinations.

24, 26, 30. Those of Capt. Edw. Gray, of Christopher Rotheram, and of James Wainwright to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

27. That of Capt. Jas. Stopford, on behalf of himself and other inhabitants in Cheshire, referred to the said committee, who are to receive what further propositions shall be made on their behalf, and report what should be done for their encouragement.

29. The Committee for Examinations to give order for bringing up

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Colonel Gerrard, prisoner in the county gaol of Carnarvon, in safe custody, to be examined by them, and to inform themselves whether he has been appointed to be made an example of justice, and report.

31, 32. The petitions of Jacob Jacobson, master of the Prince Maurice, and of Laurence Gibson of Ilfordcombe co. Devon, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

33. *2d.* a day added to the pay of the inferior officers and soldiers of the two regiments appointed for the guard of the Parliament and City, more than is allowed to the rest of the army, and to be paid out of the Lord General's contingencies from 25 Dec. last. [*I.* 66, *p.* 162-171.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Militia Commissioners [at Coventry] for co. Warwick. We sent you a petition from Mr. Doughty, detained by you on suspicion of adhering to the enemies, desiring his liberty, and left it to you to discharge him if his case was as he alleged. We have since received your letter and his examination, by which his condition is more fully represented, as also your reason for not discharging him, and although we approve of your care therein, we now desire that he may be bailed, on bond for his future good abearance. [*I.* 97, *p.* 58 ; *I.* 66, *p.* 158.]

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1. The letter from the Commissioners of Customs referred to the Committee for Examinations.

2. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to move the House that the papers concerning the negotiations with Holland and Spain reported to them may be transmitted to Council, that they may pursue what is referred to them by order of this day.

3. Mr. Frost to prepare all the letters and papers he has concerning the negotiations in Ireland, and with Spain, to be made use of by such committee as Council shall appoint.

4. The Ordnance Committee to consider the petition of Lord Brook and the powers of Council as to what is mentioned therein.

5. The letter to Lord Chief Justice St. John referred to the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs.

10. The report from the Admiralty Committee, referred to the Ordnance Committee, to be now referred, with the papers annexed, to the Navy Committee. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 171-174.]

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1. The petition of Armiger Warner referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

2. That of Arthur Dew to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

3. That of John Stone, minister, to the Ordnance Committee to report.

4. Mr. Martin and Col. Blake added to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. That committee to treat with the Ambassadors extraordinary from the States General, and Lord Commissioner Lisle and Lord

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Bradshaw, to take special care of that business, and order all papers necessary for the transaction of that work to be ready.

6. Mr. Martin and Mr. Nevill to draw up an answer to the first paper of the Spanish Ambassador, concerning the murder of Mr. Ascham, and present it to Council.

7. Sir Oliver Fleming, Master of the Ceremonies, to take to the Spanish Ambassador a copy of the order of Parliament whereby it is referred to Council to demand a sight of the powers of the said Ambassador, and report the same to the House.

10. The list of the ships appointed for the summer guard to be reported to the House by General Blake.

15. Sir Oliver Fleming to consider what is fit to be allowed to the coachmen who attended the receiving of the Ambassadors from the United Provinces. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 177-180.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Militia Committee of London. We approve what you have done on the Act of Parliament of 15 Aug., and on our order for raising horse and arms, and of your accepting 20*l.* for providing a horse and arms, and also a month's pay, and disposing of a good part thereof for that purpose; and the treasurers are hereby authorised to give tickets for repayment, as the Commissaries are enabled to do for horse and arms in kind brought in. [*I.* 97, *p.* 59.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Navy Committee. The enclosed papers presented to the Admiralty Committee, as to providing guns for the frigates now building, were referred to the Ordnance Committee, and again referred back as being more proper for you. We therefore send them, that you may see what is desired, and order accordingly. [*I.* 97, *p.* 60.]

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1. The petition of Rich. Stevens referred to the Committee for Examinations.

2. That of Anth. Fulhaver and Hans Kennie to the Committee for Prisoners.

3. That of Thomas Billingsley and Sarah Collins to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to consider the same, as also the representation from the East India Company concerning the business of Amboyna.

4. The Committee for Examinations to examine James Turner, apprehended by warrant of Council.

5. The giving passes into foreign parts referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

6. Lady Stanhope to give security to Mr. Frost, by two sufficient sureties, to appear before the Committee for Examinations in order to her examination, and not to depart but by their order.

7. Thomas Sampson to be discharged, on taking the engagement, and giving his own bond on the usual terms.

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8. The petition of Christopher Harle referred to the Admiralty Committee and Gen. Blake.

9. Mr. Frost to pay Robert Eyre 5*l.*, in consideration of his labour, pains, and adventure to prevent the firing of gunpowder lodged with the fireworks in Whitehall, part of which were blown up last October.

11. The petition of Abraham Johnson referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

13. The Surveyor of Works to take care that the quarters at James's House, appointed for the soldiers who are upon the guard of Parliament, be forthwith repaired, and that some convenient place be also fitted for receiving three companies more, instead of at Sion College.

14. The paper concerning the raising of forces by Col. Wanton last August referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

15. The petition of Eliz. Alkin referred to the Committee for Examinations.

16. The paper brought in by Mr. Nevill, in answer to the first from the Spanish Ambassador, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

17. The report of the Committee on the difference between the Lord Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council to be read next Monday.

18. Mr. Sidserfe, a Scotchman, close prisoner in the Tower, to have the liberty of the Tower.

19. The petition of Barnard Cordus, of Lubec, referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

20. That of Hugh Craford to the Committee for Prisoners to report.

21. Order, that Andrew Wood, William and Jas. Grey, Robert and Alex. Nerne, John and Laurence Blare, and John and Hugh Ramsey, Scotchmen, prisoners in the Tower, on giving security in 100*l.* each for their good behaviour, and taking the engagement, be permitted to go to Scotland on parole, rendering themselves to Major-Gen. Lambert within 14 days after their arrival, to be disposed of as he shall think fit; and in regard they can give no other security, they are to be bound one for the other.

22. Major-Gen. Dalyell, prisoner in the Tower, to be allowed 5*s.* a week for his subsistence.

23. Lord Geo. Spivie to be allowed the liberty of the Tower, for the benefit of his health.

24. Mr. Frost to examine the bill of the keeper of Sir Abraham Shipman, now prisoner in the Tower, and pay it, not exceeding 5*s.* a week.

25. The report from the Committee for Prisoners concerning Major-Gen. Monro referred back to them.

26. Thomas Newberry, of Portsmouth, to be speedily sent for, and instructions given him to repair to the respective garrisons, forts, and castles in the West, and take care that the brass ordnance there be forthwith sent to the Tower, with all broken pieces of brass and iron.

27. Order to be given to John Butler, of Exeter, to deliver a brass demi-cannon of 5,000 lbs. to Thos. Newberry; and the captains and

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masters of ships in the service to receive guns on board, and transport them. Newberry to take their receipt for them, and send up a duplicate to the Council. Newberry to be allowed 3*l.* a week travelling charges, and all incident expenses.

32. Order that Armiger Warner,—who seized the Sarah and Elizabeth of Amsterdam, laden with valuable goods, which he has appraised by Exchequer Commission according to the Act of 9 Oct. last—return half the ship and goods to the Collectors for Prize Goods, he certifying to Council what he returns, and they what they receive. The other half to be disposed of by Warner, according to the said Act.

34. Wm. Ryley, son of William Ryley, Clerk of the Records, appointed to receive, by indenture from the Master of the Rolls, the records, papers, and bonds that are to be sent into Scotland.

36. The bark, with her tackle, taken by the Mayor of Preston and others, wherein they surprised Capt. Cotterell, a pirate, with their chief pilot, and 17 others, to be bestowed upon them, for their good service and their charges in carrying their prisoners to York, and a letter of thanks to be also written to them. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 182–189.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to John Bond, at Minehead. Part of one of the troops of [Capt. Bagnall's] horse, lately shipped from Milford Haven for Ireland, has been driven back by foul weather to Minehead, and both horses and men have been receiving refreshments there for several days; we have sent orders to their quartermaster [Wm. Cooper] to re-embark for Ireland, and authorise you, out of the residue in your hands of the 600*l.* paid you for the impressed soldiers for Ireland, to discharge their quarters until they are reshipped, but not exceeding the rates in the enclosed paper.

In case any refuse to reship, forbear paying them, and advertise us, that order may be taken for their disbanding; also lay sufficient provisions on shipboard for their voyage, and send the 40 barrels of powder, 12 packs of match, and 24 barrels of musket balls which you received from Taunton Castle. Be mindful to tie the shipmaster by charter-party to bring you a certificate of their delivery from the Revenue Commissioners, or the Governor and Commissary of the stores where he delivers them, which you are to transmit to us, or to the Irish and Scotch Committee. Pay the freight thereof, and in case the remainder of such money will not discharge all, you shall be supplied with what is wanting. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 61–62; *I.* 66, *p.* 190.]

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1. Petition of the merchants of the Hanse Towns of Germany, inhabiting the Stilyard, London, to the Council of State, for exemption from the present taxes demanded by the London Commissioners, and from all taxes, tolls, levies, assessments, and other charges, as before mutually stipulated, and as the English Merchant Adventurers in Hamburg and Germany have. Have always been discharged before, the ward having rather made advantage of their persons than subjected them to charges. [*1 page.*]

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1. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to sit to-morrow.
2. The desires of Mr. Brewster referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
4. John Jeames to be bailed, on bond in 1,000*l.* with two sureties in 500*l.*, on the usual conditions.
5. The petition of Col. Hen. Rainsford, prisoner in the Gatehouse, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine him and report.
6. The petition of Fras. Holt and Hugh Salesbury referred to the Admiralty Committee.
7. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to meet on Wednesday.
9. The letter of Capt. Chapman, from the Recovery in Mount's Bay, referred to the Admiralty Committee.
10. Mr. Lysons and Mr. Bridges, of Worcester, to be bailed on such security as the Committee for Examinations shall think fit.
11. Sir Wm. Hart referred to the said Committee, who are to examine him and report.
12. The letter and papers of Mr. Appletree, from Doddington, referred to the said committee.
13. The Lieutenant of the Tower to bring Lieut.-Gen. Middleton in safe custody to the Council of War, when they send for him.
14. The business between the Court of Aldermen and the Common Council to be reported on Thursday.
15. The petition of the masters of Dutch ships to be sent to the Admiralty Judges, and they desired to proceed speedily to justice as desired, and meantime to certify what proceedings have already been had.
16. Wednesday next appointed for bringing in and reading the reports from any committees concerning the Isle of Man.
17. Capt. Blackwell, jun. and Capt. Deane to examine and state the account presented to Council by Lord Grey, of the charges of Leicestershire in raising and sending two regiments of horse for the service of Worcester; to peruse the lists and muster rolls, and ascertain whether the accounts are made up at the rate of pay allowed in the establishment on foot at the time when those troops were in service.
18. Mr. Corbett and the rest of the committee appointed to consider the report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, about bringing in the money upon the militia assessments from such counties as had not raised it, to make a report thereof, whereby Leicestershire, Cheshire, Staffordshire, and other forward counties may be reimbursed their extraordinary charge, in their late active appearance against the enemy. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 191-194.]

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2. Wm. Cockayne, Governor, and the Company of the East India Merchants to the Ordnance Committee. We do not find in the transactions of our court any commission given to our agents to make sale of the company's saltpetre for less than 4*l.* 8*s.* ready money, to be discounted out of our own customs, neither can we understand that our agents who attended you made any offer but for ready money, and

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to deliver the refined saltpetre as we received it, which has always been our custom. We do not however refuse to refine the unrefined, and hope it is not your intention that, having lost six months already, we should be put to a longer time, except at a higher price. Let the powder merchants conclude the bargain with us without loss of time, that we may dispose of the rest, as we expect a far greater quantity this summer. [1 page.]

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1. The Irish and Scotch Committee to make a speedy report on a former reference for fit allowance to [John] Canne, preacher to the garrison [at Hull], as also for the safety of that place.

2. The petition of the merchants trading to the Canaries referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs and Trade, who are to hear the merchants and report.

3. Col. Morley added to the said committee.

4. Mr. Scott, Mr. Gurdon, Sir Wm. Masham, Mr. Burrell, Lord Bradshaw, and Col. Purefoy, to be a committee to consider the estimate presented to Council by Mr. Carter, Surveyor General of Works, about the repairs of James's House, and what orders have been made thereon.

5. The letter, petition, and representation from the assistants of Dover harbour to be reported to the House by Col. Morley.

7. The petition of the Mayor, Jurats, and Commonalty of Dover referred to the Admiralty Committee, to examine and report.

8. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning an establishment for Jersey, recommitted to them, to put it in the form of a report to be made to the House.

9. The papers from the Spanish Ambassador to be reported to the House by the Lord President.

10. The petition and papers of Lord Montgomery, of Ardes, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

11. The paper reported to Council to be given in answer to the Spanish Ambassador referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

13. The letter from Col. Duckenfield concerning the Isle of Man to be considered to-morrow, when the business of that isle is taken up.

14. The letters drawn in answer to that of the Duke of Tuscany and to that of his agents to be reported to the House.

15. Lord Grey, Sir Wm. Constable, and Mr. Gurdon to deliver back to Council the reports given them to report to the House concerning the Isle of Man, for further consideration.

16. Mr. Rowe to be sent to for such letters and papers relating to the Isle of Man as have been referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

17. Order, on the petition of William Dugard, that Council cannot make a recommendation, but leave the Common Council to make choice of their own servant, in place of the person deceased, but having good proofs of the petitioner's abilities as a printer for the

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State, and not conceiving that to be any impediment in his intended suit, they leave him to prosecute the same.

18. The narratives of Charles Thorold and John Gould, John Southwood, jun., Robert and Thos. Ingram, Jas. Cooke, Godfrey Lee and Slingsby Bethell, and others, John Parker, Henry Croone, John Wilcox, and Mathew Foster, Arnold Beake, Peter Mathewes, and Wm. Moore, Maurice Thomson, Geo. Crowle, John Ramsey, Robert Allan, Thos. Finsham, and John Rookes, of several merchants trading to the Levant seas, as also of Barnard Ellers, John Sandys, James Clerke, Robert Aldus, Phil. Trevors, and Thos. Cox, concerning the eel ships, to be reported to the House.

21. A representation having been made to Council of the many good services of John Canne, minister, now residing at Hull, where, by the exercise of the ministry he has done much good upon the spirits of people there, and as he is not provided for by any settled maintenance, either as minister to the garrison or in the town, the Committee for Irish and Scotch Affairs are to consider in what way a constant allowance may be made for his encouragement in that good work, and report. [*I. 66, pp. 197-203.*]

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3. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. We ordered a vessel to be employed for convoying the barks that trade from Sandwich, Dover, and other places in Kent to London, to secure them from pirates; the *Mayflower* was hired, and the time of her service having expired, and there being the same reason for continuing such a convoy, we desire you to re-hire her for six months. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page. Also *I. 97, p. 63.*]

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Leopard,
Naples Road.

4. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. In my last, of 30 Dec., I advised you of our surprising the French santee near the Malora, which I have sold to Geo. Baker, a merchant at Naples, and left 12 pieces of skamity with him to be sold for the State; the remainder of her goods I have kept, and will give an account of. I have furnished our three ships with five months' bread, wine, and pork, but the beef is so bad we take but a small quantity, hoping to find better in Turkey.

The *Ann Bonadventure* of London arrived here from Venice on the 3rd, and had lost her bowsprit and foremast in a storm. Foul weather and high winds have compelled us to remain long here, and hindered our merchant ships in every port. We are ready to depart for Messina, and if wind had permitted, would have sailed with the *Mary* and *Levant Merchant* for Smyrna, and the *Richard* and *William* for Scanderon. The *Mary Rose* and *Agreement* are to stay at Messina, and the *Benjamin* and *Two Brothers*, with a small ship of Plymouth, is also bound there with us; 20 men-of-war have left Toulon, it is supposed, for Barcelona. [*1 page.*]

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5. Order in Parliament that the Navy Committee have power to examine on oath, and hear all abuses committed by any officers of the navy. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

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1, 2, 4. The petitions of Gregory Clement and Maurice Thomson and Company, of Maurice and Wm. Thomson, and of Dan. Skinner, merchant, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to state and certify.

3. The petition of Daniel and Thos. Skinner, merchants, referred to the said judges, who are to examine and certify whether the case is ready for letters of reprisal.

5. The Lord General and his Council of War to consider the engagements passed in 1648 by Lieut.-General Middleton, and others of the Scottish nation, to be true prisoners, and to proceed against them for breach of their paroles, or for any other cause within their cognizance.

6. A copy of the paper read this day to be sent to the Commissioners in Scotland, and the paper itself referred to the Committee for Examinations.

7. The order of Parliament to nominate some fit person to command the military forces in Ireland, under the Lord Lieutenant, to be considered next Friday.

8. That concerning the Ordnance officers and the stores and armouries referred to the Ordnance Committee, to report what they have done.

9. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Joyce referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

10. Also the letter of Col. Heane from Jersey.

11. The letter of Col. Salmon from Hull, and the papers, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

12. To write the Commissioners of Customs, enclosing the petition of Hen. Devaux, and desire them, if they find it is true, to order what was taken away to be forthwith restored.

13. The petition of the merchants of the Stillyard referred to the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs.

14. The Admiralty Committee to send for the Admiralty Judges, and ascertain what proceedings have been taken upon the letters of reprisal granted against the Dutch in the case of Mrs. Paulet.

17. The Lieutenant of the Tower to bring the warder to whose custody Lieut.-Gen. Middleton was committed before the Committee of Examinations to-morrow, to be examined concerning his escape.

18. The maid servant of Lieut.-Gen. Middleton, who was also in the chamber, to be also brought before the said committee.

19. Both these persons to be committed to Newgate, the warder for the wilful escape of Middleton, a close prisoner in the Tower for being in arms against the commonwealth, and the servant for being an enemy.

21. Lord President Whitelock to report to Parliament that Lieut.-General Jno. Middleton has this day made his escape out of the Tower, and that notice thereof was given by the lieutenant to Council between 7 and 8 p.m.; that Council immediately issued warrants for a search after him, and sent letters to all the ports for his apprehension, offering 200*l.* reward; and to ask Parliament

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whether it will not be fit to proclaim his escape by sound of trumpet, and a command to all persons to bring him in, with promise of reward.

22. All treaties with foreign states and princes to be managed by papers; of all given in on the part of this commonwealth, one is to be the authentic one signed in English, and the other a translation of it in Latin.

23. Nothing is to be taken as part of the treaty but what is delivered in paper and signed.

24. No papers agreed on shall be obliging, unless the treaty proceed to a close.

25. The place for the treaty to be in Whitehall.

26. The five persons of the committee who shall manage the treaty with the Dutch to be Lord President Whitelock, Lord Bradshaw, Lord Commissioner Lisle, Mr. Bond, and Mr. Scott.

27. As it is not thought fit that Lord President Whitelock should meet during the time of his presidency, Col. Purefoy is added.

28. The rooms for the treaty to be the three chambers in the gallery, one of which is called the King's bedchamber, and two of the deputies are to view them, and report what should be done to prepare them.

29. Mr. Scott and Col. Purefoy to give order for preparing the rooms. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 204–211.]

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Council of State to the Commissioners of Excise. As by certificate of the registrar accountant in Gurney House, of 1 January, it appears that several persons named who are in arrears for the second half of their purchase money of bishops' lands, have moneys due to them out of the excise, you are to forbear payment, and the moneys are to be defalked as part of their respective purchases, the total being 2,621*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.* [*I.* 66, *p.* 212.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Committee of Parliament for removing obstructions in sale of bishops' and deans' and chapters' lands. By the enclosed certificate of the registrar at Gurney House, we find there is due for the second moities, long since elapsed, in the money doubled at Goldsmiths' Hall, 6,983*l.* 5*s.* 3*d.*, parcel of the 400,000*l.* appointed by the Act of 27 June 1649 to be disposed of by the Council of State. The affairs of the commonwealth requiring this money, it should not be detained in the hands of private persons; put yourselves in a way of compelling the persons in arrear to pay in the money, and order the treasurers to secure this money for the public service, to be only issued by warrants from Council. [*I.* 97, *p.* 66.]

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Council of State to the Commissioners of Customs and officers at the several ports. Lieut.-Gen. John Middleton, a Scotchman, and an enemy who had formerly broken his parole, was committed to the Tower, whence he has this day escaped. Make a very strict search of

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all that seek to pass your port into parts beyond sea, that no person may pass upon any pretence whatsoever, who may be like Middleton; he is tall, with black hair, a red face, and high nose. If you apprehend him, keep him in strict custody until he can be securely sent up to Council; 200*l.* will be given to any that apprehend and bring him up. As this affair is of consequence, use your utmost diligence. [*J.* 97, p. 65.]

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Edinburgh.

6. *And. Sandelands* to John Milton, at his house in Petit France, beyond Westminster. Thanks for yours of 3 Jan. When I left Major-Gen. Deane, he desired me to apply in his absence to Major-Gen. Overton and Col. Lilburne, but within a day or two, Major Overton was necessitated to remove to the west of Scotland, so that I could not express myself concerning the Scots' woods so freely as I intended, and despairing of his return, I resolved to have recourse to Col. Lilburne, who favoured both myself and my design; and because words oftentimes vanish into air, I expressed myself in writing, as by the enclosed will appear.

You perceive by his letter that he urges me to an impossibility, either to undertake the work myself, or procure one. Lord Tullibardine, who has a third of the wood, refuses, because no private man, in these times, is able to carry on the work, not having power to command either the soldiery or the country to afford him requisite assistance. No Scotchman will undertake it, as it is reputed a disservice to the King and country. The best way would be to engage either your East country or Norway merchants, your timber masters, or such citizens in London as deal in pitch and tar; thus you will make a sure bargain, although not so profitable, for if the State will set men at work, they may make 1,000*l.* for every 100*l.* I demonstrate to Col. Lilburne that the State undertaking the work, may have abundance of tar for nothing, and timber which will not only defray all charges, but pay your garrisons in the Highlands and the north of Scotland. For my further encouragement, give me leave to renew my petition to you, to procure me the gift of that weather-beaten scull of my noble patron, so that it may no longer remain a contemptuous object, and *ludibrium Presbyterorum Scotorum*, who are the basest of men.

We are very inclinable to peace here, except Jack Presbyter, who is still a sworn enemy to civil government, and from the first, refused the magistrates of Edinburgh to have a voice in the election of that sacred beast the ruling elder, because forsooth they have taken the engagement, and submitted to [the commonwealth of England, forgetting that they had established a Scotch commonwealth these eight years. [2 pages.] *Enclosing,*

6. 1. *And. Sandelands* to Robert Lilburne, Commander-in-Chief of the forces in Scotland. The wood of Glenmorieston, lying within 5 or 6 miles of Loch Ness, is most useful for masts and deal boards. The woods that lie on the river Dee, belonging to the Marquis of Huntley and the Earl of Marr, will afford you both timber and tar. The best in all Scotland for tar is the wood of Abernethy, a

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red fir and full of sap. If the State set 100 or 200 men to work next March, to fell some part of it, they may this summer burn as much of the wood as may furnish their navy with tar for a year. And if next year they set men to work to fell the wood, from Christmas 1653 to the end of the following March, they may make as much tar the summer after as may furnish these nations for divers years. Besides, the best of the timber being saved, it will not only defray all charges, but yield a large sum for payment of the garrisons in the Highlands and north of Scotland. The charcoal of the burnt wood will pay the men's wages that attend the tar works, and the tar may be carried in waggons and carts to the mouth of Spey, if a small charge be bestowed in mending one or two places in the way.

After a great rain, you may send the timber in floats down the river, two or three men attending them on each side of the river, so that if they lay hold of the bushes, they may be put off into the middle of the stream. At the mouth of Spey, 2 or 3 boats, taking the advantage of the tide, may stop the float from going into the sea, and bring it to the wharf or timber yard which is to be built at the Laird of Grant's charge, as appears by the lease granted by him to Capt. Masson. This will be a very convenient place for building your saw mills, and safe from the violence of the enemy.

The tar works will require 20 or 30 men, for bringing and carrying the wood, attending the work, &c., and although the country assist you, yet you must have 4 or 5 draughts of your own; oxen will be cheaper than horses. They may make their barrels for the tar of fir, and there must be coopers, wheelwrights, smiths, &c., who may have good accommodation, for there are houses already built, and the Laird of Grant is bound to afford them 100 acres of arable and pasture land. The upper part of the wood is already secured by the garrison of Rivin in Badgenoch. The lower part may be secured by putting a garrison in Balla Castle, the Laird of Grant's House, or by commanding him and his friends to keep a strong guard for the defence of the workmen.

I have been at some pains and charge in searching for workmen, and could not find any in Lothian, Fife, or Angus; but Mr. Dun of Berwick assures me 2 or 3 may be found there very useful for tar work. If the State will employ Mr. Dun, he can draw workmen out of Norway before April next, and if he refuse, I know of an honest man that will. Or a letter from Benjamin Bonnell, agent for the Queen of Sweden at London, may procure workmen to come before May, which will be soon enough to burn the wood for extracting the tar. If the State will employ Mr. Gordon, junior, of Stralich, he and

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I will, in a few months, view all the woods in Scotland that are within the State's quarters, and so divide them that you may know how much may be cut yearly, and what may be excepted from the several woods. I am ignorant of the necessities of the State, but I know that the season of the year requires present action. I entreat you to certify the Council of State of my real endeavours to do them service.—Edinburgh, 14 January 1652. [Copy, 2 pages.]

Jan. 16. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letters of marque granted by the Admiralty Court to the administrators of Paulet, against ships of the United Provinces, suspended until further order, and the Admiralty Judges to issue notice accordingly.

2. Lord Bradshaw excused at his own request from his employment as a commissioner to meet the States' Ambassadors.

3. The desires of Robert Gardiner, chief fire-master of Ireland, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

4. Viscount Lisle added to the commissioners who are to meet the States' Ambassadors.

5. Mr. Challoner to make the report of the Merchants' narratives, sworn at Council, in lieu of Alderman Pennington.

6. 20s. a week to be allowed to Major-Gen. O'Neale for subsistence, as long as he is kept a prisoner.

7. Major-Gen. O'Neale to be committed close prisoner to the Tower, for being in arms against Parliament.

8. The charge of the hire of the chamber in which he shall be kept prisoner to be paid by the State.

9. Col. MacDonnell to be committed close prisoner to the Gatehouse, for having been in arms against Parliament, and strict charge given to the keeper to have a special care of him.

10. 2s. a day to be allowed him whilst kept a prisoner.

11. The Committee for Examinations to send for the Earl of Dumfries, and examine him as to what he knows of the escape of Lieut.-General Middleton from the Tower, and of his present being, and report his answers.

12. Also to send for Major-Gen. O'Neale and Col. MacDonnell, and examine them as to the correspondence held between the Irish and any other foreign states or princes, and report.

13. To signify to the Lieutenant of the Tower that he is not to suffer any officer belonging to the Tower to take anything from Major-Gen. O'Neale upon his commitment, and if there be any fee due, the State will see it satisfied.

14. The Committee for Examinations to send for Major Gouch, prisoner in the Upper bench, and speak with him as to what he has to offer to them.

15. Mr. Fanshaw to have his liberty continued until 1 June next, upon his former security.

16. In pursuance of the order of Parliament of the 7th inst.,

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings (*cont.*)

Council have appointed Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, Viscount Lisle, Mr. Bond, Mr. Scott, and Col. Purefoy, to meet the Ambassadors of the United Provinces, receive their overtures in writing, and report to Council.

17. The commissioners to meet the Ambassadors in Whitehall on Monday at 10 a.m., and Sir Oliver Fleming to give them notice hereof to-night.

21. The instructions for Capt. Hen. Hatsell, and the warrant to John Jackson to pay him 300*l.* for ships and vessels taken up by him for Jersey and Guernsey, which are brought in from the Irish and Scotch Committee, to be signed and sent.

23. The petition of Capt. Nich. Read referred to the Admiralty Committee. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 213-218.]

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Whitehall.

Instructions to Capt. Hen. Hatsell. You are to hire, or, if needs be, to impress ships, mariners, &c. to fetch the horse and foot that are to be brought from Jersey and Guernsey. You are to order the vessels to sail with the first wind, and if possible, to be yourself on the place to see the troops shipped, and expedite it, each ship bearing a fit number, to save charge.

You are to pay the masters or owners of ships for their service, and if the money imprested to you for this business does not suffice, you are to pay the rest out of the 2,000*l.* in your hands to buy provisions. [*I.* 66, *p.* 218.]

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Caen.

7. Instructions by Lord Inchiquin for Ralph Parker—

1. Use your best means that the frigate is not carried away before you fully discover your authority.
2. If Capt. Brett denies that it is my vessel, and the papers you hold shall not be held sufficient to justify me in calling the captain to account, desire that the goods may be sequestered and the ship secured, until the production of further evidence.
3. Send what money you can get to the Marquis of Ormond at Caen, or in his absence to his lady, but keep 50*l.* to defray charges.
4. Take all the prize goods and other goods in satisfaction for freight while the frigate was engaged upon merchant voyages, and sell and dispose of the same according to these instructions.
5. For further instructions, use your own discretion. [$1\frac{1}{2}$ *pages*, *holograph.*]

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8. Act of general pardon and oblivion for all crimes, delinquencies, fines, and forfeitures, before 3 Sept. 1651, to be taken in its most beneficial sense in all courts, excepting,—

- 1-9. All guilty of high treason since 30 Jan. 1649 and their abettors, or of murder, piracy, and other immoralities, or of witchcraft;

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10. Detainers of customs and subsidies, or Excise, due since 30 Jan. 1649 for which bonds are given, or suits depending; and Excise for goods not sold, grown due since 3 Nov. 1650.
 11. Fines on sequestrations and compositions made before 1 Dec. 1651;
 12. Debts of accountants or sequestrators owing money since 3 Nov. 1640;
 13. Forfeitures for debts or penalties since 1649;
 14. Sums granted by Parliament, except tonnage and poundage, and the Excise or new impost;
 15. Debts due to the late King, Queen, or Prince, since 3 Nov. 1640, or by recognizance or judgment since 1625, with certain exceptions;
 16. Firstfruits and tenths;
 17. Offences sentenced in Parliament since 30 Jan. 1649;
 18. Bribery, perjury, and forgery;
 - 19, 20. Export of gold or silver, and melting down of coin;
 21. Export of ordnance;
 22. Detaining or embezzling goods, money, or jewels of the late King, Queen, or Prince;
 23. Issues, fines, or amerciements for the late King, Parliament, or keepers of the liberty of England;
 - 24, 25. Offences by priests or Jesuits, unless they abjure;
 - 26, 27. Persons outlawed;
 28. Persons imprisoned by warrant of Parliament or Council of State, or prisoners-at-war;
 29. Persons involved in offences about highways and bridges;
 30. Forfeitures for export of merchandise;
 - 31-34. Debtors of fee-farm rents, &c., Exchequer bailiffs and accountants, holders of unforfeited recognizances;
 - 35-38. No acts of hostility on behalf of the late King to be called in question after 18 Jan. 1651-2, except those aiding the rebellion in Ireland, and not submitting to Parliament, or those against whom suit is begun before 3 Sept. 1651;
 39. No persons deprived of office to be restored, until proof of fidelity by experience of their conformity.
- Further exceptions:—
40. Those concerned in the murder of Dr. Dorislaus or Mr. Ascham;
 41. Those who do not take the engagement to Parliament before 1 Feb. 1652;
 42. Those concealing the goods, estate, &c. of William Laud, late Archbishop of Canterbury;
 43. Those concerned in riots in Hatfield and the Isle of Axholme, the case relating to which is now before Parliament;
 - 43*a*. Debtors for the army assessments in Essex;
 44. John Webster, of Amsterdam, declared an incendiary between the United Provinces and the Parliament of England;
 45. Persons guilty of waste or spoil in the Crown forests or chases;

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46. Pardon of misdemeanors in the undue obtaining of fines from Mary, widow of Sir Edw. Powell in Sept. 1651 ;
47. Pardon of assessments by the Army Committee on counties, cities, &c. from 1 April 1645 ;
48. Debtors of the late King, though the debts were allowed in their compositions ;
49. Tenants of delinquent landlords not to be prejudiced in redress of their grievances ;
50. Charles Cavendish, Viscount Mansfield, eldest son of William Earl of Newcastle, and George Lord Goring, with his two sons, George and Charles, excepted ;
51. No collectors of assessments to be charged with more moneys than came to their hands, and accounts to be passed on their being sworn to as true before the Barons of Exchequer or judges of assize ;
52. Persons to whom moneys are owing on sequestered estates to have no power to recover, unless they appeal within four years of the sequestration.

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of the Earl of Bridgewater referred to the Committee for Examinations.
2. The petition of Wm. Brenton to the Admiralty Judges.
3. The Committee for Examinations to examine Wm. Legg upon the matter debated at Council, and to bail him on security, if they judge fit.
4. The bill of John Collyton, brought in by Wm. Legg, for iron and brass ware for furnishing a room for the treaty, referred to the appointed committee, who are to certify Mr. Frost what to pay for these and other necessities.
5. The letter from the Commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall of the 15th inst. to be reported to the House by Mr. Bond.
6. Lieut.-Col. Montgomery and Major Ennis committed close prisoners to the Gatehouse, for having been in arms against Parliament, and for breaking prison after being taken.
7. Also the two watermen who carried them.
8. The Committee for Examinations to examine them, and also to examine the two watermen who were carrying them on ship-board concerning their escape, and dismiss them on bail if they think fit.
9. The letter and information of justices of peace for Suffolk referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what is fit to be done for the security of those coasts, and to hasten the setting out of the fleet to sea, and report its state weekly to Council.
10. 10*l.* to be given to the searchers at Gravesend, for their care in apprehending Lieut.-Col. Montgomery and Major Ennis.

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13. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare something to be brought to Council for debate, in order to the answer to be given to the 3 propositions given in to the Commissioners of Council appointed to treat with the [Dutch Ambassadors].

14. The Council to meet to-morrow to consider the 3 propositions.

15. The letters and papers from the commissioners and officers in Ireland referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to prepare answers to be sent from Council, and to consider how 500 or 600-horses may be sent to Ireland, for mounting men there.

16. The Committee for Examinations to report to Council next Thursday as to the escape of Lieut.-General Middleton, when the order of Parliament concerning the Lieutenant of the Tower is to be considered.

17. The letter from Thos. Wilkes, from Hull Road, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

18. The business between the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council to be considered next Friday.

19. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider the answer to be given to the paper of the Spanish Ambassador, and report.

20. To reply to Thos. Long, Wm. Wayman, and others, that Council will consider their petition, if they increase the number of watermen, or there are any vacancies.

21. The articles against Dr. Eaton, of Axbridge, co. Somerset, to be recommended to the Committee for Plundered Ministers, who are to prosecute him for the offences therein alleged.

23. John Midwood, one of the clerks employed in searching and transcribing the Scotch records, appointed by indenture to receive from the Master of the Rolls the records, papers, and bonds that are to be sent to Scotland, in pursuance of an order of Parliament.

29. Capt. David Lyon, a Scotchman, to have liberty to return to his wife and family in Scotland on parole, he taking the engagement, and giving security in 600*l.* to be of good behaviour, and to surrender to Major-Gen. Lambert within 21 days after his arrival.

44. The petition and narrative of Wm. Burton referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 219-229.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. We hear from Scotland of the necessity of present supplies of money, for prevention of free quarter there; let the 125,000*l.* assigned by you to be brought in to the Treasurers-at-war for pay of the said forces for three months, and for disbanding part of them, be forthwith sent away to the head quarters of the army in Scotland. Grant your warrant to the said treasurers to send away the same, or such part as they have ready, by sea, to be issued by warrant of Major-Gen. Lambert or the

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1652. commander-in-chief there, for pay of the forces and for disbanding. [*I.* 97, *p.* 67.]
- Jan. 19. Council of State to the Commissioners of Customs. We send you
Whitehall. the petition of [Francis or] Jas. Wyche, merchant, and desire you to order the taking up of the goods therein mentioned, and laying them in some of the State's storehouses, until that business can be determined. [*I.* 97, *p.* 68; *I.* 66, *p.* 221.]
- Jan. 19. Council of State to Wm. Hussey, justice of peace for co. Dorset,
Whitehall. &c. By yours from Blandford, with the paper enclosed, we see your care of the peace, for which we thank you, and desire you to continue it against any emergency that may tend to disturb the peace; signify any matter requisite for our knowledge. [*I.* 97, *p.* 69.]
- Jan. 19. Council of State to the Army Committee. Parliament having, by
Whitehall. their order of 7 Oct. last, appointed you to issue such moneys as we think fit, for encouragement and entertainment of forces thought fit to be sent to Ireland, five of Col. Duckenfield's companies that were to be disbanded were designed for Ireland under Lieut.-Col. Finch, for completing Sir Hardress Waller's regiment. In pursuance thereof, five companies have been formed, and ordered to be mustered, that pay may be assigned to them. Some, if not all, were mustered five weeks since, but no pay ordered yet, as all the musters were not returned. Appoint six weeks' pay according to the establishment, for such of the said companies as produce muster rolls, to commence from the date of their musters, as attested by the Deputy Commissary of Musters or by Charles Walley, of Chester.
- As they are to receive a month's advance on account upon shipping, out of which to provide themselves victuals for their sea voyage, and in case the wind prove contrary, or shipping cannot be had, they must stay longer than the said six weeks' pay shall last, and must be kept in pay until transported, appoint 1,400*l.* out of the assessments for the army to be paid to Charles Walley at Chester, to be issued for their payment according to instructions to be given by us. Walley will transmit you an account of what he shall do herein, that if any of the said 1,400*l.* shall remain in his hands after the forces are transported, it may be returned to the Treasurers-at-war. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 72, 73.]
- Jan. 19. Council of State to the Governor of Jersey. There are masts at
Whitehall. Jersey fit for the navy. Send them to Capt. Moulton at Portsmouth for the service, [*I.* 97, *p.* 73.]
- Jan. 19. Council of State to John Jackson. You were appointed treasurer
Whitehall. of the 150,000*l.* and the 200,000*l.* on the Excise, which, by order of Parliament, was to be disposed of by this Council, with 400*l.* a year salary for yourself and clerks, from 29 June 1649. On 16 June last, you were appointed treasurer for the remainder of the 400,000*l.* payable out of the Excise in course, and disposable by Council, and

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also for the sums payable by the Excise Commissioners, in lieu of like sums transferred from the Excise, upon the credit of Deans' and Chapters' lands. You are to pay yourself and clerks, for this latter service, 300*l.* a year, from 25 Dec. last, from the sums paid by the Commissioners of Excise. [*I.* 66, *p.* 224; *I.* 103, *p.* 55.]

Jan. 19. 9. Order of the Admiralty Committee that the Navy Commissioners certify by Wednesday how many of the double shallops that went for Scotland have arrived in the Thames, and been paid off, and where they are laid up or disposed of; and that meantime they keep them in good repair. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

Jan. 20. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of the Whale Fishery Company to Greenland referred to the Committee for Plantations, to report.

2. The petition and papers of Mathew Francklin to the Admiralty Judges, to state the fact on oath, and report.

3, 4. Also the petition of Fras. Hardidge and company, and the petition and papers of Rich. Beare, Jas. Man, and Edw. Bushell, and company, referred in like manner.

5. Mr. Carew, Scott, Challoner, Gurdon, Masham, Corbett, and Bond to be a committee to consider the paper containing some propositions of convenience as to the attendance to be given to Council at their sitting, and to report.

7. The letter of the Marshal General of the Army, as also of Lieut.-Col. Montgomery to him, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to make use of in examining Lieut.-Col. Montgomery.

8. The petition of De la Cloche referred to the said committee to report, and if there are any papers in the hands of Mr. Frost concerning him, or any order of Council, they are to be sent to that committee.

9, 10, 11. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare an answer upon the debate on the first, second, and third propositions of the Dutch Ambassador, presented to Council 19th Jan.

12. The Committee for Examinations to take bail and security of Charles May, late servant to James, second son of the late King, and discharge him.

14. The nominating a Commander of the Forces in Ireland to be considered to-morrow, and special summons sent to the members to meet at 3 p.m.

15. The petition and narrative of Christ. Nicolson, merchant of Newcastle, referred to the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs.

16. The Committee for Examinations to take security of Daniel Crawford, in such conditions as they think fit.

17. The letter of Col. Duckenfield from Duckenfield referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

18. The business of the Isle of Man to be considered to-morrow.

19. The petition of the city of London, referred to Council by order of Parliament, referred to the Committee on the differences between the Court of Aldermen and Common Council. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 230-233.]

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Whitehall. Council of State to Doctors Clerke and Wright. Several very considerable military officers are sick in Ireland, and there is a great want of physicians. Think of some fitly qualified, who will be willing and presently ready to be dispatched thither, and send their names to us or to the Irish and Scotch Committee, by whom care will be taken to furnish them out, and order will be taken for their established maintenance. In regard of the necessity of the service, return the names of two or more with all speed. [*I. 97, p. 70.*]
- Jan. 20.
Whitehall. Council of State to the Army Committee. We recommend to you the petition from Rich. Mather, of Haughton, co. Lancaster, and the certificates annexed, that the forces of Col. Lilburne, appointed last August to attend the motions of the Earl of Derby, were quartered upon him, to his very great damage. The business relating to quarter taken by the forces is more proper for your cognizance. Let some relief be given the petitioner, he being very much impoverished by the quarters thus taken. [*I. 97, p. 71.*]
- Jan. 20.
Whitehall. Council of State to the Governor of the Isle of Man. We send you the petition of Laurence Gibson, of Ilfracombe; if the matter of fact is as suggested, deliver him his vessel, with her furniture and tackle, and also such of her lading as remains undisposed of. [*I. 97, p. 74.*]
- Jan. 20.
Whitehall. Council of State to John Tooker [Collector of Customs] and Edw. Jewell [Collector for Prize Goods] at Barnstaple. We find, by the petition of the owners of the Margaret of Northam, and by your letter, that their vessel, seized by you, has been discharged, upon their paying 22*l.* 10*s.*; but as the vessel was seized by pirates, in whose possession she remained but a short time, and was afterwards brought in by some of the inhabitants of Barnstaple, who had lost their vessels by the said pirates, we desire you to restore the said 22*l.* 10*s.* to the owners of the said ship. [*I. 97, p. 74; I. 66, p. 225.*]
- Jan. 20.
Whitehall. Council of State to Messrs. Tooker and Jewell, Barnstaple. Understanding by the petition of Jacob Jacobson, that you have seized his vessel until further order, we desire, if the matter of fact is as suggested, that you restore the vessel to him, as also such rigging and furniture as remain in your hands, or certify the particulars with all speed. [*I. 97, p. 75.*]
- Jan. 20.
Leopard,
Messina. **10.** Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. Since my last on the 13th, the southerly winds changed on the 18th. We set sail, as did also the fleet of Hollanders, merchantmen and their convoy, and they are now in the Vayre of Messina. The commanders of the Mary, the Levant Merchant, and Richard, and William having desired convoy for Smyrna and Scanderoon, I shall go with them in the Leopard and Constant Warwick, and leave the Bonadventure at Messina, to conduct the Agreement for Zante, and the Mary Rose for Scanderoon; as having goods to deliver in this port, they might

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prolong our voyage, and be a hindrance to the merchant ships that have no occasions here. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of John Brocke, late commander of the Insurance, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to give order for sending down a commission of inquiry to examine the whole business, and to prepare an Act to be offered to Parliament for preventing such barbarous carriage for the future.

3, 4. The petitions of Col. Wm. Sloughter and of Sir Jno. Douglas, prisoners in the Tower, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to take their bail on fit conditions, and set them at liberty.

7. The petition of Thos. Ewen and Andrew Rand referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. That of Eliz. Terres to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

10. To reply to the paper given in from the Ambassadors of the United Provinces, that Council has directed the Admiralty Judges to issue a suspension of the letters of reprisal granted against the United Provinces, but that the proceedings against ships taken before suspension are to continue according to law, on desire of several shipmasters, as will appear by their petition to Council.

11. The Lord President to offer to Parliament, as the opinion of Council, that Major-General Lambert should be appointed to the command of the military forces in Ireland, under the Lord Lieutenant.

12. The petition of Rich. Bradshaw to be presented to Parliament by Mr. Scott, who is to inform them that the petitioner is speedily to depart on the public service, and Council is desirous he should be expedited, and hopes he may not suffer in the business mentioned during his absence.

13. The paper of desires of Mr. Wollaston referred to the Ordnance Committee to report.

14. The petition of Capt. Jas. Stopford, with reference to the arming of his company and carrying a plantation of English people to Ireland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

15. The petition of Rich. Townsen referred to the Committee for Examinations, who, if they think fit, are to order Mr. Frost to pay him a reward not exceeding 20*l*.

16. The petition of Francis Tracie and Margaret Evans referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to consider how they may be relieved, and report.

18. So much of the order of Parliament of 17 Dec. as referred to Council the consideration of what further recompense, besides the price for work done, should be given to Thos. Simons, for his extraordinary pains, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

25. The petition of Lord Montgomery of Ardes, and the late Lord Deputy's pass, protection, and answers to his desires and proposals, to be reported to the House. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 235-241.]

Jan. 21.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Having appointed Capt. John Taylor master shipwright at Chatham, and there being a house there belonging to that office, we desire you to order that he be forthwith put into possession thereof. [*I.* 97, *p.* 76.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Irish and Scotch Committee to meet the Ordnance Committee, concerning making a supply of stores and ammunition for the artillery trains in Ireland and Scotland, and report.

2. Mr. Bond, Sir Gilbert Pickering, Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, the Lord President, and Lord General, to be a committee to receive the proposition offered to Council for discovery of money, and to report.

3. The petition and narrative of divers clothiers of Ipswich referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

4. To intimate to the Admiralty Judges that Council do not conceive it to be the judges' duty to receive any addresses from, or hold any correspondence with the Ambassadors or public ministers of any foreign state or prince, concerning any business depending before them.

5. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to meet to-morrow, and consider the paper given in by the Ambassadors of the United Provinces, and prepare an answer, which they are to report to Council in the afternoon.

6. The sense of the order of Council conceived last night, for explaining a former order as to suspension of letters of reprisal, given to the administrators of the Paulets against the Dutch, to be sent to the Admiralty Judges.

7, 16, 17. The petition of John Chaworth, that of Freeman Browne, Ambrose Harris, and the rest of the mariners of the *Constant*, and that of the Navy Victuallers, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. The estimate given in by Mr. Carter, surveyor of works, of the charge of repairing the quarters at James's House approved, and he to proceed with the reparations.

9. The Irish and Scotch Committee to make an agreement with Sir Maurice Williams, Dr. Denham, and Dr. Goldsmith, M.D.s, for going over to Ireland, and to take care that they are forthwith dispatched.

10. The difference between the Lord Mayor, Court of Aldermen, and Common Council of London, to be reported by the committee to the Council on Tuesday.

11. Col. Greaves to have six months' liberty, on renewing his former security, and on condition that he abides at or within five miles of the house of his mother in co. Worcester, and appears when summoned.

12. The Committee for Examinations to order the apprehension of — Robins and another man mentioned in a letter now with Mr. Scott.

13. The petition of Thos. Bushell, of Ewton, laid aside.

14, 15, 19. The petitions of Geo. Garth, of Moredon, co. Surrey, of Edw. Dendy, and of Sir Gilbert Meinziez, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

18. The petition of Edw. Annesley, storekeeper in the armoury in the Tower, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

21. Order, on reading the paper signed by the Secretary of the Dutch Ambassadors, to answer that Council, by their order of

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16 Jan., directed the Admiralty Judges to issue a suspension of the letters of reprisal granted to the administrators of Paulet against the people of the United Provinces, as to taking of any more ships until further orders from Parliament or Council of State, but that it was not to be interpreted to suspend proceedings against those already taken, Council having in that particular given order on 12 Jan., according to the petition of several Dutch masters of ships, that they should speedily proceed to justice.

22. The like to be signified to the Admiralty Judges.

26. Sir Arthur Hesilrigge to report to Parliament that Council has contracted with Mr. Pennoyer, Daniel Judd, John Freeman, Thos. Steventon, John Semaine, and Geo. Bowerman, powder merchants, to serve the State with 5,000 barrels of English gunpowder, at 4*l.* per barrel, Tower proof, to be delivered by 1,000 barrels a month, and paid for out of the money remaining in the hands of the East India Company due for customs, and out of customs arising on arrival of the ships from India in the spring; and if Parliament approve hereof, that order may be given for payment. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 242-249.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the bailiffs of Ipswich. You will see by the enclosed what is ordered touching Samuel Golty, one of your ministers, and we expect an account from you accordingly; be watchful that nothing, by pretence of pulpit liberty or otherwise, be suffered amongst you to the prejudice of the public peace or of the honour of this Government, which will be best preserved when magistrates are careful of their duties. [*I.* 97, *p.* 77.] *Enclosing,*

- i. *Order of the Committee for Examinations—on the complaint against Saml. Golty, minister, concerning a sermon preached by him in the Tower church, Ipswich, on 5 November, reflecting upon the present Government, and derogating from the goodness and honour of God, in his late glorious and merciful dispensations on behalf of the people and this State, and under pretence of magnifying the ancient mercy of that day, drawing a veil over the splendour of those great and gracious favours of God to the Parliament and whole nation in these later times, which occasioned great offence to divers of his well affected auditory, whereupon complaint was made to Council, who referred it to this committee to bail or discharge him, or to report;—that he should be permitted to return to Ipswich, and at the next public Court, take and subscribe the engagement before the bailiffs and port men, and openly declare that, by his said sermon, he did not intend to reflect upon the Parliament or army, and that he is sorry that any of his auditory were scandalised thereby; such subscription and recognition to be certified to Council by the bailiffs within a month, and the Council's order to be sent to them.—3 January 1652. [*I.* 66, *p.* 248.]*

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- II. *Order on the above report that Council agree with the said committee, and that in the letter to the bailiffs of Ipswich, a copy of the said report and of this order be enclosed, and also delivered to Golty, for his better observance thereof.* [I. 66, p. 247.]

Jan. 22. Council of State to the Army Committee. We find it necessary
Whitehall. to desire you to appoint pay for the forces in Guernsey according to the establishment of 20 Oct. last, so as to make them equal with those in Jersey, to 8 March next. Also order three months' pay to be advanced to Capt. Jno. Clerke for the garrison of Guernsey, according to the late reducement, and three months' pay to Major Wm. Harding for the garrison of Jersey, according to the present new establishment settled for Jersey. Let your warrants for both payments commence on 8 March next. [I. 97, p. 80.]

Jan. 22. Council of State to Capt. Hen. Hatsell. You will see, by the
Whitehall. enclosed despatches and orders to Colonels Bingham and Heane, which of the forces in Guernsey and Jersey are to return to England, and what are to be sent for Ireland. In taking up fit ships to carry them, have respect to our former instructions, and supply them with victuals for their sea voyage. Take into your custody all the biscuit, cheese, or other particulars of any kind remaining in the stores at Jersey (of those that were sent in the victualling ships for London), and take the account of the commissary who was sent with them, and receive from him all the money that was made of the same, by selling them to the soldiers or otherwise, allowing him his salary of 4s. a day from 26 July last, until he be discharged, and for 20 days after, to bear his charges back to London. He is hereby required to deliver up the said provisions, accounts, and money, on your receipt.

Out of these provisions or money, or out of the 2,000*l.* paid to you to buy provisions for the forces in Jersey, you are to lay in victuals for the sea voyage of the men going to Ireland from Guernsey or Jersey, and they shall be allowed on your account; lay out the rest of the money in paying for the hire of the vessels taken up or impressed for this service. Your special care is desired in expediting this business, and for its better carrying on, acquaint Cols. Bingham and Heane with our directions, and advise with them what provision it will be requisite to make for the men that go for Ireland. [I. 97, pp. 81-82.]

Jan. 22. 11. Assignment by John Walker, gent., to John Boulton, goldsmith, both of London, of a warrant for 200*l.* due to him from John Hunt and Humph. Jones, treasurers for the sale of the late King, Queen, and Prince's goods. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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- 1, 6. [Edw.] Penruddock and Sir David Cuninghame, prisoners in the Tower, to have the liberty of the Tower.
2. The petition of Nich. Nash, waterman, referred to the Com-

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missioners of Customs, to certify what they know of him and his employment.

3. The petition of David Hill, of Shadwell in Radcliffe, seaman, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

5. The committee appointed to speak with the agent of the Great Duke of Tuscany to deliver him the paper in answer to his on Wednesday; Mr. Challoner to take care hereof, and notice to be given to the said agent by Sir Oliver Fleming, to attend the committee.

7. The letter of Nath. Cobham, from aboard the Golden Sun in Plymouth Sound, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. Mr. Milton to translate the paper sent to Council from the Holland Ambassadors, and the Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider it and prepare an answer.

11. Lieut.-Col. Joyce to receive back from Major Purling the 500*l.* paid by him, and thereout satisfy the 180*l.* to John Bennet, and the rest of the shipmasters of Dover, according to former order; Col. Joyce to have the assistance of Council, if there be cause, for compelling Major Purling to repay it. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 251-253.]

Jan. 23.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Dixwell, Lieut.-Col. Kelsey, and the Mayor of Dover. Difficulties have arisen as to your proceeding in examining the miscarriages of Whetstone, the postmaster of Dover, through your want of power to take examinations upon oath, and through no quorum being appointed. Yet you must go on speedily with the examination, and if all of you cannot attend, any two are to act. Although you are not empowered to take examinations on oath, yet you should do so in writing, and also permit Whetstone to cross-examine if he shall think fit, and send up the examinations to us. [*I.* 97, *p.* 78.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Thos. Newbury at Portsmouth. You being appointed to gather brass ordnance in the several garrisons in the western parts into the Tower, wait upon us for further directions, that no delay may occur in a work of such great concern. [*I.* 97, *p.* 79.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Charles Walley. Order being given to the Treasurers-at-war to pay you 1,400*l.* on account, for pay of certain companies of [1,200] foot that are to be transported to Ireland, under Lieut.-Col. Finch, you are,—

Firstly, to pay at the usual rate the quarters of the soldiers for the time before they were mustered in complete companies, there being full pay assigned them since they were mustered; but you are not to allow any pay to the officers for the time before they mustered, nor to the soldiers more than for the bare paying of their quarters.

Secondly, you are to pay the officers and soldiers of Lieut.-Col. Finch, Major Duckenfield, Captain Stopford, and Capt. Birtle, at the rate of this enclosed, from 23 January, during the time

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they shall stay for want of shipping or a wind, they losing no opportunity to embark, either together or in part, as vessels can be had to carry them off.

Thirdly, at their shipping, you are to pay them 28 days' pay, both for officers and soldiers, out of which they are to find themselves provisions for their sea voyage. The fifth company now raising under Capt. Massey you are to pay in like manner.

Lastly, out of the remainder of the said 1,400*l.* (if any) you are to reimburse yourself so much as you have laid out for Major Sadler and Capt. Kenyon's companies, above the 500*l.* paid you on account for them.

For the hire of the vessels to carry these companies for Wexford or Waterford, you are to take up money there by exchange, and charge a bill upon us. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 83, 84; *I.* 66, *p.* 252.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Colonels Bingham and Heane. On the present reducement of the supernumerary forces at Guernsey and Jersey, we have designed the numbers mentioned in the enclosed to be transported for Ireland. All your companies are ordered pay beforehand to 8 March next, yet for the encouragement of those that go for Ireland, we resolve to advance them a month's pay more at their shipping, and to provide ships and victuals for their transportation. In order to provide for the said month's pay, we have written to the Army Committee to advance three months' pay from 8 March next, for the garrisons of Guernsey and Jersey, out of which we desire you to issue the said 28 days' advance to the officers and soldiers that go for Ireland, and to transmit us an account what it amounts to, and we will order the like sum to be allowed you upon your next warrants from the Army Committee. Further the dispatch of these forces to Ireland, that they, with the others that are to go out of England, making an accession of strength to the field armies in Ireland next summer, the war there may, with God's blessing, be brought to a speedy period.

These companies are to be brought from Jersey to England to be reduced:—

Capt. Dover's	-	-	-	100
” Heath's	-	-	-	100
” Hughes's	-	-	-	100

With the two troops, except 60 to be left there on the establishment for the garrison. The two troops to be brought to England are not to be disbanded, as the three companies of foot are.

These companies are to be transported from Guernsey and Jersey for Ireland:—

From Jersey:

Capt. Awder's company	-	-	-	100
Out of the Colonel's company to go under the same conduct	-	-	-	80
Out of the Lieut.-Colonel's company to go as above	-	-	-	80
Out of Major Harding's company	-	-	-	40

Such of these as will not go for Ireland are to be sent over to England, to be disbanded.

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From Guernsey :

Capt. Helsham's company	-	-	100
„ Saml. Clarke's „	-	-	100
„ Synock's			100
The 100 private soldiers under Major Lacy are to go under the conduct of the said captains, as recruits, or else to come to England to be disbanded	-	-	100

[I. 97, pp. 85-87.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the commissioners in Scotland. We congratulate you on your safe arrival in Scotland, and wish you speedy and happy progress in your good work. All possible care has been taken for transmitting the money mentioned in your letter from Dalkeith, appointed for the pay of the forces in Scotland, but by reason of the late change of the Treasurers-at-war, a stop was given thereto for some days, which is now removed, and a warrant was issued from Council on the 19th to Capt. Peacock, to receive the money on board the Tiger frigate, and carry it to Scotland, so that we trust, before this shall come to your hands, he will have arrived, and prevent any hindrance to your bringing your business to a good issue. We shall be very careful here, and shall at all times, as we receive advice from you, use our best endeavours for promoting of that service, being very sensible of what concern it is to the settlement of the peace. [I. 97, p. 87.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Power to be given to the Committee for Examinations to send for Lucie Adams, the creditor of Major Gouch, and speak with her concerning the debt owing to her, and endeavour the compounding of it on reasonable terms, that the Major may be enlarged, to pursue the service ; and they are to report.

2. The petition of Capt. Hugh Gosnell referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

3. The petition of the Merchant Adventurers' Company, with their letter from Bruges, referred to the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs.

4. Sir Arth. Hesilrigge to be President of the Council until this day month.

7. Col. Morley, Mr. Holland, Gurdon, Martin, Nevill, Carew, Scott, Earl of Pembroke, Viscount Lisle, and Mr. Love added to the committee on the difference between the Lord Mayor, aldermen, and Common Council of London, who are to sit to-morrow in the guard chamber.

9. Mr. Milton to translate into Latin the answer of Council to the first paper of the Holland Ambassadors, containing three articles.

10. The paper now read as an answer to that from the Holland Ambassadors, and that given them as a demand from this commonwealth, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to meet to-morrow, and report ; Lord Commissioner Whitelock to attend that committee.

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13. Order—on petition of Capt. Nicholas Read, on behalf of Antonio Bogus, an Armenian and Chief Customer at Smyrna, that three bales of silk belonging to Bogus were amongst other goods taken as prize in the *Martin*, and condemned in the Admiralty Court without his knowledge, Read craving liberty to make claim thereto as if they had never been proceeded against,—that in respect of the great distance of Smyrna, whereby Bogus could not appear within the 30 days limited, no advantage ought to be taken for condemnation of the silk, and that the sentence be made void, and the party admitted to appear and make his claim, and all evidences be duly considered, and a right judgment given therein; the Admiralty Judges, the advocate, and proctors for the State, and the collectors for prize goods to take notice hereof.

15. William Spittlehouse to be allowed 5*l.* 10*s.* on account of his pay as one of the deputies to the Serjeant, and the Committee for Examinations to nominate him to some employment.

16. To write the justices of peace for Suffolk that strict watch be kept by the seaside, where there may be danger, and that Stephens and Ward, the two persons suspected of having had a hand in the robbery, be strictly examined. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 255–262.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Being informed, by the petition of Lieut. Edw. Mawdit, of the *Lion*, and a certificate of the officers and mariners of that ship, that he has been their minister from 17 Nov. 1650 to 28 May 1651, and received no allowance, we desire you to order that he be paid the allowance due to the minister. [*I.* 97, *p.* 88.]

Jan. 27.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Col. Jno. Fealan referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, except that part of it which desires a regiment of Irish foot.

2. The Committee for Examinations to bail Lieut.-Col. Turner in such amount and terms as they judge fit.

4. The Act for reviving the militia to be brought in to-morrow.

5. The examination of Lieut.-General Middleton's escape from the Tower to be taken up next Friday.

6. The two papers prepared in answer to that of the Dutch Ambassadors referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

8. The petition of Wm. Johnson, merchant, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

9. That of Jasper Duart to the Committee for Examinations, to examine the allegations therein, and if true, to order delivery of the goods, on payment of customs.

10. The Scotch common soldiers who were taken prisoners at Worcester, and are in York Castle, to be permitted to return to Scotland, on taking the engagement, and the officers to be detained till further order. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 263, 264.]

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Council of State to Colonels Bingham and Heane. There is one variation desired in our dispatch to you of the 23rd inst; that Major Harrison's company at Guernsey, intended to be removed to Jersey, may go for Ireland, and that Capt. Heath's company designed to be brought to England to be disbanded, be continued in Jersey, in lieu of Major Harrison's. [*I. 97, p. 89.*]

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Council of State to Capt. Hen. Hatsell. To the same effect; also to provide shipping and victuals answerable. [*I. 97, p. 90.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Luke Robinson. By yours from Scarborough, and the enclosed from the collectors of customs at Whitby, we understand of the seizure of 50*l.*, intended to have been transported; but as the money was designed to redeem a ship and her lading, taken from the parties by a pirate, and to much greater value, as also the ship's company from imprisonment in foreign parts, and as the vessel was small, and unable to make any opposition, let the money be restored to its owners.

The want of ships for safeguard of that coast, and the defects of such as are already appointed, we have referred to the Admiralty Committee, and they will give such order as will prevent inconvenience for the future. [*I. 97, p. 91.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Capt. Fox and Mr. Buckeridge. Major Swift, Governor of Holyhead, petitions complaining that his Post bark, employed between there and Dublin, having been cast by foul weather into a creek near [St.] David's Head, was seized by the Admiralty there; that after the examination of Jasper Thomas, the master, she was released, but that since then, you have stayed her, and offer to make her a prize, and the goods in her. In respect of the inconvenience to the service by her stay,—she being employed to carry over public dispatches and letters of commerce to Ireland,—we require you to immediately release her, with all her tackle, &c., and allow her to pass, and to show cause to us in writing, under your own hands, why you so long made stay of her, that further order may be given thereupon. [*I. 97, p. 92.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Corbett to make the report to the House concerning Lieut.-Col. Roseworm, which was entrusted to Lord Grey.

2. Mr. Bond to make the report which was given to Sir Hen. Vane, as to settling the corporation of the Trinity House.

3. The petition of Jacob Wythers, surgeon, referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

4. The answer to the paper from the Dutch Ambassadors approved, and Milton to translate it into Latin, to be signed by the Lord President of the Council.

5. Sir Oliver Fleming to acquaint the Dutch Ambassadors that Council have appointed a committee to meet them on Friday at 9 a.m. [in Whitehall, in order to deliver them an answer to their papers.

6. The paper of demands to the Dutch Ambassador referred to the

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Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider the damage done to the people of this nation, and the time when, and report to-morrow.

7. The said demands not to be presented to the Dutch Ambassadors with the other two papers which Council have passed in answer to theirs.

8. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to amend the last clause of the paper, mentioning the demands, so that it may not relate to their present sending.

9. Sir Oliver Fleming, Mr. Rowe, and Capt. Bishop to take the oath of secesy, and have notice thereof, that they may attend Council to-morrow at their first sitting.

10. The Militia Commissioners of London, who have laid an assessment for the charge of the fortifications of the city, to direct the collectors to forbear demanding that tax from Signor Amerigo Salvetti, agent here from the Great Duke of Tuscany, living in Bartholomew Court.

11. The petition of Roger Burges referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to speak with him, and report.

12. Sir Jas. Harrington, Mr. Nevill, Col. Morley, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Bond to be a committee to receive from the Spanish Ambassador what he has to propound, and report.

13. What was done by Council on the business contained in a letter from the Commissioners of Customs to be looked up, and brought in to-morrow. [*I. 66, pp. 267-269.*]

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12. Major Art. Evelyn to Sir Art. Hesilrigge, President of the Council of State. Tell Council that one of the barges bringing ammunition from Wallingford Castle was drowned near Streatley at a lock; of the powder, 200 barrels, and of the match, 12 tons, half is missing, and the rest it is feared unserviceable. Most of the bullet, 12 tons, is saved, if they can weigh up the barge. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

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13. Reference of the above to the Ordnance Committee. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page. *Also I. 66, p. 273.*]

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2. The papers for the Dutch Ambassadors to be ready to-morrow between 7 and 8 a.m., and delivered to the committee at the Irish Committee chamber, who are to examine and deliver them to the Ambassadors.

3. The paper of demands referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to perfect them, and bring in any other particulars of the like nature, and report on Monday.

4. The said committee to meet next Saturday on the paper of demands.

5. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to have liberty to speak with a certain gentleman just arrived from foreign parts.

7. The commissioners appointed to meet the Dutch Ambassadors to deliver to them to-morrow the two papers prepared as the answer of Council to theirs.

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8. Wednesday appointed to consider what shall be insisted upon with the Dutch Ambassadors.

9. The petition of Daniel Boulton referred to the Committee for Examinations to report.

10. The commissioners appointed to deliver the answer of Council to the Dutch Ambassadors' papers are to return answers to them upon any occasional discourse, in pursuance of the votes of Council.

11. The business of the Isle of Man to be considered to-morrow.

12. The petitions from Hull, on behalf of Mr. Cann, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to settle some allowance on him for subsistence, while employed in the ministry at Hull.

13. The petition of Andrew Lamont, minister, laid aside.

15. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Wm. Hamilton referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to confer with the Lord General thereon, and report.

16. The petition of Hen. Symball, late keeper of Peterhouse, referred to the said committee, to report what should be paid him for disbursements, and keeping the prisoners mentioned.

17, 19. The petition and certificate of Thomas Crowder, Wm. Smith, and Daniel Proud, and the petition of William Huffam, mariner, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

18. The petition of the Mayor and jurats of Feversham, for a pass for a delinquent to return from beyond seas, laid aside.

20. The petition of Lieut. Gawden Paterson and Cornet Robert Sleigh referred to the Committee for Prisoners to report.

21. So much of the petition of Timothy Parker as refers to the seizure of some money of his which proved to be counterfeit, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

22. The petition of Lady Inchiquin laid aside, as not being proper for Council's cognizance.

29. Mr. Frost to search whether any warrant was issued for payment of 300*l.* to Col. Wm. Willoughby and Company, for the service of two ships, and if so, cancel it; and in regard of the deficiency of credit of those old ordinances, to charge 150*l.* on the arrears of the ordinance of 16 Feb. 1647-8 for raising 20,000*l.* a month for Ireland, and 150*l.* more on the compositions of Delinquents, which Council are empowered to dispose of for supply of Ireland. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 271-276.]

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Council of State to Capt. Barker. When Lord Chandos was seized by our order, you seized three geldings and one mare belonging to him, which you have since kept, as there was no order given for their restitution; having long since, upon the desire of his Lordship, freed him from restraint, the said geldings and mare are to be forthwith delivered to him. [*I.* 97, *p.* 93.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. The Lord General having given order for Captain Southeron's, one of the four companies at Hull, to be recruited [from 70] to 100, besides officers, and to march for Scotland, as part of Col. Alured's regiment, advance

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them six weeks' pay from 9 Feb. next, according to muster, and let the recruits entertained to complete the company from 70 to 100 be paid accordingly, on certificate of the muster master. [*I.* 97, p. 94; *I.* 66, p. 277.]

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Council of State to the Army Committee. Upon the first presentation to Parliament of the charge of the garrisons thought fit to be continued, and of others to be reduced, it was referred to Council to consider how Arundel Castle might be continued as a garrison, instead of being disbanded. By these means its whole number of soldiers were kept in service until 5 Dec. last, when Parliament ordered the reducement of six officers, two drummers, and 50 privates. As all these are unpaid since 20th Oct. last, let them receive their former allowance for 46 days. [*I.* 97, p. 95.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the treasurers of the Adventurers' money for Ireland. As 491*l.* charged by ordinance of Parliament of 29 July 1643 upon the Adventurers' money for Ireland, for paying for 1,000 coats delivered by Arthur Dew for the soldiers in Ireland, is yet unsatisfied, we have charged it upon another treasury; we give you this notice, that no pretensions may be made for the same. [*I.* 97, p. 96.]

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14. Petition of Rich. Meade to the Navy Committee, for an order to the Navy Commissioners for payment of 6*l.*

Was purser of the *Welcome Pink*, which was taken in 1647 by the French, who imprisoned her company at St. Malo for three weeks, and then released them, and they were forced to remain there 20 days before they could get a passage to England. During that time, petitioner provided them with victuals at his own charge, and having been detained after their departure, and subsequently employed for three years and four months in the State's service, he has not had an opportunity of applying for the amount then expended, which he borrowed of Mr. Symes, who has threatened to arrest him for it. With reference to the Navy Commissioners to make out a bill to the petitioner, if they find what is alleged to be correct. [*1 page.*]

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1. The petitions and bills of the persons who have built a barge for the State, by contract with the Admiralty Committee, referred to that committee, who are to give order to Mr. Frost for payment, if the bills agree with the contract.

2. The petition of Major Jno. Rotherford referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to discharge him on security, if they find they are empowered thereto by Council.

3. The petition and narrative of Geo. Price, merchant, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, after he has taken his oath as to its truth.

5. The petition of John Paris and Stephen Evans, officers of Customs at Cowes, Isle of Wight, with that of Armiger Warner, and the orders thereupon, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to send for Warner, examine him, and report.

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6. The petition of the Turkey Company referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to view the orders for sending Ambassadors to Turkey, confer with the Turkey Company and others, and report.

7. Wednesday appointed for the business of letters of marque and reprisal against the French.

8. The Committee for Examinations to examine Sir William Waller, lately come up from Denbigh Castle, and report.

9. The account of bedding for the soldiers at James's House referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

10. Lieut.-Col. Geo. Joyce to attend Council on Monday.

11. The business of the Isle of Man referred to the said Committee, who are to take it up on Tuesday, and report; Capt. Eaton and Mr. Slater to attend them.

14. The bringing in of a report of the names of persons to be excepted in the qualifications for Ireland, referred by Parliament to Council, to be considered next Tuesday.

15. The paper to the Spanish Ambassador read to be signed and sent, with a translation in Latin.

16. Sir Oliver Fleming to deliver him the paper, and a copy of the order of Council appointing a committee to receive from him what he has to propound to Council.

18. The letter of Capt. Hatsell from Plymouth referred to the Admiralty Committee.

19. Sir Oliver Fleming to repair to Peter Spiering, Lord of Silverchrone, sent from the Queen of Sweden, and demand in what quality he expects his reception should be, and how he makes his quality to appear, and report.

22. The Irish and Scotch Committee to provide shipping, &c. for transport of two troops of dragoons, which are to be disbanded in Scotland, from such part of Scotland as is nearest to Ireland, directions being already given to the Commissioners there to appoint their march towards those parts. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 279-285.]

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Whitehall. Council of State to Major Morgan, Mayor, and Mr. Whiteing, justice of peace of Wells, [Mr. Hall, of Axbridge, and Cornet Bridges]. We enclose articles against Dr. Eaton, minister of Axbridge, co. Somerset; but as they are not proved by the depositions, and as the business should be thoroughly examined, we desire you to send for such persons as can speak to that business, examine them, and return the examinations to us. [*I.* 97, *p.* 97; *I.* 66, *p.* 271.]

Jan. 31.
Whitehall. Council of State to Colonels Bingham and Heane. In case you find the time far elapsed before the forces that are to be transported from Jersey and Guernsey to Ireland can be shipped, so that the month's advance to 8 March, which we desired you to pay them at their shipping, over and above their pay, shall not be sufficient encouragement to them, we authorise you to pay them 14 days more, and it shall be allowed you in the manner mentioned in ours of the 23rd. [*I.* 97, *p.* 98.]

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Council of State to the Army Committee. We have, by the advice of the General, appointed six companies of foot of 100 each, and 60 horse, for the security of Jersey; and that they may be brought within the present establishment without increase of charge, have appointed to be reduced five of the seven companies in Guernsey, the three companies appointed for Weymouth, and several other officers and soldiers from other garrisons, expressed in the enclosed list by Mr. Frost, our Secretary. Let the forces appointed for Jersey be added to the establishment, and the establishment for the other places be altered and reduced, from 8 March next. That the forces to be reduced out of Guernsey, Jersey, and other places may provide themselves for transportation to further service, appoint pay for those in Guernsey, so as to make them equal to those in Jersey, viz., to 8 March, and grant warrants to Capt. John Clarke therefor, as also to him, and Major Wm. Harding, for three months' more pay from the said 8 March; to be done with all possible expedition. [*I. 97, pp. 99, 100.*] *Annexing,*

- I. *An establishment for the Isle of Jersey, to commence 8 March 1651-1652, the monthly cost being 1,283l. 6s. 8d.*
- II. *Reductions to be made from the same time, to prevent increase of the present charge, in the establishments of,—*

	£	s.	d.
<i>Guernsey</i> -	770	18	8
<i>Weymouth</i> -	460	12	0
<i>Portland, 40 soldiers</i> -	46	13	4
<i>Portsmouth, 10 soldiers</i>	11	13	4

[*I. 66, pp. 284-285.*]

1,289	17	4
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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Commissioners in Scotland. As you have disbanded Capts. Okey and Battiley's two troops of dragoons, it will be more advantage to send them from Scotland to Ireland. Give orders for them to march to such parts of Scotland as lie nearest to the coast of Ireland, whence they may be shipped. The Irish and Scotch Committee will provide for their transportation. We enclose a copy of the votes passed in Parliament concerning Major-Gen. Lambert. [*I. 97, p. 101.*]

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Council of State to Major-Gen. Lambert. Parliament having appointed you Deputy of Ireland, under the Lord Lieutenant, we desire you will immediately repair to London. [*I. 97, p. 102.*]

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15. Judgment of the Court of Common Pleas, that Jervis ——ist, an attorney of the court, having failed to appear to answer the complaint of Rich. Pheasant, of defrauding him of several sums of money for goods sold and delivered, &c. in the parish of St. Mary-le-Bow, London, in March 1649, and not having shown any cause for his absence, be wholly debarred from exercising the office of an attorney, and be struck off the rolls. [*Noted as entered on the Roll No. 1626, for Hil. Term, 1651-2. 7 damaged fragments.*]

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Proceedings before the Commissioners to examine into abuses at the dockyard, Chatham:—

16. Jan. 2, 1651–2, Chatham. Capt. John Taylor and George Maplesden to the Commissioners. Explain the difference between the accounts of timber used in the dockyard as given by Rob. Sagger and Jos. Pett. Think Mr. Pett did not intend to deceive, and at worst, was mistaken. [1 page.]
17. Jan. 27, Rochester. Rob. Cussens, John Finnis, and Isaac Carter to the Commissioners. We tender articles against John Browne, clerk of the ropeyard, and his adherents [Wm.] Adderley, [Wm.] Thomson, and Thos. Colepott, having had woful experience of hard usage from them. [1 page.]
18. Jan. 27. Answer of Major John Browne to the articles against him. Did not muster ropemakers as soldiers, but tradesmen are allowed to be paid as soldiers; has not been absent without leave. Repaid money received from the Army for gunners who preferred remaining in Navy pay. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
19. [Jan. 27.] Articles against Rich. Holborn, master mastmaker, and cousin to Commissioner [Pett]. For joining in the late Kentish rebellion, purloining the State's stores, having his bedsteads made at the State's charge, as also two coffins to bury himself and his wife when they die, which coffins are now in his own house. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
20. Jan. 27. Answer of Holborn to the above articles. Had the coffins and bedstead made, but "as he thinks, he paid for the "workmanship thereof himself." [$\frac{1}{3}$ page.]
21. Jan. 27. Answers of Jos. Pett, assistant to the master shipwright, to articles against him. Signed the Kentish petition, but was afterwards restored to his office. Denies embezzling the State's stores. [$\frac{1}{3}$ page.]
22. Jan. 27 and 28. Proofs from examination against Peter Pett, Commissioner, for embezzling the State's stores. [7 pages.]
23. [Jan. 27.] Articles against Capt. Phineas Pett, clerk of the check, brother to Commissioner Peter Pett. For neglecting to muster the workmen, dismissing them without call; entering more men on the quarter book than have appeared; setting down higher wages than were due, and receiving the overplus; employing unfit assistants, using his power "to revenge private discontents, and reward private courtesies." [2 pages.]
24. Jan. 27. Answer of Capt. Phineas Pett to the said articles. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
25. Jan. 28. Proofs against Phineas Pett on the said articles. [2 pages.]
26. Jan. 28, Chatham. Order by the said committee to Rob. Whetnall, navy messenger, to summon Fras. Fipps and four others, to give evidence against Sam. Burgis, gunner, of Upton Castle. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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27. Jan. 28. Order by the said Commissioners that Capt. John Taylor, master shipwright, survey and measure the oak and other timber brought into the stores, especially such as has lately come in. Preceded by notes of orders for summoning of witnesses. [*Draft, 1 page.*]
28. Jan. 28. Capt. Taylor to the said Commissioners. Report of the survey and measurement of the timber in Chatham Dockyard. [*1 page.*]
29. Jan. 28. Proofs against Joseph Pett for purloining timber, canvas, pitch, &c. belonging to the State. [*1½ pages.*]
30. Jan. 28. Articles by Commissioner Pett against Wm. Ad-derley, minister at Chatham. That instead of preaching, catechizing, and praying to the company of each ship leaving Chatham, and inviting them to faithfulness to the present power, for which he received 100*l.* a year, the ordinary paying their groats, he has never, though urged, preached on any ship, and thus poor shipkeepers in harbour have been kept many months from hearing a sermon.
That he used ill language and threatened Pett's ruin and that of his family.
Also against Wm. Thomson, master caulker. For neglect of duty, burning the State's wood, and employing boats and men for his own service; breaking up oyster grounds; spending money without warrant, &c.
Also against Thos. Colepott, boatswain of the Yard. For neglect, ignorance, and wilfulness; drunkenness, burning the State's wood, &c. [*3½ page.*]
31. Jan. 28. Answers of Colepott to the articles against him. [*1¼ pages.*]
32. Jan. 28. Proofs on Commissioner Pett's part against Ad-derley. [*¾ page.*]
33. Jan. 28. Answer of Adderley to the articles against him. [*1 page.*]
34. Jan. 28. Answer of Thomson to the articles against him. [*1¼ pages.*]
35. Jan. 29. Proofs on Commissioner Pett's part against Thom-son. [*1 page.*]
36. Jan. 29. Answer of Capt. Phineas Pett to the articles against him. [*½ page.*]

Feb. 2.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The accounts mentioned in the petition of the Commissioners of Stafford to be sent to Capt. Blackwell, to examine and certify.
2. Monsr. Rosin to be engaged for translating French papers into English for the Committee for Foreign Affairs.
3. Mr. Randolph, Keeper of the Paper Office in Whitehall, to call in all papers lent out by him, and in future not to give out any papers but by order of Parliament, Council, or the Committee for Foreign

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Affairs; also to make an inventory of all that are now in his custody, and tender the same to Council.

4. All papers about Amboyna to be collected and brought to Council next Wednesday.

5. The letter of Col. Heane from Jersey to be represented to the House by the Lord President.

7. The petition of the Mayor and Jurats of Feversham referred to the Committee for Examinations.

8. That of Thos. Freeman, merchant of London, to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9. So much of the letter of Col. Heane as relates to his desire for leave to come to England referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

11. The petition of the officers of the regiments of the Lord General and Col. Ingoldsby referred to the Ordnance Committee, to take care that the arms required are delivered.

12. The letters and papers from Col. Heane referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

13, 15, 17. Also the petitions of Capt. Downes, of the officers and conductors of the recruits from Col. Gibbon's regiment to Scotland, and of Col. Ireland's officers.

14. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Shar referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

16. Liberty to be given to John Ratray and George Pitulloch, Scotch ministers, to return to their own country, on giving security to Mr. Frost for their good behaviour. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 287-290.]

Feb. 2.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. We have seen yours acquainting the Admiralty Committee that the Speaker is brought into Woolwich Dock and surveyed; let her be fitted for sea with all speed, and order that the Sovereign be docked and repaired, and made ready to sail by 1 May. [*I.* 97, *p.* 106.]

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Lacure
[Louvre].

37. Promissory note by Charles II., that on his restoration to the crown, he will pay 600*l.* to Lieut.-Col. Jno. Enwaldt, for so much expended by him in raising and transporting two troops of 100 horse to Scotland, and for his service there, as also in Jersey for one year and nine months, with fit consideration of him and his officers, for their good affection and service. [*Copy*, $\frac{3}{4}$ *page*.]

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38. Order in Parliament that the treasury for the sale of the lands and estates forfeited for treason, be charged with such sums of money as shall be thought fit by the Committee for Removal of Obstructions in the Sale of Delinquents' Estates, not exceeding 5,000*l.*, for incident charges in carrying on the sale of such lands and estates, and that the order of the said committee shall be a sufficient warrant for payment, 2 Jan. 1652. Also order in Parliament that moneys not exceeding 5,000*l.* be supplied by the treasurers of the said receipt, and be reimbursed out of the last 50,000*l.* to be doubled upon the said lands and estates. [*Copy*, 1 *page*.]

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1. The Admiralty Judges to prepare an account by Monday of all letters of marque and reprisal granted, to whom, and what has been taken in pursuance thereof.
2. John King to attend Council as one of the deputies to the Serjeant-at-arms.
3. Sir David Cuninghame to have the liberty of the Tower.
4. The petition of Morris Jervois, yeoman, referred to the Committee for Examinations.
5. The former committee appointed to consider what allowances should be made to the chapel keepers in Whitehall revived, and the petition of Hugh Griffith referred to it.
7. The paper of Mr. Heveningham, containing the names of persons to be officers of the Vice-Admiralty for Suffolk, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to inform themselves of their fitness.
8. The said committee to order a commission for Col. Geo. Fenwick to be Vice-Admiral of —.
9. The petition of Peter de Beauvoir referred to the said committee.
10. The petition of the Muscovy Company, trading to Greenland, referred to the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs.
11. The officers of the chapel and garden and the keeper of the privy lodgings [Whitehall] to be paid their salaries as established last year.
12. The petition of Capt. John Bulmer, engineer, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to confer with him and report.
13. Also the petition of Thomas Branco.
16. To report to the House that Council have appointed all the goods in the Isle of Man, appearing to be lawful prize, to be appraised and sold to the best advantage, excepting such as are fit for the garrison there, or for whose disposal Council has given particular directions, and to request the House to order the commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall to appoint commissioners for the speedy effecting thereof.
17. Order to be given for paying the charges of Edw. Aldham, due to the keeper of the Gatehouse, not exceeding 7*l*.
18. Col. Bolton to have liberty to go to Ireland, on security for good behaviour.
19. The 17 pieces of brass ordnance in Elizabeth Castle, Jersey, to be removed to the Tower.
21. For better subsistence of the officers of the Scotch prisoners in Windsor Castle, an allowance of 5*s*. a week to be made to each, and 40*l*. advanced to the Governor of Windsor Castle, to be issued by the Treasurers-at-war out of the remainder of the 20,000*l*. charged by vote of Parliament upon Goldsmiths' Hall, for pay of 4,000 foot, and appointed by order of Parliament, 26 September, to be issued for the Scotch prisoners and other emergent occasions, and until such money shall be received, they are to advance the said sum.
22. Those of the private soldiers in Shrewsbury Gaol who were sent thither after the fight at Worcester to be set at liberty, and

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have 20 days allowed them to go into their own country, first taking the engagement.

32. To write Col. Duckenfield to dispose of the old Dutch bottom lately belonging to Capt. Bartlet, with the packet boat belonging to the former Governor of the Isle of Man, they being unserviceable for want of repair.

35. To send for Lieut. Roseworm to give an account of the necessary repairs of the castles and forts that are to be maintained as garrisons in the Isle of Man.

38. Thomas Hepborne, prisoner in the Tower, to be set at liberty, and permitted to return to Scotland, on taking the engagement, and giving security in 1,000*l.* for good behaviour. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 293–301.]

Feb. 3.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Heane. We understand by yours the present condition of Jersey, and your care for putting it into a posture of safety, for which we thank you. We will consider your desire for leave to come over with some letters and papers which you have taken in one of the castles in the island; but meanwhile you are to dispatch the letters and papers to us with all speed. [*I.* 97, *p.* 103.]

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Council of State to Mr. Martin, deputy collector at Portsmouth. A quantity of wheat is brought in as prize by the Conquest, one of the State ships, which though not yet adjudged in the Admiralty, is likely to prove prize; the Irish and Scotch Committee, having sent directions to secure it for the army in Ireland, received answer that you had promised it to some private persons. We think it just that the State's occasions should be first served with their own goods, and therefore require you to deliver the same to such persons as Col. Whetham, Governor of Portsmouth, or Capt. Moulton, commissioner of the navy, shall appoint, to see it measured and shipped on board the Gillyflower, appointed to carry it for Limerick. Let an indifferent appraisement be made thereof, at which rate the collectors for prize goods shall be paid, in case it be condemned, or the right owners receive just satisfaction. [*I.* 97, *p.* 104.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Carter and Mr. Madrin. Col. Gerrard, now in custody of Mr. Williams, sheriff of Carnarvonshire, at Carnarvon Castle, having been taken prisoner when Col. Carter was sheriff, we desire you to certify the cause of his imprisonment, as also the examinations, if any were taken; and if not, to examine both the prisoner and the witnesses, and return their depositions to us with speed. [*I.* 97, *p.* 105.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Lord General. As we have appointed a chaplain to the forces in the Isle of Man, at 6*s.* 8*d.* a day, from 17 November last, payable out of your contingent moneys, until further provision can be made, we desire you to give order that it may be paid. [*I.* 97, *p.* 107.]

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Council of State to the Governor of the Isle of Man. All goods in the Isle of Man, as well inventoried as not, taken by the piracies

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of the late Earl of Derby, and others sheltered there under him, from any well affected persons, should, upon proof of their good affection and property as real owners, be restored. Make restoration of all such, and keep an account of such as you redeliver. As the old Dutch bottom of Capt. Bartlet, and the packet boat belonging to the former Governor are decayed, and as you have been at expense in keeping them, we give them to you. [*I. 97, p. 108.*]

Feb. 3. Council of State to the Army Committee. According to the order of Parliament of the 23rd ult., three of the 240 soldiers established for the Isle of Man are to be reduced, and instead thereof, 1s 4d. a day is to be added to the surgeon's pay, and 1s. 2d. a day is to be for a drummer to the 40 soldiers appointed to be under a captain and two serjeants. Let the establishment for that island be altered, and pay assigned accordingly. Let the repayment of 1,000*l.* to Colonel Duckenfield, for so much expended by him in the service 9 or 10 years since, be expedited with all speed, according to the order of Parliament. [*I. 97, p. 110.*]

Feb. 3. Council of State to the Ordnance officers. Having ordered the Falcon frigate to be of the summer guard, that there may be no delay in her setting sail, furnish her with all things necessary relating to your stores. [*I. 97, p. 112.*]

Feb. 3. Council of State to Mr. Williams, Sheriff of co. Carnarvon. Col. Gerrard being a prisoner in Carnarvon Castle for treason, take special care of him, and keep him in safe custody until further order from Parliament or us. [*I. 97, p. 112.*]

Feb. 4. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letter and papers from the Commissioners at Carrickfergus referred to the Committee for Examinations, to prepare such an answer as they judge necessary.

3. Sir Wm. Masham, Col. Morley, Col. Purefoy, Mr. Scott, Mr. Gurdon, Sir Jas. Harrington, Mr. Martin, Mr. Hay, Col. Wauton, and Col. Downes to be a committee to examine Mr. Dugard, printer, concerning printing the *Catechesis Ecclesiarum Poloniæ*, and report.

5. The petition of William Billers, clerk of the deliveries, referred to the Ordnance Committee to report.

6. The complaint against Mr. Riddall, of Milton, near Gravesend, by Mr. Woodcot, of Gravesend, referred to the Committee for Examinations. [*I. 66, p. 303.*]

Feb. 4. Council of State to the Commissioners of Parliament and the Commander-in-Chief in Ireland. To supply the great want of physicians in Ireland, we have agreed with Drs. Denham and Goldsmith to go over, upon the enclosed conditions [*viz.*, 1*l.* each a day salary, payable monthly, 15*l.* to buy themselves horses, and an advance to Denham of 100*l.*, and to Goldsmith of 60*l.*], and we have given order for paying the advance therein mentioned. See that their pay is duly assigned them, with defalcation made of what has been advanced. [*I. 97, p. 115 ; I. 66, p. 306.*]

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39. Capt. Rich. Badiley to the [Navy Commissioners]. On 29 Oct., seeing the wind fair to carry away the fish ships, which were lingering with me at Falmouth for the coming of the Elizabeth frigate, and her stay being a great hindrance to those bound to the southward, I sent the Nightingale to Plymouth to hasten her away; the commander was ordered not to make any stay, and according to the wind we had, she might have been with us next day; but although I stayed until the 31st, she did not appear, and then the Elizabeth having arrived, and her commander informing me that the six ships bound for the Straits, viz., the Sarah, Sun, Society, Lewis, Samaritan, and William and Thomas, were passed, I set sail after them, leaving order for the Nightingale to follow us; but I have not seen her, and having had very foul weather in the Bay of Biscay, I suppose the little frigate has borne up for England. I have inserted the passage about the Straits' ships passing by Falmouth when the Elizabeth frigate came thither, that you may see that several merchantmen do not think your chargeable convoy for the Mediterranean Sea worth the stay of half a day; the five ships bound for the Straits even went out of the Downs without coming on board to know whether we could convoy them, but I wish they may all come safe to their ports.

The day after we left Plymouth, our frigates seized a small Frenchman, which I sent back for England, and sank another that would not yield in time, with 16 pieces of ordnance. On 25 Jan. I sent off the Phoenix, which seized the Charity or Love, of Amsterdam, from Marseilles and Toulon, bound for Newhaven in France, 350 tons, and fully laden with goods, money, &c.; the goods belong to French merchants. I have written more at large to the collectors of prize goods, and desired Capt. Penn, being homeward bound, to take care that the prize is convoyed to England by some of his fleet. I am now setting sail with the Elizabeth for Alicant, and so up the Levant with those now under convoy, viz., the Employment and Harry Bonadventure, having sent the Phoenix as a convoy to Tituan and Alicant, with the Merchant's Delight and Loyalty. [$1\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]
Enclosing,

39. 1. *Inventory of the cargo of the Love of Amsterdam, consisting of silks, spices, seeds, drugs, fruit, boxwood, dollars, &c.* [1 page.]

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1. The petition of Rich. Morgan, bargeman, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

2. The letter in answer to that of Count Oldenburgh to be translated into Latin, and reported to the House by Commissioner Whitelock.

3. The business concerning Amboyna, and the debate of what shall be insisted upon by Council in the treaty with the Dutch, to be taken up next Wednesday.

8. Marcellus Rivers, prisoner in the Fleet, to be set at liberty, on taking the engagement, and giving security in 500*l.* for his good behaviour.

9. Also Rich. Joyner on his own bond in 200*l.* [*I.* 66, pp. 307-309.]

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Whitehall. Council of State to the Commissioners of Parliament in Scotland. We ordered the two troops of dragoons appointed to be disbanded in Scotland to march towards the north-west coast, where we intended to have had shipping ready for their transportation ; but there are but few ships fit for such a purpose in Chester and Liverpool. As it will be too great a charge to continue those troops until shipping can be sent for them from other parts, confer with Major-General Deane whether any shipping and casks to carry water for the horses may be had in reasonable time in the ports about Scotland ; if not, take order with the Commander-in-Chief there for their disbanding. [*I. 97, p. 113.*]
- Feb. 5.
Whitehall. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. On certificate from the officers at Chatham yard touching the Vanguard, we think she should be repaired, and therefore desire you to order her to be fitted for service ; also to cause the Swiftsure to be brought up to Deptford to be surveyed, and the James, already in dock, to be sheathed. [*I. 97, p. 114.*]
- Feb. 5.
Whitehall. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. The Golden Sun, a prize vessel, having been employed on the Irish coast as a man-of-war since May last, by order of the late Lord Deputy of Ireland and the Commissioners of Parliament there, and having now come into Portsmouth, order the Treasurer of the Navy to pay off her company with all speed. [*I. 97, p. 116.*]
- Feb. $\frac{5}{15}$.
The Court,
Louvre. **40.** Instructions by Charles II. to George Earl of Norwich.
1. You are to repair to Brussels, and deliver our letters to the Duke of Lorraine, and assure him of the value we have of his affection and friendship, and that we rely on no prince more for advice and assistance in all our concernments.
 2. To visit the Archduke and Count Fuensaldaignia, and let them know that your business thither is to the Duke of Lorraine concerning Ireland, that no jealousy may be conceived of your employment ; and you shall say anything else to either of them as, upon conference with our Resident, you judge expedient, upon the matter of the money we expected from thence, or touching our desire to promote the peace between the two crowns.
 3. You shall use your best skill to incline the Duke of Lorraine to the relief of our Catholic subjects of Ireland, by sending them such succours, before the season be past, as may enable them to withstand the rebels next summer, and you shall consent to whatever can be reasonably asked, for repayment of whatsoever he disburses for that work ; and to that purpose, you shall enter into a treaty with him, and what you promise in our name shall be faithfully performed.
 4. If he insist upon the agreement formerly made with the Commissioners who came from Ireland, inform him (besides that the persons who are parties to that agreement had no authority to make the same) how derogatory those articles are to our honour and dignity ; that our consent to them would produce infinite mischief to us in respect of our other kingdoms, and they would not prove of advantage to our Catholic subjects of Ireland, or effectual to our own ends. Of the unreasonableness of the said articles you are suffi-

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ciently instructed, as likewise of what we offer in that matter, on both which you may enlarge.

5. If the Commissioners from Ireland, who are now at Brussels, apply themselves to you in such a manner as becomes them, say that we are willing to believe that they still retain those affections to us and our service which they have professed, though they have been much mistaken in the articles they lately consented to, and more in their writing to us to approve them; if they still insist upon and justify those articles, carry yourself with more reservation towards them; but if they are convinced of their unreasonableness, and labour to prevail with the Duke of Lorraine to enter upon a new treaty, and appear heartily inclined to serve us therein, you may entrust them as far as you think fit, and make such use of them as you judge convenient, we having no desire, by unreasonable severity, to dishearten those who would willingly serve us.

6. As soon as you have transacted the business of Ireland with the Duke of Lorraine, or put it in such a way as your own presence may be dispensed with, you shall repair to the Hague, and deliver our letter to our dear sister, and acquaint her with the resolution we have taken, with what convenient speed we can, to remove out of this kingdom, and endeavour to put ourself into a posture of action, whereby we may keep up the spirits of our party in all our kingdoms; and to that purpose, you shall let her know, as a secret, that we intend in person to visit the Emperor and Princes of Germany, hoping thereby in a short time to put ourself into the head of an army, and so to become considerable to our friends, and to be some argument of fear to our enemies.

7. You shall desire our dear sister to give us her advice how to promote our designs in Germany, and which of those Princes she conceives to be best affected to us; and since it is very evident that the Princess Dowager of [Orange], by her influence on the Elector of Brandenburg, and her interest in several other Princes of Germany, will have credit enough to do us good or harm, and that it is very probable she will do the latter, if she be not disposed to do the former, that our dear sister will give us counsel what way we should take, to incline her to wish well to us, and to contribute her assistance.

8. You shall let our dear sister know how sensible we are of the want of courtesy and justice the Princess Dowager has expressed towards her, in her carriage upon several occasions, and that we are much the more troubled at the ill condition we are in, that we cannot declare our resentment of her demeanour. Yet we know our dear sister will consider whether the procuring a good understanding between her and the Princess Dowager may not be the best, if not the only way, to dispose the Dowager to take our affairs to heart; in order whereunto, you shall assure our sister we will never desire or suffer that she depart from the least title of her right, or consent to anything that shall reflect upon her honour or justice; but our hope is that, by a clear and friendly expostulation in our name with the Dowager, upon her unkindness towards our sister, and the differences which the world takes notice to be between them, she may revolve her passions so well as to be willing,

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by this mediation of ours, (which it is possible she may expect and interpret the forbearance of it as a disobligation), to come to a good understanding; at least that all sharpness may be removed, and she inclined with her utmost power to contribute to our concerns, which would be thereby advanced, not only in Germany, but probably in the United Provinces.

9. If our sister be of that opinion, and be content that we interpose, you shall then visit the Princess Dowager in our name, and commend us kindly to her, and let her know how much we are troubled at the general discourses of differences between our most dear sister and her, which can produce benefit to none but the enemies of the House of Nassau. That we are willing to believe the memory of her husband and her son will incline her to perform all offices of respect and kindness towards our sister, and that we desire nothing more than, by our interposition, to produce that right understanding between them which must be for the advantage of both. You shall govern yourself entirely, in the management of this business, by the directions of our sister; and if she be not willing that we should interpose, you shall decline any further meddling therein; but if she direct you to proceed, and you receive such treatment from the Princess Dowager that you perceive our mediation is like to prove effectual, you shall then confer with the Dowager upon our affairs, and in our name desire her advice and counsel for conducting them, as a person in whose affection and wisdom we have entire confidence. Only let her know the impatiency we are in to put ourself into a posture for action, and that we are resolved not to sit longer idle here, and thereupon rather draw an opinion from her than acquaint her with any resolution we have taken, and rather confer of the affections of the several Princes of Germany, and of the several uses which may be made of those affections, and how they are to be treated with, than communicate to her our positive purpose of making a journey in person thither, though we should be glad to draw advice from her to that purpose.

10. You shall—as well by conference with our sister, as by your acquaintance with any of the States whom you know to be well affected to us—endeavour to understand how the treaty proceeds between those States and our rebels of England, and what probability or hope there is of hostility between them; and you shall use your utmost skill to foment those jealousies, and to widen the breach. You may, in discourse with any of the States who seem to wish well to us, make them discern how impossible it is to have a peace with those rebels, without such dishonourable conditions as must render them contemptible to all their own allies, and indeed to make any with them that can be durable; since upon alterations of the factions in England, there must ensue alterations in any contract they make; and that they need not be terrified with the apprehension of a war, which will bring much more benefit to those States than such a peace as the rebels will insist on can do. For whereas their power at sea appears formidable to their neighbours, if there were once a war between the United Provinces and them, and so we had the liberty of all their ports and harbours for our ships to resort

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to, we should quickly break their naval power, and draw very many of their ships to our service, 'it being notoriously known that most of the seamen are very loyally affected to us, inasmuch as they have been compelled to put land officers into all the principal commands at sea; and nothing retained the mariners in their service but that there is no place to which, upon declaration of their duty to the King, they can resort, and be secure, and be provided for.

11. You shall confer with Mr. Shomberg (of whose zeal and affection to our service we are well assured), and after communicating our purpose of going into Germany, desire him with speed and privacy to make a journey to the Elector of Mentz, who has formerly expressed much kindness to us, and impart to him an account of our condition, and of our earnest desire to be again in action, and get such a body of men as may be worthy to have us in the head of them, and desire his counsel what way we should best apply ourself for procuring them. We shall refer it to his discretion how far he will communicate our purpose of going in person to Germany to the Elector, and whether it be not better, without imparting it, to discover his opinion; and draw advice from him, in case such a journey should be counsellable, what course is to be observed, and what applications are to be made; and with what freedom soever the Elector shall express himself, care must be taken that he be assured that we rely only on his friendship and wisdom to counsel us, without a purpose of bringing any burden or charge upon him; and you shall assure Mr. Shomberg that, though we are not at present able to send him money for defraying the charges of this journey, we will not fail in a short time to reimburse him.

12. You shall find some opportunity to confer with the Rhinegrave, and assure him of the confidence we have in his affection, and how much we rely upon his counsel, and therefore that we have appointed you to speak with him, and desire his advice what we are now to do, as also to let him know the desire we have to put ourself in the head of any considerable body of men, and ask his opinion which way the same is best to be compassed. Speak with him of the state of Germany, and of the affections of those Princes, and desire his opinion how those affections may be wrought upon to our advantage; and if you find his judgment points that way, acquaint him, as a secret, with our inclination to make a journey ourself to Germany, with so small a train as shall give no umbrage or trouble to any, and thereupon receive such advice from him of all requisite particulars as his kindness will be ready to give.

13. You shall (without communicating our own thoughts and purposes to any but those whom we have already mentioned to be informed of the same) use your best endeavours to understand the present true state of Germany; when the Diet is to be held; how the affections of the Princes are united or divided; what matters are principally to be transacted in the Diet; which is the best way for us to pass to Vienna; and all other matters, of substance or circumstance, the right understanding whereof will best conduce to the well conducting of our affairs, all which may be learned by

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general discourses, and no intimations that we look that way, which we desire may be concealed as long as possible.

14. You shall get what information you can as to what forces are at present in Germany, and what are likely to be disbanded or disposed of, to whom they belong, and what means are likely to be most effectual for inclining them to our service. [$6\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]

Feb. 9. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Thomas Paramore and others referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

3. The Committee for the business of the City of London to meet on Thursday at 7 a.m.

6, 10. The letter from the Commissioners in Scotland of 31 January last, from Dalkeith, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to return their opinion with all speed, meeting to-morrow morning.

7. The petition of Moses Hobbs referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. Also the letter from the Navy Commissioners.

9. The letter from John Bond, of Minehead, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

11. The paper from the Commissioners in Scotland, concerning ships to attend the coast of Scotland, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

12. The petition of Thomas Ducket and Robert Cassell referred to the Committee for Examinations, to consider the Militia Act, and advise whether Council has any power to give directions.

13. The said committee to consider what should be given to Isaac Berkenhead, for his journey to the Isle of Man by order of Council, and report.

14. John Walbridge to have liberty to speak with Col. Massey, prisoner in the Tower, in presence of the Lieutenant.

15. The letters from Col. Duckenfield and Mr. Slader referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I.* 66, pp. 311-313.]

Feb. 10. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Capt. Wm. Jacket and partners referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

2. That of Sir Peter Killigrew to the Admiralty Committee.

3. Mr. Frost to speak with the Attorney-General concerning James Greenstreet, prisoner in Newgate, and hear how his business stands.

4. The petitions of David Ramage and John St. John referred to the Mint Committee.

5. That of John Royssie to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

6. The Commissioners of Council appointed to treat with the Dutch Ambassadors to meet them to-morrow at 9 a.m. in Whitehall, and Sir Oliver Fleming to have notice, that he may attend.

7. Lieut.-Col. Geo. Joyce and Major Purling to give an account of the moneys received by them for the public service to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to examine and report upon them.

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8. The paper in Latin desired by the agent of the Count of Oldenburg, with the letter of the agent, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider what is desired, and report to Council to-morrow. Mr. Strickland's information concerning Oldenburg to be brought to the said committee.

9. The petition of Lady Dorothy Erskine referred to the Committee for Prisoners to report.

10. The order of Parliament concerning a safe conduct for transportation of the body of the public minister of the Queen of Sweden referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs to report.

11. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider how the 20,000*l.* mentioned in the order of Parliament may be provided for the navy, in place of the money of the East India customs, appointed to pay for powder.

12. The petition and papers of William Davenport, of Chester, gent., referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

18. The letter of Lieut.-Col. Kelsey from Dover, with the examinations annexed, referred to the Committee for Examinations. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 316-320.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. Capt. Norris's company has been employed by command of the Lord General for 14 weeks [in the garrison at Chester], and not paid. As they are to be disbanded, and have faithfully served, order Capt. Norris pay for 100 men. [*I.* 97, *p.* 117; *I.* 66, *p.* 308.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Rich. Burie and Jno. Whiteway, justices of peace for co. Dorset. We approve your order for securing Charles Lawrence, for having done something to the prejudice of this commonwealth. That the matter may be fully examined, take his bond in 200*l.*, with two sureties in 100*l.* each, to appear before us within eight days [and not depart without license], and then set him at liberty. [*I.* 97, *p.* 118; *I.* 66, *p.* 311.]

Feb. 10.
Whitehall.

Council of State to John Bond at Minehead. We hereby give you credit for 150*l.* on account, to enable you to pay and ship off [from Milford Haven] the horse for Ireland [driven into Minehead by weather], according to our former instructions; take it up and charge it on us by a bill of exchange at 10 days' sight. [*I.* 97, *p.* 119; *I.* 96, *p.* 318.]

Feb. 10.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Militia Commissioners for co. Lancaster. Two months' pay is due to the officers of Col. Ireland's regiment, for service in the expedition to Worcester. Let it be paid to such as were upon the march to or at Worcester, out of the money ordered to be raised by the Act for the last militia, and give speedy order to your treasurer. [*I.* 97, *p.* 120.]

Feb. 11.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Col. Andrew Mylne, close prisoner in the Tower, to have the liberty of the Tower, provided the Lord General's opinion be first declared, and Mr. Frost to speak with him.

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2. The petition of David Ramsey referred to the Mint Committee.

3. Power to be given to General Blake to transport the cacao taken in a prize ship, and make sale thereof, accounting to the State for the proceeds.

4. Also to pay 100*l.* to Sarah, relict of Capt. Geo. Blake, cast away upon the service of Jersey, out of the proceeds of the sale.

5. Mr. Frost to prepare a letter to Sir Geo. Ayscue, acquainting him with the successes which God has given to the forces of this commonwealth since his going from hence, and also with the present state of affairs.

6. The Admiralty Committee to consider of the redeeming of some persons taken prisoners in Suffolk, and carried to Dunkirk, to advise with General Blake concerning the manner of doing it, and to put it into speedy execution.

7, 8, 9. The safeguard read this day to be granted to the Count of Oldenburg, approved, and to be translated into Latin by Mr. Milton, and brought by him to Lord Commissioner Whitelock and Mr. Nevill, to be perused by them; copy and translation to be presented to the House by Lord Commissioner Whitelock, for approval.

10. The Committee for the city of London to sit on Tuesday, and notice hereof to be given to the parties concerned to attend. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 321-323.]

Feb. 11.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. In regard of the barrenness of the Isle of Man, and the difficulty, by reason of its situation, of supplying the wants of the established forces there, care should be taken for enabling them to make provision beforehand. Order them three months' pay constantly in advance, and 250*l.* upon account, for making a store of provisions, and for supplying such defects as may otherwise prove prejudicial to the service. [*I.* 97, *p.* 121.]

Feb. 11.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Lord General. To like effect, also for advanced payments to the chaplain; Mr. Slader has order to receive the sum, and give his acquittance. [*I.* 97, *p.* 122.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Martin Hardrett, of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee, and if they find any new matter as to the case of Henry Devoux, they are to report; but if not, the matter is to be left to law.

2. The petition of James Livingstone referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

3. The paper read, which was given yesterday by the Dutch Ambassadors to the commissioners appointed to meet them, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

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6. Wednesday next appointed for the Committee for Foreign Affairs to bring to Council the demands to be made to the Dutch Ambassadors.

7. The petition of Lord Montgomery laid aside, not being within the cognizance of Council.

8. The Committee for Examinations to examine Lord Montgomery, as also his papers, and report how he should be disposed of for the safety of the commonwealth.

9. The petition of Thos. Cook, late boatswain at Chatham Yard, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

10. The deputies to the Serjeant-at-arms to be released from keeping horses for the service.

11. 3s. 4*d.* a day to be the allowance made to all the said deputies who attend Council this year.

12. The petition and narrative of William Burton and others to be reported to the House by Col. Martin.

13. Power to be given to Lord Commissioner Whitelock and the rest of the committee appointed to receive a proposition for the discovery and bringing in of money, to dispose of 100*l.* as they think fit, for the advantage of the public.

14. William Saul appointed warder of the Tower in the room of Pate, discharged for suffering Lieut.-General Middleton to escape.

15. Order, on the petition of divers well-affected persons of Hessle near Hull, that it is proper for the cognizance of the Committee for Plundered Ministers, and that as Hull is a place of such importance to the peace, the petition is to be sent to that committee, with the special recommendation of Council that a person of approved fidelity and affection to the present Government be appointed minister there. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 327-331.]

Feb. 13. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. Tuesday next appointed for the Commissioners to meet the Spanish Ambassador at Whitehall, and receive what he has to offer; Sir Oliver Fleming to attend.

4. The petition of John Freeman, merchant of London, and of Christopher Nicholson to be represented to the House by the Lord President.

5. The letter of Lieut.-Col. Roseworm referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, and he to attend their next sitting.

6. To send to Capt. Christian to attend at the same time.

7. The Admiralty Committee to prepare an Act to be offered to the House, for restraining the riotous miscarriages of persons who are wrecked, and for punishing offenders.

8. The report from the Committee for Examinations, concerning the difference between Mr. Riddall and Mr. Woodcot, recommitted to them.

15. The Lion, 180 men and 44 guns, and the Advice, 36 guns and 150 men, added to the ships appointed for guard of the coast of Scotland. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 333-339.]

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Feb. 13. Council of State to Col. Heane, Governor of Jersey. At the
Whitehall. taking of Jersey, several masts were found there, which are now
useless and subject to spoil; cause such as are serviceable to be sent
to Capt. Moulton at Portsmouth, for the service of the State. [*I. 97,*
p. 123.]
- Feb. 13. Council of State to the Commissioners of Parliament in Scotland.
Whitehall. Luke Robinson, M.P., in searching at Scarborough for a Scotchman
who had lately returned from Holland, found the enclosed pass
under the hand of Major Bourne, licensing the carrying of a quantity
of wool out of Scotland to Holland; he having transmitted such
pass to us, we judge it expedient to offer it to you of what disad-
vantage it will be to our interests, if wool be suffered to be exported
thence to Holland; take effectual order for inhibiting and stopping
thereof for the future. [*I. 97, p. 126.*]
- Feb. 13. Council of State to Capt. Boreman. The Sarah and Elizabeth of
Whitehall. Amsterdam, being lately seized by Armiger Warner, John Paris,
and Stephen Evans, at Cowes in the Isle of Wight, as prize, and
they having disposed of her goods without authority, order has
been given them to deliver up such ship and goods to you, for the
use of the State; take care of these until further order, giving us an
account of the goods. [*I. 97, p. 127.*]
- Feb. 13. Council of State to Evan Wall, Mayor of Preston, Edw. French,
Whitehall. and Edm. Werden. We notice your petition, and the good services
performed by you and others in taking Cotterell, the pirate, with
his accomplices, upon the landing of the late Earl of Derby, and thank
you for the same; we grant you the open bark you desire, which be-
longed to the said Earl, with her tackle, &c., in consideration of your
services and expenses in sending the prisoners to York. [*I. 97,*
p. 128.]
- Feb. 13. Council of State to the Vice-Admiral of Cornwall. We under-
Whitehall. stand, by the petition of Sir Peter Killigrew, that a ship belonging
to the States of Holland has been lately wrecked upon the coast of
Cornwall, and all the men belonging to her cast away, and that divers
of the goods were driven ashore upon the petitioner's land. Many
complaints being brought before us of the cruelty and inhumanity of
the people inhabiting the maritime coasts of this commonwealth, as
well to the people of this land as strangers, when any such disaster
happens, we give you notice that you are to take special care for
preservation of those wrecked goods, as also of all others that shall
hereafter fall within your Vice-Admiralty, that no embezzlement be
made thereof; certify us of the quality of all such goods, that
course may be taken for their restoration to the right owners
agreeably to justice, so that merchants and masters of ships navigat-
ing our seas, whether foreigners or natives, may have no just cause
to complain of wrong or injury, in case they fall into any such dis-
tress, it being the duty of every good Christian to give his assistance
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In case you cannot get the goods into your hands in a peaceable way, call to your aid the sheriff of the county, and other good people thereabouts, who are hereby required to give their best assistance for the recovery of such goods. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 129, 130.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Capt. Stone for delivery of some hangings of the late King, sold to him and others, referred to Mr. Love, Mr. Holland, Mr. Masham, and Mr. Hay.

2. The letters and papers from Sir Geo. Ayscue to be reported to the House by Sir Wm. Masham.

3. Also the papers from Lord Willoughby.

4, 6, 9, 10. The petitions of the Militia Commissioners for Southwark, of Alderman Estwick, of Thos. Wright, engineer, and of Nich. Meadow and Robert Hide, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

5, 8. The Earl of Cleveland and Col. Pitscottie, close prisoners in the Tower, to have the liberty of the Tower.

7. Power given to the Navy Commissioners to buy and contract for planks and timber fit for building 6 frigates.

11, 14, 16, 17. The petitions of Lady Cockerane, of Francis Deakins, of Baptist May, and of Martin Brice and others, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

13. The Admiralty Judges to certify whether any ships have been taken by virtue of the letters of reprisal granted against the Dutch, since the order of suspension.

13*a*. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to meet to-morrow morning.

15. The petition of Mark Bayly, of Hastings, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

19. The papers delivered to Council, concerning arrears due to the army that was in Scotland, to be reported to the House by Mr. Bond, and they desired to order that the Army Committee or some other may peruse them, and proceed thereupon, and direct the putting a speedy issue to the matter.

22. That part of the paper sent from the Commissioners in Scotland which concerns the supply of the stores there referred to the Ordnance Committee, to take care that all the arms, ammunition, ordnance, &c. required in the stores there are got ready; to contract for such as are not in the Tower stores; and to cause the whole, except the medicaments, to be sent to Scotland with all speed. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 340-344.]

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Council of State to General Blake. The family of Lord Spiering, late public minister from the Queen of Sweden, have hired an English ship for transporting his body, and are ready to go, but fear doing so without convoy, lest they should fall into the hands of the enemies, and have desired a convoy of us. That they may not stay for that, all other things being ready, we desire you, at their earnest request, forthwith to order such convoy, according to our former order. [*I.* 97, *p.* 131.]

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Feb. 16. Council of State to the Navy Committee. We have contracted
Whitehall. with Wm. Pennoyer, Dan. Judd, John Freeman, Thos. Steventon,
Jno. Semaine, and Geo. Bowerman, for 5,000 barrels of powder at 4*l.*
a barrel, to be paid for out of the remainder of the customs due
from the East India Company, being 7,000*l.*, and 13,000*l.* out of the
customs upon the East India ships that shall next arrive. Parlia-
ment have confirmed this contract, and referred it to us to perfect it,
but as the money of the customs is to be disposed of by you, we
desire you to give a warrant for payment as aforesaid. [*I.* 97,
p. 132.]
- Feb. 16. Council of State to Mr. Parker, of Gravesend. Information having
Whitehall. been given against [Ant. Bradshaw, — Boreman, and others] for
coining false money at Wombell Hall, near Gravesend, and some of
the persons being here in custody, we have sent them, and the
informations and examinations taken of them to you, and desire you
to take such further examinations as you think fit, and bind over
the prosecutors and witnesses, and take care they are effectually
prosecuted at the next county assizes. [*I.* 97, *p.* 133; *I.* 66,
p. 335.]
- Feb. 16. Council of State to Thos. Appletree, justice of peace for co.
Whitehall. Oxford. Upon perusal of your letter concerning some scandalous
words spoken by Obadiah Andrew against this State, and of the
examinations enclosed, Council took notice of your care and readiness
in that as in other things that concern the service, and well approve
thereof. If Andrew is about to march away as a soldier, give him
liberty so to do; but if he makes his abode at Islip, take his bond
in 100*l.*, with two sureties in 50*l.* each, for his future good behaviour;
if he cannot find sureties, take his own bond, and give him liberty
to remove to his friends, or to his former dwelling. [*I.* 97, *p.* 134.]
- Feb. 17. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings
2. The Committee on the business of the City of London to sit to-morrow.
 - 3, 8. The petitions of William Arthur of Guildford, and of Capt. Wm. Burrell, Governor of Mersey Island, referred to the Ordnance Committee.
 5. General Blake to give information to Council of the present state of the fleet, and how the ships upon the present guard are disposed, and in what forwardness the ships are for the summer guard.
 7. Col. Purefoy to present the petition of — Griffith, as recommended by Council, to [the House], for them to do therein as they find cause.
 9. The petition of Hen. Hazard and company referred to the Admiralty Committee.
 10. To consider on Thursday how money may be had for supply of the stores for Ireland and Scotland.
 11. The Ordnance Committee to bring in to Council next Thursday an account of what is in the stores, what stands referred to them to

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furnish, and what money is remaining not charged, of that formerly appointed for the supply thereof.

12. The Irish and Scotch Committee to inform Council next Thursday of the state of the treasure, and where money may be had for making a supply for the stores.

13. To request the House that when letters of advice and intelligence are reported, they may be sent back to Council for further use.

14. The cases of the merchants, referred back to Council, to be considered to-morrow.

15, 16. The papers given to Council by the Spanish Ambassador to be reported to the House; that paper insisting that justice be done upon the murderers of Mr. Ascham to be reported by Lord Commissioner Whitelock.

17. The paper sent in by the Dutch Ambassadors, complaining of ships having been taken by Capt. Penn, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

18. The petition of Lewis Arnat referred to the Committee for Examinations.

19. The Admiralty Judges to attend Council to-morrow, as to what they have done in preparing an account of the letters of reprisal granted at any time to the English, against people of other nations.

20. The papers read at Council from the Dutch Ambassadors referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

22. To write the Indemnity Committee of the condition of Capt. Careless, and to recommend that right and justice be done to him, Council conceiving the accusation brought against him to be done of malice, for his good affection to the service of the commonwealth.

23. The Committee of Examinations to send for Sir Robert Killigrew, lodging at the Savoy, examine him as to the cause of his being here, and report.

24. The said Committee to sit for the dispatch of the business before them.

31. Mr. Rowe to cancel the bond of Mr. Savage, of Chester, and deliver it up to him. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 347-353.]

Feb. 17.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Lord Chief Justice Rolle. [Capt.] Wm. Careless, prisoner in Newgate, is to be indicted for stealing a horse from Mr. Knevet at Barnet, which horse was appointed to him by the Militia Commissioners of Middlesex for the service, and was one of the 3,000 taken into the established pay for three months last summer. Let proceedings against him this next session be forborne, until the business is further looked into, and such order taken therein as upon further examination shall be thought fit. [*I.* 97, *p.* 135; *I.* 66, *p.* 350.]

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41. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Having appointed the Advice frigate at Deptford as convoy to the ship which carries over the body of Lord Spiering, minister from the Queen of

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Sweden, who died here, with his family and goods, order her to be victualled for a fortnight or more with all speed, as the other ship is ready to sail. [*Also I. 97, p. 136.*]

Feb. 17.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. As six new frigates should be built this summer, and in buying the materials, advantage may be taken by the sellers, if they are purchased when they are to be made use of, we desire you to buy up all plank and timber requisite, and in such manner as may be most advantageous. [*I. 97, p. 137.*]

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42. Acknowledgment by Symon Mayne, M.P. for co. Bucks, that he has received 30 declarations of Parliament of 17 Feb. from Mr. Husband, printer to Parliament, for distribution in the said county. [*¼ page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The account brought in by Dr. Exton of ships taken on letters of marque, the petition of Capt. Phillips and Capt. Alford, and the verbal information given to Council by General Blake, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

2. All letters of marque and reprisal granted to private persons suspended, until Council shall see their accounts, and give further order.

3. This order to be sent to the Admiralty Judges, who are hereby required to give notice thereof to the parties concerned. [*I. 66, p. 355.*]

Feb. 18.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Lord Chief Justice Rolle. There being several indictments in co. Berks against Jas. Hind, committed to Newgate for treason, give order before the next county assizes for removing him from Newgate to the county gaol of Berks, in order to his trial. [*I. 97, p. 138.*]

Feb. 18.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. The medicaments required by the Commissioners of Parliament in Scotland are very necessary; give order for the speedy providing and sending of them over for the forces there. [*I. 97, p. 139.*]

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6. The petition of Thos. Billingsley referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

7. Rich. Nutt to bring in a bill of the charge for employing men one night on the Thames, which Mr. Frost is to peruse, and pay what is reasonable.

8, 9. The allowance of 20s. a week made by Council to Major-General Hugh O'Neill to be paid him out of the exigent money of Council, as also the hire of his chamber, and he to have the liberty of the Tower.

10. Col. Alex. MacDonnell to have the allowance of 14s. a week, made him at his commitment out of the contingent money of Council.

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Feb. 19.COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings (*cont.*)

21. The articles given by the Lord General, when he was in Ireland, to Lord Montgomery of Ardes, referred to the Committee for Examinations, with the other papers formerly referred to them, to peruse and report.

22. Col. Wauton to give order for bringing all the brass guns at Lynn and Yarmouth to the Tower.

23. Mr. Jessop, minister, to have liberty to repair to Bristol for two months.

24, 27. The petitions of Capt. Thos. Kitchingman, and of Edw. Woodgate referred to the Committee for Examinations.

25. Mr. Scott to put to account the bill of charges of a person employed by him at Dantzic.

26. Mr. Scott to send to the Commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall such papers as he has received from foreign parts, relating to some English delinquents.

28. The patent of Capt. Jno. Arthur as Vice-Admiral of Dorsetshire to be renewed.

29. The petition of Jno. Peterson referred to the Admiralty Committee.

30. 100*l.* to be paid to the Earl of Westmoreland, for rent of his house for quartering soldiers, and for repairs for what is suffered by the soldiers.

31. A stop to be given to the discharge granted to Lieut.-Col. Hamilton by the Committee for Prisoners, and Sir Wm. Constable to acquaint the committee herewith.

32, 33. The petitions of Eliz. Powell, widow, and of Seth Hawley and others, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

34. The writing in Latin from Dantzic of 8 Feb. referred to the Admiralty Committee.

35. The petition of Stephen Clifton, surgeon's mate, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 358-362.]

Feb. 19.
Whitehall.

43. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. The Foresight and Nonsuch in the Thames, and the Pelican at Chatham, are to be fitted forth to sea, as part of the summer guard. Order the master shipwrights to expedite their fitting, there being great occasion for their being at sea. Cause the Diamond to be victualled, order being already given to the ordnance officers to fit her with guns and gunner's stores; hasten the fitting forth of all the ships in harbour of the summer guard. [*Also I.* 97, *p.* 140.]

Feb. 19.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. The troop of dragoons under Capt. John Friend being ordered by Major-Gen. Lambert to march out of Scotland to England, for the service of Ireland, or to be disbanded, upon advice with the Lord General, we have thought fit to entertain them for the service of Ireland, upon the following conditions. That they shall be taken into pay as horse; and in consideration of their arrears, and to enable them to discharge their quarters in their march to Bristol, that 21 days' pay shall be allowed them. That they be paid as a troop of horse during their stay at

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the waterside for shipping or a wind, and at shipping, have a month's advance on account, out of which they are to find themselves provisions for their transportation.

In pursuance of the order of Parliament of 7 Oct. last, (which appoints you to issue out such moneys as we think fit for encouragement and entertainment of forces sent to Ireland), you are to advance three weeks' pay, according to the establishment of the forces in Scotland, to the said Capt. Jno. Friend, for himself and his officers, as officers of a troop of horse, and for his soldiers as troopers, according to his last muster of 29 Dec., to enable them to discharge their quarters where they lie, and in their march to Bristol. Also to appoint 900*l.* more to be paid to the Treasurers-at-war, and by them to Jas. Powell at Bristol, for payment of the said troop, in pursuance of the terms granted them. If any part of such 900*l.* remain in his hands after the troop is transported, it is to be returned to the Treasurers-at-war, for the use of the army. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 141, 142.]

Feb. 19. 44. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. The surgeon of
Whitehall. the Recovery having lately been on shore without leave, whereby the State has been at charge in curing several of the company, wounded in a fight with three Irish men-of-war during his absence, stay the pay due to him until further order. [*Also I.* 97, *p.* 143.]

Feb. 19. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. For want of a
Whitehall. careening hulk at Portsmouth, they use lighters and boats, which may be very prejudicial to the harbour, in case they should be sunk, as one lately was, with the Nightingale's guns; order the master shipwright at Portsmouth to build a hulk 96 feet by 33, and 12 feet deep in the hold. [*I.* 97, *p.* 144.]

Feb. 19. Council of State to Thos. Bendish, Customs' officer at Yarmouth.
Whitehall. The Holland Ambassadors send us a petition to them from John Tomson and Thos. Jacobs, that two fisher boats belonging to them, being forced into Yarmouth by contrary winds, with 100 cod and as many haddocks, they obtained leave of the bailiffs to expose their fish for sale, and that thereupon you seized their vessels, and took away their sails, whereby they are detained to their loss. Finding that the Act of 9 Oct., which was to take effect 1 Dec., does not forbid the bringing in of fresh fish, but only salted, and being unwilling that there should be any just cause for dissatisfaction from any of the people of the United Provinces, you are required, if the case be as suggested, to deliver up their vessels, and discharge them without delay, on payment of fees, or otherwise, to show sufficient cause for their detention. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 145, 146.]

Feb. 19. Council of State to Thos. Newbury. There being several brass
Whitehall. guns in the garrisons of Bristol and Gloucester, which may supply the ships of war, we desire you, in pursuance of your instructions for bringing the brass guns in the Western garrisons to London, to

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repair to Bristol and Gloucester, and cause the said guns to be sent to the Tower. [*I.* 97, *p.* 147.]

Feb. 20. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Irish and Scotch Committee to bring in a list of persons fit to be sent to Scotland, in pursuance of the letter from the commissioners there.

2. The warrant read, for discharge of such ships and goods from confiscation as have come into this nation since 1 Dec. approved.

3. A dispensation to be given, upon the reference from the Parliament on the case of Robt. Richbell, for restoration of his ship and goods.

6. The letter and papers from the commissioners in Scotland referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

7. The Italian letter referred to the Committee for Examinations to report on Wednesday, and bring in an Act for banishing priests and Jesuits.

8. The petition of the citizens of Worcester referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

9. The petition of the Militia Commissioners for cos. Cambridge and Hunts referred to the Committee for Examinations.

10. The paper read for the Dutch Ambassadors to be signed, translated into Latin, and sent.

11. The petition of Geronimio Gersi, merchant of Genoa, on behalf of himself and other merchants there, referred to the Admiralty Committee. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 367-369.]

Feb. 20. Council of State to the captain of the Worcester. Having considered the present station of the ships employed in the service, we have thought fit that you continue in the Downs until further order. [*I.* 97, *p.* 148.]

Feb. 20. Council of State to Major Evelyn, Mr. Green, and Capt. Aldrich. Rich. Morgan, bargeman, complains against Wm. Stoner of Watlington Park, that by reason of the insufficiency of Cleeve Lock, which ought to have been maintained by Stoner, he had his barge cast away, with some ammunition belonging to the State. Call the above persons before you, examine such witnesses as they can produce, and return their examinations to us. [*I.* 97, *p.* 149.]

Feb. 20. Council of State to Col. Bingham, Governor of Guernsey. We referred to you articles exhibited to us by Joshua Gosling against Peter de Beauvoir, bailiff of Guernsey, and received your certificate, whereupon De Beauvoir petitioned us for our sentence. As the matters charged against De Beauvoir concern the island, and the whole business has already been fully examined by you upon the place, the ultimate hearing and final sentence should be given by you and the jurats. We have therefore discharged De Beauvoir from any further attendance upon us, and refer the articles to you and the jurats, who are to call both parties before you, and hear

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them fully, and proceed according to justice to a final determination of the whole business, that nothing may remain upon which further complaints may be grounded, and dissensions continued between them. [*I. 97, pp. 151-152.*]

Feb. 21.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Admiralty Judges. Capt. Jno. Arthur, who has been vice-admiral for co. Dorset and for Poole for many years, petitions for the renewal of his commission, and we desire you to renew it. [*I. 97, p. 150.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Viscount Lisle to be President of Council until this day month.

3. Col. Purefoy, Mr. Bond, Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Col. Wauton, Sir Arth. Hesilrigge, Mr. Carew, Mr. Scott, Mr. Corbett, Col. Stapley, Mr. Hay, Mr. Masham, and Mr. Gurdon to be a committee to consider where money may be had for paying the salaries of the judges at Westminster, and those going the circuit to Wales; Mr. Carew to take care of this business.

4. The same committee to consider where 50,000*l.* may be had for making provision of stores, and 10,000*l.* for the exigencies of the Council.

5. The same committee to send for the master and officers of the Mint, and confer with them as to the means for preventing the debasing of the coin.

6. Mr. Carew, Mr. Hay, Sir Wm. Constable, Mr. Martin, and Col. Dixwell added to the Committee on the business of the City of London.

7. The Lord General to appoint guards upon the roads, at such towns as formerly, or as he shall think fit, for suppressing and taking thieves and robbers.

8. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to represent to the House Council's opinion that it would much conduce to peace if the Act lately in force, whereby 10*l.* was given to such persons as apprehended and prosecuted thieves and robbers, were revived, and if the same allowance were given to all who shall apprehend and prosecute coiners and clippers of money, or such as debase the coin.

9. The Admiralty Committee to consider which of the prisoners taken at sea as pirates are fit to be tried, and which may be freed, and what shall be done with the latter, and to report. [*I. 66, pp. 371-373.*]

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42. Certificate by Geo. Payler, Jo. Falkiner, and J. White, ordnance officers, to the Ordnance Committee, that there are 300 barrels of unserviceable and decayed gunpowder remaining in the stores, upon account of land service. [*½ page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1-3. The appointed commissioners to meet the Dutch Ambassadors to-morrow at three p.m., and Sir Oliver Fleming to give

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them notice, and accompany them ; the Earl of Pembroke to be one of the Committee, and they to have power to meet and receive anything from the Ambassadors when they think fit, unless it shall be deemed necessary to communicate the same first to Council. [*I.* 66, *p.* 374.]

Feb. 25. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Committee for Examinations to examine the business concerning Marmaduke Beckwith, heir of Arthur Beckwith, and report ; and Wm. Wivell to appear before them on Friday for examination, and bring the said Marmaduke, who is said to be in his custody, with him.

3. The Lord Deputy of Ireland, Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Col. Downes, the Treasurers for the army, both the old and the new, and Capt. Deane to attend the Irish and Scotch Committee tomorrow.

4. Liberty to be given to Wm. Milington and Peter Oliver, tailor to lay an action upon Col. Rainsford, prisoner in the Gatehouse, for the sum mentioned in their petition, provided he is not removed from custody there.

5. The Committee for Examinations to bring in their report concerning Col. Rainsford next Friday.

6. The order of Parliament for preparing a letter to the Queen of Sweden, and sending a fit person thither, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to prepare the letter, and present a fit person.

7. The order of Parliament as to continuing Col. Blake in the command of the fleet, and nominating another person to join him, to be considered next Monday.

8. The Committee for Money to meet next Tuesday, and the accounts and papers from the High Court of Justice, concerning money due to the officers of that court, referred to that committee.

9, 10. The paper of demands to be made to the Dutch Ambassadors to be translated, and the English copy signed by the Lord President.

11. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare and bring in on Friday, a demand to be made concerning affronts done to this commonwealth, now being debated at Council.

12. The Lord General, Lord President, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Bond, and Mr. Neville to take care for a fit place in Whitehall, as a library for the books at St. James's, and to have the books and medals there transported to Whitehall.

13. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to take care of the same as library keeper. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 376-379.]

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Council of State to the Revenue Committee. Parliament having, by their order of the 3rd inst., referred it to us to take care that the arrears of the salaries of the Lord Commissioners of the Great Seal, and of the judges at Westminster Hall, as well as their circuit money, are provided for, we desire you to pay 500*l.* to each of them

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towards arrears, until we find means for payment of the whole, and also to see that the circuit money in arrear [200*l.* each] to the judges that go to Wales, is paid. [*I.* 97, *p.* 153 ; *I.* 66, *p.* 371.]

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46. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. The Grenville frigate, lately taken by Capt. Stokes, commander of the Dragon, is in custody of the collectors for prize goods at Plymouth, and they are ordered to deliver her over to you, with an inventory and appraisement of all her furniture and tackle ; receive her into your charge, and give order for her being speedily fitted for sea. [*Also I.* 97, *p.* 155.]

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Council of State to Charles Walley. Capt. Massey's company, which is to complete the five companies that are to go for Ireland under Lieut.-Col. Finch, is lately mustered, 74 privates besides officers, but cannot be paid, because of the limitation in your instructions, that each company should muster 80 at least before they are entered into pay ; and so that company, if they should not be paid, must either be upon free quarters or disband. We hereby authorise you to pay them from the date of their muster, according to their number, notwithstanding the limitation in our former instructions. [*I.* 97, *p.* 156.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to be desired, in respect of the many weighty affairs now in hand, to attend Council, notwithstanding his other employment.

2. Next Wednesday appointed for considering the propositions of Pierre Blondeau, concerning coining of money.

3. The Lord Deputy of Ireland to attend Council to-morrow.

4. The letter from the Commissioners in Scotland referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

5. The sixth article of demand [to the Dutch Ambassadors] now read, approved, and to be translated.

6. So much of the particulars demanded by Parliament in the year —, to be also translated and sent with the other paper.

7. The Committee for Examinations to consider of some employment for Payne Fisher, in consideration of good service.

8. The petition of the Mayor, jurats, and commonalty of Dover referred to the Ordnance Committee.

9, 10. The petitions of Allen Boteler and of the merchants of Barnstaple and Bideford referred to the Admiralty Committee.

11. The draft of an Act for banishing priests and Jesuits to be presented to the House by Col. Wauton.

12. Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to order Rich. Hatter to pay to Major Lewis Audley, late major of Col. Gibbon's regiment, 54*l.* (out of the remainder of the 1,500*l.* paid to him on account, to be issued for raising and conducting recruits for Scotland) for himself, 2 captains, 3 lieutenants, and 6 serjeants, as gratuity for their charge in conducting 400 recruits of that regiment to Scotland.

14. Lady Cockerane to be discharged, freed from all prison

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charges, and 5*l.* given to her for present relief and for service to be performed by her to this State, and a pass granted to Sir John Cockerane, her husband, to come over to England.

16. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning the obstruction in the going of Col. Clerk's regiment to Ireland, and the printed pamphlet annexed, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to find out the printer and author of the pamphlet, that some course may be taken for their severe punishment.

23. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee concerning John Davies recommitted. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 381-385.]

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Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. We wrote you to sheathe the James, supposing she had then been in dock, but finding that it is the Victory that is in dock, we desire you to defer the James, and sheathe the Victory with expedition. [*I.* 97, *p.* 154.]

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Council of State to Capt. Robert Moulton. We hear that there is demanded—for every boatload of the 1,000 quarters of wheat sent to Portsmouth by Geo. Taylor, in pursuance of a contract with the Irish and Scotch Committee,—two bushels of wheat, as a perquisite to the Mayor, and 8*d.* per quarter as a fee to the measurer for measuring. As that wheat was sent there to be shipped for the army in Ireland, we desire you to acquaint the Mayor that it is the State's corn, and that we expect it may be free for them to measure and ship their corn at any port, without such demands. If you employed the sworn measurer on behalf of the State to measure the corn, pay him for his labour, without regard to any customs or exactions upon private traders. [*I.* 97, *p.* 157.]

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Council of State to Col. Crompton, Governor of the fort at Tilbury and Gravesend. There being matters in difference between Mr. Woodeot of Gravesend and Mr. Riddall of Milton near that place, depending before us, that we might have the true state thereof, we referred the matter to be examined by you upon the place. Since then application has been made to us by both parties for a determination of the business, but as you have not yet made your report, we have not proceeded further. Return the examinations taken, and the papers you received from us, upon which you were to examine, that we may proceed to a determination. [*I.* 97, *p.* 158.]

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47. Propositions of Peter Blondeau to the Mint Committee:—

I will coin money marked on both sides and the edge, according to patterns sent in, at 5*s.* the lb. of gold and 1*s.* silver, the State furnishing and maintaining all the engines, tools, stamps, wood, and coal, &c., and a press for each kind of piece; or

I will maintain the instruments, furnish wood and coals, and all requisites except the stamps, melt the clippings, and bear decay and

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waste, for 5*d.* the lb. silver, and 3*s.* gold, the State supplying the engines at first, the cost being 1,000*l.*

The State to choose workmen who shall be answerable for the gold and silver, and stamps.

I will teach the workmen, only displacing those that are stubborn or ignorant, and choosing others approved by the committee.

I have named, as requested by Sir Jas. Harrington, an extremely low price, in hopes that when the State notices the excellency of my coin, they will give me an annuity, naturalize my family, and grant the coinage to myself and children. Noted: "The Frenchman's propositions, not accepted by the committee." [$1\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]

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48. Propositions of Peter Blondeau to the Mint Committee:—

I will coin money marked on both sides and the edge at, 6*s.* a lb. troy for gold and 1*s.* silver, the State finding and maintaining engines and tools, coals, wood, &c., and the metal cast into plates; or

I will maintain the engines and tools, stamps excepted, at 3*d.* a lb. silver, and 12*d.* gold; or

I will coin at 8*s.* the lb. gold, and 1*s.* 5*d.* silver, the State finding the metal east into plates and the stamps, and I furnishing wood and coal, &c.

Details of trials made; as some still doubt my power to coin with expedition, I offer to make a trial, working a day or half a day with two or three men, if I may use the tools in the Tower, and none be suffered to practise my secret way, should it be discovered.

I have named, as requested by Sir Jas. Harrington, extremely low terms, hoping an annuity, an Act of naturalization, and a grant of the coinage to myself and children.

I will teach any man selected my secret, till my children can manage it.

Details of precautions to secure the safe keeping of the metal.

I will pay the workmen of the Mint whom I employ what the Committee thinks reasonable, but I beg leave to turn out such as are lazy or stubborn, employing in their place others approved by the Mint Committee. [$2\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

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49. Propositions by Peter Blondeau to the Mint Committee:—

The workmen demand 5*s.* a lb. on gold and 12*d.* on silver to coin by the mill, therefore I did not propound this, though I could do it better than it is done in France.

I will coin on the same terms as the workmen, on both sides and on the circumference.

Pray ask what David Ramage demands for coining in this way, and what for maintaining the tools, &c., and then you will see which of us can coin cheaper.

I intend not to remove any workmen if possible, as, for a full Mint, I should need 200 or 300, and had rather employ those already there than new men, and I will willingly teach them my way. Also

Marginal notes.—15*s.* allowed to the State per lb. of gold, and 2*s.* silver; the present charge of making moneys is on gold 2*s.* to the

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moneymen, 3s. Mint charges, except officers' wages and repairs, which may be 700*l.* a year more. For silver, 8*d.* to the moneymen, 5*d.* to Mint charges, and 1*d.* gratuity, so that the State has 10s. a lb. on gold, and 1s. 9*d.* on silver. *Endorsed*: "*The French minter's third proposition.*" 1 page, damaged.]

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50-53. Answer of Peter Blondeau to the objections made against his way of coining money, and the difference between his coin and that which is made with the hammer:—

Some object that the money coined after my way can be counterfeited; but I answer, first, that the engines used in my way are so big and heavy, being about 2,000 lbs. weight, and so difficult to make, and ought to go through so many hands before they are perfected, that the great expenses will dissuade any one from undertaking it, the rich not being willing, and the poor being unable to lay out so much money for an uncertain profit, besides the hazard of discovery by the privacy of so many men.

That the engines being so large, they require a very large room, and a great number of men to work about them, and consequently no private man can undertake it without discovery; whereas money coined with the hammer, requiring but such hammer and two stamps, which can be easily hidden and carried in a man's pocket, it is most easy to counterfeit it secretly, and any man that can grave can make for himself whatever is requisite to coin with the hammer. Some reply that the money coined by the hammer cannot be easily counterfeited, because of the noise in stamping, which does not happen in the press or mill. I answer that every gunsmith or locksmith, or any other, can coin the money with two stamps, in a big vice, without noise, by pressing the same at several times; but if they were but to mark all the pieces at one stroke, as in my invention it ought to be, then it is impossible to do it without strong and heavy engines.

Some object that it can be moulded, but this is absolutely prevented by my invention.

To object that it can be clipped is no less absurd than to say the sun is dark, or the fire cold; it cannot be clipped without taking away the letters or marks about the brim, which would easily be discerned.

Because the money coined with the hammer cannot be made exactly round or equal in bigness, it gives a great facility to the clippers, it being very hard to discern a clipped piece unless by weighing, and therefore it is easy to false coiners to counterfeit and mould it.

As to the false big pieces marked about the thickness of the brim, which the workmen of the Mint have shown, to make believe that they could counterfeit them, I say they were coined with the engines and tools in the Tower, which are big and heavy, and a half-crown cannot be marked but by five or six men, who, though never so good and skilful workmen, because of the small quantity of pieces they could coin in a day, could not get their living thereby, a very

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long time being required for the forging of the brass piece, and of the three silver pieces necessary for each piece of false coin, which three silver pieces ought to be soldered above, below, and about the brass piece, &c. Moreover, the money being so patched of several pieces, one at the top of the other, will give no sound, so that a blind man may easily discern which is the false coin [besides that the money coined after my way is so thin that it cannot be so counterfeited]. [*Printed. 1 sheet. The words between brackets added in MS. 4 copies.*]

Feb. ? **54.** Statement by Peter Blondeau that the Mint Committee, consisting of Sir Jas. Harrington as chairman, Sir Gilbert Pickering, Thomas Challoner, Mr. Gold, &c., Dr. Gourdon, and the officers and workmen of the Mint, with Mr. Johnson, Mr. Violet, &c., having examined all the circumstances of his way of coining, and heard all the objections against it, both by the master and by officers and workmen of the Mint, and by all those then present, voted that the said way of coining was more handsome and honourable for the State than that used at present, which vote was reduced to writing, and a copy thereof delivered to Dr. Gourdon, Master of the Mint.

The workmen of the Mint, who boasted they could coin the money after that way as well as Blondeau, were then commanded to make a trial of their skill, and bring in the patterns and their propositions, and the like command was laid upon Blondeau, and it was ordered that those who would make them to the most advantage for the State should be employed therein.

At the time appointed, the workmen brought in a few pieces made by them, and besides, some pieces of silver at the outside, and stuffed within with copper, to show that the money could be counterfeited that way. The committee having then debated the business, and well understood the time, the engines and tools, the quantity of men, and other things required to make those counterfeit pieces,—which rendered it impossible without being discovered,—judged that those who had the engines and tools, men, and other things required to make good money might easily coin some counterfeit pieces, when commanded by their superiors. Therefore an order was given, and a time limited to the workmen, to present their proposition to coin the money marked upon the thickness of the brims, the same as Blondeau's; but after a long time, they brought in such a proposition that the committee could not understand, and those who made it could not explain; whereby it was apparent that they were not able to make it, much less to coin the money after that way, which they confessed, yet entreated some months more time to find out the invention, if possible, and to have the writer's proposition communicated to them, upon which they might frame their own.

They also demanded that the graver and Blondeau should bring in all the pieces made by the latter for a trial, with the stamps or dies used for making, which was granted, on condition that if, within the time allowed them, they could find out how to coin the money after that way, and he should be sent back, he should be indem-

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nified, which was also agreed to; but they could never find out the invention to coin the thin and weak pieces after that way with expedition; they made some patterns after the old way with the hammer, and their propositions, both for the old and new way, are now in Sir Jas. Harrington's possession.

The workmen of the Mint assert that they are 200 families maintained by the work of the Mint, which is not true, as some of the officers informed me that their corporation consisted of only 40 masters at the most, and are now hardly 30, who are all rich, having lands or houses, and other ways of maintenance without the work of the Mint; and that when they had much money to coin, they used to hire men by the day, and give some 18*d.*, 15*d.*, and some 12*d.* for half a day's work.

However if I am employed, I will be willing to make use of them rather than others, should they be 200, provided they will work after my way, which I shall willingly teach them. [$2\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]

Feb. 27. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Walter Slingsby, prisoner in the Western parts, to be removed to London on his own charge, and order to be given to Major-Gen. Desborow, to send him up to Council.

2. Mr. Copley to attend Council on the summons given to him.

3. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to make their report to Council next Friday, concerning the desires of the Turkey Company, for sending Mr. Methold Ambassador to Constantinople.

4. The letter of Thos. Bowerman, from Sandham Fort, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

5. The letter from the Commissioners in Ireland, with the examinations taken there concerning the transportation of false and clipped money from England thither, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

7. The petition of Haggai Barker, master of the Maudlin of Dover, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

8. The letter and papers from the Commissioners in Ireland referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider and prepare an answer.

9. The letter of the Commissioners in Ireland from Belfast, with the petition of Griffin Hamond, and a certificate of Sir Chas. Coote, referred to the said committee.

10. The Worcester in the Downs to be freed from the order for her continuance there, and General Blake to give order for her proceeding in the service to which she was designed.

11. No persons to be suffered to stay in the little room between the Matted Guard Chamber and the Council Chamber, while Council is sitting but members of Parliament; the portal to be always kept empty, and Mr. Scutt, the doorkeeper, to keep the great door without the portal shut, and himself to stay there without.

13. Lord Montgomery of Ardes to be required not to depart out of England until further order.

15. The 100*l.* advanced by the Militia Commissioners for co. Worcester to Edw. Mathewes, for the sick and wounded after the battle

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of Worcester, to be repaid to Alderman Elvins, of Worcester, for the use of the said commissioners, by Mr. Frost, out of the exigent money of Council.

16. The petition of Mr. Hamilton referred to the Committee for Examinations.

17. Mr. Bond and Mr. Holland joined with Mr. Carew, in the care of the business committed to the committee lately appointed for money.

18. The petition of the inhabitants of Norfolk referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

19. Order on the report from the Ordnance Committee upon the petition from Fras. Lord Brooke, concerning the decay and ruin of Warwick Castle, that some fit person be forthwith sent from London to take a survey thereof, and return it to Council, and that the Ordnance Committee send down a fit person.

20. Order on the petition of Peter Duncane, on behalf of Jasper de Dorenburg, agent in France to the Landgrave of Hesse Cassel, that a copy of the petition be sent to the Admiralty Judges, and they desired to expedite the execution of the sentence of that court in the petition mentioned, for so much of the goods as remain unrestored, so that the petitioner, being a stranger, may not attend longer for the entire benefit of the justice that has been done to him.

21. Lieut.-Col. Jas. Lunden to have liberty to go upon his parole to Newcastle for 3 months, and then to surrender to the Commander-in-Chief in Scotland, he first giving his own bond in 1,000*l.* with security in 1,000*l.* more, for his future good behaviour.

23. Mr. Scott to consider the services of William Huby, and satisfy him, if there be anything due to him, out of the money in his hands for persons employed by him in the service.

24. The brass ordnance in Upnor Castle to be removed from thence to the custody of the ordnance officers, for the use of the State's ships, and the ordnance officers to return as many iron guns in lieu thereof.

31. The petition of Thos. Biancho, on behalf of Capt. John Francisco Cardi, to be sent to the Admiralty Judges, who are to speedily proceed with that part of it which lies before them. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 389-397.]

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Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. As the Laurel frigate, lately built at Portsmouth, is a very good sailer, and a well-built frigate, we have thought fit that the master shipwright there shall build another with the State's timber, of the same dimensions. Give order accordingly, and recommend it to Capt. Moulton, your fellow commissioner there, to have a care that she is well built, with sound timber, and that the master shipwright does not vary from the dimensions of the Laurel. [*I.* 97, *p.* 159.]

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55. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Andrew Burrell, master shipwright, employed in reducing the Swiftsure

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and building the Worcester, should be paid the salary of a master shipwright during the time he has been so employed. Order the treasurers of the navy to pay him off accordingly, disallowing the intervals in which he was not employed in the service of the State. [*Also I. 97, p. 160.*]

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Council of State to Jas. Powell at Bristol. The Treasurers-at-war are to pay you 900*l.* on account, to be issued by our instructions for pay of a troop of horse to be transported to Ireland, under Capt. Jno. Friend. Issue the said money as follows: [Instructions as given to the Army Committee, 19 Feb. pp. 148, 149, *supra*]. Hire or impress shipping to transport them; provide them with casks for water for their horses, and send us a distinct account of the freight of the vessels, the casks, &c., and charge your bills of exchange upon this Council for the value, payable at 10 days' sight. [*I. 97, pp. 161, 162.*]

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Council of State to the Army Committee. Warrants were issued by you for paying 1,700*l.* to Rich. Browne of Pembroke, towards paying and shipping the four troops of horse to Ireland, under Capt. Broderick, which sum he could not receive as it was assigned, whereby inconvenience has happened to the service, and prejudice to Browne. Recall your former warrants, and charge the like sum to be paid by the Treasurers-at-war, and take order with them that it may be presently paid to Browne here. [*I. 97, p. 163.*]

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56. Petition of John Chaworth, merchant of London, to the Admiralty Committee. By order of the Council of State of 27 July last, the prize officers were to deliver him the wools, &c. taken in the Augustine, and claimed by Antonio Taliacarne and other Genoese for the King of Spain, on security to pay their value, if they were adjudged prize; the officers took his bond in 16,000*l.*, thrice the value of the goods, for 6 months, expiring 25 Feb. last; but from distance and other difficulties, he could not in that time obtain proof to clear the goods. Obtained an order from the Admiralty Judges prolonging the term till April, for the return of commissioners, &c. sent to Spain, and the prize officers agreed to wait; but yesterday, 27 Feb., pretending an order of the Admiralty Committee, they sent to him for the money. Begs not to have the bond put in suit till he has had time to make good his claim. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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Accounts given in to the Committee for Consideration of the Inconveniences of the Law, on the order of 27 Jan. 1651-2, of the fees paid in the several departments of the Court of Exchequer, viz. :—

57. Lord Chief Baron John Wylde, and Fr. Thorpe, his associate, and the clerks, cryers, &c. of his court, fees from 16*s.* to 2*s.* 6*d.* for the baron, and 3*s.* 4*d.* to 8*d.* for his clerk. [$2\frac{1}{2}$ pages.]

58. Rich. Tomylyns, puisne or cursitor baron, fees from 20*s.* to 2*s.* 6*d.* the baron, and 5*s.* to 2*s.* the clerk. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

59. Rich. Walker, tipstaff to the baron, fees 6*s.* to 1*s.* [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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60. Hum. Salwey, first remembrancer of the Exchequer, fees from 6s. 8*d.* to 1s. 8*d.* Many noted, "These I never received." Yearly allowance from the public revenue, 55*l.* 16s. 8*d.*, and the custom of 2 tuns of wine; 45*l.* 12s. for passing the Customs' accounts, and 31*l.* 5s. for engrossing the titles of their parchment books, &c.; but the two last have not been paid for 1649. With note of disbursements: 30*l.* for rent of room, 100*l.* parchment and stationery. [4 *sheets.*]
61. W. Wheler, remembrancer, and the clerks of the first fruits and tenths. Fees from 1*l.* to 4s. [4 *pages.*]
62. Ant. Bouchier and 7 other clerks in the office of the first remembrancer. Fees 6s. 8*d.* to 4s.; with 7*l.* to the first secondary from the Customs, and 4*l.* each to him and the second secondary from the public revenue; also 15*l.* 6s. 8*d.* every two years to the clerks for recovering amerçiements. Also note of services for which they receive no fee. [5 *sheets.*]
63. Ro. Long, clerk of the pleas. Fees, 10s. to 1s. [2 *sheets.*]
64. Geo. Evelyn, foreign apposer. Fees from 6*l.* 13s. 4*d.* for Yorkshire, to 1*l.* 13s. 4*d.* for Rutland, from sheriffs, and from 10s. to 8s. 4*d.* from bailiffs and inferior officers; also fees for certificates 20s. or 10s., and for schedules 2s.; also a yearly fee of 40*l.* from the Exchequer. [2 *pages.*]
65. Hen. Ayscough, clerk of the foreign apposer. Fees, 40s. to 3s. 4*d.* [1½ *pages.*]
66. Peere Williams, clerk of estreats. Fees from the sheriffs of counties and towns, for writing extracts of the Greenwax, attending at their apposal before the foreign apposer, &c. from 20s. to 2s. Allowed from the revenue 43*l.* 6s. 8*d.*, and also 20*l.* for taking charge of the convictions and forfeitures of recusants, and transporting them to the Pipe Office; also 7*l.* 13s. 4*d.* twice a year for parchment, &c. [1 *sheet.*]
67. Wm. Satterthwaite, clerk of the nihilis. Salary of 20*l.* yearly from the Exchequer, and 10*l.* for parchment, &c., but no fees. [½ *page.*]
68. Edw. Baker, sealer of Exchequer writs. Fees, 9s. 4*d.* to 2s. 2*d.* [3½ *pages.*]
69. John Brewster and three other ushers. Fees, 12s. to 2*d.* [2 *pages.*]
70. Thos. Colchester and five other messengers. Salary of 64*l.* a year among them, 3s. 4*d.* a day to each man and horse attending court after sealing day, and fees for casual service. The fee of 105*l.* 6s. 8*d.* for porterage of parchment books to Customs' officers of all the ports, of and commissions against recusants has ceased. [1 *page.*]
71. Chris. Vyne, court and chamber keeper. Fee, 5s. to 1s. [¾ *page.*]

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- 72.** Nath. Thorold, marshal of the Exchequer. Salary of 5*l.* for constant attendance, and fees from 6*s.* 8*d.* to 4*d.* from sheriffs, bailiffs, &c. [1 *page.*]
- 73.** The eight sworn clerks of the Pipe, the two ancientest being the secondaries. Fees taken from the sheriffs of the several counties for preparing their entrance particulars, examining their accounts, and preparing their quietus, from 10*l.* to 13*s.* 4*d.* each county, total 464*l.* 5*s.* Also other fees taken from counties of cities, and for recusants, and casual fees. [3 *sheets sown together.*]
- 74.** Edw. Vernon, comptroller of the Pipe. Sundry fees from sheriffs, from 4*l.* to 5*s.* With note of arrears due for 8 or 10 years past of payments for writing the counterpart of the great roll, the recusants' roll, and for parchment and stationery. [1 *page.*]
- 75.** Thos. Hancock and Phil. Hill, clerk controllers of the Pipe. Fees 20*s.* to 12*d.* [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]
- 76.** Note by Sam. Gosse, employed at Guildhall, of sums already paid to nine agents, amounting to 160*l.*, and requesting an allowance of 1*s.* in the pound on the 40,000*l.* in plate, money, and goods paid into the treasury, part on public faith bills; some persons having paid their assessments, and reclaimed their goods, the charge and delivery of which were a great trouble. 2 Feb. [1 $\frac{1}{2}$ *pages.*]
- [Feb.] Like accounts given in of fees paid in the Court of Chancery, viz. :—
- 77.** Wm. Lenthall, Master of the Rolls. Fees in the petty bag, register, six clerks, hanaper, enrolment, and cursitor's offices, from 13*s.* 4*d.* to 2*s.* Also fees belonging to the office, but taken away by the putting down of the Court of Wards, or otherwise discontinued. [2 *pages.*]
- 78.** Rich. Belcher, secretary to the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal for presentation of livings. Fee, 2*l.* 10*s.* on each presentation. [1 *page.*]
- 79.** Hen. Scobell, filling the place of registrar of Chancery during the absence of Miles Corbett, M.P., in Ireland with four deputies. Note of the duties, but not of fees. [1 $\frac{1}{2}$ *pages.*]
- 80.** Thos. Edwards, registrar at the Great Seal. Note of fees still received from 12*d.* to 6*d.*, and of many which have ceased, and request for continuance of the office, which he has held 30 years; and also for that of Chafewax, lately granted to Stephen Iles, a wax chandler. This expense is needless, as he has performed his duties 8 years. [1 *page.*]
- 81.** Stephen Iles, chafer of wax to the Great Seal. Salary 50*l.*, 2*s.* $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* a day wages, and 14*s.* yearly livery; also 360*l.* a year for provision of wax; fees from 1*s.* to 2*d.* 4 Feb. [1 *page.*]
- 82.** Jas. Dewy, clerk of the warrants for justices of peace to the

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- Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal. His duty is to make and present for signature all warrants for placing or displacing justices, for which he formerly received 22s. 6*d.* each, but now only 15*l.* or 20*l.* a term from the hanaper, as ordered by Parliament four years since. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
- 83.** Barth. Beale, senior, clerk of the Letters Patent in Chancery. Fees from 26s. 8*d.* to 43s. 4 Feb. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
- 84.** Barth. Baldwin, Helmet Court, Strand, clerk of the Faculties. Duties, registration of benefices, marriages, licenses and banns, &c. The fees used to yield 1,400*l.* a year to the King, a sum to the lord keeper, and fees to the seal bearer and others; but many now marry without banns or license, at a loss of 3,000*l.* to the revenue. Fees 8*l.* to 10s., divided between the King's clerk, Lord Chancellor's clerk, and archbishop's clerk. 9 Feb. [$2\frac{1}{2}$ pages.]
- 85.** John Bolles, clerk in Chancery, and his predecessors, clerks of the Crown. Fees, 10*l.* to 3s. 4*d.*, most of them noted, "None since these times." Also statement of fees allowed by the late Lord Keeper, and now Lords Commissioners, and paid out of the hanaper, 40s. to 6s. 8*d.* [3 sheets.]
- 86.** John Thompson, Ed. Hoskins, and Thos. Pury, clerks of the Petty Bag. Note of their duties. Fees, 26s. 8*d.* to 8*d.*; $\frac{7}{8}$ of their profits are abated by the ceasing of requisitions, and of the patents of archbishops and bishops. [$3\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]
- 87.** Fras. Lenthall, usher. Fees for searches office from 20s. to 4*d.*, not amounting to 5*l.* a year. Duties, to attend to searches; take charge of money, evidences, &c. deposited in court; also of all the records, and to have the court kept clean and in order. [1 sheet.]
- 88.** Thos Edwards, one of the deputy clerks of the Inrolment Office. Fees from 26s. 8*d.* to 1s. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
- 89.** Humfry Jaggard, another deputy clerk in the said office. Fees from 1*l.* 6s. 8*d.* to 2*d.* [1 page.]
- 90.** Thos. Hussey, prothonotary. Fees, 2*l.* 6s. 2*d.* to 1s.; salary, 100*l.* a year for life, and expenses. 3 Feb. [1 page.]
- 91.** Wm. Swift, clerk under the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal to take fines. Fee, 12*d.* each. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]
- 92.** Five clerks of the Rolls Chapel. Fees, 12*d.* on search of a record, and 8*d.* for every 15 lines of copy; also other fees from 26s. 8*d.* to 1s.; the whole not bringing them more than 30*l.* a year each, though the place requires continual attendance. [1 page.]
- 93.** Rob. Carville, clerk to the Commissioners of Appeal under the Great Seal. Fees, 2*l.* 4s. to 1s.; average profits, 30*l.* a year. [1 page.]
- 94.** Hen. Hastings, clerk of the presentation in Chancery. Presentation, 19s. 6*d.*; mandamus, 7s. 4*d.*; search, 1s.; copy, 1s. or 6*d.* [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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95. Wm. Lisle, clerk of injunctions. Is in constant attendance on the Lords Commissioners, to present warrants and to take care that no injunctions are signed without warrant. Fee for each 4s. 4*d.* [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
96. Abraham Browne, seal bearer to the Lords Commissioners. Fees from 12s. 6*d.* to 1s. per document docketted, and 3s. 4*d.* a day for self, man, and horse, in lieu of diet; attendance constant. [1 sheet.]
97. Thos. Wilberd, jun., bag bearer to the Register Office. Fees, 1s. per cause. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]
98. Hen. Middleton, Serjeant-at-arms, attending the Lords Commissioners. Fees for arrest of an earl, 20*l.*; his riding 40s. a day, and 40s. each day's custody, diminishing in proportion for a baron and knight. Fee for arresting an esquire or a gentleman, 3*l.* 6s. 8*d.*; riding fee and custody, 20s. a day each. Also 12*d.* a day salary from the hanaper, and 3s. 4*d.* in lieu of diet. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
99. Roger Freeberry, crier, and Thos. Wilberd, doorkeeper of the Court of Chancery. Fee, 1s. each a cause; other fees, 3s. 4*d.* to 4*d.* [1 page.]
100. Chris. Havergill, household messenger to the Lords Commissioners. Fee, 3s. 4*d.* a day from the hanaper. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]
101. Michael Baker, Thos. Parker, Keilway Gindott, and Edw. Osboldston, messengers to the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal. Fee, 4*d.* per mile out of the hanaper, for riding journeys. 3 Feb. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
102. Thos. Revett, clerk of the Fleet. Fees, 15s. to 1s.; duties to enter names and causes of prisoners, all commitments, and discharges, &c. 3 Feb. [2 pages.]
103. Fras. Wynde and Mathew Pitt, servants to the Warden of the Fleet, and tipstiffs to the Court of Chancery. Fees, 5s. to 1s., and riding charges. Duties, to take charge of prisoners, prevent their escape, attend them to court, and keep order there. 4 Feb. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
104. Jas. Fitzgerrald, servant to the Warden of the Fleet. Duties, to attend at Westminster during term, and keep the tipstaff's house, whither all prisoners brought to the bar are carried, and kept until the court calls for them. Fee, 1s. for every prisoner. 4 Feb. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]
- [Feb.] 105. Certificate by Rich. Keylway and 11 others, presented to the Law Commissioners, on an order of 2 Feb. 1651-2, of the *modus operandi* in the Court of Chancery, from the commencement to the termination of a suit, which, if not obstructed, may receive a hearing in three or four terms. Ordinary fees, from commencement to hearing, 1*l.* 8s. 10*d.* on the plaintiff's part. [1 sheet.]

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March 1. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Stephen Seares, porter to Council, referred to the Committee for the Officers about Whitehall.

2. That of Dr. Philip Carteret referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

4. The liberty of the Tower to be given to Major Edward Broughton, prisoner there, and this to be signified to the Lieutenant.

6. The letters from Cols. Bingham and Heane of 26 Feb., and the petition of John Saumarez, late Receiver of Guernsey, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.

7. The appointed Committee to meet the agent from the Count of Oldenburgh to-morrow, to receive what he has to offer before his return to his master; Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice and bring him to his audience.

8. Sir Arthur Hesilrigge to discharge all the Scotch prisoners under the degree of captain, who are not Highlanders, now at Durham, and give them passes for Scotland, they taking an engagement never more to bear arms against the commonwealth of England.

9. Mr. Frost to pay 5*l.* to George Lewis, out of the contingent money of the Council, for his services in discovering some scandalous books, and to inform him that the order of Parliament annexed to his petition does not concern the Council, as it is not referred to them.

10. Mr. Love added to the Committee for providing money, and to take care of that business, and examine the state of the treasuries, and give an account to Council where the sums desired may be had.

11. The present and former Treasurers-at-war to attend the Irish and Scotch Committee to-morrow.

12. The petition of Denis Gauden, with the annexed warrant of Council, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

13. Mr. Scott to move the House that the Act prepared for the sale of fee-farm rents may be taken into consideration.

14. The Commissioners in Ireland having addressed a letter to Council, for solution of questions arising on the articles made with the Earl of Ormond, upon the rendition of Dublin,—which they find an obstruction to the sequestration of several great estates in Ireland of persons sequestered for delinquency in England, which estates they have seized, but the sequestration or acquittal depends upon Parliament's resolution of the case, which they have stated and sent;—Council think fit that the original letter and paper, which states the question under the Commissioners' own hands, be reported to the House, and they moved to declare their resolution. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 398-400.]

March 1. Council of State to Lieut.-General Fleetwood. A major, two captains, three lieutenants, and six serjeants were employed for conducting 400 recruits from Col. Gibbon's regiment into Scotland, which being disbanded with the regiment, a month's pay is to be allowed them, in consideration of their travel and pains; 20*l.* having been paid them by our order at Yarmouth, when they were driven in there by stress of weather, there remains 54*l.* 4*s.* due. Order

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Mr. Hatter to pay the same to Major Audley, late major to the regiment, out of the 1,500*l.* paid him for raising and conducting recruits to Scotland, to be distributed amongst the said conductors, according to their respective proportions. [*I.* 97, *p.* 164.]

March 1. Council of State to the Ordnance officers. As there are several
Whitehall. brass guns at Upnor Castle fit for supplying men-of-war, order that they be speedily removed to your custody for furnishing ships, and send the same quantity of iron guns to the said castle in lieu thereof. [*I.* 97, *p.* 166.]

March 1. Council of State to the Governor of Upnor Castle. To like effect,
Whitehall. for delivery of the guns on demand. [*I.* 97, *p.* 167.]

March 1. **99.** Charles Longland to Robert Blackburn, Westminster. I
Leghom. hear the State is pleased to honour me with their commands here to see to their naval affairs ; until I have my instructions, I can say no more than that I shall faithfully serve them. A month since, a letter was sent by the Great Duke to Parliament, complaining against Capt. Appleton for taking a French satee coming into this port, and the concurrence of this factory was required ; they accompanied the same with a remonstrance to Parliament, and my signature was earnestly demanded ; but I answered it did not become me, nor any of our nation, to accuse the Parliament captains for what they had commission to do. Let me know how this business is relished at home, for my government in future. [*1 page.*]

March 2. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Any three of the committee appointed to meet the agent of the Count of Oldenburg to go out to give him audience.

2. The letter and orders from Mr. Speaker referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to ascertain what money Mr. Ryley has received, and how he has expended it.

3. Mr. Peters to preach for Mr. Caryll, in Whitehall Chapel, on Lord's Day afternoon, until his return.

4. The declaration and articles exhibited to Council by Lord Montgomery to be enclosed in the letter to the Commissioners in Ireland.

5. The report from the Ordnance Committee, to whom it was referred to provide 1,000 tents for Scotland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to provide and send them.

6. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare an answer to the paper of the Spanish Ambassador, referred this day from Parliament.

7. The paper given in by the agent of the Count of Oldenburg, returning thanks for the favour he has received from Parliament, by their granting a safeguard to his master, to be represented to the House by Sir Peter Wentworth.

10. The hire of the chamber in which Col. Alex. MacDonnell is kept prisoner in the Gatehouse to be defrayed by Council, as well since his commitment as for the time to come, and the liberty of the prison to be allowed him.

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March 2. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings (*cont.*)
11. To represent to the House Council's opinion that the following persons ought to be appointed magistrates for the better government of Worcester, until the House shall give further order, viz., Fras. Franke, mayor, John Coucher, Hen. Ford, Edw. Elvins, Thos. Hacket, and Robt. Stirrup, aldermen, Theop. Alley, sheriff, and Capt. Thomas Melward, town clerk. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 402-404.]
- March 2. Council of State to the Governor of Shrewsbury. As the private
Whitehall. soldiers of the Scotch army who were taken prisoners at Worcester, and are now in your custody, do not exceed 20, discharge them on taking the engagement, and allow them 20 days for returning. [*I.* 97, *p.* 168.]
- March 2. Council of State to the Army Committee. As the two companies
Whitehall. of foot newly landed from Jersey, under Capt. Thos. Hughes and Capt. Dover, are to march to Bristol for transportation to Ireland, in pursuance of the order of Parliament of 21 October last, advance 21 days' pay to the captains, according to the establishment of the forces in Scotland, to enable them to discharge their quarters in their march; and appoint 450*l.* more to be paid to the Treasurers-at-war, and by them to Jas. Powell at Bristol, for payment of the said companies, according to our instruction. Mr. Powell will give you an account thereof, so that if any part of the 450*l.* remain in his hands after the companies are transported, it may be returned to the Treasurers-at-war. [*I.* 97, *p.* 169.]
- [March] 2. Council of State to the Lord General. We are informed that you
Whitehall. have given a pass to Commissary-General Reynolds to come to England for his health, and that he is in a good measure recovered; being a person who has done good service there, and whose presence is still necessary, in the absence of the Lord' Deputy, we desire you to send him directions to continue there, notwithstanding your aforesaid pass, until further order. [*I.* 97, *p.* 170.]
- March 2. Council of State to the Commissioners of Parliament in Ireland.
Whitehall. We have received several letters from you and others, of your great care and diligence in carrying on the public service, and are glad to see it proceeds with such good success, and trust it will speedily come to a period. We have referred the matter of provisions to the Irish and Scotch Committee, from whom we doubt not but you have had information of their proceedings, in answer to your letters. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 171, 172.]
- March 2. Council of State to the Commissioners in Ireland. Lord Montgomery
Whitehall. of the Ardes petitions us for some allowance out of his estate in Ireland, now under sequestration, for subsistence of himself and family, and has also exhibited a declaration of the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, and some articles concerning himself, and affirms that he came in within the time limited. We send you the papers, and desire you will inform us whether there is anything before you by which it appears he has done anything that may forfeit the benefit of the said articles;

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this we the rather desire, as we find his name returned by you as one whose estate is to be confiscated, whereas by the articles, he understands he has liberty to compound; of this we also desire to be certified, that if he has not forfeited his articles, he may have that made good to him which was stipulated, he pretending to be at present under great necessities. [*I. 97, p. 172.*]

March 3. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To declare to the Admiralty Judges that Council, by their last order for suspension of letters of reprisal, only intended that further captures should be forbidden, and not that the proceedings should be stopped as to ships taken before its date.

2. The petitions of Lord Burgany [Abergavenny] and Anne Duchess of Hamilton, referred to the Committee for Examinations. Mr. Neville to acquaint the Lord General with the desires of the petitioners and know his opinion.

3. The letter from the city of Dantzic, with the petition of James Wich, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

4. The petition and papers of Capt. Lieven Van Ipre referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

5. The order of Council forbidding Mr. Fogg coming to Liverpool taken off.

6. Col. Birch to reduce to writing the matter he verbally propounded to Council.

10. The goods aboard the Dolphin belonging to Geo. Price, with the ship, to be freed from the seizure laid upon them by virtue of the Act declaring goods forfeited which are brought in Dutch bottoms after 1st Dec.

11. The petition of Capt. Reeve Williams, on behalf of his brother, Capt. John Williams, prisoner at Jersey, referred to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, who are of the Council.

12. The forfeiture laid upon the goods of Thos. Cox to be dispensed with, and his goods restored.

13. The bonds entered into by the Countess Dowager of Carlisle and her sureties to be discharged, and the bonds delivered up.

15. The letter read to be sent to the Queen of Sweden along with the agent going thither, to be presented to the House by Lord Commissioner Whitelock, and to be translated into Latin.

16. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider of some fit person to be sent to Sweden as agent.

17. The Committee for Money to consider where the sums payable to Wm. Davenport and Thos. Collins, as directed by Council's warrant to the late Treasurers-at-war, may be paid, the Treasury upon which that money was placed being all paid out. [*I. 66, pp. 405-410.*]

March 4. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The petition of John Tottell and Robert Harding referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

4. The propositions and desires given in by the Lord Deputy of

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Ireland referred to the Irish and Scotch committee, who are to confer with him and report.

5. Monday next appointed for considering the disposing of the Irish people in Ireland into foreign parts, and the members of Council who are in town to attend.

6. The fleet to be enforced with an additional number of men for this year's service.

7. The Admiralty Committee to consider how this supply may be had, and report on Monday.

8. The said committee to take a review of the list of all the captains of the ships for this year's service, and present their opinion on Wednesday.

9. Col. Blake to have a commission to command the fleet for nine months, in pursuance of the order of Parliament of 25 Feb. last.

10. The consideration of another person to be general at sea respited. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 411, 412.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Bailiffs of Yarmouth. As several aldermen of Yarmouth have lately resigned, there may be a defect in the magistracy ; it is of great concern to the welfare of that place that faithful and well-affected persons should be chosen to those places. Being informed that Jno. Arnold, Christ. Steygould, Jno. Harmer, Isaac Preston, Thos. Dunne, Jno. Albertre, and Nich. Cutting are fitly qualified to supply them, we recommend you at the next election to make choice of them, whereby you will not only perform an action to the advantage of yourselves and the corporation, but to the good liking of this Council. [*I.* 97, *p.* 175.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Sir Jno. Wollaston and the rest of the late Treasurers-at-war. We understand that our warrant of 11 Feb. last, for payment of 7,312*l.* 10*s.* to Denis Gauden, merchant, for provisions delivered in Scotland, is not paid off, but respited, upon some doubts as to whether it can be paid in the manner expressed in such warrant, by reason whereof Gauden is exposed not only to the impairing of his credit, but also to great disappointment for money which he should issue for provisions undertaken by him for the army in Ireland. For prevention of such inconveniences, advance out of any moneys disposable by our order, 3,000*l.* to Mr. Gauden, upon credit of the said warrant, to be discounted when the whole sum comes to be paid, and so to be reimbursed to the treasury whence you advance it. [*I.* 97, *p.* 176.]

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Council of State to the Army Committee. The Commissioners of Parliament in Ireland, by reason of the great straits of the forces in several parts there, were necessitated to take up money and charge bills of exchange upon the present Treasurers, which they cannot satisfy unless they receive your order for issuing money for that service. Grant them your warrant to pay the bills out of the present assessments of 90,000*l.* a month for Ireland, or to furnish there, by bills of exchange, letters of credit, &c., 10,000*l.* to be issued out by

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the said commissioners' warrant, or by the Commander-in-Chief in Ireland, or other person authorised to give warrants for pay of the said forces, &c., that the said treasurers may be thereby enabled to answer the bills charged, and may supply the remainder in Ireland, as soon as they have received so much out of the moneys appointed for the said service. [*I. 97, pp. 177, 178.*]

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Council of State to the Army Committee. Col. Clerke's regiment entertained for Ireland being not yet transported, a month longer should be allowed them for their shipping and transportation; that they may not be burdensome to the places upon which they are quartered, order them one month's pay more, from the 8th inst. [*I. 97, p. 178.*]

March 5.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letter to the Senate of Hamburg approved, and to be signed by the Lord President, and sent by the Resident of this commonwealth.

2. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to compare the Latin and English copies of the letters to the Queen of Sweden and the Senate of Hamburg, and order the signing of the first by the Speaker, and of the latter by the Lord President of the Council.

3. The Committee for Examinations to send for the person who printed an edition of the Act of Oblivion, other than what was printed by the printer for Parliament, either by summons or in safe custody, and to examine him concerning it.

4. The Act concerning printing to be brought into Council on Wednesday.

5. The allowance made to Geo. Vaux last year, as housekeeper in Whitehall, both as to his charge of cleansing the courts and lower galleries, and his care in the same, to be continued, and paid out of the exigent money of Council.

6. So much of the report from the Admiralty Committee as relates to Sam. Burgis, late gunner in Upnor Castle, referred back to them.

8. The Council to meet on Monday afternoon, about a business of great concernment.

9. The Committee for French Business to have power to dispose of 50*l.* for the public service, which Mr. Frost is to pay.

10, 11. The Dutch placeat brought this day to Council, and the paper from the Dutch Ambassador, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

12. The petition of Major Jas. Durham, for liberty to go to Ireland with his wife and family, on taking the engagement, referred to the Lord Deputy of Ireland, to grant the same if he thinks fit, on bond in 600*l.* upon the usual conditions.

13. Thos. Whitton, Outstore Keeper of Chatham yard, to be discharged, and Robert Norman to succeed him.

14. Mr. Adderley to officiate in the parish church of Chatham on the Lord's Day, until a minister is settled there, and preach once on

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board all the State's ships before their going out, after convenient notice given to him to do so.

17. The report from the Committee for Examinations concerning Jas. Banks recommitted to them, to take the complaint in writing, and the names of the persons complained of.

20. Order on the business concerning Martin Price, Thos. Griffin, Nich. Jordan, and Fras. Esmond, merchants, that they be left to take the benefit of their articles of Scilly, and if they would have anything more, they are to address Parliament, who only have the power to relieve in such cases.

21. Lieut.-Col. Jas. Lunden to have liberty to go upon his parole for three months, on giving his bond in 1,000*l.* more, on the usual conditions, and that he will surrender to the Commander-in-Chief in Scotland.

25. The letter and warrant from the Irish and Scotch Committee for advancing 5,500*l.* to Denis Gauden to be signed and sent. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 414-419.]

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Whitehall:

Council of State to the Revenue Committee. A petition has been presented to us by Rich. Lovell, servant to Henry Stuart, third son of the late King, stating that the allowance of 1,500*l.* a year made to the said Henry has not been paid lately, by reason of which there is great difficulty in making daily provision for him and his attendants, and that if some speedy course be not taken for their supply, it will not be possible for them to subsist, and continue together in the performance of their duty. Finding that the allowance was appointed by Parliament to be paid out of the revenue, we recommend it to your care that the arrears of the said pension may be paid, and that for the future, it may be constantly furnished as it shall become due. [*I.* 97, *p.* 179.]

March 5.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the justices of the grand sessions for co. Cardigan. We send you a complaint from Thos. Lloyd, Reynold Jenkins, Rich. Jones, and Morgan Jenkins, of co. Cardigan, prisoners in Cardiff Castle, as also from John Jones, of miscarriages in taking the examinations of the said prisoners, of which they offer to make proof; we desire you to examine the grievance, and the parties on both sides, and make a return thereof to us with all speed. [*I.* 97, *p.* 180.]

March 5.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Phil. Jones, Col. Edw. Prichard, Bussy Mansyle, Capt. Griffith [Richard and John Lloyd and John Lewis, justices of peace for co. Cardigan], &c. Having considered the case and petition of Thos. Lloyd, Reynold Jenkins, Rich. Jones, and Morgan Jenkins, prisoners in Cardiff Castle, accused as abettors in the late rising of the countrymen in co. Cardigan, as also the examinations taken by you, &c., and finding nothing positively charged upon Lloyd, Jones, and Morgan Jenkins, we desire that,—upon their bond in 400*l.* each, with two sureties in 200*l.* each, to be forthcoming, if summoned within 12 months, and not to act any-

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thing prejudicial to the Parliament or present Government,—they may be discharged; but if you see cause, you can bind over the prosecutors and witnesses to give evidence against them at the next grand sessions for the county.

As the examinations seem to make proof against Reynold Jenkins as being actually engaged in the rising, and as there is no High court of justice yet in being, you are to continue him in prison until the said sessions, and bind over the prosecutor and witnesses to prosecute and give evidence against him. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 181, 182; *I.* 66, *p.* 417.]

March 6.
Dunkirk.

107. Capt. Ignatius Brett to [Lord Inchiquin]. I have received yours by Mr. Parker, requiring an account of your frigate, the Diligent, and I now believe you the rightful owner of her. Being short of money, I was forced to take up 500*l.* upon the gross adventure, paying 50*l.* per cent., and in the voyage, took the Golden Sun of Enchuysen, a prize laden with red herrings and other goods, value 5,000*l.*, but she was forced into Flushing by contrary winds; as however they were all English goods, they can be recovered, and I hereby give you or your deputy full power to receive or compound for them as you shall think fit. I am in advance, but only want payment when I have taken some prizes. Your frigate would have been sold, contrary to my desire, at an under value, if Mr. Parker had not come in time. He and I however have prevailed that, upon the payment of 100 guilders here, or at Flushing, within a month or six weeks, she shall be restored; at present she is worth above 700*l.*, being fitted with cables, masts, and fit for war, which she did not possess upon my coming into her, but was rather a wreck; 1,300 guilders more will fit and victual her for sea, and I doubt not but the first voyage will far surmount the aforesaid sums. [*1 page.*]

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2. *Fras.* Godolphin to be bailed, on his bond in 1,000*l.* on the usual conditions, and taking the engagement.

3. Col. Jno. Buller to have the liberty of the Tower, and the same to be signified to the Lieutenant.

5. General Blake to order all the ships in the river and the Hope, taken up for the service of the State or for convoys, to repair to the Downs, and there receive his orders.

6. The Admiralty Committee to consider as to building a fort at Chatham, and report on Wednesday.

7. Also to order men, guns, and ammunition to be put on board the Sovereign.

8. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider the condition of the castles and forts in the Isle of Wight, their number of men, and how those insufficiently manned may be supplied, and report.

9. The remainder of the articles to be offered the Dutch Ambassadors to be considered to-morrow.

10. So many of the articles as are already passed to be translated into Latin by Mr. Milton.

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11. The paper given in from the Dutch Ambassadors referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 422-425.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Mayor and Aldermen of Hull. The place of lecturer in your town being void, and knowing John Cann, who for sometime past preached amongst you, to be a man unblameable in his life, painful in his ministry, and very acceptable to many godly people there, and a man of approved good affections to the present Government, we recommend him to you to be lecturer, with the former allowance and maintenance; also that for his further convenience, he may have the house formerly occupied by [Wm.] Style. [*I.* 97, *p.* 183; *I.* 66, *p.* 415.]

March 8.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Capt. Moulton, commander at Portsmouth. In case the Worcester and Mermaid touch at Portsmouth, order their commanders to go back to the Downs forthwith, notwithstanding any former order for their going to the southward; upon their arrival in the Downs, they are to send notice thereof to us. With note of like letters to Capt. Coppin, Commander-in-Chief in the Downs, on board the Entrance, and to Capt. Blake and Daniel Ely, Deputy Collectors for Prize Goods at Plymouth. [*I.* 97, *p.* 184.]

March 8.
Louvre, Paris.

108. Warrant by Charles II. to the Treasurers of the Exchequer to pay to Wm. Curtius, continued in his office as agent to Germany, 40s. a day, with such further sum as may be necessary for extraordinary charges, from the death of Charles I. until further order. [*Copy, 1 page.*]

March 9.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The money due to the Marshals of Chester and Stafford, ordered by warrant of Council to be paid them by the late Treasurers-at-war, out of the 20,000*l.* appointed for the pay of 4,000 foot for three months, to be paid by Mr. Frost out of the exigent money of Council, the said 20,000*l.* having been disbursed.

2. The petition of Andrew Rickard, William Williams, and Benj. Gunston and Company, referred to the Admiralty Committee, and if the ship mentioned is fit for service, and it is necessary to take on any more, they are to agree for its hire.

3. Mr. Frost to procure all the proclamations made in the time of Kings James and Charles.

4. The articles read in answer to the 36 articles offered to Council by the Dutch Ambassadors to be translated into Latin by Thursday.

5. The paper of demands to be brought in to-morrow, and read the first business.

6. The proposals of Col. Sydenham referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to sit to-morrow at 7 a.m. and confer with him thereupon, and send some able engineer to view the places which are defective and easy to land upon, and to report.

7. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider how Mr Weckerlyn may be employed in foreign transactions, and to report.

8. Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Col. Wauton, Mr. Nevill, Earl

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of Pembroke, Mr. Carew, Mr. Holland, and Col. Purefoy to be a committee to receive from the agent sent from the Hanse Towns what he has to offer, and report.

9. Thursday next appointed for the said committee to meet the said agent in the Treaty Chamber at Whitehall; Mr. Frost to send him notice hereof, and Sir Oliver Fleming to bring him to the audience.

10. The Admiralty Committee to consider what commerce or communication should be held with Bordeaux or any other parts of France, especially in reference to the importation of wine, and so to report.

11. The papers sent to Council by Mons. Barrière to be returned to him. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 427-430.]

March 10.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Admiralty Committee to consider how the James may be set forth for this summer's service, and give order.

2. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee on the case of Capt. Jno. Williams referred back to them.

3. The Lion to go as convoy to the merchant ships bound for Hamburg, and Gen. Blake to give order accordingly.

4. The Admiralty Committee to confer with the Navy Committee as to buying the guns in Mr. Browne's storehouse, and if necessary, to contract with him for them.

6. The Admiralty Committee to peruse the list of ships in the Thames, sent from the Trinity House, and appoint the setting out of such as they see cause.

7. Order, on the order of Parliament of 25 February last, that Daniel Lisle be recommended to the House as a fit person to be employed to the Queen of Sweden; Lord Commissioner Whitelock to report this, as also the letter to be sent to Her Majesty.

8. John Durie appointed to accompany Daniel Lisle in his journey to the Queen of Sweden. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 433-436.]

March 10.
Whitehall.

Council of State to Col. Whetham, Governor of Portsmouth. Brass guns being wanted, all those in Portsmouth garrison are to be sent to the Tower, and for the supply of your garrison, the Ordnance officers will deliver you 8 iron culverins and 6 demi-culverins with carriages. [*I.* 97, *p.* 185.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Commissioners at Trinity House. An account should be taken of all ships in the Thames that are or may be speedily made fit for the service; make a list of them, and return it to us by Friday. [*I.* 97, *p.* 186.]

March 10.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Governor and storekeeper at Hull. There are several brass ordnance in your garrison which may be spared, except one cannon of eight and a brass basiliscope; send them up to the Tower forthwith, whether serviceable or not. We have sent orders to other places for sending their brass guns to Hull, to be forwarded to London, and desire you to send them as they arrive. [*I.* 97, *p.* 187.]

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March 10. Council of State to Lieut.-Col. Roseworm. A survey should be taken of the defects of the fortifications of the Isle of Wight, and of such places as are easy to be landed at, and where as yet there are no fortifications; repair to the island, view the defects, and assist Col. Sydenham, the Governor, in erecting forts, and making repairs necessary for the defence and safety of the island. [*I. 97, p. 188.*]

March 10. Council of State to Lieut.-General Fleetwood. For better securing the Isle of Wight, five companies of foot and a troop of horse are to be sent thither, to be added to those already there; order that they march forthwith to Portsmouth, and thence pass into the island. [*I. 97, p. 189.*]

March 10. Council of State to Col. Sydenham. Some of the earth works in the Isle of Wight having decayed and fallen, especially at Sandham Fort, for reasons of public concernment they should be repaired; some forts should be erected in the north part of the island, where there is easy landing, and an earth fort on a hill which commands Cowes Castle, without which it is represented as being untenable. We shall send an engineer to view the works, and consider of the aptest places for the building of forts, and to advise and assist you in the ordering thereof. That no time may be lost, we desire you, in the interim, to cause such of the said repairs and forts as you conceive necessary to be instantly put in hand, as well by your soldiers that are there, as by those who will be sent to you, and by the country people, whom you are to call in and encourage to that work, concurring to their own security.

Declare to the commanders and officers in that island, that we desire them to excite their soldiers to ply diligently the perfecting of those repairs, and erecting of those forts, according to orders from you, and those that superintend the same. Carry on the work as frugally as you can, but what you find necessary to disburse thereupon, and for the encouragement of the soldiers to be employed, we shall reimburse, on your transmitting us an account. Provide at the readiest and cheapest hand such wheels and carriages as are wanted there, and the charge of them shall also be allowed. [*I. 97, pp. 190, 191.*]

March 10. Council of State to the Army Committee. 100*l.* should be advanced to Dr. Philip Carteret, Advocate General to the army in Ireland, on account of his pay there. Grant your warrant to the Treasurers-at-war to pay it out of the 100,000*l.* which, by ours of 4 March last, you are desired to order them to send over to Ireland, or to furnish the money for his pay there, and to acquaint the Commissioners of Parliament in Ireland or their deputy treasurers therewith, that it may be defalked out of his arrears, and growing pay. [*I. 97, p. 192.*]

March 10. Council of State to Col. Heane. We have received yours concerning soldiers who refused the service of Ireland, and have thought fit that they should be sent over to England, and disbanded here. [*I. 97, p. 193.*]

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- March 10. Council of State to Col. Bingham. Upon considering yours as to the falling down of part of the wall of Cornet Castle, which is 174 feet in length and 10 in breadth, we think it should be rebuilt, and desire you to go in hand with it; the charge, not exceeding 150*l.*, you are to defray out of the revenue of the State in the island, and in case that amount shall not be sufficient, order shall be given for more. We will send for Major Harrison on Mr. Saumarez's petition and make fit order. [*I.* 97, *p.* 194.]
- March 10. Council of State to the Militia Commissioners for co. York, and the Governor of Clifford's Tower. As there are several brass ordnance in the city of York, which should be removed to the Tower, order that they be sent to the Governor or storekeeper at Hull, to be transmitted to London. [*I.* 97, *p.* 195.]
- March 10. Council of State to Quartermaster-General Ireton. Send all the brass ordnance in Landguard Fort, as well serviceable as unserviceable, to the Tower, to be disposed of to some other service. [*I.* 97, *p.* 196.]
- March 11. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
3. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider as to supplying accommodations to Daniel Lisle, for himself and company going to the Queen of Sweden.
 - 4, 5. Mr. Weckerlyn appointed assistant secretary to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, and to have 200*l.* a year from Council, payable quarterly by Mr. Frost, as to the rest of the persons employed by Council.
 6. Capt. Gilson to be captain of the ship in which Gen. Blake goes to sea this summer.
 7. The demands agreed upon at Council, with the answer to the 36 articles, to be delivered to the Dutch Ambassadors on Monday, by the Commissioners of Council.
 8. The papers given in by the resident from the Hanse Towns referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to prepare an answer and report to Council with speed.
 9. The letter of Col. Whetham from Portsmouth referred to the Committee for Examinations.
 - 10, 13. Also the petitions of Sir Wm. Fleming and of Hen. Boswell.
 11. The Earl of Carnwarth to have the liberty of the Tower until he can procure bail for his good behaviour, and then to have the liberty of the city.
 12. The business of Capt. Ball's apprehension and escape referred to the Committee for Examinations.
 14. Wm. Spittlehouse to be keeper of the Orchard Gate leading into Channel Row, and to have the same allowance as was paid to Mr. Henrick.
 16. The papers agreed upon to be delivered to the Dutch Ambassadors by the Commissioners on Monday at eight a.m., in Whitehall; notice to be given to their Lordships, and Sir Oliver Fleming to bring them to the audience.

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 17. Capt. John Lambert, commander of the Ruby, to be removed to the Convertine, in the room of Capt. Holding, who is appointed to the Ruby. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 439-442.]
- March 11. Council of State to the Ordnance officers. Though all necessary
 Whitehall. orders were issued for setting out the ships for this summer's guard, there is not that diligence in execution that the state of affairs requires. We do not know what account you will be able to give of this neglect, which may have dangerous effects, and therefore require you to use all possible diligence in discharging your duty, according to directions from Parliament or us, that no accident may occur for want of the timely appearance of our ships in a fit equipage at sea. [*I.* 97, *p.* 197.]
- March 11. Council of State to General Blake. There is extraordinary
 Whitehall. occasion for hastening forth the summer fleet, and we are very sensible of the backwardness thereof. Repair to Deptford, Woolwich, and Chatham, and examine the cause, and certify us in whom the fault lies, and we will endeavour to remedy it by removing those officers you shall find negligent, and placing honest men in their room, and using such other remedy as shall be most expedient. [*I.* 97, *p.* 198.]
- March 11. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. The present
 Whitehall. state of affairs requires that the fleet for the summer guard should have appeared in a fit equipage at sea before this, but notwithstanding all directions and orders have been issued, there is yet great backwardness. We shall endeavour to ascertain the cause, and deal with those who neglect their trust in a business of such great weight. Meantime use your utmost diligence for expediting the fleet, seeing the great consequence of that service for the safety of the commonwealth. [*I.* 97, *p.* 199.]
- March 12. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
 1. The order of Parliament of 10 March, as to setting ships to sea, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to execute what is referred thereby to Council, to meet to-morrow at 7 a.m., and to consider as to sending a supply of shipping and men to the fleet at Barbadoes.
 2. A warrant to be sent to Geo. Withers, that the care of the library at James's House is committed to the Council of State by Parliament.
 3. The petition of Hugh Moone, Rich. Flight, and Mich. Hatcher referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report what should be done for their relief.
 4. The letter of Rowland Dawkins from Carmarthen referred to the Admiralty Committee.
 5, 6, 10, 12. The petitions of Thos. Cockerell, of Hull, and others, of Andrew Jackson, of John Parker, merchant, and of Thos. Bowyer, John Robinson, and others, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

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7. Col. Stapley added to the Committee for Examinations.

8. The messenger that is to go to York and Hull, to see the ordnance sent from Clifford's Tower to Hull, and thence shipped away, to be furnished with money by Mr. Frost, out of the contingencies of Council.

9. Two months of his allowance to be paid to Lieut.-Col. Roseworm as engineer by Mr. Frost, to enable him to go upon his service.

11. Robert Mackrearie, prisoner in York Castle, to be delivered back to his master, Alderman Jas. Brooke of York, he giving security for his good behaviour.

13. Col. Rainsford, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to be sent to the Tower for treason, he having been engaged in several designs against the commonwealth, and upon his removal thither, to have the liberty of the Tower.

15. The petition of Charles Longland referred to the Admiralty Committee.

17. The list of ships from the Trinity House Commissioners referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to consider how the merchant ships now in the Thames may be tallowed, and have their guns mounted.

18. Mr. Carew and Mr. Love added to the Admiralty Committee.

19. The petition and paper of Jane Sneyd, widow, to be recommended to the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal, to proceed according to justice.

20. The two letters of Capt. Clarke, from the Reserve in Galloway Bay, referred to the Admiralty and Irish and Scotch Committees, who are to confer together thereon.

21. The Countess of Lauderdale, with her daughter and two maids, to have liberty to repair to the Earl of Lauderdale, prisoner in the Tower, at their pleasure.

22. The petition of Marie Eldred, widow, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report what should be done for her relief.

23. The salary allowed the two porters at the gate to be continued, and paid out of the exigent money of Council.

25. So much of the petition of Lieut.-Col. Finch as relates to having 150 tents out of Chester Castle referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

27. Order—on the petition of the Muscovy merchant adventurers to Greenland, setting forth that their predecessors discovered Greenland with great industry and hazard, and have, by encouragement of several grants, confirmed in Parliament, maintained the whale fishing there at great expense against all comers, but are disturbed therein by persons who had no share in the discovery, yet cause quarrels and bloodshed, and requesting Council to induce Parliament to end the differences; which petition was referred to a committee, who have heard the case of the company claiming sole right to the fishing, and of the free adventurers, claiming common right as

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Englishmen—that the case be left to law, or to Parliament, when their weighty affairs permit them to consider it.

Meantime, as the whale fishing is of consequence, and should not by dissensions be allowed to fall into the hands of strangers, the parties are so to order their fishing as to avoid occasions of interrupting each other, that the fishing may be carried on fully in all places, and oil and fins imported for home use and for export.

That the ships sent be strong for defence against strangers, and that each party assist the other in case of hostility. Whosoever gives the first occasion of quarrel to be severely proceeded against on returning, and tried by law. Copies of this order to be given to both parties.

28. Lord Bargeny [Abergavenny ?] to have liberty to go to Scotland, and reside there for some time, on bond with good security upon the usual conditions, giving an account to the Commissioners there of his arrival and stay, and rendering himself prisoner to them on summons.

29. Order—on the petition and articles of Thos. Duckett, Robert Cassell, and others, late Militia Commissioners for cos. Cambridge and Hunts, against Capt. Robert Sparrow,—that the Militia Commissioners of the said counties call the parties concerned before them, examine the complaints, and proceed according to the Militia Act; and if they cannot settle the difference, report to Council. The parties against whom the charge is made required to attend the said Commissioners on summons. [I. 66, pp. 446–454.]

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2. Lord Commissioner Lisle to sign letters as president for the time being. [I. 66, p. 456.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Commissioners of the Trinity House. We have received your list of the ships in the Thames, and excuse the imperfections, on account of the shortness of the time; but we require the tonnage of all those above 200 tons, and how many guns they carry. Require their owners to rig and tallow them, and to mount their guns, that they may be ready for service on occasion. If any of the owners are refractory or delay to comply, certify us, that further order may be taken. As this is an affair of consequence, we recommend it to your special diligence and care. [I. 97, p. 200.]

March 13.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Commissioners in Scotland. Having upon the reference from Parliament taken into consideration how necessary it is, in this present juncture, to have as great a number of ships in readiness for the service as we can, and finding a want of ordnance, we desire that the brass guns at Dumbarton and Stirling may be put on board some of the men-of-war on that coast, and sent to London. Those at Dumbarton are 1 demi cannon of eight, two demi cannon of seven, two demi culverins, 4 sackers, and 1 minion.

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At Stirling these are 3 culverins, 2 demi culverins, 7 sackers, 4 minions, and 2 twelve-pounders. With these send 4 of the worst brass battering pieces now at Leith. There are a great number of loose iron guns lying along the Scottish coast; order the getting them together and shipping them with the others; or if they cannot be ready so soon, speed them after with a convoy. [*I. 97, pp. 201, 202.*]

March 13. Council of State to the Sheriff of York. Robt. Croseley, a Scotch-
Whitehall. man, is in your custody at York Castle, for being in the engagement at Worcester. Having received a petition from Alderman Jas. Brooke, in whose service he was at the time of his apprehension, praying for his release, that he may again serve him, or be permitted to return to Scotland, you are to dismiss him, and deliver him to his master, he giving security for his future good behaviour. [*I. 97, p. 203.*]

March 13. Council of State to the Navy Committee. You will see by the
Whitehall. enclosed list what guns are in the possession of Mr. Browne and Mr. Folio; as there is much occasion for brass guns for the fleet, appoint some person to view the same, and contract with the owners for such as you find fit for sea service. [*I. 97, p. 204.*]

March 13. Council of State to the Army Committee. We find by the petition
Whitehall. of Lieut.-Col. Finch, that when the regiment of Col. Duckenfield was drawn from Chester and other places towards the service of Worcester, he put some men into Chester to do the duty of the garrison, in the absence of those who were drawn off; that he paid them for the time they were so employed 2*8*l. 0*s.* 10*d.* out of the money advanced him for pay of the regiment which marched, and that upon the passing of his account, this sum was disallowed. As the money was expended for a service of so much importance at that time, both to the commonwealth and Chester, and wherein he expressed much care and faithfulness, we desire that it be allowed and passed with the rest.

Being also informed that he and Major Duckenfield, since their being entertained in the service of Ireland, have not received the pay of lieutenant-colonel and major, but only of captains,—whereas by our agreement with them, upon which they with their companies undertook the service, it was stipulated they should have their former pay,—order the paying of what has grown due to them upon account of those pays, from the time of their first entertainment to this time. [*I. 97, pp. 205, 206.*]

March 13. Council of State to the Customs officers in the several ports.
Whitehall. As it is necessary, in this present conjuncture of affairs, that all the shipping of this nation should be fit and ready to be employed for the common defence, and to prevent all attempts of affront to be put upon us, we require you to make a survey of all the ships in your port, and the members thereof, and certify us how many there are of 200 tons and above, as also their names, what guns they are

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fit to bear, how many they have, in what readiness they are for service, and in what time they can be fully completed. You are also, in our name, to require the owners to cause them to be forthwith rigged and tallowed, and their guns mounted; and, if any will not comply, certify their names to us, that further order may be taken therein. [*I. 97, pp. 207, 208.*]

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1. The business of settling a minister at Hull to be considered next Friday.

2. The Nightingale with her goods, taken by Capt. Smith, by virtue of letters of reprisal granted to the administrators of Paulet, to be restored to Jno. Peterson, master, as she was taken many days after the order for the suspension of such letters was issued.

3. The Irish and Scotch Committee to speed away the three months' pay that is to be sent to Scotland.

4. Also to dispatch such provisions as have been written for from Scotland, that they may seasonably arrive.

5. The Admiralty Committee to consider what ships are fit for the guard of the eastern and western parts of Scotland, and advise with the Commissioners lately come from thence.

6. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consult with the Lord General as to carrying on the business against the Highlands, and to prepare necessaries.

7. Also to consider as to providing 2,000*l.* for defraying the expenses of the Commissioners in Scotland, to be paid to Mr. Frost, for answering bills sent him by them.

8. The Admiralty Committee to direct the commander of the Lion to take Daniel Lisle and his retinue on board, and land them at Hamburg.

9. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare an answer to the papers given in by the agent from the Hanse Towns.

12. Mr. Rowe to give up and cancel the bond entered into by Capt. Philip Morris and his sureties.

20. Major Jas. Mercer to be permitted to go on parole to Scotland, and render himself there to the Commander-in-Chief, within 21 days after his arrival, on giving security in 600*l.* on the usual conditions.

24. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider where money may be speedily had for the exigencies of Council.

25. In case the Earl of Bridgewater desires Holt Castle to remain in his possession, or to dispose thereof to any other, he or the purchaser is to give security, by bond in 4,000*l.* with two sureties, that it shall not be made use of to the prejudice of Parliament, or otherwise it is left to him to demolish it, and the materials will be allowed him according to his petition. [*I. 66, pp. 458-462.*]

March 15. Council of State to the Ordnance officers. There being a want of Whitehall. carriages for supplying the men of war appointed for the summer guard, contract for 500 ship carriages for guns, at the best and cheapest rates you can, to be delivered with all possible expedition. [*I. 97, p. 208.*]

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- March 15. **109.** Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. That there may
Whitehall. be no impediment for want of victuals by the ships of war, in their
prosecution of the service in this conjuncture, give special order to
the Navy Victuallers to put the full proportion of beer and all other
provisions into all the State's ships ordered for the guard of the seas
this summer. [*Also I. 97, p. 209.*]
- March 15. Council of State to the Navy Victuallers. Having thought fit,
Whitehall. upon the present conjuncture of affairs, to reinforce the ships of war
ordered for the summer guard, make speedy provision of victuals
at London and Chatham for 2,500 men, besides the 7,500 already
ordered. [*I. 97, p. 210.*]
- March 15. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. The James and
Whitehall. Sun prize, now fitting at Portsmouth, should be added to the summer
guard. Order the hastening and fitting them for sea; they are
ready to take in their victuals, and only stay for orders to receive it.
[*I. 97, p. 211.*]
- March 15. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. The Sovereign and
Whitehall. Resolution are to be added to the summer guard; cause them to be
fitted forth to sea with all expedition. [*I. 97, p. 212.*]
- March 15. Council of State to Capt. Jno. Taylor, commander of the Laurel
Whitehall. frigate. Having ordered that the money to be sent to Scotland shall
be carried on board your frigate, you are to bring her into Lee Road
forthwith to receive it. [*I. 97, p. 212.*]
- March 16. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
1. Col. Wm. Flower to be discharged from custody.
 - 2, 3. The petitions of Fras. Godolphin and of Jno. Frederick, and
other merchants of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee.
 - 4, 5. Also the letters of Capt. Badiley, of the Paragon, in Cadiz
Bay, and of Capt. Peacock, of the Tiger, near Harwich.
 7. The petition of Edw. Annesley, storekeeper and proof master in
the Armoury Office, Tower, referred to the Ordnance Committee, to
report out of what treasury the money due to him may be paid.
 - 8, 9, 16. The petitions of Thos. Taylour, of Ryde, Isle of Wight,
and of the inhabitants of Jersey, and of John Harris, merchant of
London, and John Gorges, referred to the Irish and Scotch Com-
mittee.
 10. That of George Fisher to the Ordnance Committee.
 11. That of Wm. Jegg, keeper of the State's wardrobe, to the
Committee for Examinations, to consider what salary should be
allowed him.
 12. Col. Wauton and Mr. Holland added to the Committee for
Examinations.
 13. That committee to consider what is fit to be given to Mr.
Kennersley for his former good services to the public.
 14. Mr. Holland, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Love, Mr.
Scott, and Col. Wauton to be a committee to consider the petition

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of Anne Prichard, with reference to a house of hers in Wallingford Castle, and to report.

15. Mr. Rainsford, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to be discharged, on bond in 1,000*l.*, with two sureties in 500*l.* each, on the usual terms.

17. Mr. Frost to peruse the bills brought him from time to time by the keepers of Major-Gen. O'Neill and Col. Macdonnell, and to pay such sums as he shall judge fit.

18. The petition of Thos. Burgh referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to inquire what proceedings have been had thereupon in the Admiralty Court, and to report.

20. The order concerning Capt. Jno. Williams to stand, with addition that the evidence against him be returned to Council.

26. Note of warrants brought in from the Irish and Scotch Committee, for sending to Ireland the provisions obstructed by reason of the plague in Liverpool.

27. Like note concerning the appointing a ship at Bristol to waft over the provisions of consequence to Waterford. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 464-468.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Commissioners in Scotland. We have referred your representation of things necessary to be provided for carrying on the military operations to the Irish and Scotch Committee. Your colleagues who brought it having also represented to Parliament and us the great activeness of the Presbytery of the province of Edinburgh, and of Sir Jas. Stuart, late Provost of that city, upon a Kirk interest, to disturb and hinder the proceedings there for the settlement of the affairs of that nation, Parliament made the enclosed order. In pursuance thereof, we desire, in case Sir James Stuart, the Presbytery, or any others continue to interrupt your proceedings, that you will take such order for prevention of the effects of their endeavours as you find most conducive to that end, whether by sending them to England, restraining them there, or otherwise, which we leave to your judgment, only desiring your especial care of this particular, it having been observed that it has a great influence upon the people, by making them disaffected, and has much retarded the progress of the affairs of the commonwealth there. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 213, 214.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Capt. Saltonstall, commander of the Lion. You are to receive Dan. Lisle and his retinue on board, give him your best accommodation, as becomes a person of his quality, and transport him to Hamburg, he being employed upon special service for the State. [*I.* 97, *p.* 214.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Major Evelyn, Governor of Wallingford Castle. There being several brass ordnance in your garrison, which may be spared for supplying the navy, deliver them to Commissary John Phipps to be brought to the Tower. [*I.* 97, *p.* 215.]

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March 16. Council of State to Col. Duckenfield. We send a complaint from
Whitehall. Jas. Banks, of the Isle of Man, concerning some unjust and cruel
passages exercised upon him by divers persons there in 1648;
examine the persons concerned, and certify us, unless Banks and
the other parties settle the business amongst themselves. [*I. 97,*
p. 216.]
- March 16. Council of State to Col. Scroope. Having ordered Thos. New-
Whitehall. bury to receive and send to the Tower all the brass ordnance in the
western garrisons, deliver all those you have in your custody at
Bristol. [*I. 97, p. 217.*]
- March 16. Council of State to Col. Kelsey, Governor of Dover, and the Mayor
Whitehall. there. Upon consideration of the return made by you in the case
of John Whetstone, postmaster of Dover, we have thought fit to
discharge him; you are therefore to nominate a fit person to succeed
him. [*I. 97, p. 217.*]
- March $\frac{1}{2}$ 6. **110.** Capt. Rich. Badiley to the [Navy Commissioners]: Since
Paragon, my last of $\frac{4}{14}$ Feb., I have been on my passage from Cadiz; stopped
Genoa Roads. at Alicant six days for the merchantmen's business, and left the
21st ult. A little before that, the Vice-Admiral of France, with his
ship of 50 pieces of ordnance, met the William and Thomas and
the Lewis, and having passed a broadside or two together, the
Frenchman left our ships, which went into Iversey, and sent to desire
that I would call for them, which I did, and took the William and
Thomas under convoy; but the other, having fish on board, put it
to the venture, and went alone.
We chased and came up with several Hollanders, but could not
meet with any Frenchmen; they heard we were coming along that
coast, and so plucked in their horn, and got into Toulon, where they
were in a panic lest our six ships were coming in there to land
men, and endeavour their destruction. They have put themselves
in a defensive posture, and got their ships into the Mould. I suppose
a guilty conscience dictated to them they deserved no better at our
hands, and thus made that stir. As affairs stand, they cannot set
forth such a strength but that ten or eight of our best frigates may
master them, and keep them in. The French have lately taken the
Welcome, of 18 guns, in her way between Lisbon and here. I have
sent the Phoenix to Leghorn, with the William and Thomas, and shall
follow with the ships here, viz., the Employment, Harry Bonadventure,
and Victory, bound that way, and so up to the Levant.
When near Majorca, on the 14th ult., our frigates fetched up an
Algiers man-of-war, out of which I took the English captives, by
virtue of the article in my general instructions giving me command
to take all Englishmen out of any shipping belonging to foreign
states or princes. [$1\frac{1}{2}$ pages.]
- March 17. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
1. The petition of William Franklin, of the Tower of London,
referred to the Ordnance Committee.
2, 4. The petitions of Major Thos. Rippon, and of Jane, widow of

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Col. Fras. Rowe, slain in the service of Ireland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

3. The petition of Aquila Wikes, keeper of the Gatehouse, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

5. The Admiralty Committee to consider how the shipping of the nation may be put into a posture to be fit to serve upon any occasion.

6. The petition of Mr. Winslow referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

7. Lieut.-Col. Mason to attend the Irish and Scotch Committee to-morrow.

8. To answer the petition of Lieut.-Col. Jackson that Council do not think fit to give way for his raising of a regiment at present.

9. Col. Wauton and Mr. Bond to consider where 120*l.* may be had for the service of the Isle of Wight, and report to-morrow.

10. Dr. Walker to attend the Admiralty Committee on Friday.

11. The paper from the Dutch Ambassadors, concerning the Abraham, seized by letters of marque granted to the administrators of Paulet, referred to the ——— Committee, who are to confer with Dr. Walker.

14. The petition of Capt. Wm. Jacket and partners referred to the Admiralty Judges, to state the matter of fact out of the proofs now before them. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 472–474.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Geo. Gosnell and Jno. Robinson, Ipswich. We have received your particulars of the ships at Ipswich, and approve your diligence, and the readiness of the owners and masters to serve if there be occasion. We are not willing to put them to unnecessary trouble, or to interrupt the course of their trade, and therefore, having been informed of their number and strength, they are to be permitted to go on their voyage without further stay, and you are to signify this to them. [*I.* 97, *p.* 218.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Militia Commissioners for co. Cambridge. We send a complaint against Capt. Robert Sparrow and the officers of his troop, concerning abuses committed by them in the county. Call the parties before you, and proceed according to the Militia Act, and in case you cannot settle the difference, send us a statement of the facts with your opinion. With note of a similar letter to co. Huntingdon. [*I.* 97, *p.* 219.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. By reason of contrary winds, the five companies of foot to be transported for Ireland, under Lieut.-Col. Finch, have been so long kept at the waterside, that the 1,400*l.* we ordered you to pay to Chas. Walley, of Chester, for their pay, and month's advance at shipping, is nearly expended; as the wind continues contrary, their growing pay still runs on, and besides, there will be lacking 700*l.* for their three months' advance. Order 800*l.* more to be paid to the Treasurers-at-war, and by them to Walley, for them, and desire the said Treasurers to give speedy

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notice to Walley that the money is ordered, so that in case a fair wind should present before they pay him, he may be encouraged to take it up on credit, and send them away. In the first six weeks' pay advanced to Finch's company, you ordered him and Major Duckenfield only captains' pay. Allow them pay as lieutenant-colonel and major, and order it to be paid to Capt. Philip Eyton for their use. [*I. 97, pp. 220, 221.*]

March 17. Council of State to the Commander-in-Chief of the forces at
Whitehall. Durham. We lately ordered you to dismiss the Scotch prisoners in restraint in the county, but on further consideration, we have thought fit that they should be detained till further orders. [*I. 97, p. 222.*]

March 17. Council of State to the Army Committee. Parliament, in the
Whitehall. last establishment of pay for the forces, made provision for payment of 6s. a day to the Governor of Chester, which garrison for the present is supplied with part of Col. Berkstead's regiment, commanded by one of the field officers. As there should be a governor appointed for Carnarvon, we have thought fit, by advice of the Lord General, to transfer the pay allowed for the Governor of Chester to the Governor of Carnarvon; we desire you to issue your warrant for payment of 6s. a day to Col. Mason, who, by a commission from his Excellency, is appointed Governor of Carnarvon, and let the like pay be continued to him in course with the rest of the army. [*I. 97, p. 223.*]

March 17. Council of State to Chas. Walley. We have received three
Whitehall. accounts of money disbursed by you, viz.: for freight of the oatmeal bought of Capt. Whitworth; for pay of the recruits of Col. Hunck's regiment during their lying at the waterside; and for transporting them and others to Ireland; and have given order for payment of what remains due to you upon them to Commissary Wm. Dobbins. That all accounts of money between the State and you may be cleared, you are to repair to London, after you have shipped away Col. Finch's company for Ireland, and bring your issues and vouchers for all payments. [*I. 97, p. 224.*]

March 18. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Earl of Rothes to be discharged from the Tower, on giving security himself in 4,000*l.*, with two sureties in 2,000*l.* each, that he shall not go out of the limits of the late lines of communication about the city of London, and upon the usual terms.

2. Wednesday appointed to consider what to do about the prisoners of war in the Tower, and the rest of the prisoners about town.

3. Sir Hen. Vane, Mr. Martin, Mr. Corbett, Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, and Mr. Scott to be a committee to draw an Act, in pursuance of the order of Parliament, in reference to the business of Scotland; Whitelock to take care thereof.

4. William Blackstone to be bailed, on bond in 1,000*l.*, with two sureties in 500*l.* each, on the usual conditions.

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5. Order, on consideration of the present state of the stores as to the Eastland commodities, that the Admiralty Committee consider how a supply thereof may be made.

6. The petition of Rich. Willis referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report whether he is chargeable with miscarriage during his attendance on the Committee for Safety, sitting at the Star Chamber.

7. Order, on the petition of Aquila Wikes, keeper of the Gate-house, for payment of 14*l.*,—his bill of charges for keeping Edw. Aldham a prisoner for some months,—that 7*l.* be paid him out of the exigent money of Council by Mr. Frost, and the other 7*l.* by the prisoner. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 478-479.]

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Whitchall.

Council of State to the Lord Deputy of Ireland and the Parliament Commissioners there. We recommend to you the enclosed petition [of Capt. John Downes], complaining of wrong done to the petitioner by Charles, late Viscount Moore, by detaining money due to him for service in his Lordship's troop in Ireland. Relieve the petitioner, on just proof of the truth of what is alleged. [*I.* 97, *p.* 225 ; *I.* 66, *p.* 476.]

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1. The petition of John Davies, master of the Blessing of Carrickfergus, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

2. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to order that no timber be felled by Lawrence Halsted in Windsor Forest, for repair of Sunning Bridge, until further order, and that Halsted appear before Council to answer for cutting wood there.

4, 16. The petitions of Hen. Cooke, master of the Irish Merchant, and of ——— Coytmor, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

5, 6. The petitions of Col. Flower and of William and Fenton Parsons referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

7, 8. The petition and papers of the Constant Warwick for freight, and of her owners for salvage, referred to the Admiralty Committee. [*Also Vol. XXIII, No. 111.*]

9. The petition of William Hart referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to confer with Col. Berkstead concerning the damage alleged.

10. To write Jacob Legay, collector of customs at Southampton, that such ships as have been stayed there upon Council's letter are to be dismissed, and allowed to proceed on their voyage.

11. The petition of Robert Bancroft, a soldier at Liverpool, as also the paper of Col. Birch, to be considered on Wednesday.

13. The letters from the ports, giving an account of the shipping fit for service, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

14. That committee to inform themselves of the report concerning the stay made of English shipping in the United Provinces, and to report.

15. The letter and papers from Ipswich referred to the Com-

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mittee for Prisoners; Mr. Corbett to take care hereof and make a speedy report.

17. The business of recommending Mr. Cann to be minister of Hull recommitted to the Irish and Scotch Committee, and nothing to be done upon the last letter of the Council to Hull on his behalf, until further order.

18. Order, on the remonstrance from the Dutch Ambassadors touching the Abraham and several other Dutch ships and goods, taken by letters of reprisal granted against the Dutch,—wherein they desire a declaration concerning the validity of an inhibition mentioned,—that a copy of the said remonstrance be sent to the court of delegates, and that the judges appoint a day for hearing counsel on both sides, and determine according to right and justice. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 481-484.]

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Whitchall.

Council of State to Baron Thorpe. By reference from Parliament to us of some letters from the Assessment Commissioners in Yorkshire, we find there has been some difference of opinion between them, about the manner of assessing of the last six months, which may retard the collecting of those moneys, and the public service be thereby prejudiced. There will now be an opportunity, at the general meeting of the gentlemen of the whole county at the assizes, to have them come to a right understanding of each other. Use your best endeavour to accommodate the difference. We hope you will find no great difficulty, the gentlemen being all willing to promote the service, and differing only in the manner of doing it. [*I.* 97, *p.* 226.]

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Papers of the Constant Warwick referred to the Admiralty Committee:—

112. Order by the Admiralty Committee, on the petition of the owners of the Constant Warwick for her to be set forth as a privateer on the coast of Ireland, recommending that victuals be allowed her by the Navy Committee, according to the ordinance of Parliament of 30 Nov. 1643, as she may be of special use in scattering and surprising the Irish men-of-war, preserving trade, and infesting the trade to and from the rebels, and a great assistance to the Irish squadron.—5 Oct. 1647. [*1 page.*]

113. Order in the Admiralty Committee to request the Earl of Warwick, owner of half the Constant Warwick privateer, to direct her to receive 5,000*l.* at Bristol, and convey it to Dublin, for which service payment will be made, the President, appointed for that service, being still at Portsmouth, and a vessel of no great force.—2 May 1648. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

114, 115. Receipt by Jo. Houghton of four firkins of money, in part of 5,000*l.*, for the use of the Leinster forces under Col. Jones, laden at Bristol by Thos. Hill, sheriff of Dublin.—26 May 1648. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.* 2 *copies.*]

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- 116, 117.** Receipt by Jo. Parsons of arms and other provisions of war from the Constant Warwick.—30 May 1648. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page. 2 copies.]
- 118.** Certificate by the Commanders-in-Chief for Leinster, that Capt. Rob. Dare, of the Constant Warwick, rode for defence of Dublin Bay up to this day, necessity compelling them to make stay of him.—Dublin, 29 June 1648. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]
- 119.** Appraisalment of the Constant Warwick; total value, 2,081*l.*—20 Jan. 1649. [3 pages.]
- 120.** Memoranda relating to the above. [4 pages.]
- 121.** Petition of Rich. Tiler (on behalf of Capt. Robt. Moulton senior, Peter Pett, master shipwright, Capt. Rich. Swanley, Capt. Jno. Gilson, Wm. Jessop, and Thos. Turner, part owners of the Constant Warwick) to the Navy Committee, for an order to the Navy Commissioners to pay for the hire and freight of the said ship. Two years since, the Derby House Committee employed their ship for transportation of money and provisions to the garrison at Dublin, and after delivering her cargo, she remained in Dublin Bay, by the Governor's order, as a defence against the enemy, none of the Parliament ships being then in those parts. For these extraordinary services 73*l.* 17*s.* became due, which was represented to the committee, who gave order to the Navy Commissioners to examine the business, and make out a bill of imprest for payment of the mariners' wages. They accordingly paid petitioners 100*l.* and no more, but desired the committee to give order for passing a bill for satisfaction of her freight, hire, and extraordinary service, which has not been done. [1 page.]
- 122.** Petition of the owners of the Constant Warwick to the Council of State for satisfaction or restitution of their ship. The Constant Warwick, having been wickedly betrayed into a revolt, was afterwards rendered to the Earl of Warwick, Lord Admiral, and by his order sent into the Thames. Subsequently, Parliament desiring to buy the vessel for the service, in Jan. 1648-9, she was appraised at 2,081*l.*, and the same month seized into the hands of the State, by an order of the House of Commons. Thereupon petitioners and the other owners were forced, at great charge, to take proceedings for clearing her in the Court of Admiralty, where a sentence of restitution was given, viz., of $\frac{1}{2}$ part to the Earl of Warwick, $\frac{1}{3\frac{1}{2}}$ part to Capt. Robt. Moulton, $\frac{1}{16}$ part each to Wm. Jessop, Capts. Rich. Swanley, Gilson, and Wm. Spencer, $\frac{3}{3\frac{1}{2}}$ to Peter Pett, and $\frac{1}{3\frac{1}{2}}$ to Thos. Turner. After the decree had passed, the owners endeavoured by Capt. Robt. Moulton to obtain the fruit thereof, but unsuccessfully, and have received no consideration, either for the ship or her service, since her seizure, though she has been out of their possession since Jan. 1648-9, and since then and now been employed as part of the Parliament fleet, and though there is now due to them, for her services before seizure, near upon 4,000*l.* [1 page. 6 original signatures.]

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- 123.** Petition of the said owners to the Navy Committee to give order for satisfaction for their respective parts (as in the petition above mentioned), either by their proportions of the appraisement, with damages from the time of the ship's seizure, or for restitution of the ship, in the same good condition, with allowance for her service in the interim, or for satisfaction in some other way, to the true value of their respective interests. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
- March 19. **124, 125.** Order in the Committee of Trustees for sale of bishops' lands, on certificate of the decay of Tyne bridge, that Gilbert Marshall and Ant. Smyth, receivers of the late bishopric of Durham, repair such parts as the trustees, as lords of the manor of Gateside are to repair, Thos. Ledgard, alderman of Newcastle, and other purchasers of Frankland wood, finding the timber. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.] With receipt by John Vasey, surveyor of the work, of 483*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.* for the said bridge, from Marshall and Smyth.—16 Oct. 1656. [$\frac{1}{3}$ page.]
- March 19. **126.** Certificate by Thos. Ketelby that Capt. Thos. Cory entered His Majesty's fleet under the command of Prince Rupert at Kinsale, in 1648, and went to Lisbon and the Straits, where he served in the Constant James as lieutenant under Capt. Thos. Braithwait, and that ship being forced into Carthagena by General Blake, was there pillaged and lost. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]
- March ? **127.** [Capt. Thos. Cory ? to ———.] If by your means Mr. Fox or Mr. Thomson may come hither, you will lay a very great obligation upon me, as I have to the value of 2,000 guilders lying in the Lombard for less than 300, which are liable to be forfeited, as I have neither the principal nor interest to pay them. There is also a gold medal which I value more than all the rest, as it was given to me by the late King of blessed memory, and has his own and the present King's picture on one side, and his royal standard on the other. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page. *This paper has neither name nor date, but was found with the preceding.*]
- March 19. **128.** Certificate of Thos. Parker, usher in the Court of Wards, where the Parliament Committee sits for removing obstructions, to the Committee for regulating the fees of the Law courts, on an order of 1st March, that he demands 4*d.* fee on each affidavit. [$\frac{1}{3}$ page.]
- March 21. **129.** Order in Parliament that the offices of postmaster inland and foreign are and ought to be in the sole power and disposal of Parliament. That the Council of State consider the state of the offices of postmaster, and the interests of those persons who claim any therein, and consider how the same may be settled for the advantage of the commonwealth. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]
- March 22. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
1. Lord Commissioner Lisle to be President of the Council until this day month.
 2. The letter of Mr. Corbett to the Treasurers-at-war, desiring

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payment of 150*l.* to his brother, Thos. Corbett, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report out of what treasury it shall be paid.
3. The petition of Dr. Sibbald to be considered next Wednesday, as also the Act requiring the departure of all Scots out of England, and the orders of Council concerning Sibbald.
 4. The letter of Col. Heane from Jersey, with the trunk of papers and briefs, referred to the Committee for Examinations.
 5. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider next Wednesday as to sending an agent to Turkey.
 6. The petition of Jno. Harper, master of the William, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
 7. The Admiralty Committee to inform themselves concerning the report of a Dutch man-of-war riding in the Thames, and examining the ships of this nation which pass in and out, and to report.
 8. That committee to consider whether the frigate lately taken by Capt. Peacock may not be fit to be employed in the service.
 9. The letters taken in Essex out of a Dutch ship referred to the Committee for Examinations, to peruse and report.
 10. The letter and papers from Newcastle referred to the Admiralty Committee.
 - 11, 12, 14. Also the letter of General Blake from the Andrew in the Downs, the letter of Sir Thos. Walsingham, and the letter of Capt. Penn, with the examinations enclosed.
 - 13, 15. The letter from Hull, and the letter of the deputies to the Serjeant-at-arms, as to apprehending two collectors in Wales, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 487-489.]
- March 22. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Having thought
Whitehall. fit to add to the number of men in the ships appointed for this summer's guard, we enclose you a list; issue orders for adding so many more on each ship as are therein mentioned with all expedition, especially on those ships that are already at sea. [*I.* 97, *p.* 227.]
- March 22. **130.** Charles Longland to the Navy Commissioners. I received
Leghorn. your letter, with a commission from the Council of State, and your instructions to serve the State's ships in these seas, which I will endeavour to do. Particulars of ships. The French have lately taken 2 English ships, one laden from Lisbon, and the other, supposed to be the Benjamin, bound home from Naples and Messina. I hope that a constant fleet in these seas will wear out and consume this piratical nation. [*1 page.*]
- March 23. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
1. The letters of Sir Thos. Bendish from Constantinople, of 10 June and 22 Dec., referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.
 2. The petition of the Island (Iceland?) fishermen referred to the Admiralty Committee.
 3. The petition of Rebecca, relict of Capt. Abraham Wheeler, late captain of the Convertine, referred to the said committee, who are

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to consider his good services, and what may be given to her, by the Act for giving rewards to persons who have deserved well.

4. The letters from Essex belonging to the Dutch Ambassadors to be delivered to such person as they send to receive them, upon giving a receipt.

5. The Irish and Scotch Committee to send for the persons they nominated to Council to go to Scotland as administrators of justice, receive their resolutions, and agree as to their going thither; and in case all of them shall not be willing to go, to send away those that are, and to report what they do.

6. The charges of the persons who brought the letters from Essex to be defrayed by Mr. Frost.

7. The order of Parliament as to preparing some Acts to be offered to the House referred to the committee for that business; Lord Commissioner Whitelock to take care thereof.

8. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider as to sending 12 or more ministers to Scotland, to reside in the garrisons and other convenient places there, according to the order of the House.

9. The Committee for Examinations to receive informations concerning Col. Whitley Robinson and others, now about town, and secure them if they see cause, until their several conditions are known.

10. The Admiralty Committee to prepare an account of what ships are already appointed for the summer guard, the stations to which they are appointed, and the time when they will be made ready, and to consider what more should be set forth, and what other officers for commanding the fleet chosen; also what general instructions are to be given to the commanders of the fleet; and to report with speed. Also to send for the Commissioners of the Trinity House, or any other persons they think fit to advise with, on any of these matters.

11. All the members of Council added, for the matters above referred to, to the Admiralty Committee, and to sit every afternoon in the Council Chamber.

12. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare an answer to the paper last received from the Spanish Ambassador.

19. Mr. Rowe to cancel and deliver up to Hugh Peters the bond of Col. Geo. Cooke for 1,500*l.*, entered into on consideration of 820*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* paid to him for raising and transporting 100 horsemen to Ireland, Council being satisfied of his full performance. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 491-495.]

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Council of State to the officers of the ports of Portsmouth, Southampton, Weymouth, Poole, Dartmouth, Bristol, Barnstaple, Carisbrooke, Newcastle, Hull, Yarmouth, Ipswich, and Dover. We approve your diligence and readiness in causing a survey to be made of all the ships in your port, but it was not our intention to lay any restraint upon trade, or stop upon any ship; we hereby give leave to all ships outward bound and ready to sail to proceed on their voyage, provided you give us an account where each ship is bound,

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and how many remain in port which may be serviceable upon any emergency. [*I. 97, p. 228.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Commissioners of Parliament in Ireland. On the case of Lord Montgomery, to the same effect as that of 2 March; adding that as he pleads great necessities, they are to give direction that he may be supplied out of his estate in Ireland suitable to his quality, until further order. [*I. 97, p. 229.*]

March 24. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Council to proceed to the nomination of a Vice and Rear Admiral for the summer fleet.

3. The intelligence read this day to be continued, and order given to the party employed therein accordingly.

4. The letter and papers from Bangor referred to the Committee for Examinations.

5. The petition of the Eastland merchants to be sent to Mr. Scott, for presentation to the House.

6. The remonstrance of the merchants trading to Spain referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

7. The petition of the merchants trading to the East land referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. To write the Navy Commissioners and the Commissioners of the Trinity House to cause 23 ships to be taken up as convoys, for six months certain and eight months uncertain, each to be able to carry 30 or 40 guns, and be fitted out with all speed, and their commanders to be faithful and able men. [*I. 66, pp. 497, 498.*]

March 24.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. The Entrance, Fairfax, Centurion, Assurance, and Adventure are coming into the Downs; they should remain at sea two months longer. Order that provision of all sorts may be made for them for that period, and sent down to them; that the mariners may be encouraged to continue in the service, pay them so much of their wages due as may give them content. There are two ships at Portsmouth and two in the Thames fit to be made fire ships; furnish them with necessaries, and despatch them to the Downs.

We have written the Navy Committee that the remainder of the ships in the Thames appointed by Parliament for convoys, and not yet taken up, may be contracted with for 6 months certain and eight months uncertain. Use all diligence in expediting them to sea, and upon conference with those of the Trinity House, certify the names of fit commanders. [*I. 97, p. 230.*]

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Council of State to General Blake. As there may be great occasions of ships-of-war in the Downs, by reason of the backwardness of many of those at Chatham and in the Thames, we have ordered the Entrance and 4 others, now with Capt. Penn, to be kept out two or three months longer; the companies of these ships to be paid part of their wages. We do not doubt of your discreet management of this business, by dealing with the officers and companies of the said

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ships, so that they may receive full satisfaction therein, considering how the affairs of the State now stand. Cause a survey to be taken of the above ships, and certify us whether they are fit for present service. [*I. 97, p. 231.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Navy Committee. As the fleet appointed this summer should be enforced by the remainder of the ships appointed for convoys, and not yet taken up, all possible expedition should be used for providing such shipping; direct the Navy Commissioners to contract with the owners for them for six months certain, and eight months uncertain, and choose such only as may be fit for service. We intend to employ them only so long as the pressing services of the commonwealth shall require, and after that to dismiss them to the service of convoys, and for which they were first appointed. [*I. 97, p. 232.*]

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31. Petition of Elizabeth Salmon, widow, to the Council of State, for satisfaction for the death of her former husband, Captain Rob. Bonner, who, in 1619,—peace being made with the Dutch as to the East India trade,—was treacherously taken, and barbarously slain by them, with his ship, the Dragon, lying at Tekowe, worth 100,000*l.*, of which 7,000*l.* belonged to her husband. Is informed of a treaty of peace with the Dutch, therefore begs reparation of her losses. With reference thereon to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, and some of the East India Company to attend. [*1 page; note by Bradshaw. Also I. 66, p. 503.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on the petition of Sir Adam Hepburne, of Homber, on behalf of himself and two sons, John Cockbourne, of Ormstone, and Thos. Hepburne, student at St. Andrew's, Scotland, that Thomas Hepburne shall have liberty to return to Scotland to follow his studies on taking the engagement, and that Sir Adam and Jno. Cockburne shall have the liberty of the city and the places within the late lines of communication, on bond in 1,000*l.* each, with two sureties in 500*l.* each, on the usual terms.

3. The bills presented to the House from Sir Abraham Williams, as to the charge of the reception of the Dutch Ambassadors at his house, referred to Mr. Frost.

4. The petition of Thos. Cockerell, mariner, of Kingston-upon-Hull, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

5. That of Lieut.-Col. Geo. Montgomery and John Innis referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to send for the said prisoners in the Gatehouse, examine them, and report their condition, and what should be done with them.

8. The petition of the inferior officers of the late High Court of Justice referred to the late Commissioners there, who are to appoint some person to receive from Mr. Frost the 1,000*l.* appointed for paying off their arrears, proportionably to their salaries.

12. The Earl of Lauderdale, prisoner in the Tower, to have the liberty of the Tower.

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15. A messenger of Council to take direction from Mr. Rowe for finding out such ships in the Thames as he shall give him an account of.

16. Order, on the petition of Arth. Skete, of Dover, that a letter be sent to the Mayor and Governor of the castle, to consider his fitness for the employment he petitions for, or of some other person fit for it, and certify.

17. The petition of Edw. Watkins referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

18, 22, 23, 24. The petitions of Hen. Mason, of Capt. Fras. Kirbie, of Edw. Reading for the place of out storekeeper at Chatham, and of Chas. Fairweather, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

19. Order, on the report from the Committee for Examinations on Mr. Willis's business, that Council sees no ground for keeping from him his dues and arrears payable by the Revenue Committee.

20. Order, on considering the order of Council of June last, for providing 500*l.* for repairing the fortifications of the garrison at Portsmouth, that the Admiralty Committee consider where the money may be had.

21. Twenty marks to be given to Wm. Mowbray, in consideration of his good services, to enable him to buy a horse.

25. The petition of Col. Anth. Hungerford referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to hasten the payment of the money already assigned him, he being unable, by reason of his present necessities, to wait the payment of it in course.

27. The Ordnance Committee to hasten in the brass guns in the several garrisons, that they may be ready for sea service.

28. The Admiralty Committee to consider how a magazine of guns may be provided, for supplying any emergent occasions, or such ships as are or shall be built.

29. The Committee for Prisoners to meet to-morrow in the Admiralty Chamber, and consider the letter and papers from Ipswich, referred to that committee, and report their opinion concerning the prisoners mentioned therein; and the said committee to meet every Thursday for dispatch of business.

30. Dr. Sibbald to be bailed, on bond in 500*l.* with two sureties in 250*l.* on the usual terms, and Josias Berners and Mr. Powell to take his bail.

31. Lord Montgomery of Ardes to have liberty to go to Ireland and abide there for three months, for bringing over his family from thence, he giving security for his good behaviour, and return to Council at the time limited.

32. The Lord General and Denis Bond to go to Chatham, to see in what forwardness the ships are for the summer guard, and quicken the officers in hastening them forth; also to repair to Col. Blake in the Downs, and confer with him touching the instructions to be given to the Commander-in-Chief of the Fleet.

33. The Ordnance officers to go to Gresham College, or any other place in the city of London where there are any brass guns, and make a survey thereof.

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34. To write the Navy Committee to contract with the gunfounder for guns to furnish the Antelope, Drake, Merlin, and Martin frigates, and two shallops, now building, that are to row with 20 oars apiece, all which are intended for the summer guard.

35. The charges of the Lord General and Mr. Bond, in their journey to Chatham and the Downs, to be defrayed by Mr. Frost. [*I. 66, pp. 501-508.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to Rich. Bradshaw, resident at Hamburg. We have considered the enclosed resolutions concerning the ordering of the court of the Merchant Adventurers at Hamburg, and desire you to proceed according to their direction. [*I. 97, p. 233.*] *Enclosing,*

1. *Order in the Council of State that Rich. Bradshaw, resident at Hamburg, be authorised to admit into Court those members of the English company there who, since the former order of Council excluding non-engagers, have taken the engagement, and to permit such members to act and vote as formerly, they continuing in their fidelity, and manifesting their good affection to this commonwealth and Government, whereof such resident is to take notice from time to time, and give information as he shall see cause; Mr. Frost to transmit this order.* [*I. 66, p. 509.*]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Army Committee. We send you the petition and report concerning the matter between the Treasurers-at-war and [Mr. Games and John Lewis] receivers of the assessments of cos. Carmarthen and Brecknock, who were sent for in safe custody, the public service being endangered. As the slight or contempt was of your warrant, though the disservice was to the public, and as the receivers are more immediately your ministers, we desire you to examine the business, hear the treasurers, Mr. Browne, and them, and give such order as you think fit. [*I. 97, p. 234; I. 66, p. 513.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of the Merchant Adventurers referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, and some of the company to attend them on Wednesday, to give more particular information.

2. The petition of Col. Mayo and Col. Mildmay, and the whole business of permitting regiments of Irish to be transported to Spain, to be considered next Wednesday.

3. The appointed committee to meet the agent from the Duke of Tuscany at Whitehall on Wednesday, and receive what he has to offer, and Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice.

4. The business of Marmaduke Beckwith and other children of Capt. Arthur Beckwith, deceased, referred to Council by Parliament, to be reported to the House by the Lord President, that such remedy may be provided in that and like cases as they shall deem fit. [*I. 66, pp. 511, 512.*]

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March 26. Council of State to General Blake. By the enclosed petition, you will understand that the merchants trading to the Eastlands have some ships now riding in the Texel, laden with the commodities of that country, waiting for a man-of-war to convoy them. Order such of the State's ships as you judge most fit to sail thither, take the ships, and bring them in to the Downs; and make use of this opportunity to inform yourself what preparations of shipping are being made in those parts, and of the present state of affairs there. [*I. 97, p. 235.*]

March 26. Council of State to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen, and Militia Committee of London. The season of the year and the present state of affairs require the speedy setting forth of the fleet for this summer's service. As many of the brass guns formerly used in the fleet have, during the late wars, been carried to several garrisons, there is a want of guns for sea service; there being several brass guns at Gresham College, and in other places in the city fit for the occasion, order that they be delivered to the Ordnance officers, and use all expedition, the importance of the service to which they are designed admitting of no delay.

As there is a pretension of right made to such guns on behalf of the city, we shall be ready to receive and consider any claim which they shall make to them; and if it appear that they belong to the city, we will take care, after the service is past to which they are designed, that they are either restored, or satisfaction made according to their value. [*I. 97, p. 236.*]

March 26. Council of State to the Navy Committee. Some frigates now building will be shortly finished, but unless speedy course be taken for supplying their guns, their setting out will be delayed; contract for as many as they are designed to carry, that there may be no disappointment to the service. [*I. 97, p. 237.*]

March 26. Council of State to the Mayor of Dover and the Governor of the castle. The enclosed petition, craving the place of postmaster of Dover, from which Mr. Whetstone was lately removed, having been presented to us, and the petitioner being unknown, we desire you to inform yourselves concerning him, and certify thereon, that the public dispatches may not be retarded; in case there be any other person there of whose fitness and fidelity you can have good assurance, return his name likewise to Council. [*I. 97, p. 239.*]

March 26. Council of State to the Army Committee. The Treasurers-at-war have 60,000*l.* ready of the 180,000*l.* assigned to be brought to them at the Treasury in Guildhall, for the use of the forces in Scotland, and the residue may be furnished in Scotland and the North of England, for supply of the present necessities of the forces, and may be answered here, as the money comes in to them; grant them your warrants, out of moneys appointed for the use of the said forces, to send to Leith, or furnish there by bills of exchange, &c. 108,000*l.*, to be there disposed for payment of the said forces, &c. on warrants of Major-General Deane, Commander-in-Chief there. [*I. 97, p. 240.*]

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March 26. Council of State to the Lieutenant of the Tower. Parliament
Whitehall. having appointed the house in the Tower adjoining the Record Office, called Bowyer's House, as a dwelling for the Clerk of the Records in the Tower, and there being very great necessity of accommodating him there, in order to the methodising the records brought out of Scotland, you are forthwith to remove all the persons now there, and deliver the same to Mr. Ryley for his residence, and for keeping the records. [*I. 97, p. 241.*]

March 26. Council of State to Rowland Dawkins, Carmarthen. As we see
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[March 26.] **132.** Petition and address of the Master, Warden, and Commonalty of Tilers and Bricklayers of London to the Committee for regulating the Law sitting at Westminster, for an increase of their power, whereby the frequent abuses of the tilemakers, bricklayers, and lime men may be reformed, and that a bill may be drawn and presented by the said committee to Parliament, for regulating new buildings.

In 17 Edw. IV., an Act was passed for making and burning tiles, and searchers were appointed to see that no abuse was used therein. In 19 Hen. VII. it was enacted that the Chancellor, Treasurer, and two chief justices for the time being should grant and confirm such fraternities and guilds as were most convenient for better order and government. In 10 Eliz. a charter was granted to the tilers and bricklayers of London (which has been since confirmed), whereby they were made a free body and company of the city, with power to govern all freemen and foreigners, to view any work, and correct the faults of any workman using their art within 15 miles of the city, and of all other matters relating thereto.

By virtue of such statutes, petitioners had power and authority to view any ground where tiles, bricks, lime, and sand were made and sold, and if they found any unsized or insufficient, to destroy them, or fine the owners at their discretion. According to such powers, petitioners and their predecessors have made diligent search into such matters, and have prosecuted divers gross abuses, and endeavoured a full reformation; but since the distracted times, the tilemakers, brickmakers, and lime men have become most stubborn and disobedient, and refuse to observe the above Acts of Parliament and orders, minding their own private gain in preference to the public good.

Building with brick has been very graceful to the city of London, and is very beneficial in preserving the same from fire, also for the preservation of timber, for avoiding the many juttings and encroachments on ground, the darkening of lights, the straightening and stifling the streets, and the infection of plague. They wish for the unity of the ancient artificers, workmen, and builders incorporated within the city, the buildings being now for the most part built

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with slight fir timber, fit for entertaining fire, and so endangering the city. [1 page, damaged.] *Annexing,*

132. I. *Statement by the same of the advantages of substituting bricks for timber in building houses, viz. :—Protection from fire: e.g., Numerous instances given of fires on London Bridge, St. Catherine's by the Tower, Covent Garden, Newgate Market, Tower Street, Lovell's Inn, &c. stayed by means of brick houses. Preservation of timber. Prevention of incumbrances to the streets by the building out of jutties on the first story. Prevention of the excessive breeding of vermin in wood houses. The honour and beauty of the capital city of the commonwealth.* 26 March 1652. [1½ pages, damaged.]

March 27. Council of State to the Governors of Sutton's Hospital. You will understand, by the enclosed petition of Rich. Willis, his good and faithful services as a soldier in the war of Scotland, and his many wounds, whereby he is wholly unable to do anything for his subsistence. As it is not in our power to give him a constant maintenance, we recommend him to you, and desire you to order his admission into the house, and the usual maintenance. [I. 97, p. 243.]
Whitehall.

March 29. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1, 15. Dr. Sibbald to be bailed on bond in 500*l.*, with two sureties in 250*l.* each, on the usual conditions, and Mr. Dodson, keeper of the New Prison, is to bring him and his sureties to the Secretary of Council, to enter in bond.

2. The letter from the Vice Admiralty of Cornwall from Wotton referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. Gualter Frost [jun.] to continue in the same employment and salary, notwithstanding the death of his father.

4. The Lord President to represent the condition of Mr. Frost's family to the House.

5. The Council to nominate one to Parliament as their Secretary.

6. John Thurloe to be presented to the House as Secretary to the Council of State, in the room of Mr. Frost, deceased.

7. Major Purling to be brought before the Irish and Scotch Committee in safe custody.

8. The petition of Edw. Stacey referred to that committee.

9. The report of an answer to the last paper of the Spanish Ambassador to be considered to-morrow.

10. The letter of General Blake from the Downs read.

11. The petition of Nich. Julian referred to the Committee for Examinations.

12. The liberty given to Sir Adam Hepburne to extend to such of his servants as he shall name. [I. 66, pp. 515, 516.]

March 30. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The business of Mr. Hamilton to be reported to-morrow.

2. Col. Berkstead to examine the boy who was taken cutting the

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hangings in Whitehall, to get the gold out of them, concerning that and other like misdemeanors suspected to have been committed by him in Whitehall, take informations, and dispose of him according to law, and bind over prosecutor and witnesses to give evidence.

4. Dr. Walker to take the deposition of John Johnson, lately come from Holland, concerning the embargo laid upon English ships there, to be done without fee and upon oath, and sent to Council to-morrow.

5. The petition of Major Purling referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, and he to have leave to go on parole until Thursday, when he is to appear before the Committee.

6. Mr. Thurloe nominated clerk to the Council, in place of Mr. Frost, late secretary.

7. Gualter Frost to be assistant clerk to the Council.

8. The Council to consider next Thursday week whether they will have more than one clerk.

9. The Irish and Scotch Committee to send the Declaration of Parliament to Scotland, according to order.

10. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to draw a letter to the Duchess of Savoy, according to the desire of the Levant merchants.

11. The 1,000*l.* arrears to the officers of the High Court of Justice to be paid by Mr. Frost to Sir John Thorowgood, Justice Manley, and Major Hurst, for paying off the arrears of the officers, proportionable to their respective salaries.

12. The letter from Lyons Inn, signed Hen. Field, and the papers enclosed, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

13. The letter of Col. Bingham, from Guernsey, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

14. Gualter Frost, assistant clerk to the Council, to receive and disburse the 10,000*l.* appointed by former order to be paid to Gualter Frost, late secretary, to be disposed of as Council shall order. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 518-520.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to the Lord General. Finding it necessary, for the better and more effectual carrying on of the service in Scotland, that two regiments of foot of 1,200 men each besides officers, and one regiment of horse of those now in England, should forthwith march to Scotland, you are to give order that the regiments of foot which shall be appointed to this service be recruited to 1,200, and that both horse and foot march speedily into Scotland. [*I.* 97, *p.* 244.]

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Whitehall.

Council of State to John Jackson, Treasurer of the Excise. By our order of 19 July last, we set apart 1,200*l.* out of the 10,000*l.* advanced for Jersey for buying materials and other necessaries, which being now performed, there will be no further occasion for the remainder of the 1,200*l.*; we therefore leave it to answer such other occasions as we shall charge upon it. [*I.* 97, *p.* 245.]

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Council of State to the Army Committee. Finding it necessary to increase the infantry in Scotland to 15,000, and to settle several garrisons for the security of that country, we have thought fit, with advice of the Lord General, that two of the regiments of foot now in England, consisting of 700 each, should be made up to 1,200 each, besides officers, and sent to Scotland, with 200 privates, four serjeants, and six corporals, and be added to any of the regiments there, or otherwise employed as there shall be occasion. Also that provision should be made for four more deputies to the muster master, and for the governors, gunners, fire and candles, for the several garrisons mentioned in the enclosed list, all which amounts to 1,752*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* monthly. That provision may be made for pay of these forces and garrisons without increase of charge, we have ordered that five of the horse regiments in Scotland be reduced to 70 in a troop, and the other two to 60 in a troop, and six of the eight companies of dragoons to 60 in each company; and that instead of the horse and dragoons so to be reduced, one of the horse regiments now in England shall attend upon the service in Scotland, and the officers thereof have the same allowance of pay, and number of led horses, as those already there. According to these additions and alterations, as expressed in the list enclosed, and signed by Mr. Frost, assistant to the clerk of this Council, we desire the establishment may be altered, and that from the last day of May next, pay may be assigned to the several forces answerable thereto.

As this alteration lessens the charge in the whole, and there is a necessity for the recruiting of two regiments of foot of 700 as they are now in England to 1,200 each, in order to their march in Scotland, we desire that the two foot regiments which shall be ordered to march for Scotland may be paid according to their respective musters, but not exceeding 1,200 apiece, from 5 April next. [*I.* 97, *pp.* 246, 247.]

March 31. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Jas. Williamson referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

2. Order, on the petition of Banastre Maynard, that the order of Parliament, and that of the Council, made for the prohibition of
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3. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Edw. Salmon referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to cause the account to be examined and stated in a right way, and report.

4. The Admiralty Committee to dispose of the ships designed for ordinary convoys to the service for convoys, except those intended for the Straits, in case the information now given of the freeing of the English ships from the embargo laid upon them in Holland be true.

5. The list of guns in the city returned by the Ordnance officers to Council referred to the Ordnance Committee, to select such as are most fit for the service, and send a list thereof to Council; also to call for an account from the Ordnance officers of what guns were

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delivered out of the Tower, for the use of the city forts, and what they received back, and to report.

6. The petition of Robert Williams, Hen. Liddall, and others, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

7. After the Ordnance Committee shall report what guns of those in the city will be useful for the public, a letter is to be sent to the Common Council of London, to deliver such guns to the Ordnance officers by indenture.

8. The answer to the Spanish Ambassadors approved, and to be translated, signed, and sent.

9. Mr. Milton to translate the said paper into Latin, to be sent as the copy.

10. Any two members of Council who are of the number of Commissioners appointed to meet the Spanish Ambassador to carry the answer to him.

11. Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Sir Hen. Vane, Lord Bradshaw, Col. Wauton, Col. Morley, Mr. Bond, Mr. Love, and the Lord President, to be a committee to consider where the 1,000*l.* ordered by Parliament for the wife and children of Gualter Frost, late secretary to Council, may be had, and to consider of the distribution of it, and likewise of the whole matter referred by order of Parliament to Council; Col. Morley to take care of it.

13. The petition of the merchants trading to France referred to the Admiralty Committee.

14. The report from the Committee for Prisoners, concerning the pirates taken by Capt. Peacock, and sent to Ipswich where they now are, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to dispose of them as they think fit. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 522-525.]

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Council of State to Col. Blake. There are divers vessels to be set forth from the coast of Sussex for the mackerel fishing, and the commanders have desired that a small vessel or two belonging to the State may be ordered to attend them during the fishing season; appoint such a vessel or vessels as you shall think fit, and with as much speed as may be. [*I.* 97, *p.* 248.]

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133. Petition of the merchants trading to France to the Admiralty Committee, for a convoy to London for three ships at St. Malo, with a considerable lading of linen cloth, as they cannot proceed, there being so many enemies in the sea. With note of the Nightingale to give convoy. Fourteen signatures. [*1 page.*]

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134. Thos. Bulstrode and three others to the Committee for regulating the Excise. We have contracted with Henry Rumsey, of Sudbrooke, co. Monmouth, for the excise of all inland commodities except soap, salt, and tobacco pipes, consumed in cos. Monmouth, Brecknock, and Radnor for one year, at the farm rent of 400*l.*, which is a considerable advance, the receipts before being mostly swallowed up in the charge. Rumsey should be appointed sub-collector for

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receiving the excise of all foreign commodities imported into the said counties, at an allowance of 2s. a pound. [1 page.]

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135. Note that Dover Harbour was erected by Henry VIII. at a charge of 100,000*l.*, and that care has since then been taken for its maintenance, as in 23 Eliz., an Act was passed for 3*d.* per ton on all English vessels trading with merchandise throughout the kingdom, to be continued for eight years, and applied towards its repair. That in 1 James, the said Act was renewed, and the harbour incorporated by the name of warden and assistants, and no passage allowed to France but by Dover, for the benefit of the said harbour; and that in 13 Charles he granted a new duty of 1*s.* a pack on all composition goods between Dover and Flanders.

The yearly repair will now cost more than in 20 years before, the timber, stone, and ironwork being so much wasted by the sea. The composition trade has paid from 30,000*l.* to 60,000*l.* per annum to the State, and may do so again if the harbour is preserved, and a settled convoy appointed for the merchants. The chief revenue of the harbour was by the tonnage of strangers' ships and cramage of goods, which now yield little or no profit, divers merchants, mariners, and others having withdrawn for want of trade, and above 200 dwelling houses standing empty.

The town has paid 35,000*l.* on public faith, assessments, &c., and has lost 60 ships since the late troubles; the charge of their poor is 650*l.* a year, and the revenue of the pier is not above 160*l.*, out of which the officers and assessments have to be paid.

It is the only dry harbour on the south coast for the repair and security of merchant ships, and does not lie between heads, as other piers do, but open to the sea, and so is subject to greater damage, and more concerned in the Parliament's care than any other pier in England.

The money received in 1646 was 1,000*l.*, in 1649, 1,200*l.*, and in 1651, 1,000*l.*, which has all been disbursed, and the harbour is now much in debt for timber, &c., besides having great breaches lately made in it. [1 page.]

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136. Drs. William Clerk and John Exton, Admiralty Judges, to the Council of State. We called a court and made an Act to give notice of your order of suspension of 18 February, and caused publication. Since then we have received yours of 3 March, intimating that you did not intend that the ordinary proceedings of law should be thereby stopped, as to the ships which were taken before that order of suspension. Thereupon Capt. Stephens, upon letters of marque granted by the Council of State warrant, issued out a commission to examine witnesses concerning the capture of the Golden Lion with French wines for Frenchmen's account; that commission being returned before us in court, it was alleged, on behalf of the master of the Golden Lion, that the capture was made on 19 February, the day after your order of suspension, but the very day that we made our Act of publication of it. Capt.

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Stephens affirmed that the capture was two or three days before, on the coast of France near Brittany; therefore we conceive that, though the capture should fall out to be on the said 19 February, yet, being done near Ruscoe [Roscoff], upon the coast of Brittany, it was a good capture. [1 page.]

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April 1.

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1. Mr. Thurloe to have after the rate of 600*l.* a year during the sitting of this Council.
2. Convenient lodgings to be provided for him in Whitehall, to enable him to execute his place, and the Whitehall Committee to give directions.
3. To answer to Sir John Wintour's petition that if he will submit to the sentence of Parliament, he may depart out of the nation; otherwise he is to address himself to them.
4. The petition of William Green referred to the Admiralty Committee.
5. That of Chas. Waite to the Committee for Examinations.
6. That of several merchants trading to France to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.
7. The letters from the Navy Commissioners and others, about making the Vanguard fit for a man-of-war, referred to the Lord General and Mr. Bond, who on conference with Mr. Pett and the master shipwright on the place, are to give further directions.
8. To inform Mr. Thurloe that no fees are to be demanded or taken of any person, for any orders or dispatches of Council.
9. Major Purling to pay the money due to certain shipmasters employed at Jersey, according to the report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, within 7 days.
10. The letter from the Prince of Condé, with the order of Parliament, referred to the Committee for French Affairs, where Lord Commissioner Whitelock has the chair.
11. The petition of Col. Mayo and Col. Mildmay for liberty to transport Irish foot into foreign parts, and all other petitions of that nature, to be considered next Wednesday.
12. The servant of Major-Gen. Hugh O'Neill to have a pass for Ireland, he first bringing the letters which he shall carry with him open to the clerk of the Council to be perused, and nothing being found therein prejudicial to the public.
13. The petition of William Kiffin, James Burkin, and John Sandys, merchants of London, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.
14. The Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker to attend Council this day week, concerning the *salvo conducto* granted by the Duke of Florence to Mr. Courteene, whereby he is protected.

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15. The report from the Committee for Examinations in the case of Mrs. Hamilton referred back, for their opinion as to what should be paid her.

17. Mr. Bond, Col. Morley, Mr. Challoner, and Mr. Nevill to be a committee to meet the Navy Committee, and confer with them concerning their letter.

18. The petition of Col. Fealan and Alaxilius Brooke to be read on Wednesday.

19. The report from the Admiralty Committee, concerning the providing of a magazine of guns for any emergent occasion, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

21. To write the Navy Commissioners to contract for building two frigates of the same dimensions as the Ruby and Diamond, either in the State's yards or by contract.

22. To write them to fit out the Fortune prize as one of the summer guard, unless they find her fit for a man-of-war, when she should be fitted forth to sea.

23. Armiger Warner to attend Council to answer to what is objected against him.

24. To write the Governor of the Isle of Man to restore the vessel belonging to Hen. Cooke, with all her guns and furniture and such of her goods as are now in his custody; and in case they have been embezzled, the islanders are to make restitution. [*I. 66, pp. 527-531.*]

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Whitehall.

1. Council of State to Serjeant Dendy. You are to send to Council forthwith a list of the prisoners in your custody, committed by their warrant, or prisoners at war, with the time and cause of their commitment. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Council still desire the Lord General and Mr. Bond to proceed on their journey to Chatham and the Downs.

3. The Act for regulating printing to be brought to the committee appointed on Thursday.

4. The book by John Lilburne, sent from beyond the seas to Mr. Moyer, and brought by him to the Lord President, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

5. To write the Army Committee to issue warrants for one month's pay to Col. Clerke's regiment, designed for Ireland, the time of their last month's pay expiring on Monday.

6. The Irish and Scotch Committee to order the speedy shipping of that regiment, before the expense of another month's pay, which is again ordered to be paid them.

7. To write the Commissioners in Scotland that Council approves the answer given by them to the Marquis of Argyle, as expressed in their narrative, and the Lord President is to sign it, when offered to him by the clerk of the Council.

8. The committee appointed to carry the answer of Council to the Spanish Ambassador to present it to him to-morrow.

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9. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare an answer to the papers of the agent of the King of Denmark, and offer it to Council on Monday.

10. Sir Hen. Vane and Sir Wm. Masham added to the committee which meets the Dutch Ambassadors.

11. Next Monday appointed for the committee to meet the Dutch Ambassadors in Whitehall, receive what they have to offer, and report it to Council; Sir Oliver Fleming to give them notice, and conduct them to the audience.

12. Sir Hen. Vane and Mr. Nevill added to the Committee for French Affairs.

13. That committee to give a meeting next Tuesday to Monsr. Barrière; Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice.

15. The petition of divers inhabitants in cos. Suffolk and Norfolk, who are traders to Ireland, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

16. To write the Navy Commissioners to order the navy victualers to provide only for 1,000 more men, making 8,000 in the whole, and in case there be occasion for more provision, it may be made in August and September next. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 533-536.]

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Lyons.

2. John Finch to [his sister, Mrs. Conway?]. Particulars of travels from Paris to Lyons. March 14th, I took boat for Auxerre, where I had the company of Father Mignot, a Carthusian prior, from whom I received many civilities; but at night, the Carthusian's man, intending to be paid for his master's kindness, and our beds being near, seven of us lying in one chamber, got out of his own bed, and made bold to take my breeches from my bed; but suddenly waking, I found them between his knees; finding himself detected, he counterfeited a deep sleep, and after I had pulled at them with some difficulty, he let them go without having searched them. The Count Grandpré and my Lord Digby were within three leagues of us, with 5,000 of the King's men. The next day we passed Montréal, a strong town, where Lord Digby's quarters were appointed for the night; we stayed at a house near, but could get nothing to eat, or so much as straw, but lay upon the boards round the fire. On Saturday, the 16th, we came to Sens, which is well fortified, and an archbishop's seat, and from thence went to Auxerre, where we stayed three days, and where our apprehensions of danger began; for although a coach and messenger used to go from Auxerre to Chalons, we could get none to conduct us, by reason of the soldiers, who were all over Bourgogne, and who robbed all they met, and behind us was the Count Grandpré, who marched after us; so we had a council of war, and resolved to march the 35 leagues on foot, with one Fleming.

On Tuesday, the 19th, we resolved to go to Crevan, but were accosted in the streets of Auxerre by three soldiers, and afterwards by a country fellow, who, in telling us there was great fear of being robbed, pulled out a silver cup, and said he had been to fetch it from Auxerre, and then ran back with all speed, and we, not liking

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the omen, resolved to return and set out the next morning, when it would be market day, and the way full of people.

On the 20th we came to Vermanton, 5 leagues from Auxerre, where we found a garrison of 300 foot, but no lodging, only with two fellows, one of whom was a tinker, so that we watched all night by turns. In the morning, a soldier came into our chamber, and asked whether we were going to Chalons, as the tinker had done 20 times before. We said, yes, but went to the priest and asked the best way; he said it was impossible to go the direct way, without a certainty of being robbed, as we must pass five or six garrisons, and some of the Duke of Nemours' men, but if we went first to Dijon, we should have no garrison to pass; we followed his advice, and on Thursday came to Noye, six leagues from Vermanton, on Friday to Montbard, six leagues from Noye, where there was an unruly garrison, and we were continually warned that we should be robbed unless we took great care, and were desired to go to Monsr. Beauverre, the Governor, for a footman to conduct us, who granted it, and gave special command to his soldier to conduct us in assurance.

After he had gone about a league, we gave him something for his pains, and went forward towards Baineux; but after we had gone three leagues in the rain, eight musketeers came running after us, and bad us stand, and after asking whither we were going, one of them, with a thousand oaths, and his sword drawn, asked why I had stolen somewhat out of the village I last passed. I told him he was misinformed, and desired him not to hinder strangers in their passage; but he said he would make it appear we were *voleurs*, and bad us follow him to the village. He led us to a wood, and perceiving their design, I refused to stir another inch, happen what might; and giving them some money, and the rest doing the like, they greedily fell to dividing the spoil, and afterwards, contrary to the persuasion of him that conducted us, who was an expert rogue, they began to search us, and left us not so much as a band or a shirt; all the gold we had they seized, and getting more than they expected, they gave us back our swords, and dismissed us without a blow, but they took our pocket pistols. As they did not put their hands into my great pocket, I, by that means, saved your garter and hair bracelet, as also my seal and ring, which was a great comfort to me in the midst of my affliction. So, pitted by all that met us, on Saturday the 23rd, we came to Baineux, and out of the frying pan into the fire; for meeting there one Monsr. Bellart, a Frenchman, that married Mr. Scarlet's daughter, of Norfolk, as soon as he heard my name, he asked if I had any kindred at Kensington, which he described by nothing so much as the marble conduit. He knew both the Mr. Colemans, and spoke of young Coleman's wife particularly, and told the Frenchmen we were men of condition, though so unfortunate that day, who presently apprehended, seeing we were not stark naked, that we had somewhat yet left, and considerable enough to lose, and especially one Durbain, a charlatan who pretended to cut for the stone, came often to us to know when we parted; and I heard him tell a soldier where we quartered that he

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believed we had considerable letters of exchange, which he could make of as great advantage, as so much ready money.

On Wednesday the 21st, we set forward for Sans Seyn, and Durbain, pretending to have business there, brought another mountebank with him, but they had only their swords, and so being two to two, I cared not, for the Fleming had not one. When we came to Chanceaux, two leagues on our way, one of the mountebanks told me he believed I had a bill of exchange with me for 1,000 francs at least. I replied I wondered that he should think so, because it was madness to bring a bill in such perilous times, and that the little money which I had occasion for I had returned to Lyons, and sent the bill of exchange by the post, and that 1,000 francs was such a sum that I wondered to hear it mentioned. He told me that I had better buy some gunpowder for my pocket pistol at Chanceaux, as there was less in France, which was true, but he said this only to try whether I had a pistol about me, which not then conceiving, I told him unadvisedly I had no affair for powder. Durbain left us and went into the town, but returned at the end of it, and said he should go a mile out of the way to visit a patient, though he had promised to conduct us to Sans Seyn. I wondered at this, and then conferring our notes together, I plainly said that fellow had some wicked design upon us. On our way towards Sans Seyn, we were overtaken by three cavaliers of the Duke D'Epéron, who asked if we were not the Englishmen who were robbed the other day, and then retired before us; just here we had about three miles of a wood to pass, and at the entrance, looking back I perceived the two mountebanks running after us by the side of the wood, and conceiving their design, I ran so as to keep within view of the three cavaliers that had passed us, so that, though they followed us two miles, yet seeing us so near to those cavaliers, they abandoned their intentions; but I am confident they had their guns provided in the wood for us.

After we had been at Sans Seyn a quarter of an hour, these mountebanks found us, and said we had walked very fast. I replied not so fast as those who went a mile out of the way, and yet were there as soon as we; they would needs show us a lodging, which, when they had done, they took leave of us, and said they were to walk two miles that night to a village, but I believe they only went back to the wood to fetch their guns. We went to another lodging immediately after, and the next morning, these two mountebanks, accompanied with another of their comrades, came to our chamber, when Mr. Baines asked why the other fellow had come, to which Durbain replied, to tell us, out of friendship, that the officer of the soldiers of Montbard, who were coming to Sans Seyn that night, had threatened to cut off our ears, for saying that his soldiers robbed us; and therefore to advise us to hasten to Dijon, which we had intended, had he not come, but you see how villany destroys itself. Mr. Baines replied he was resolved to stay that day to know what officer would tell him so, and I desired them to stay to justify what they had said; but they turned as pale as death, and bad us adieu; and yet within half an hour returned, under pretence of enquiring for I know not whom, to see whether we were gone, and I believe,

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had we stirred, we should have been murdered, for the third fellow brought their guns. As I doubt not you have particularly prayed to God for my safety, give him thanks for these great deliverances, the latter of which was from the most certain danger that could possibly hang over any man's head, and I attribute my escape to your prayers.

We went to the officer as soon as he arrived, and told him what the mountebanks had said; he expressed much anger, and would have liked to know where they were, that he might have made example of them, and said that if we pleased to march with him at the head of the 300 foot, he would conduct us to Dijon; so on Good Friday we went there, where I got my old distemper, the asthma, but got rid of it after a purge, and on Friday, April 5, went to Beaune, where I passed by 3,000 foot, within a league, besieging Bellegarde, and from thence I came to Chalons, where I took boat for Lyons.

I have been deliberating concerning our journey, and was willing to have gone to Marseilles, and thence to Genoa, but the former being for the Prince of Condé, and Toulon for the King, it is impossible to pass that way, and to go by ship is as difficult, by reason of the Spanish vessels, which on account of the siege of Barcelona, are everywhere up and down the Mediterranean Sea; so I have resolved to go by Geneva.

I have received a letter from Mr. Austin from Rouen, and if he knows how to come to us in safety, he is a wise man; for though he may escape by fortune, yet I cannot meet with one man of 40 that does. Seven merchants that went with guns were set upon, and six slain, and a gentleman from Paris met 40 stripped as naked as they were born. The army of the Duc de Nemours, Beaufort, Marshal Turenne, Prince of Condé, Count Harcourt, and the Duc de Lorraine, all lie in the way between this and Paris, and if Mr. Austin can charge through them all, he is a valiant man. The soldiers bowled a woman, and took her petticoat, but meeting a cordelier, they stripped him, and clad him in it, and sent him with his shaven crown to Marshal Turenne. Another cordelier they robbed of 1,100 pistoles; but the saddest example took place last Friday, in the castle of a viscountess, who had a daughter, heir to 52,000 francs a year, and the greatest beauty in France. The soldiers coming to the bridge of the castle, demanded entrance, and a gentleman, seeing but four of them, and having 40 in the castle, let down the bridge, when they immediately cried out "Vive le Roy," and an ambuscade of 40 horse rushed in, plundered the house, and took 20,000 pistoles out of a cabinet; and the young lady, for fear of the soldiers following her, threw herself into the moat, and drowned herself. I have soldiers to pass through yet, but I hope the same hand will protect me.

If I find at Geneva that the heat is very great, we will stay until September either there or at Basel, in Switzerland; but if I can, I will go for Venice.

I sent you three of Des Carte's Principles by Mr. Ayres, and hope

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you have sent two to Cambridge, and bound up the third for yourself. There was another MS. which will do you no harm to peruse; it was my brother Frank's writing at Oxford, from our then tutor, and there are some things in it which may be of use, if you are in your mathematics. I would send Copernicus's system of the world, but it may not be worth the price of the paper. [5 pages.]

April 5. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The petition of Major Wm. Packer, on behalf of himself and other proprietors of Theobald's Park, referred to the Navy Commissioners. [*Also XXIV., No. 3.*]

3. That of Peter Scutt, draper of London, to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

4. That of Edw. Wood, Robert Wilding, and others, to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. The letter of Col. Overton from Edinburgh recommended to the Lord General, who is to give order for doing what is required, if he think fit.

6. Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to offer the above letter to the House to-morrow morning.

7. The letters from the Commissioners and commanders in Ireland referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to prepare an abstract to be presented to Parliament, and consider what directions are to be given upon the letters, for the more speedy and effectual carrying on of the war there.

8. The petition of Peter Du Cane referred to the Admiralty Committee.

9. That of Anne Wigel referred to the Committee for Examinations.

10-12. Conference to be had with the Dutch Ambassadors on the answer given to the 36 articles, and on the paper of demands given to them from Council, when it is to be insisted on that they give an answer to the paper of demands.

13. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare a paper to be given them, signifying that Council insists upon an answer to the demands.

15. To write the collectors for prize goods to discharge two small vessels of Honfleur, the Gift of God and John Baptist. [*L. 66, pp. 530-542.*]

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Cockpit.

4. Hen. Cromwell to General Monk. I understand that protections have been lately given to several ships, to prevent the pressing of their men; the bearer, Capt. J. Russell, who has formerly been with you in the public service, has long wanted to proceed on his voyage to the Indies, but could not venture for want of a safe-guard for his men, being 25 seamen and 15 landsmen; if you can without prejudice to the public, give him your protection, and do an act of high charity. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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Southwold.

5. William Parish to Henry Johnson, Blackwall. We received an order from the Navy Commissioners to press seamen at 1s. press money and $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ a mile, and to give tickets to every one for Chatham or Woolwich. We have pressed 14 at 12s. each, and assigned their tickets to Woolwich. Tender the account and receive the money for us. Our town might have afforded more seamen, but we had 80 in the service before the order came to hand. Only one volunteer came in on the beat of drum, many being gone the week before. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

April 6. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of John Baker, seaman, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

2. That of Major Robert Hamilton, prisoner at Chester, to the Committee for Prisoners.

3. The three letters to Daniel Modell, Michael Mounton, and Peter Clarke referred to the Committee for Examinations.

4. Archibald Siderfe, prisoner in the Tower, to be bailed on bond in 500*l.*, with two sureties in 250*l.*, on the usual conditions, and that he will not go out of town beyond the late lines of communication.

5. To write Mr. Mooseley at Salop that Council has chosen him to go to Scotland, to administer justice in the courts there; that 100*l.* is allowed him to enable him to go, and that he is to draw a bill of exchange upon Council for it, and be there by 24 April.

6. To write the Commissioners in Scotland that Council has chosen Andrew Owen, of Trinity Hall, Cambridge, Geo. Smith, Mr. Marsh, of Gray's Inn, and Mr. Mooseley, to come to Scotland to administer justice in the courts, and have advanced them 100*l.* each for the charge of their journey, and to desire the commissioners to give them such a salary as may encourage them in their employment.

8. To write Mr. Owen, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Marsh to this effect, and to desire them not to fail to be at Huntingdon on Wednesday week.

9. Mr. Hurst, Mr. Santhey, and Mr. Dorney nominated to be employed either in Ireland or Scotland, for the administration of justice, if there shall be need of any more.

10. The letter read to Council to be signed and sent to Col. Heane.

11. The petition and papers of the manufacturers of cloths, with all the papers which were lately before the Council for Trade, relating to this business, referred to the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs, who are to consider the debate had this day upon the matter, and report. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 6.*]

12. The business propounded by Mr. Holland, for setting the poor of this nation to work by sowing flax and otherwise, referred to the Committee for Examinations; Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Mr. Holland, Mr. Dixwell, and Mr. Martin added to that committee.

13. The letter of the Marshal General, with the list of prisoners, referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

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14, 15. Col. Morley to present the letters now read, to the Hanse Towns and Hamburg, to the House for their approbation, and copies to be sent to Mr. Milton, to translate into Latin.

16. The whole report made to Council by Lord Commissioner Whitelock, on the meeting with Monsr. Barrière, to be reported to the House by him.

17. The Earl Marshal of Scotland, now prisoner in the Tower, to be bailed on bond in 4,000*l.*, with two sureties in 2,000*l.* each, not to depart out of the late lines of communication.

18. Col. Morley added to the French Committee.

19. The letter read for the King of Denmark referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to return it to-morrow.

22. The Admiralty Judges to order the immediate release of the Salamander of Lubec, the Three Golden Herrings of Rotterdam, the Golden Busse of Horne, and the Hope of Amsterdam, and their goods, if they find no cause for further detention.

23. The order of Parliament, referring it to Council to bring in the qualifications for Ireland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

24. The Admiralty Judges to examine the cases of the Prince of Amsterdam and the Peter of Horne, and proceed according to law.

25. Col. Morley to represent to the House that complaints have been made by the Senate of Hamburg of abuses in the making of English cloths, and that they have again complained thereof, through their agent sent hither, and to move that some order may be given for redress.

26. Warrant to be issued to Mr. Frost to pay Jno. Cann 65*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* out of the contingent money of Council, for his salary as chaplain to the garrison at Hull, for 196 days, from 20 Oct. last to 3 May next; and for his future subsistence, two soldiers are to be reduced out of each of the four companies of that garrison, which will retrench 6*s.* 8*d.* a day, in lieu of which a chaplain is to be added to the establishment for that garrison; Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to order the Deputy Governor of Hull to reduce the soldiers, and the Army Committee to be written to, to that effect.

27. To write the Mayor, aldermen, and burgesses of Hull, that Mr. Shaw is to be continued in his place as lecturer, and that they are to choose another minister for the town, and allow him a maintenance amongst themselves.

28. Col. Wauton to report to the House that, they having conferred the office of Lieutenant of the Ordnance on Major-General Harrison, with all the fees and perquisites thereof, Council have paid over several sums to him, to be issued by their warrant, for providing stores to artificers furnishing provisions. That he has thus issued 122,629*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*, the poundage of which, at 6*d.* in the pound, being one of the fees of the said office settled upon him, amounts to 3,065*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*, which he has not received of the artificers, by reason of which the provisions contracted for have been served in at a much lower rate than formerly, and to a greater advantage to the

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State than the value of the poundage. That there is 366*l.* due to him for salary upon the quarter book in the ordnance, all which amounts to 3,431*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*, and they request of the House that order may be given therein.

32. To write the Army Committee for a fortnight's pay to the regiment of Col. Clerke, and to write the Lord Deputy of Ireland to send orders to him to march his regiment to Bristol or Minehead, for transportation to Ireland.

35. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to report to the House that—on information given by Francis Lord Brooke to Council, that Warwick Castle has been used for the service as a garrison, and to keep prisoners in, ever since the beginning of these wars, and that the Castle was very much damaged, and will suddenly fall, if not speedily put into repair,—Council sent a surveyor to view its condition and what should be done; and upon his return, they request that 1,000*l.* be ordered out of the bill for the sale of delinquents' estates to Lord Brooke, towards its repair. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 545–554.]

April 7.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of William Greene referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

3. The answer to the King of Denmark approved, and to be translated into Latin by Mr. Weckerlyn.

4. The petition of Sir David Hasteville referred to the Committee for Examinations.

5. Col. Morley to report to the House the answer to be sent to the King of Denmark.

6. The appointed committee to meet the resident of the Hanse Towns to-morrow in Whitehall, and deliver him the answer of Council to his papers; Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice.

7. Friday next appointed for the conference with the Dutch Ambassadors at Whitehall; Sir Oliver Fleming to give them notice and attend them, and give notice to the members of the committee.

8. The petition of the Governor, assistants, and fellowship of the Eastland merchants referred to the Admiralty Committee.

10. The paper from Monsr. Barrière to be reported to the House by Lord Commissioner Whitelock.

11. Order on the petition of Peter Blondeau that the Mint Committee make a report concerning his business. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 557–559.]

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2. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider as to speedily providing money for the exigencies of Council, and to report where it may be had.

3. Order, on the petition of the deputies to the Serjeant-at-arms, that the pay and allowance formerly made them, before the late order for reducing their pay, be continued to them to the date of that order, and Mr. Frost to pay them.

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4. Order, on the desires of Lady Ranelagh, that the papers delivered in by her be referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to see what is due to her upon the contract mentioned, and report.

6. The petition of William Howard and Thos. Greene referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. The Irish and Scotch Committee to order that Capt. Farren, a pirate lately taken by Capt. Peacock and carried to Ipswich, be not discharged until a bond taken by him of William Wood, servant to Mr. Milbanck,—for payment of 500*l.*, in consideration of his releasing the ship and goods in which Wood was,—is given up, and till Walter Ogleby, now prisoner at Dunkirk for satisfying such bond, is set at liberty.

9. Approval of Capt. Moulton's sending Col. Bingham 10 barrels of powder for Guernsey, out of the stores at Portsmouth; the Mayor of Weymouth is to order 20 barrels to be put on board the Pearl, on her coming there, to be sent to Col. Bingham, and a copy of this order is to be sent to Capt. Moulton at Portsmouth.

10. Mr. Sharpe, a Scotch minister, prisoner in the Tower, to be bailed, on security not to go out of the city and beyond the late lines of communication, and to be of good behaviour.

11. Also Alexander Earl of Kellie, on like terms.

14. To write John Jackson to issue the remainder of the 1,200*l.* set apart out of the 10,000*l.* advanced for the service of Jersey on Council warrants, the letter to bear date 30 March last.

17. The prisoners in Ipswich to be allowed 4*d.* a day each, out of the proceeds of the prize ship in which they were taken by Capt. Peacock, until discharged. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 562–566.]

April 9.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order that it is not in the power of Council to answer the petition of Antonio Fernandez Carvajall, for moderation of proceedings at the Custom House, upon some logwood of his driven in by stress of weather to the port of London.

2. The petition of William Crawford, late master of the Goodwill of Ipswich, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. The Committee for Examinations to certify the Admiralty Committee what they have against Mr. Chappell, who has business depending before them.

4. The Lord General to give liberty to the Earl of Traquhair to go on parole to Berwick for four months, unless he be sooner sent for by Council or the Lord General.

5. James Greenstreet, prisoner in Newgate, to be bailed on giving security in the usual terms.

6. Order, on the petition of Benedict More and Wm. Jessop, that all orders made by Parliament or Council concerning the business be looked out by next Monday.

8. Liberty to be given to Mr. Thurloe to go into the country for 10 days, on private business of concern.

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10. Order, on the report from the committee appointed to confer this day with the Dutch Ambassadors,—stating that the paper ordered to be given to the Ambassadors was not delivered for reasons mentioned,—that Council are satisfied therewith, and the paper is not now to be delivered until further order.

11. Wednesday next appointed for bringing in the report from the Committee for Examinations concerning the papers from Jersey.

13. Mr. Frost to pay 1,000*l.* out of the exigent money of Council, for the maintenance of the Scotch prisoners in custody of the Marshal General.

14. The petition of Col. Mayo and others, for leave to transport some Irish foot to the service of the King of Spain, to be considered next Monday.

15. The petition of Rich. Smith referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine Capt. Norwood, sent up prisoner from Kent, concerning the business against him, and to send him back to the Sheriff of Kent, with a letter from Council not to set him at liberty after he is discharged from the arrest now upon him, until further order.

16. The Admiralty Committee to consider the petition of Major Packer, on behalf of himself and other proprietors of Theobald's Park, as also the letter of the Navy Commissioners to Council, and to confer with the said commissioners thereon, and on the Act for sale of the lands of the late King, and give order for drawing of such [an Act ?] to be presented to the House.

17. The report offered by Sir Jas. Harrington concerning Peter Blondeau to be made to Council next Thursday.

19. To write the Navy Commissioners to order Peter Pett, master shipwright, to build two frigates at Deptford, of the dimensions of the Diamond and Sapphire. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 568–572.]

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2, 5, 7. The petitions of John Langdefield, of Lowestoft, co. Suffolk, of Edm. Luther, and of Rich. Taylour, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. Order, on the petition of Mary, widow of Col. Jno. Humfrey, and on hearing what has been offered on behalf of Col. Jno. Humfrey, his son, that as to the money desired to be paid her, as arrears due to her late husband for service to the late High Court of Justice, Mr. Manley keep it in his hands until their right to administration be made to appear.

4. The petition of — Tooker referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9. Order, on the report from the Committee of Examinations of money due to the Serjeant-at-arms attending Council, for keeping prisoners committed to him by order of Council, amounting to 215*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*, that the said serjeant take his oath before one of the Barons of the Exchequer as to the truth of his account, and on

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his producing it so sworn to Mr. Frost, he is to bring in a warrant for payment.

10. Order, on representation to Council by the Admiralty Judges as to the taking of the Golden Lion on the coast of Brittany, that they proceed with the ship according to law and justice.

11. The petition of Jno. Trulock, of Abingdon, co. Berks, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to state the account of the petitioner, and report.

12. The paper of desires sent from the Commissioners in Scotland, with the list of brass guns shipped from Stirling for England, referred to the Irish and Scotch and the Admiralty Committees, who are to give such orders as shall be best for the service.

13. The petition of Geo. Minshall, of Bowden, Cheshire, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report what information they receive from him.

14. The two last papers from the Dutch Ambassadors referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to prepare an answer, wherein they are to press for an answer to the paper of demands, and the 36 articles given to them from Council, before any further paper of demands be given them.

15. Tuesday next appointed for hearing the business of the abuse in dyeing of silk, and those who attend Council on this matter to have notice.

19. The business desired in the letter from the Navy Committee, for the Worcester and Mermaid to proceed on the convoy to the Straits, suspended.

20. The Ordnance Committee to order all the iron guns sent from Weymouth to Guernsey to be fitted with new carriages.

21. The letter read to the Duchess of Savoy, on behalf of some English merchants, to be put into Latin, and sent.

22. To write the Barons of the Exchequer to issue a new commission of appraisement of the Sarah and Elizabeth of Amsterdam, and give special order that the goods seized be appraised to the utmost value; meantime Armiger Warner is to give security in 1,000*l.* to the clerk of the Council, that none of the goods shall be embezzled, and that he will abide the judgment of that court as to priority of seizure, and final determination of the matter in difference between him and the Customs' officers at Cowes. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 576-580.]

April 13. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To answer to the petition of William Panther, merchant, that Council does not think fit to grant the license required at present.

2. Order, on the information given in by Mr. Corbett, that the Committee for Prisoners send for and examine the persons mentioned, and secure such as they think fit, until they can report to Council.

3. The petition of Major Jeremiah Tolhurst referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee to report.

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4. The papers and reports delivered to Mr. Challoner from the Council of Trade to be given to Mr. Frost, to be used on occasion.

8. The Irish and Scotch Committee to choose some of their number to confer with the Whitehall Committee, concerning a more thrifty management of the repairs done about Whitehall, and acquaint them of the scarcity of money for carrying on the public service, and defraying those charges.

9. The Committee for Examinations to give directions for intercepting some letters upon the arrival of the packet at Dover, according to information given to Council this day.

10. To answer to Mr. Minshall, of Cheshire, that Council cannot give him leave to stay in town, and omit his appearance at the assizes at Chester, but leave him either to appear there, or undergo the penalty for not appearing.

11. The business of sending Irish foot to the service of the King of Spain to be considered next Thursday.

12. A like letter to be sent to Sir Thos. Walsingham as was written him last year, as to taking care of the fisheries on the coast of Kent.

13. The petition of Hugh Lewis and Thos. Flaxon referred to the Committee for Examinations.

14. The letter from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning pay for the soliders in Clifford's Tower, York, and for the gunners and matrosses in Scarborough Castle, to be signed and sent to the Army Committee.

15. To write Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to order Rich. Hatter to pay Major Talbot 7*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* out of the 1,500*l.* in his hands, for the use of the conductors of the recruits from Hull to Scotland.

17. The letter to the Army Committee from the Irish and Scotch Committee, for 32,000*l.* to be forthwith sent into Ireland, to be signed and sent.

21. The letters to the Governors of Gloucester and Chester brought in from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning tents, to be signed and sent.

22. Col. Jno. Chisholme, a Scotchman, to be permitted to come up to London on parole for 2 months, for recovery of his health, on security in 1,000*l.* to render himself prisoner to the Marshal General of the Army, within 2 months after his discharge from Windsor.

23. The account of arrears due to the officers of the Armoury, and the accounts of the Ordnance office in the Tower, to be reported to the House by Col. Wauton.

24. The Ordnance officers to contract with Fras. Worthy, gun-founder of London, for two small brass ordnance (commonly called the Prince's guns) which were sold to him, with their carriages, by the trustees at Somerset House, and to certify their value to Council.

25. To write Col. Blake that the Primrose frigate of 32 guns, the Truelove of 12 guns, and the Lucy a merchantman of 20 guns, are appointed for the service of Dumbarton Frith, and are to touch at

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Chester for orders from the Irish and Scotch Committee; and that the Pelican, the Richard, and Martha merchantman, and the Giles, are appointed for the coast of Scotland, to be disposed of as Major-General Deane shall direct; and that Col. Blake is to appoint a fit ship to carry the treasure for Ireland.

26. To write the Navy Commissioners to contract for two fit ketches to be employed on the Scotch coast for 12 months.

28. The letter to the Army Committee, brought in from the Irish and Scotch Committee, as to answering bills of exchange from Ireland, to be signed and sent.

29. The Admiralty Committee to give an order relating to Capt. Farren, a pirate lately taken. [Similar to that of 8 April from the Irish and Scotch Committee. *See p. 213, supra.*]

30. The report from the Admiralty Committee, as to sending Scotch prisoners of inferior quality to Munster, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are authorised, on advising with the Lord Deputy of Ireland, to dispose of them for that service.

31. To write the Commissioners of Parliament in Ireland to examine the arrears and business of Col. Wm. Flower, and according to his merits and service, to do as they shall find just. [*J. 66, pp. 582-587.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Jas. Pickering and company, and of William Limbrie and others to be considered to-morrow.

3. The orders of Council appointing any business to be considered upon a certain day to be copied out and laid before the President, so that Council may be put in mind thereof, and the appointments duly kept.

4. To write the Customs' Commissioners that the matter alluded to in their letter had not been rightly represented, and that Council is satisfied with their answer.

5. The petition of Thos. Ruven, master of the Rose of Yarmouth, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

6. That committee to meet and prepare the answer to the last two papers from the Dutch Ambassadors, and bring it to Council to-morrow, and the members of the committee to attend.

7. Council to consider to-morrow what is further to be done as to carrying on the treaty with the Dutch Ambassadors.

8. The letter and papers from Dover, concerning the nomination of Mr. Day as postmaster, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

9. The desire of the two officers of the Lord General and Col. Ingoldsby's regiments, for 200 firelocks, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

12. The petition of Nich. Burlington referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

13. Wm. Kiffin, merchant of London, to have license to import from Holland the goods mentioned in his petition, Council being

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satisfied with what he alleges concerning his endeavours to get them into England before 1 Dec.

14. The petition of René Augier referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.

18. Protection for Wm. Linge, master of the Roebuck of Ipswich, carrying 20 men and 12 guns,—who is employed in bringing coals from Newcastle to London, has a commission from the Admiralty Court for seizing and surprising the vessels of the enemies, has constantly given protection to vessels to and from Newcastle, has rescued divers from pirates and sea rovers, and has had two men pressed out of her this summer,—from impress of any of his men during the summer's expedition. [*L. 66, pp. 588–592.*]

April 14. 7. Order in the Admiralty Committee that the Navy Commissioners attend them this day week, on the petition of Major Packer, for the proprietors of Theobalds' Park, advise on the Act for sale of the late King's lands, and order the drawing of propositions thereon for Parliament. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

April 15. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Col. Mathew Alured referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

2. The Committee for Examinations to consider the Acts of Parliament concerning the militia, and report whether the commissioners have power to call to account the collectors for money in the counties who have not brought it in.

3. The paper to the Dutch Ambassadors approved and to be sent to Mr. Milton to be translated into Latin.

4. To write General Blake to order that no men be impressed from ships outward bound, it being very prejudicial to trade and shipping.

5. To write the Navy Commissioners to order the press masters not to press men from ships outward bound, Council having received a complaint from divers masters of ships thereon.

6, 7. The paper to the Dutch Ambassadors to be delivered to them by the commissioners appointed to treat with them tomorrow, and Sir Oliver Fleming to give notice and attend them.

8. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider what further proposals and demands should be given to the Dutch Ambassadors.

9. The report from the Mint Committee, concerning the coining of money, to be made next Thursday.

10. Also the business of transporting Irish foot into the service of the King of Spain.

11. Mr. Frost to pay the gardener at Whitehall 40*l.* a year for keeping the garden there.

15. The Committee for Examinations to consider the condition of Mrs. Hamilton and her children, and what money, of the amount which was due to her late husband, may be paid to her, also what recompense in land, money, &c. should be made them, and where

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the same may be most fitly placed, and to report. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 595-598.]

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1. Sir Oliver Fleming to carry to the Dutch Ambassadors the paper agreed by Council to be delivered to them, by a committee of their own.

4. Order on report from the Committee for Examinations on the papers taken in Elizabeth Castle, Jersey, that the said committee consider them, and take care that such persons as are not within the general pardon are secured, and their papers seized and searched, and to report what they do.

5. Sir Peter Wentworth and Sir Wm. Constable added to the Committee for Examinations.

6. The letter from Major Eyre, Governor of Hurst Castle, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

7. Capt. Grimes to have 40*l.* allowed him out of the contingent money of Council, on account of his arrears, to enable him to go to Bath for recovery of his limbs, which have been maimed and lost in the service.

8. The charge against Mr. Day, of Dover, who was nominated as postmaster there, referred to Col. Dixwell and to the Mayor and Governor of Dover, who are to examine and certify the name of such person as they shall judge fit to be employed as postmaster.

9. Mr. Holland to represent to the House the distressed condition of Capt. Grimes, which the captain is to put in writing, and deliver to him.

10. Henry Mason, Jno. White, and Jno. Seward to command three of the four fire-ships appointed to be set forth for this expedition, and commissions to be issued to them accordingly. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 599-602.]

April 19. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Lord Chief Justice Rolle to be President of the Council until this day month.

2. The Lord President to remind Council of the orders as to their sitting at 3 and rising at 6 p.m.

3. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Courtney referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

4. The remonstrance of Torrell Joceline to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. To write the Commissioners of Customs and Excise, enclosing the invoice of goods subscribed by them, and desire them to permit the said goods to be taken up free of customs.

6. The petitions of Jas. Pickering, Capt. Williams, and Capt. Limbrie, and the whole business concerning the suspension of the letters of marque given against the French, to be considered to-morrow.

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7. The appointed commissioners to meet the Dutch Ambassadors to-morrow, and Sir Oliver Fleming to give the Ambassadors notice, and attend them.

8. Notice hereof to be given to the said commissioners.

9. The Committee for Prisoners to confer with the Admiralty Committee, and report how the prisoners taken at sea, and now at Plymouth, Exeter, Ilchester, Winchester, or elsewhere, may be disposed of, they being a great burden to the country.

10. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider with the Lord General as to furnishing money to Lord Deputy Lambert, for defraying the expenses of his present expedition to Ireland, as also the establishment for Ireland, and to see what pay is thereby allowed him, and report thereon, as also concerning the power of Council in this matter.

11. Order, on report from the Admiralty Committee, offering John Smalcombe as registrar of the Vice-Admiralty for eo. Devon, that they consider of some person fit for that employment, and report.

12. John Barwick, close prisoner in the Tower, to be bailed on bond in 400*l.*, with two sureties in 200*l.* on the usual conditions.

37. Lieut.-Col. Kelsey, Governor of Dover Castle, to restore to the Mayor, jurats, and commonalty of Dover, two iron guns bought by them, which were secured by Capt. Brasfield, Governor of Dover.

42. The letter brought in from the Admiralty Committee to the Navy Committee, concerning pay for Lieut. Edw. Mawdit of the Lion, for executing the minister's place, to be signed and sent.

43. 5,000 foot to be sent to Ireland, viz., Col. Clarke's regiment of 1,200 to be recruited to 2,000; the Lord Deputy's regiment now in England, of 700, to be recruited to 1,500, and the other 1,500 to be drawn out of the regiments and garrisons in England by degrees; the Army Committee to take care for paying them. As no provision is made for paying them out of the present assessments, but only the Lord Deputy's 700, 10,000*l.* to be borrowed to pay them, out of the present growing cash on the sale of fee-farm rents, to be repaid out of the 48,000*l.* designed as the proportion for Ireland, out of the 100,000*l.* charged upon Goldsmiths' Hall for the forces in England, Scotland, and Ireland.

46. To write the Army Committee to issue their warrant to the Treasurers-at-war, to pay 20*l.* on account to Rob. Gardner, fire-master to the artillery train.

47. The letter to the Army Committee, brought in from the Irish and Scotch Committee, to assign pay for 1,000 recruits for Scotland, approved of.

48. To write the Army Committee for 14 days' more pay to Col. Clarke's regiment. [*I.* 66, pp. 603-612.]

April 19. Warrant to the collectors of prize goods to pay, out of the proceeds of the Fortune, taken by Capt. Peacock, 4*d.* a day each to the prisoners at Ipswich. [*I.* 103, p. 122.]

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8. Charles Longland to [the Navy Committee]. On receipt of your instructions, I have made some demands of the Great Duke's secretary, of which I enclose a copy, with the Duke's reply; if there be anything yet wanting, I shall make further addresses to the Duke, and doubt not to obtain it. In requital, let instructions be given to the State's ships intended hither, that they neither affront nor disturb the port, and that the frigates do not lie before the town and in sight thereof, tacking to and again, to hinder the coming in or going out of the shipping; and when they once come to anchor in this road, that they do not weigh anchor and go out again, upon sight of any sail coming in, as these people take it to be a kind of besieging the town, or at best a great obstruction to trade.

At the instance of some of our nation, Capt. Badiley suffered the Elizabeth frigate to take in 30 bales of silk, and carry them to Arrassia [Arassi?] and lade them on board the Society, which was there lading oils for England; but the frigate, in coming back, ran upon the sands before this road during the night, and it has cost me \$52 in ballast and boats to get her off, which I shall demand of Capt. Badiley. The cause of this accident, which might have been the loss of the frigate, is the want of mates acquainted with this port; the captain has only been here once before, and it was worse with Capt. Witheridge aboard the Bonadventure, late gone from Zante for Smyrna; he had no officer in his ship that had ever been here before, and at Zante he would have hired a Greek for a pilot, but could not find one. Such dangers should be prevented by those having the shipping of the men; there should be two mates well acquainted with the parts to which the ships are designed.

When Capt. Penn was here last summer, he was much straightened for want of provisions, which cannot be had here without notice, and if the fleet now intended for these seas have any such occasion, give me notice sometime before. Details of ships. [3 pages.]
Enclosing,

8. I. *Chas. Longland to Domenico Pandulfini, Secretary to the Great Duke, Florence. The commonwealth having sent several squadrons of ships of war into these seas, for convoy to their merchants' ships, intend to send a number more for encouraging their navigation. Thereupon the Council of State sent me their commission to be serviceable to their ships in this port, which I make known to you, that through your favour, the service required of me may not meet with any obstacle, particularly in the following heads viz. :—*

(1.) *That on the arrival of any of the said ships, the captain and purser may come on shore without being delayed :*

(2.) *That having occasion to careen, leave may be granted to do it without losing time by sending up to Florence :*

(3.) *That if the ships bring or send in any prize goods or ships, they may be freely received, and sold without hindrance :*

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(4.) *That I may receive on shore, and send on board, for the use of the said ships, provisions and ammunition, without giving account thereof to the Custom House :*

(5.) *That I may go to and from the said ships, without being hindered or examined.*

I hope his Highness will grant me, for this service, all privileges enjoyed by the ships of other princes in this port, whereof I will give an account to the Council of State. [Copy, $\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]

8. II. *Answer of the Great Duke, to be given by the Governor of Leghorn to Charles Longland. His Highness will give all manner of content to the commonwealth, their sea commanders and servants :—*

(1.) *When any of their ships arrive, the captain and purser may come on shore without being delayed. It is necessary, in respect of health, that the patents be first seen of the merchant ships, and if the ships desire speedy pratick, it shall be granted, provided each ship immediately shows a clean patent ; if they have none, they must have patience until the merchant ships show their patents, so that we may be secured from the danger of contagion :*

(2.) *As to careening, one ship coming alone may come into the Mold with her men, but if there be two or more, they must come in disarmed of soldiers, whom they can leave in the road upon other ships :*

(3.) *Prize ships or goods may be sold, provided it be not goods taken in ships laden in this port, or in ships wearing his Highness's colours :*

(4.) *The ships of the commonwealth shall enjoy the same privilege that the gallies and ships of other princes do in the port of Leghorn, as to bringing ashore or carrying on board provisions and ammunition, without giving any account thereof to the Custom House :*

(5.) *Charles Longland can pass to and from any ship, after the first visitation of the ship at its arrival. [Copy, 1 page.]*

April 20. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Committee for Examinations to send for Sir Abraham Shipman, examine him further on the informations against him, and bail him if they see cause, on the usual terms.

2. 20 marks to be given to Capt. Thos. Kitchingman for his good services, for supplying his present necessities, out of the contingent money of Council.

3. The petition of Sir James Foulis, of Colintown, Scotland referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

4. Next Thursday appointed for considering the prisoners about town ; the lists sent in from the several prisons to be produced, and the Lord General to be requested to attend.

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5. The petition of Daniel Proud, Wm. Smith, and Lieut. Crowder laid aside, Council having revoked the former order on their case.

6. The Commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall to have liberty to examine Major-Gen. Massey in the Tower, concerning the matters propounded by them to Council, and so much to be signified to the Lieutenant of the Tower.

7. The orders of Parliament of this day, concerning the business of Ireland, to be considered to-morrow.

8. The report from the Committee for Examinations, of the papers lately taken in Elizabeth Castle, Jersey, referred to the said committee, to reconsider such papers, and to transmit to the Commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall those which might give them light for their further proceedings against such as are delinquents.

10. Braham, who has been apprehended by warrant from Council, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

11. Liberty to be given to Mr. Thurloe, clerk of the Council, to stay in the country another week.

12. Order on the petition of Jas. Pickering and Co., that the petitioners proceed in the Admiralty Court against the wines mentioned.

13. That part of their petition relating to their desire of being left free to proceed against the French, by virtue of their letters of reprisal, to be considered next Monday, and the members of Council then in town to attend. [*L. 66, pp. 616-618.*]

April 21. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Latin letter to the Duke of Savoy to be fairly written, signed, and sent.

3. The Ordnance Committee to consider what is fit to be done upon the report made by Lieut.-Col. Roseworm of his survey of the Isle of Wight, and to report with speed.

4. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider what forces are to be sent to reinforce those places and garrisons out of which the regiment of the Lord Deputy of Ireland, now appointed for Ireland, is to be drawn.

7. The Admiralty Committee to put in writing the information verbally made by Mr. Bond, concerning a person in Zealand taking out letters of marque and reprisal from the Duke of York against the English, and to send for Dr. Walker, or any other persons they think fit concerning this matter, and report what should be done.

8. The petition of the six gunners of the Tower referred to the Committee for Advance [of money] to report.

9. The petition of the workmen armourers of the Tower referred to the Ordnance Committee.

10. To write the Militia Commissioners for co. Chester, enclosing the petition and papers of Cornet Philemon Mannering, and to desire them to examine the matter charged against Lieut. Griffith, and send up the examinations.

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11. The petition of Thos. Boyde, merchant, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

12. The petitions of Capt. Thos. Harris of Bristol, and of Wm. Freeman, and the papers annexed, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

13. Order on the petition of Capt. Rich. Castle, that Council have no power to give any direction in that business.

15. The petition of Capt. Philip Heaton referred to the Committee for Examinations.

16. Next Monday appointed for considering what should be done in respect to the present state of affairs in France.

17. The petition of Capt. Thos. Harrison, Governor of Upnor Castle, referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are also to consider whether the castle should be continued as a garrison, advise with the Navy Commissioners thereon, and report. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 620-622.]

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2. Mr. Prinne, prisoner in Pendennis Castle, to have the liberty of the castle, and a letter to be written the Governor to that effect, and that he may have a good lodging and fair usage.

3. Thursday next appointed to consider the business of Mr. Prinne's imprisonment, and all papers relating to him to be looked out, and delivered to the Committee for Examinations.

4. All bills of the messengers of Council and of the deputies of the Serjeant-at-arms, and all other bills of expense for Council, to be paid by the clerk of the Council or his assistant, and certified by them before being brought in with the warrant for payment.

5. All letters, warrants, or papers which are to be signed by the Lord President or any five of the Council, to be examined and countersigned by the clerk of the Council, or his assistant, before being brought in.

6. The 1,000*l.* ordered by Council to be paid out of the exigent money for maintenance of prisoners to be deposited in the hands of Mr. Frost, and paid by him by order of the Council.

7. The petition of Rich. Newland referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

8. That committee to prepare an answer to the Dutch Ambassadors' paper read to Council, insisting that an answer be given by the Ambassadors to the demands of Council, certifying the mistakes contained in their paper, and stating that Council will appoint a conference with them upon the 36 articles, so that there may be no delay on their part in carrying on the treaty. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 624, 625.]

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Whitehall.

Warrant from the Council of State to the Treasurers-at-war to advance, out of the 200,000*l.* charged by vote of Parliament of 6 August 1651, on the sale of fee-farm rents, 10,000*l.*, to Wm. Leman and John Blackwell, to be issued by them on direction of the committee of Parliament for the army, for payment of the 5,000 foot recruits sent into Ireland, and reimbursed out of the first

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moneys received of the 100,000*l.* charged on Goldsmiths' Hall, whereof 48,000*l.* is designed out of the present six months' assessment to the sum of 20,000*l.* a month for Ireland. [*I.* 103, *p.* 130.]

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1. The petition of John Eaton referred to the Committee for Examinations, to inquire whether it is as alleged; if so, they are to deliver up the letter and patterns to him; but if otherwise, to report. Also to ascertain what letters of this kind have been brought to them from the Post House, and what goods were in them, and to what value.

2. Next Thursday appointed for Council to receive the report from the Mint Committee as to coining money.

3. The paper of Monsr. Barrière on behalf of the Prince of Condé to be considered next Monday, when the business of France is taken up, and all the papers delivered into Council by him, and the orders of Parliament referring that business to Council, to be looked up.

4. Rich. Braham to be bailed on bond in 600*l.*, with two sureties in 300*l.*, on the usual conditions, and the papers delivered in from the Committee for Examinations relating to him to be returned to that committee, that they may be sent to the commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall, to be made use of on behalf of the public.

6. The petition of Edw. Postgate, mariner of Scarborough, prisoner in York Castle, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to confer with Mr. Robinson concerning him.

7. The petition of Capt. Hen. Shaw referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

8. That of Capt. Morefield, close prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the Committee for Examinations.

9. That of ——— Halsland to be sent to the Sheriff of co. Berks, and he desired to answer the complaint made therein against him.

11. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, on the petition of Jane relict of Col. Fras. Rowe, slain in Ireland, referred back to them for their opinion.

14. Denis Gauden to repay to the late Treasurers-at-war 3,000*l.*, and to John Jackson, Treasurer at the Excise, 2,500*l.*, advanced by order of Council upon the credit of 7,312*l.* 10*s.* due to him, a suspension being made of Council's warrants issued for that amount, until some scruple concerning the propriety of the charge for the Treasury on which it was allotted be resolved; that being done, and Council having given order for payment thereof, Mr. Gauden is to repay such sums out of the money now to be received by him, on the credit of which they were advanced; and the Irish and Scotch Committee are to see such sums repaid, and the warrant of Council for paying Mr. Gauden the 7,312*l.* 10*s.* is to be brought in and cancelled.

15. A warrant having been issued for borrowing 10,000*l.* from the late Treasurers-at-war, out of the cash arising from sale of fec-

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farm rents, to be reimbursed to them out of the 48,000*l.* named in the warrant, and the Treasurers having been desired to pay the said money, they scruple doing so unless the reimbursement may be out of the first moneys that come in of the 100,000*l.* therein mentioned, of which the said 48,000*l.* designed for Ireland is part; Council conceiving this may be complied with without public prejudice, think fit that the former warrant be cancelled, and a new one issued, with the alteration desired.

16. Hugh Courtney to pay the late Treasurers-at-war 96*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*, the remainder of 300*l.* paid him on account, by order of Council, for paying the quarters and defraying the whole charge of the transportation of such of the 10,000 recruits impressed for the service of Ireland as should be sent to Beaumaris to be shipped, and thereupon he to be discharged of the said 300*l.*

17. Mr. Frost to pay Courtney 112*l.* 7*s.* for disbursements for repair of works about Beaumaris, and for erecting a gate there, and 100*l.* more for service since 30 Aug. 1650, as Lieutenant Governor of the Isle of Anglesea and Castle of Beaumaris. For his future provision without increase of charge, a letter is to be written to tell Maj.-Gen. Mytton that the 5*s.* a day pay of the Governor is to be assigned to Quartermaster-General Courtney, who is resident upon the place.

18. The hazard of sending to Scotland the provisions which are to be made by order of this day, for the forces and garrisons there, referred to in the report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, to be borne by the State, and so much to be declared to the contractors.

19. The letter to the Army Committee brought in from the Irish and Scotch Committee, for ordering payment of 11,191*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* to Denis Gauden, in the manner propounded by Major-Gen. Deane, to be signed and sent.

20. The accounts of Major Tolhurst, for money disbursed by him for the service, referred to Messrs. Beale and Scott, auditors of the prests, who are to certify Council thereon, viz. :—

1. Money paid to sick soldiers at Newcastle.
2. For provisions sent to the army in Scotland from July to Sept. 1650.
3. For hay for the army there, bought at the rivers of Tyne, Wear, Tees, and Humber.
4. For horses, saddles, crooks, &c. to carry loads, and for tarred canvas covers to keep provisions dry.
5. For provisions for the army at Newburne, near Newcastle, as they came out of Scotland, in Aug. 1651.
6. For charge of raising and sending 850 men out of the 4 northern counties to Dundee in Scotland in Oct. 1651.

[*I.* 66, *pp.* 626–632.]

April 26. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letter of Major-Gen. Deane from Scotland, concerning the spoil done to the ship which carried the money to Scotland, by

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striking upon the sands near Yarmouth, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

2. The Committee for Prisoners to ascertain from their clerk what prisoners have been permitted to go to Scotland, and upon what conditions, and give an account of them to the Commissioners in Scotland, that care may be had of them, and prevention given to any others who come on pretence of those conditions.

3. That committee to present a list to Council with all speed of all prisoners discharged by their order, and the terms.

4. Col. Morley, Alderman Pennington, Sir Peter Wentworth, and Lord Bradshaw added to the Committee for Prisoners.

5. The Ordnance Committee to contract for 6 carriages for 6 iron culverins, and 10 carriages for as many iron demi-culverins, to be sent with other military stores to Scotland.

6. A messenger to be sent to find the ships Jonathan and Abigail, Adventure, and Anne Pink of Bristol, and see that they all go to their convoy in the Downs appointed by General Blake, and to bring an account to Council of their sailing from the Downs.

7. The letter of Col. Lilburne from Dalkeith, concerning Mr. Hamilton, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

8. The letter of Lieut.-Col. Hunkin, Governor of Sorlings, with the examinations, referred to the Admiralty Committee to report, on considering Council's power in this business.

9. The petition of Eliz. Warner recommended to the Commissioners in Ireland, to do according to justice.

10, 13. The petitions of Col. Jas. Heane and Susanna Jennings, widow, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

11. That of Capt. Thos. Norris and others to Col. Heane.

12. That of Thos. Graves to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

15, 16. Orders on the petitions of Capt. Jno. Greene, and of Capt. Reeve Williams, that they proceed in the Admiralty Court against the goods mentioned.

17. The letters brought in by Major-Gen. Harrison out of Walde referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

18. The business of Holland, France, and Ireland to have precedence of all other, until Council have taken some order therein.

19. The answer to the last paper from the Dutch Ambassador referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to meet tomorrow at 7 a.m., and notice to be given them. [*L. 66, pp. 633-635.*]

April 27. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. No Committee of Council to sit during the sitting of Council, without a special order of Council.

2, 3, 4. The answer read to the last paper from the Dutch Ambassadors approved, and to be fairly written and signed, and the Latin translation with it; and Sir Oliver Fleming to present them to the Ambassadors, as Council's answer to their last.

5. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to propose a paper declaring

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equal liberty to the Dutch Ambassadors and to Council to make further propositions in carrying on the treaty, and such paper to be brought in to-morrow, and left to the Commissioners to deliver, as they see cause. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 639-640.]

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1. To answer the petition of Simon Everenden, of the Cliff near Lewes, co. Sussex, for leave to transport 600 qrs. of malt, that Council lays no restraint upon him, but leaves him to do as the law allows.

3. Mr. Frost to pay Elizabeth Alkin 10*l.* for good service, and to inform her that she is not to expect any money from Council in this kind.

4. The petition of Christopher Deane, mariner, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

5. That of Lieut.-Col. Jas. Bardsey to the Committee for Examinations.

6. So much of that of Jno. Burfield, merchant of London, as relates to the wrong done him by the Portuguese, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report what should be done for his relief.

7. His request for letters of marque against the French to be considered when Council goes into debate upon that business.

8, 9. No order can be given by Council on the petition of Edw. Chappell, for delivery of 10 guns taken from aboard a ship of his by the late King's forces, and put into Dennis Fort; nor on that of Thos. Hart, of Dartmouth, for relief.

10. The petition of Surehope Bradshaw, widow of Edm. Bradshaw, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who, if they see cause, are to prepare a letter to the King of Morocco on her behalf, and present it to Council.

11. Order, on the supplication of Anthony Traiford, that the Commissioners of Customs do according to usage.

12. To write Mr. Bradshaw thanking him for his good services as agent at Hamburg, and that he is to finish the examinations concerning the miscarriage of Mr. Ford's factor there, and send them over with the offender, that proceedings may be taken here against him.

13. The paper to the Dutch Ambassadors approved, and to be translated into Latin, and that and the English copy signed, and kept until called for by Lord Commissioner Whitelock. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 641-643.]

April 29. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Mich. Marsh, postmaster of Southwark, and Jas. Ware, of Dartford, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to consider that part of it which complains of the abuse of their being put upon the carrying of private dispatches express, and to report what should be done for their redress.

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2. The business of referring the abuses in dyeing silk to be considered next Wednesday.

3. That of William Watson, master gunmaker to the Ordnance office, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

4. Order, on the petition of Rich. Fanshaw for further time for recovery of his health, that six months longer be granted, he giving security on the same conditions as formerly.

5. The report from the Ordnance Committee, as to sending iron ordnance to Gloucester, in lieu of the brass guns brought from thence, recommitted for further report.

7. The petition of 180 maimed and sick soldiers to be presented to the House by Mr. Bond.

8. Order, on the petition of Rich. Graves, that liberty be given to him to remove with his mother from Moseley in Worcestershire, to Coventry, and remain there, on the former terms.

9. The petition of Fras. Tison and Tobias Gurnett referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

10. Edm. Luther, prisoner in Norwich Castle, to be set at liberty on taking the engagement, and the Committee of Norfolk to be written to accordingly.

12. To write the Navy Victuallers to cause the Nonsuch ketch, appointed to guard the mackerel fishery, to be victualled.

13. The instructions brought in from the Admiralty Committee for the masters of the two ketches to be sent to Dumbarton Frith, to be employed as Major-Gen. Deane appoints, to be signed and sent.

17. The letter brought in from the Irish and Scotch Committee, to the Commissioners for removing obstructions, about bringing in the 6,983*l.* 5*s.* 3*d.*, to be signed and sent.

22. Capt. Geo. Swanley to be captain of the Providence, to be employed as convoy between London and Newcastle, and now with some merchants' ships to Hamburg and back.

24. The letter from the Irish and Scotch Committee, signifying under what conduct and command the 5,000 recruits were, approved.

28. To report to the House that Council, having considered the necessity of a constant attendance upon the affairs in Ireland, to which Mr. Herbert and Col. Potter, now in England, are commissioned, think that Capt. Jno. Vernon, late secretary to the late Lord Deputy, should be joined in commission with them, with the same allowance for himself and clerk; and if Parliament approve, to move that they direct the Army Committee to pay the same as desired by Capt. Vernon, out of any money assigned for the army in Ireland. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 644-650.]

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9. Order by the Council of State to the Collectors for Prize Goods to cause the two prize ships, both called the Fortune, and which are ordered to be fitted forth to sea as men-of-war, to be appraised, with their tackle, and delivered to the Navy Commissioners with the appraisement.* [*Copy,* $\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

* This order is dated 29 March, and signed Hen. Rolle, President, but Rolle was President of the Council of State on 29 April, but not 29 March.—Ed.

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Committee for Prisoners to sit on the days formerly ordered, for hearing their condition, examining them, and reporting their cases to Council.

2. The Irish and Scotch Committee to confer with the Earl Marshal of Scotland, as to delivering up Dunottar Castle to the forces of this commonwealth, and to prepare a letter, to be signed by the Earl Marshal, and sent to the commander there, as also one to Major-Gen. Deane, to provide a place for his wife and family to reside in, and the Lord President to sign it.

3. To write the Commissioners in Scotland, or in their absence Major-Gen. Deane, that there is a probability of a conjunction between the Earls of Argyle and Athol, by which a considerable opposition is likely to be made to the forces of the commonwealth; and that they are to consider the matter, and return their opinion what should be done for preventing any inconveniences that may arise thereby.

4. The business concerning Ireland, referred to the Council of State by order of the House, to be considered next Tuesday.

5. The papers delivered in by Col. Fenwick, as to things required for furnishing some castles in Scotland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

7. The petition and narrative of Hen. St. John, merchant of London, and the petition of Sarah Lane and Sarah Willis, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9. Order, on the information of spoils upon some trees in Windsor Forest, that Lord Commissioner Whitelock take care that they are prevented for the future.

10. The Committee for preservation of Timber to prepare some general rules to be offered to Council, to be observed in all places throughout this nation where there are any woods or timber belonging to the State, whereby provision may be made for their preservation; the committee to meet on Tuesday, and prepare the rules, and bring them to Council with all speed.

11. The whole business of France, and the consideration of the order for suspension of letters of marque, to be considered on Wednesday.

12, 13. The petitions of Col. Mayo and Col. Fealan, for leave to carry a regiment of Irish foot to the service of the King of Spain, laid aside.

15. To write the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of Hull, that Council approve their choice of Mr. Hibbert to be minister there, and leave it to them to agree amongst themselves as to the allowance to be made him.

16-18. The quorum of three commissioners to meet the Dutch Ambassadors next Monday; Fleming to give the Ambassadors notice to attend, and notice to be given to the commissioners.

19, 20. The petitions of Lieut. Robert Atkinson and of Col. Anth. Hungerford referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I.* 66, pp. 652-655.]

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May 3.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The narrative of Rich. Hillar upon oath referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to peruse the powers given by Parliament to Council in cases of this nature.
2. The letter and papers of Charles Longland from Leghorn referred to the said committee.
3. The petition of James Vaughan referred to the Committee for Examinations, to take his bail if they see cause. [*I. 67, p. 1.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Challoner, Mr. Holland, Sir Jas. Harrington, Sir Gilbert Pickering, and Alderman Pennington to be a committee to consider the petition of Clement Kennersley.
2. The Committee for Examinations to examine the business of Lieut.-General Middleton's conveyance out of England to France, and by whom he was carried over.
- 3, 5, 15. The petitions of William Giles, mariner, of John Jefferson, bowyer of the Tower, and of Sir Morrice Eustace, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.
4. That of Edw. Fleetwood to the Ordnance Committee.
6. That of James Stocall to the Committee for Examinations, to report.
7. That committee to abstract from the report concerning Mr. Abel, late alderman of London, so much as relates to the liberty given by Sir John Lenthall to Abel, he being committed prisoner to him; and Mr. Corbett to present the same to the House.
8. To write Major-General Deane, enclosing the letter from the Earl Marshal of Scotland to the commander of Dunottar Castle, which, when he sends the castle shall be surrendered; he is to inventory the goods, and not suffer any to be disposed of but by order of Parliament, and to take care that the Earl Marshal's family, now in the castle, are put into some other fit house.
9. Friday appointed for Council to hear the report from the Mint Committee as to coining money, and Sir Jas. Harrington to make it.
10. The Committee for Examinations to transmit to the Court of Exchequer such jewels, laces, or other rich goods as have been discovered by them or Mr. Scott to have been sent to England in private letters, and to appoint a prosecutor, and proceed therein according to law.
11. The order of Parliament on the letter of the Prince of Condé from Paris, and the letter, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are, by themselves or a sub-committee, to hear what he has to propound, and report.
12. The papers brought in by Mr. Weaver, relating to the business of Ireland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
13. Hugh Griffith, one of the chapel keepers at Whitehall, to have the same allowance as Hen. Jobson, and Mr. Frost to pay it.
14. To write the Revenue Committee as to the faithful services of Stephen Soters (?), porter to the Council, and desire them to consider how he may have some allowance for serving in Somerset House and Whitehall, before the sitting of Council.
17. The letter written, upon a report from the Irish and Scotch

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Committee, to Major-General Mytton, as to settling the established pay of a governor upon a lieutenant-governor of Anglesey, and Mytton's answer referred, with the report, back to the said committee.

18. Approval of the report and proceedings of the Committee for Examinations, on the information taken by them of James Foster.

19. Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to offer the report ordered to be made to the House concerning Capt. Vernon.

20. Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Mr. Nevill, Mr. Holland, Mr. Corbett, Viscount Lisle, and the Earl of Pembroke, added to the committee on Mr. Frost's family.

21. To write the Commissioners in Ireland to collect what timber and plank they can in Ulster, and transport it to Ayr or the western parts of Scotland, to be delivered to such person as Major-General Deane shall appoint for the service in Scotland. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 2-6.]

May 4.

Order, in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs, that they meet on Friday at 7 a.m., to consider whether the Turkey trade would be best carried on in a company as now, or by free trade, as Portugal and Spain; they will receive in writing what can be offered on either side. [*I.* 131, *p.* 1.]

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2. Col. Morley and Mr. Corbett added to the Ordnance Committee.

3. The business of referring the abuses in the dyeing of silk to be considered this day fortnight.

4. The petition of Geo. Price, merchant, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

5. To inform Edw. Ash, in answer to his petition, that he may take such course as the law allows.

6. The petition of the bailiffs, aldermen, &c. of Great Yarmouth referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

7. That of Dorothy Biglston, widow, for satisfaction for the use of Exeter Castle as a garrison, referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to consider as to disgarrisoning the same, and placing a fort upon the wall of the river Axe, and report.

8. The petition of divers sea commanders, mariners, widows, and orphans, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to put it so that their cases may be stated and reported to Council, and use may be made of them in the treaty with the Dutch Ambassadors.

9. The paper of Mons. Barrière to be reported to the House by Mr. Martin.

10. The Admiralty Judges to give an account to Council of all letters of marque granted against the French, and what has been taken thereby towards satisfaction of losses.

11. Friday fortnight appointed to consider the order for suspension of letters of marque.

12. The Admiralty Committee to write General Blake to inform Council of the state of the fleet now with him, as to the manning the ships according to the number they were appointed to carry at

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their setting out, and to write the Navy Commissioners to the same purpose as to the ship now setting out.

13. 30 copies of the 36 articles on both sides,—those given in by the Dutch and the Council in answer thereto,—to be written out in English, and 30 of the paper of demands; Mr. Thurloe to appoint a fit person therefor, and the charge to be defrayed by Council.

14. Order, on the report of the examination of Wm. Abel, late alderman of London, concerning dangerous words against the public peace lately spoken by him in Northall Woods, near Hatfield, co. Herts. That it appears that Abel has been prisoner to Sir John Lenthall since 12 March last, at the suits of Ann relief of Sir Thos. Moulson, for 1,500*l.* borrowed for the use of the Vintners' Company, also of the executors of Thos. Hammond for 1,000*l.* and of Richard Woodward, merchant, for 600*l.* for the same business. That he has not been continued prisoner, but has had his liberty from Sir John Lenthall, on security given the day he was committed, and has since been at his own disposal, and sojourned at his own and his son's houses, and been in Hertfordshire, Buckinghamshire, and elsewhere. That he came to Sir John Lenthall on Friday last, and paid him seven weeks' chamber rent, being 2*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.*, and came back the same day to his house in Rosemary Lane, and understood that he had his liberty until Easter term, by warrant of Sir John Lenthall, to this effect, that "Whereas Wm. Abel, of Bishop's Hatfield, co. Herts, is now prisoner in my custody, and lodged in the rules of the Upper Bench, upon actions of debt only, these are to certify that my servants and officers, Rich. Abel, Robert Smith, Jno. Clerke, Rich. Pooley, Wm. Abel, jun., Geo. Hughes, and Anth. Jennings, and every of them in the absence of the other, are to attend upon him, and him in safe custody to guard and keep; and this to continue in force until the first day of Easter term next, unless cause be shown to the contrary."

That Wm. Abel acknowledged that Rich. Abel and Wm. Abel, two of the persons mentioned in the warrant, are his sons; that Jno. Clerke, another of them, who waited upon him in the said country, is a servant to his son Richard Abel; that Rich. Pooley, another, is his tenant at his house at Bishop's Hatfield, and that Rich. [Rob. ?] Smith is a coal merchant, and one of his sureties to Sir Jno. Lenthall; that Geo. Hughes is also a servant to Wm. Abel, jun., and Anth. Jennings tipstaff to Justice Aske.

That Council, being sensible of the inconveniences and scandals arising by granting such undue liberty, think the case should be represented to the House by John Corbett, so that such proceedings may be taken as they think meet.

19. That a letter be sent to the Army Committee, to give a warrant for 3,000*l.* to the Lord Deputy of Ireland, for defraying the expenses of his present expedition to Ireland. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 7-12.]

May 5.

Order, in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs, that Mr. Challoner and Neville, Cols. Morley and Martin, Ald. Pennington,

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and Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood meet M. Barrière in the Horse Chamber at 3 p.m. to hear what he has to propound, and report; Fleming to give him notice. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 1, 2.]

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2. The letter from Gen. Blake of 5 May, with the paper giving an account of the state of the victualling of the ships in the Downs, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to speedily meet, and the Navy Commissioners and victuallers to attend them.

3. The election of the Vice and Rear-Admiral for the fleet to be considered to-morrow, and the members of Council now in town to attend.

5. The petition of Capt. Tracy Carter referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

6. The liberty of the Tower granted to Sir Wm. Hart, prisoner there.

7. The Committee for Examinations to send for Sir Wm. Hart, and examine him concerning his residence and place of abode in the late wars.

8. The petition of Geo. Parfield referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9. That of Mr. Ash to the Admiralty Committee.'

10. The paper sent by the Dutch Ambassador's secretary, complaining of the taking of five of their ships by letters of reprisal granted against the French, referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

11. To write Mr. Bradshaw, resident at Hamburg, taking notice of his letter to Lord Bradshaw, and of Billingham's submission for his offence in throwing down the arms of the commonwealth, and that thereupon Council is content to remit their former order for his being sent to England, and leaves it to Bradshaw to direct how he shall acknowledge his offence; but Bradshaw is to suspend him from the court there, and take his bond in 1,000*l.*, with two sureties in 500*l.*, to appear before the Council of State in England on notice, and to be of good behaviour.

12. Sir Oliver Fleming to acquaint the agent from the Hanse Towns that Council has received letters from Mr. Lisle at Lubeck, of the great civilities of the city of Hamburg towards the Resident of this commonwealth, as also of the respects shown to Mr. Lisle at Lubeck, in his passage to Stockholm, and that Council are very sensible thereof.

13. Sir Oliver Fleming to repair to the agent from the Queen of Sweden, and deliver him a copy of the order of Parliament, whereby it is referred to the Council of State to hear what he has to offer.

14. The two letters brought in by Mr. Scott referred to the Admiralty Committee.

15, 17. The petitions of Thos. May, merchant, and of divers sea commanders, mariners, and orphans suffering in the East Indies by the Dutch, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

18. Order on the petition of Hen. Stephens, merchant, that it be referred to the Admiralty Judges to examine the matter, and if

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they find he has not been satisfied to the full of his reprisals, that he be left to proceed in the Admiralty Court against the several goods mentioned.

21. Mr. Monroe to be allowed 10s. a week from December last, for his subsistence, to be continued during the pleasure of Council, and paid out of the contingencies of Council; and also to have the liberty of the Tower. [*I. 97, pp. 14-18.*]

May 7.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of John Pate, prisoner in Newgate, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to examine him upon the whole matter, and report.

2. The petition of Sir Belthazar Gerbier referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

3. The letter to the Emperor of Morocco to be signed by the Lord President and sent. [*I. 67, p. 19.*]

May 7.

COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on the petition of Rich. Hillar, for leave to import fin oil shipped before the date of the Navigation Act, that Mr. Thurloe look into the books, and see whether Council has done nothing therein, and search for the ordinance of Parliament whereby the importation of whale fins is prohibited.

2. The paper delivered in by Mr. Walwyn, asserting the advantage of a free trade in opposition to trading by companies, to be given in to the Turkey Company, and their paper in favour of trading by companies given to Mr. Walwyn, and they are respectively to give answers thereon in writing, this day fortnight. [*I. 131, p. 2.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Admiralty Committee to bring in a weekly list of the ships in pay, with particulars of their stations and victualling.

2. The letter from the Spanish Ambassador, intimating his inability to attend respecting the treaty through indisposition, having been read, his secretary was called in, and the President, by vote of the Council, desired him to inform the Ambassador that they wished him a speedy recovery.

3. For the future, it is to be observed as a rule that—when license is given for export of goods on security for their delivery at the place desired,—it be one part of the condition of the bond to bring a certificate from the officers of the place, that the goods have been delivered there.

4. The Committee for Money to make their report of the state of the Treasury on Friday, and Mr. Love to be sent to, he having the care of that business.

5. The Ordnance Committee to consider as to making a provision of brass and iron guns for the fleet, and to report.

6, 7. The petitions of Laurence Chamberlain and others, and of Col. John Ponsonby, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.

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8. The person who brought the letter from some of the Cantons in Switzerland to attend Council to-morrow.

11. The letter sent to Council from the Speaker, and sent to him by some of the Cantons, to be returned to him by Mr. Scott.

12. The petition of Michael Smally, mariner, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to examine his abilities for discharge of the trust desired.

15. The petition of Edw. Carter, surveyor of the works, referred to the Committee for preservation of timber.

17. The Irish and Scotch Committee to peruse the agreement made with Lieut.-Col. Finch, on his undertaking to carry five companies of foot over to Ireland, and on conference with the Lord General, to consider how it may be made good to him.

18. Sir Gilbert Pickering added to the Committee for preservation of Timber, and the said Committee to sit on Wednesday at 7 a.m. in the Queen's Guard Chamber.

19. The petition of John Menheire referred to the Admiralty Committee.

20. To write Thomas Bendish, at Yarmouth, concerning the petition of Rich. Pettock, commander of the Hare ketch, and to desire him to cause the money and plate mentioned to be sent to London, that proceedings may be taken according to law.

21. To inform Pettock that when the money and plate taken by him in the Scotch ship has been adjudged to the State, consideration will be had of what he desires.

22. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to attend the carrying on of the treaty with the Dutch Ambassadors.

23, 25. Mr. Burrell to acquaint the Revenue Committee with the great sufferings of the six gunners in the Tower, and of Winifred late wife of Mathew Bristow, a mate, by want of their pay, and to desire them to take care for the speedy satisfying of their arrears.

27. To write the Army Committee to give a warrant to the Treasurers-at-war to advance Dr. Petty 100*l.* out of the money to be sent to Ireland, on account of his pay, commencing from the 13th inst., by which time he is to prepare himself for his journey; and to write the Lord Deputy and Commissioners in Ireland of the terms upon which Dr. Petty is entertained, and what money has been advanced to him, and to desire them to take care that pay be assigned him.

35. To write the Militia Commissioners for Cumberland to raise their proportion of one month's assessment, after the rate of 90,000*l.* a month, and thereout to pay Lieut. Robt. Atkinson, on behalf of a troop raised in that county, a month's pay which was due on their being disbanded. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 20-28.]

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10. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. As three of the four fire-ships [the *Fortune*, *George*, and *Mouse nest*] will be speedily completed, the other, which was bulged at Deptford, may be spared. Take care to expedite these three. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page, *damaged*; also *I.* 67, *p.* 25.]

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Leghorn.

11. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. Capt. Appleton is expected from Smyrna, in 40 days. We hear from Marlia [Marseilles ?] that six galleys and ten ships are arming there for the relief of Barcelona, and are commanded in chief by Capt. Ferere, a famous thief, that has done much mischief to our nation in burning the Talent and taking other ships, and now intends the like ruin to any of our ships. I have advertised Capt. Appleton at Zante. If the fleet the State intends for these seas would look in at Barcelona, they might surprise these ships, or fire them with a couple of fire-ships, which they should bring with them, and could send where they cannot go themselves; 14 Dutch ships are before Toulon to demand reparation for their losses. [2 pages.]

[May 11.] 12. Petition of Thomas Morris to the Council of State, for an order to the Collectors for Prize Goods for payment of his bill for victualling the men of the Nicholas of St. Sebastian, taken prize by Gen. Blake on the Irish coast, for 878½ days, they being put on board the Concord, of which petitioner was the purser. With reference thereon to the Admiralty Committee. [½ page. Also I. 67, p. 36.] *Annexing,*

12. I. *John Sparrow, Rich. Blackwall, and Hump. Blake, Collectors for Prize Goods, to the Council of State. We desire your order on a letter enclosed from Gen. Blake. [¾ page.]*

12. II. *Gen. Robert Blake to the Collectors for Prize Goods. While I was on the Irish coast in 1649, divers vessels were seized by the fleet, and some thereof, upon a pressing necessity of providing victuals, were sold to the best advantage; but the Nicholas of St. Sebastian was, by special order, restored to the owners. As satisfaction should be given to those that victualled her men, I recommend Morris to you for payment.—Whitehall, 24 February 1651–2. [½ page, copy.]*

12. III. *Order of the Admiralty Committee referring Morris's petition to the Navy Commissioners.—29 May 1652. [¾ page.]*

May 11. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition and narrative of Samuel Busfield, merchant of London, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to consider the powers given by Parliament to Council in matters of this nature.

2. To write the justices of peace for Sussex of the landing of several Frenchmen upon that coast, and of their going up and down the country in considerable numbers to beg; and to desire them to use all fair means for getting them out of the country, and preventing their landing in such numbers for the future; and to acquaint the Frenchmen that if they do not quickly depart, force will be used to drive them out; to which purpose a letter is to be sent to the commander of the horse in that county, to be assistant thereto.

3. The commissioners appointed to treat with the Dutch Ambas-

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sadors, to treat with the public minister sent from the Queen of Sweden to-morrow, at 8 a.m. in the usual place at Whitehall, receive what he has to propound, and report; Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice hereof, and attend at the meeting.

4. Lord Chief Justice St. John added to the said committee.

5. The Irish and Scotch Committee to take care that the forces and provisions formerly written for by Major-General Deane, and referred to that committee to provide, may be speedily sent to him, the service upon which he is engaged being much in need thereof.

6. The Act for printing to be reported to Council to-morrow.

7. The Irish and Scotch Committee to take care that the accounts of the expenses of the commissioners in Scotland be audited, and the servants which attended them discharged, and the horses bought for this journey disposed of.

8. Drums and colours to be furnished to the regiments of Major-General Deane and Col. Fairfax, appointed to march to Scotland, and a warrant to be issued for furnishing them with 40*l.* each, out of the contingent money of Council, for buying them.

9. The Lord General to order the said regiments to march to Scotland with all speed.

10. The petition of the Governor and Company of Merchants trading to Russia referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

11. That of Rich. Fitzgerard to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider what use may be made of him, and how he may be relieved.

14. The letter from the Irish and Scotch Committee to the commissioners or Commander-in-Chief in Ireland, to give licence for transporting several parties of Irish soldiers or natives to Spain, to be sent. [*I. 67, pp. 34-37.*]

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13. "A paper about engines to mint withal." On 14 March 1649-50, Rich. Johnson, John Corbet, Wm. Taverner, and David Rainage, moneys of the Mint in the Tower, seized tools belonging to Reeves in White Cross Street, used in making copper farthings unlicensed, which, if made at all, should be done in the Tower.

A year ago such tools were taken from Reeves, with stamps for half-crowns, and a contract between him and another in London, for making thousands of rix dollars, and pieces of eight, for which contract Reeves received 20*l.*

If such tools are kept by private persons, it will be impossible to prevent counterfeiting. In France it is death to anyone to keep such tools, and it should be the same here. [*1 page.*]

May 12.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The business of prisoners to be considered next Monday.

3. The house of Sir Abraham Williams to be continued in the pay of the State for receiving Ambassadors, until Michaelmas next, at 300*l.* a year.

4. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider whether the said house is fit for giving entertainment to Ambassadors from foreign states and princes.

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5. The letter of Lieut.-General Monk, desiring 50 pieces of ordinary traces for waggon horses, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

6. The account of Sir Abraham Williams for fitting up his house for the entertainment of the Dutch Ambassadors, and also for the loss and spoil of some goods at that time, to be paid by Mr. Frost.

7. The whole business concerning the keeping of money in the nation, and encouraging the importation of bullion, as also the report from the Mint Committee concerning coining, to be considered next Friday.

8. The petition of John Southwood and Jno. Southcott referred to the Admiralty Committee.

9. The paper from the public minister of the Queen of Sweden to be presented to the House by Lord Commissioner Whitelock.

10. To write Col. Birch respecting the petition of Col. William Throckmorton, and to desire him to send him up to Council, to be examined and disposed of.

12. The arrears due to the inferior officers of the High Court of Justice to be paid them out of the exigent money of Council, provided they make it appear by account that the 477*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* mentioned in their petition is due. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 39-41.]

May 12. COMMITTEE OF TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order, on the petition of Sam Bausfield, merchant of London,—that the goods on board Love's ship may be discharged from the penalties in the Act for navigation—to report to Council that proceedings should be suspended, and the case referred to Parliament.

4. A view to be taken of the cases of Mr. Freeman and Kiffin, and of the former narrative of Mr. Burkin, and then the committee will proceed with Burkin's case, and he is to write down what goods he has of those mentioned in his narrative, here on shipboard in England, and what remain behind in Holland.

5. The East India Company to be again sent to, for particulars of the depredations committed by the Dutch and complained of by Mr. Salmon, and whether any satisfaction has been made, and if so, to whom. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 2, 3.]

May 13. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To answer to the petition of Thos. Aleyn, druggist of London, that Council cannot give relief to the petitioner, nor in any other similar case.

2. The draft of the Act for reviving an Act against unlicensed and scandalous books to be presented to the House by Mr. Love.

3. The Earl of Denbigh to have liberty to send to his mother in France the letter produced to Council, it being of private concernment, provided he sends it to sea by the common passage, and not by an express messenger.

4. The Irish and Scotch Committee to confer with Mr. Weaver

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concerning the qualifications for Ireland, and report their opinion on Wednesday.

5. The regulating of the weaving of darnix to be considered on Friday the 21st inst.*

6. Hen. Boswell, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to be bailed on bond in 400*l.*, with two sureties in 200*l.* each, on the usual conditions.

7. To answer to the petition of Thomas Muschamp that Council cannot intermeddle with the business.

8. The case of Major Adams, representing his good services and sufferings, to be presented to the House by Mr. Scott.

9. The letter from the Navy Committee, as to sending the Worcester and Mermaid to the Straits, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

10. A letter to be sent to the several ports, desiring them to examine all persons taking passage, and endeavour to apprehend Lord Chandos, Lord Arundel of Wardour, Hutton Rich, Steward Walker, and — Compton, for being engaged in a duel between Lord Chandos and [Hen.] Compton, in which the latter was slain, and if found, to send them up in safe custody to Council.

11. The petition of Hen. Shawe referred to the Committee for Law and Examinations, who are to confer with counsel and report, or desire counsel to prosecute the business.

12. The information given in by Abel Tabret to be delivered to Col. Morley, and he, Col. Stapley, Mr. Hay, Mr. Baker, Mr. Gratwick, and Busbridge to send for and examine any of the persons mentioned therein who shall be found in co. Sussex, and who had anything to do with Middleton's escape, and a certificate to be made of their proceedings herein to Council; Col. Morley to take special care of this business. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 43-46.]

May 13.
The Leopard,
Messina Road.

14. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Commissioners. Account of a voyage from Messina to Cyprus and Smyrna, and back to Messina. Difficulty in getting provisions enough at Smyrna. Gave a friendly denial to the Grand Seignior's request to convoy their fleet for Candia. Proceedings of the ships of the fleet. Has taken two small French sattees. [*1 page.*]

May 13.
Louvre.

15. Commission by Charles II. to Charles Lord Gerard, Baron of Brandon, and Gentleman of the Bedchamber, appointing him Captain General of the Life Guards already raised or to be raised, with power to arm, train, and conduct them in all things according to the use of war, as belongs to the office, and to enjoy all such dignities, emoluments, and advantages as have been enjoyed by former captains general, and to hold and keep a council of war and court-martial for the punishment of all offenders. [*Copy, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ pages.*]

May 14.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The information given by Sir Thos. Urquhart, concerning writings of his at his house at Cromarty, in Scotland, to be enclosed by Mr. Thurloe in a letter of his to the Commissioners for Sequestrations in Scotland, and he is to inform them that they are to keep all the papers they find in his house, and not suffer any to be embezzled.

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2. The petition and narrative on oath of Solomon Andrew, of Lyme, co. Dorset, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

3. A duplicate of the letter lately sent to the Commissioners in Ireland, concerning the transporting of Irish into foreign parts, to be prepared, signed, and sent to them by way of Bristol.

4. To answer to the petition of Sir Thomas Urquhart that it will be considered with others of a similar nature.

6. Order, on the petition of Caliah Hemish, for a quarter's salary due to her father as orchard keeper at Whitehall, that Mr. Thurloe examine the business, and Mr. Frost pay what shall be found due.

7. The petition of Walter Slingsby referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

8. The business of coining and the importation of bullion to be considered next Wednesday.

9. So much of the letters from Ireland as gives a narrative of the present state and condition thereof to be presented to the House on Tuesday by Lieut.-General Fleetwood, who is to acquaint them that the Lord Deputy intends to begin his journey thither next Monday week.

10. The Lord General to be desired to give leave to Col. Bingham, Governor of Guernsey, to come over to England.

11. Tuesday next appointed for Council to hear the report from the Committee on the Treasury; Mr. Love to have notice, and to be at Council.

12. The difference in Yorkshire about the manner of laying the assessments in [for ?] Ireland to be considered next Friday.

13. The report from the Committee for Examinations in the case of Capt. James Vaughan referred back to the said committee, to take bail of him and discharge him.

14. Mr. Kiffin to attend Council next Monday, and bring Council's warrant for importation of his goods.

15. Warrant to be prepared by next Monday, giving Mr. Kiffin leave to take up the goods mentioned in his narrative, instead of that given him for their importation, and the former warrant to be then delivered up.

16. Major Montgomery, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to be removed into the custody of the Marshal General.

17. The rent ordered to be paid to Sir Abraham Williams for his house to be paid by Mr. Frost, out of the exigent money of Council.

21. To write the Commissioners for Compositions to proceed upon the informations against Geo. Hackett, and in the examination of the goods, and as to whom they belong, and certify Council, that they may give order therein; the bonds entered into by Hackett to Council not to be delivered up until he has cleared himself of delinquency, or the Commissioners have found how much of those goods belong to him.

24. The 15 guns belonging to Wm. Craford, late master of the

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Goodwill of Ipswich, and now in the garrisons of Tynemouth, Newcastle, and Berwick, to be returned to him according to the former order.

26. To write the Army Committee to take order for paying 40*l.* 14*s.* to Capt. Jno. Clerke, for so much disbursed by Col. Bingham for the advance of a month's pay to 226 private soldiers and 38 officers for Ireland, and to issue a warrant for paying Capt. Clerke three months' pay more for the forces in Guernsey.

31. To write Col. Bingham, Governor of Guernsey, to restore such goods as belonged to the Delft of Flushing, the owners paying salvage, according to the custom of that island.

33. To write the Navy Committee to imprest 500*l.* for the use of the fleet, and to cause the same to be issued to the deputy treasurer of the fleet. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 49–58.]

May 14. Council of State to the master of the packet boat. A duel has been fought between Lord Chandos and Hen. Compton, in which Compton was slain; the seconds were Lord Arundel of Wardour, Hen. Rich, Mr. Compton, and Steward Walker, who, with Lord Chandos, are fled, and some may probably endeavour to pass out of this nation in the packet boat. You are to take special care not to permit any one to come aboard till he has been thoroughly examined by the Mayor of Dover, before whom all passengers are to give an account of their occasions of their going out of the land; in case any of them are discovered, the Mayor is to secure them, and send them to Council. [*I.* 67, *p.* 59.]

May 14. Council of State to Col. [Jno.] Clerke. There remains a balance 49*l.* 9*s.* 4½*d.* on your account of contingent moneys advanced of for reducing the Scilly Isles, or raised by sale of provisions sent for the service, 100*l.* of which is in Portuguese coins at 4*s.* 4*d.* each. You are to pay the sum to Major Thos. Sanders at Plymouth, to be disposed of by order of Council, and his receipt shall be your discharge. [*I.* 67, *p.* 63.]

May 14. Council of State to Col. Jno. Clerke. Council have received your account of money raised by the sale of provisions sent to Scilly, as also of money advanced upon that account for incident charges, and fully acquit and discharge you of the several and respective sums, and from any further account, question, or demand concerning the same. [*I.* 67, *p.* 63.]

May 14. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. To send to Mr. Scobell for the petitions mentioned in the order of Parliament of 30 December 1651, concerning suspension of the Navigation Act, to be here next sitting.

2. Lord Bradshaw, Sir Hen. Vane, Cols. Martin and Morley, Mr. Challoner, Scott, and Neville, to prepare a letter to Sir Thos. Bendish, ambassador in Turkey, noticing his service, and revoking him from his employment, to which Parliament is sending another.

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Also a letter to the Grand Turk from Parliament. Also to consider how the letters may be sent.

3. To report to Council that the liberty given to Wm. Kiffin to import the goods expressed on oath in his narrative should be revoked, but their confiscation and sale, according to the Navigation Act, suspended, and the case referred to Parliament. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 3-5.]

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16. Nine propositions submitted to the Committee for the Mint :—

1. To move Parliament to pass an Act prohibiting the export of coin, cutting and melting it by goldsmiths, and the giving more than the Mint price for bullion.

2. That the book of essays of coin, with the par of foreign coin, be reported to the House, printed and published, that exchange may be set right.

3. That the trade of exchangers, and the buying foreign bullion by goldsmiths be prohibited, and an exchange office set up in the Tower, for sale of bullion at Mint prices.

4. That our gold be raised to its valuation by other States, the omission of which has drawn away English gold.

5. That to encourage merchants, no more be taken for coining for one year than will defray the charge.

6. That Parliament be moved to make current in England foreign coins which are not adulterated, and that weights be provided for receiving them in payment.

7. That the Spaniard be treated with to bring his bullion hither as formerly, to be coined for his soldiers in Flanders.

8. That coin be better made, and counterfeiting and clipping prevented.

9. That an officer be appointed to search for and keep an account of all bullion imported free of customs, and to see that it is brought into the Mint, and that the East India Company and others do not carry out more than their just allowance, as they have done in years past.

With order by the Mint Committee that Sir Jas. Harrington report the same to the Council of State, for their further consideration. [$1\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Hen. Vane to be President of the Council until this day month.

2. To write Capt. Young that Council are very well satisfied with what he has done in making the Dutchman strike.

3. To write Sir Wm. Constable acknowledging the receipt of his information.

4. The letters and papers from the commissioners in Ireland, dated from Kilkenny, to be presented to the House by Mr. Scott.

5. To desire Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to forbear the report to the House of the letters from Ireland, Council having received some letters from the commissioners concerning affairs there, which have been ordered to be reported by Mr. Scott.

6. The Irish and Scotch Committee to meet to-morrow at 7 a.m., and Lord Commissioner Whitelock to be there.

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7. The Admiralty Committee to consider how the convoys to the South may be managed to the best advantage.

8. The letter and papers of Col. Heane from Jersey, as also of Hen. Meech from Weymouth, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to prepare a reply, approving of what has been done.

9. So much of the long letter from the commissioners in Ireland as relates to the want of supplies for carrying on the war in Ireland, to be copied and sent to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

10. The great hall in Whitehall to be set apart for keeping the books and other things now in the library at James's House, as also for keeping the papers belonging to the State; the ordering of that business recommended to Lord Commissioner Whitelock. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 64-66.]

May 18. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Bond, Mr. Burrell, Col. Morley, Mr. Holland, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Scott, and Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to be a committee to consider the entertainment which was given to the Dutch Ambassadors on their arrival, and what entertainment should be given to the two Ambassadors from the King of Denmark just arrived.

2. The two papers from the Swedish agent to be reported to the House by Lord Commissioner Whitelock, with the rest of the papers he has concerning that business.

3. Mr. Scott to inform the House that two Ambassadors have arrived at Gravesend from the King of Denmark, and to move them to declare their pleasure as to their reception.

5. The list of such of the Irish as are to be excepted from pardon to be reported to the House by Mr. Scott, informing them that Council received the same from the commissioners there some time since; that to some of the persons, articles have since been given by the commanders of the forces, on their rendering up of garrisons and laying down arms; and to request the House to declare that all persons in Ireland who have articles given them, on surrendering of garrisons and forces, shall have the benefit of the said articles.

8. To write General Blake, acknowledging his letter as to making choice of a Vice and Rear-Admiral for the fleet, and that blank commissions have been ordered appointing them, which he is to fill up, after conference with the Lord General and Mr. Bond, who will come to him instructed concerning that and other matters.

10. To write the Navy Committee that for the better strengthening the fleet, Council have thought fit that victuals should be provided for 1,000 men more for six months, over and above the 2,830 men already ordered, and to desire them to order that the Navy Victuallers be contracted with accordingly.

11. To write the Navy Victuallers that Council have ordered victuals to be provided for 1,000 men, and to desire them to send part thereof from London to Tilbury Hope, part to Dover for the ships in the Downs, and part to Portsmouth for the ships in those

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parts, which they are to proportion by direction from the General of the fleet.

12. The Admiralty Committee to order the commanders of ships not to bring up any of their ships above Tilbury Hope, unless the occasion be very pressing, and then first to signify it to Council.

13. That committee to consider how men may be furnished to the ships, notwithstanding the prohibition of taking men off merchant ships outward bound; also to consider the proposition made by the Navy Commissioners in that behalf, in their abstract delivered to the Admiralty Committee.

14. Mr. Love to bring in to-morrow the state of the public treasuries.

15. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider the papers from the agent of the Duke of Tuscany and prepare an answer.

16. That committee, in pursuance of an order of Parliament, to prepare an answer to the papers of the Swedish agent, which have been reported to the House and referred back by them.

17. Mr. Legg, wardrobe keeper, to make ready with all speed the house of Sir Abraham Williams.

18. Mr. Martin to present to Parliament the letters and papers from Virginia.

20. The committee appointed by Parliament to consider the business of Ireland to meet to-morrow by 7 a.m. in the Council Chamber; Mr. Corbett to take care of the business, and Mr. Weaver to have notice to be there.

21. The Navy Victuallers to send to Council and the General of the fleet monthly, a list of what victuals, and for how many men for six months they have in store, in any part of England and Ireland.

22. The General of the fleet to be desired, according to the said lists, to order all captains to revictual, wash, and tallow their respective ships, in those parts where the said victuals lie, for the most speedy dispatch of the ships to sea, without coming to London.

23. The General of the fleet not to order, or to permit the captains without order, to bring up any of the ships or frigates to Woolwich or Deptford, except it be to the dry dock, or in case of any extraordinary defects or repairs, whereby they are disabled to keep at sea.

24. In case victuals are not to be had elsewhere than London, the General of the fleet to require all captains of ships that are sent into that port to wash, tallow, or revictual, not to come higher than the Hope or Gravesend, at their peril, without special order.

25, 26. Nich. Bond appointed steward to attend the Danish Ambassadors, and take care for their diet, and Mr. Starkey, cook.

27. Mr. Gay to attend with the horse and coach, and do other things requisite as formerly.

28. 30 coaches to be provided to accompany the Ambassadors from Tower Hill.

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29. The same proportion of diet as to the Dutch,— viz. : 40 dishes for first and second course, and 20 dishes of fruit and sweetmeats for each meal,—to be allowed the Danish Ambassadors, and a convenient allowance for other tables for their attendants and followers to be procured, when their number is known.

30. The Ambassadors to be entertained nine meals, and stewards, butlers, and other requisite officers provided, and 300*l.* to be immediately paid to Mr. Bond out of the contingencies of Council, to make provisions against their arrival.

31. Some members to be appointed to dine and sup with them.

33. 196*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* to be bestowed upon Col. Clerke, out of the 496*l.* 9*s.* 4½*d.*, which, on the balance of an account is remaining in his hands.

34. 20*l.* to be paid by Mr. Frost to Rich. Fitzgerald, and his petition and testimonial to be recommended to the Commissioners of Parliament and Commander-in-Chief in Ireland, to use him in the way of preaching to his countrymen, or any other they think him most capable of, assigning him a suitable allowance.

35. The particulars contained in part of an inventory delivered in by Mr. Zinzon, of goods bought in England and Scotland for the Commissioners in Scotland, to be left in Dalkeith House, in custody of John Hewes, until further order; except one silver sugar box, which, with the plate, linen, and bedding delivered out of the wardrobe here, is to be sent for by Mr. Zinzon, and delivered into the wardrobe by inventory; he is to take two receipts for the same of the wardrobe keeper, and deliver one of them to the Clerk of the Council. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 68–77.]

May 19.
Doctors'
Commons.

17. Report of Drs. Wm. Clark, John Exton, and Wm. Stephens, Admiralty Judges, on the petition of John Chaworth, merchant, on behalf of John Baptista Benzi, Italian merchant residing at Amsterdam, referred to them by the Council of State, that Benzi was the owner of the St. Michael the Archangel; that a claim was made thereto on his behalf in the Admiralty Court, and that the cause is there ready for sentence.

That Benzi, in Nov. 1650, set out the St. Michael, and employed her in trading voyages from Amsterdam to the Straits, and to and from Leghorn and Genoa; and that coming into the Straits laden with wheat, silks, &c., she was taken by Prince Rupert's fleet, and carried to Madeira, and thence to the Western Isles, and her lading was condemned by Dr. Hart in the said fleet, as lawful prize.

That after her seizure, Prince Rupert shifted her guns, purposing to make a fire-ship of her, and made Capt. Goulding commander, but he, finding an opportunity, brought her away to Weymouth, laden with wheat, rye, and paper, when she was employed in the service of the commonwealth, by the name of the Gillyflower. That they have forborne to give sentence until they have been instructed under what condition they are to take Prince Rupert to have been at the time of the seizure, whether as commissioned under a lawful enemy, or as a pirate or sea rover, and no ways lawfully authorised under any prince to fight. [*2 pages.*]

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1. To write General Blake enclosing the letter from Capt. Bourne, and taking notice of a former letter sent him for standing into the Downs, and that he is to do his uttermost to join the fleet.

2. To write the Navy Commissioners to have pendants in the stores for 3 or 4 squadrons, for distinction.

5. To recommend to the Lord General to order such fleet officers in Kent as are with their ships near shore to be in such posture that, if orders come from the General or Vice-Admiral of the fleet, they may be ready to go on board, and also such other foot as are further off the coast to be drawn nearer, in order to that service.

6. One of the Navy Commissioners and Mr. Coytmor to go forthwith to the ships at Deptford, and between this and Gravesend, view them, and give an account of their state to Council.

8. The captain of the Tiger to be sent to, as also the merchant ships in the service plying towards the north, to come forthwith into Yarmouth Road, and on their arrival, to give notice to the General of the fleet, and remain there until further order from him or the Commander-in-Chief in the Downs; Mr. Coytmor to prepare the warrants.

9. To write Capt. Moulton at Portsmouth to hasten away the ships there to the Downs, and to observe orders from the General of the fleet.

10. To write Major Bourne that Council have appointed him Rear-Admiral of the fleet, and have sent him a commission by Capt. Penn, and that such ships as are preparing in the Thames shall be hastened to the Downs, to join the ships with General Blake.

11. The Earl of Pembroke, Viscount Lisle, and Col. Popham, to meet the Ambassadors extraordinary from Denmark to-morrow, at Tower Wharf, and accompany them to their lodgings, and also at meals, during the time of their entertainment.

12. Sir Oliver Fleming to have notice hereof, that he may acquaint them at what time the Ambassadors will land, that they may be there, and that coaches may be provided.

13. The committee appointed to consider of their entertainment to meet, and give direction for such further provision as shall be necessary.

14. The reforming the abuses in the dyeing of silk to be considered this day week.

15. The report concerning the Mint to be made to Council to-morrow.

16. The Committee for Examinations to examine [Thos.] Diamond, a pirate, and dispose of him as they see cause.

17. The petition of David Leigh, prisoner in Chelsea College, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to examine and bail him, if they see cause, conditioned that he does not go to Scotland without leave of Parliament or Council.

18. The letter from Count Daugnan referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, and that committee to meet to-morrow and consider

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how a conference may be had with the person who brought the letter. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 18.*]

19. To write the Army Committee that Council thinks the two regiments of the Lord General and Col. Ingoldsby should be filled up to 1,200 men each for 3 months, and to desire them to give order for their pay accordingly.

20. The Lord General to order the officers of the said regiments to recruit themselves to 1,200, and to order Col. Ingoldsby's regiment to march to Kent.

21. So many of the messengers and serjeant's men as can be spared to attend the entertainment to the Danish Ambassadors.

22. The Admiralty Committee to speak with the Navy Committee, and know what merchant ships in the service for convoys may be made use of on this occasion.

24. The report from the Mint Committee to be made to Council on Friday.

25. Mr. Love to make his report to Council concerning the state of the treasuries to-morrow.

26. Sir Oliver Fleming to take care that as many coaches as may be necessary for bringing in the Ambassadors from Denmark be procured from gentlemen in town, and if the whole number appointed cannot be had, that the deficiency be made up by hiring hackney coaches.

27. The committee appointed to consider of their entertainment to consider also what gratuities should be given to the coachmen of the borrowed coaches, and to order such sum as they think fit to be paid by Nicholas Bond.

28. The report from the Admiralty Judges, in the case of John Chaworth, merchant, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to speak with the judges concerning the doubt made by them in their report.

29. Their report in the case of Capt. John Greene referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to prepare a paper to be given to the Dutch Ambassadors, signifying the matter as represented from them.

31. So much of the paper of intelligence from the Resident at Hamburg as relates to the Emperor of Germany driving from thence all the Protestants, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to consider whether some of them may not be of good use for the plantations in Ireland; and if so, what directions should be given to the Resident at Hamburg concerning them. [*L. 67, pp. 80-87.*]

May 19. Council of State to Wm. Chant, commander of the Tiger frigate. You are to repair to Yarmouth, and give notice to the men-of-war of any considerable burden on that coast to repair thither also, and expect further order from Council, the General of the fleet, or chief commander in the Downs; also to give notice of your arrival in Yarmouth Road with all expedition. [*L. 67, p. 85.*]

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Council of State to Sam. Howett, captain of the Foresight, John Taylor, of the Laurel, — Spakhurst, of the Fortune frigate, and Phil. Holland, of the Cignet [vessels still in the river]. There being special occasion for your speedy repair to the Downs, you are to go forthwith to Gravesend, if you have men enough to sail thither, and there to complete your number. You are authorised, notwithstanding any restraint, to press seamen outward bound as well as inward, so that you do not take more than one-fourth out of each ship [and you are not to press any officers]. If the wind will not bring you into the Downs, to avoid delay, you are to warp your ship down the river, so that you do not endanger her, and advertise the General of the fleet and Commander-in-Chief in the Downs daily how far you are on your way, and observe their orders about your speedy repair thither. [*L. 67, pp. 79, 87.*]

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19. Council of State to the justices of peace for county Devon. Being by Act of Parliament empowered to press seamen for manning of the fleet of the commonwealth, and finding that sending down agents to the several ports has proved offensive, to prevent such inconveniences for the future, and that the fleet may be supplied with men, we require you to impress 300 able seamen, and cause them to be at Plymouth, where they shall be received on board, and entered into the State's pay, and all constables, &c. are to be aiding in this service.

In case any such shall neglect their duty, you are to impress such constables, and send them on board, to be carried to the fleet; and if any shall run away after they are impressed, you are to use all means to apprehend and imprison them, until you have given us an account. Each constable or other officer shall deliver on board the ships the men he presses, and receive a certificate from the captain of the ship of their names, and the number of men so delivered, and the constable shall receive 1s. a man for press money, and 1½*d.* a mile for conducting the men to the ship. Your special care in this service and an account of your proceedings will be expected, and this letter is to be deemed a sufficient warrant. [*1 page. Endorsed: "General Desborow's draft of a letter for impressing."*]

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1. Sir Arthur Hesilrigge, Mr. Scott, Sir Wm. Masham, and Mr. Challoner to accompany the Danish Ambassadors at dinner to-morrow.

2. The Ordnance officers to attend Council this afternoon.

3. To write the officers of all ports throughout England, Scotland, and Wales, to stay all ships in their ports belonging to the Dutch, until further order from Parliament.

4. Council to sit to-morrow at 7 a.m., and the Lord General and Mr. Bond to attend.

5. Also the Navy Commissioners, some of the Trinity House, and the Ordnance officers.

6. To write the Governor of Bristol what liberty was given to Mr. Jessop for coming to Bristol, and that it was not the intention

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of Council that his coming should be to renew and increase former factions, and that he is to desire him to conform to Council's order as to the time of his stay, which was for two months' only, and to give an account of his answer.

7. Mr. Love to report to the House to-morrow the state of the public treasuries, according to the estimation he made of them to-day to Council.

8. To write the Sheriff of Kent to take bond of Capt. Norwood for six months in 500*l.* to appear before Council when summoned, to answer matters laid to his charge as to being privy to the death of Dr. Dorislaus.

9. Thos. Diamond to be committed to the Gatehouse.

10. Col. Morley to report to the House that, for the more effectual carrying on of the service, the regiments of the Lord General and Col. Ingoldsby should be recruited to 1,200 besides officers, and continued for three months, and if the House approve, that order should be given to the Army Committee to pay the regiments accordingly.

11. Lieut.-Col. Kelsey to be dispatched to Dover Castle, and authorised, if there be occasion, to reinforce himself with 200 or 300 soldiers more for one month, which Council will pay; and he is to give frequent intelligence of what shall pass in the Downs between the fleet of this commonwealth and the Hollanders, and take care that the town of Sandwich may be encouraged to stand up in their own defence, against any attempts made upon them.

12. Council being certified of a fight at sea, occasioned by a fleet of ships of war belonging to Holland against those of this commonwealth,—by which action, especially during the time of the treaty begun and continued by the Dutch Ambassadors and the Parliament, and when the same could be least suspected or justified; doubting that many people, being highly incensed, might make attempts of violence upon the Ambassadors or those belonging to them,—order for prevention thereof, that some troops of horse be appointed to quarter near the house of the Ambassadors, and to keep strict guard about the same, for their Lordships' preservation and secure residence.

14. List of nine ships, with numbers of men, guns, and tonnage, at the Bay of the Red Sands, Gallions, and Woolwich; "the least slack will carry these nine into the Downs;" also list of eight which wait only for a wind, and of six more. [*I.* 66, *pp.* 88–92.]

May 20. Council of State to [the Lord General and Mr. Bond?]. You are forthwith to repair to the places where the 10 ships endorsed are, [five of which are in the above list], take account of their condition, and expressly order them and all other ships in the service to sail forthwith to the Downs; and in case they want men, to authorise the captains to press them from ships outward or inward bound. If you find any merchant ships fit for service, give them all encouragement to sail to the Downs, and Council will see them satisfied. All captains and ship officers are to obey your directions, and you

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are to stay at Gravesend, or some other convenient place, as long as requisite to put the premises into speedy execution. It is a business requiring your utmost care and diligence, and you are to give Council a frequent account of your proceedings. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 92, 93.]

May 21. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write Lieut.-Col. Kelsey, Col. Dixwell, and the Mayor of Dover, to appoint a fit person to be postmaster of Dover, and send his name to Council.

3. A Council messenger to be sent to Dover, to ascertain himself what happened upon the engagement between the two fleets, and to inform Council of what he hears about it, from every stage upon the road as he goes down.

4. To inform Lieut.-Col. Salmon that three companies in Hull are to be recruited to 120 each, besides officers.

5. The Lord General to order the 50 odd men now marching towards Ireland to stay where they are, until further order.

6. The business of the Levant Company to be considered next Wednesday.

7. Alderman Pennington to dine this day with the Danish Ambassadors.

8, 9. The Ordnance Committee to consider the present condition of Portsmouth garrison, and what guns should be sent there, and to consider as to sending there a competent store of powder; to meet at 2 p.m., and their clerk to attend.

10. That committee to withdraw, and consider how a store of powder and ordnance may be forthwith furnished for the stores.

12. To write the commissioners in Ireland, enclosing the proposition concerning Ennis Bovin Island, and to desire them to satisfy themselves thereon, and give such order as shall be best for the public advantage.

13. Note that it having been put to the question whether the letters which were propounded to go to the several ports for staying the Dutch ships should be presently dispatched away, it was carried in the negative.

14. The Trinity House to take an account what merchant ships are now in the Thames for the service, and what is their burthen, and report.

15. To write the Navy Commissioners that the George of Plymouth is to be taken up for the summer guard.

16. Mr. Holland to dine with the Danish Ambassadors, instead of Alderman Pennington.

17. Next Wednesday appointed for bringing in the report from the Mint Committee as to coining money.

18. Sir Jas. Harrington and Mr. Neville to go to Commissary Gen. Whalley, and advise with him as to the best and easiest way of keeping guard for the defence of the Dutch Ambassadors, and report.

19. The letters prepared as to staying the Dutch ships to be sent to the several ports.

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20. The four files of musketeers of the guards about town, and 20 horse under the command of some civil officer, to repair to Chelsea for the guard of the Dutch Ambassadors.

21. The Admiralty Commissioners to send in an account of what is required by Parliament concerning the defect in victualling the fleet, and report to Council next Monday, and meantime to give effectual order for victualling such ships as are not yet victualled.

22. To write General Blake enclosing the order of Parliament approving of what he relates in his letter, and that Council will take care for supplying him with victuals and ammunition, and for hastening out the rest of the ships now in the river, which are to come to him, and to thank him for what he has done.

23. Council to sit to-morrow at 8 a.m., as also on Monday morning, and the members of Council to be sent to for that purpose; and also to sit on the Lord's day in the afternoon, if there shall be occasion, which is left to the judgment of the Lord General.

24. To send a warrant to acquaint the captains of the State's ships in the Thames that there are two Dutch men-of-war at anchor in the river, to prevent whose going to their fleet, they are to seize them, bring them under the power of the forts, and take off their sails and rudders.

25. The Ordnance officers to omit no opportunity of sending down the ships appointed for the service; and for the more speedy execution thereof, they are to send provisions, &c. for the ships as well on the Lord's day as others.

27. Mr. Holland, Mr. Scott, and Sir Wm. Masham to sup with the Danish Ambassadors this night.

28. The Committee for Examinations to examine the two prisoners sent over from Dublin, and give order for securing them if they see cause, till they report, and Council declares its order.

29. The letter of Col. Joseph Hunkin from Scilly referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

30. To write Mr. Wallis to pay 100*l.* into the Treasury of the Ordnance [for Ireland] by 10 June next, he being high collector for the hundreds of Burlington, Thame, and Dorchester, and having detained it in his hands for a long time; in case he fail, on certificate from the Treasurers or Mr. Hales, their deputy, that the money is not paid, a warrant to be issued by Council to one of their messengers to apprehend him, and keep him in safe custody until he pay.

40. Order to be given to Capt. Felsteed, commander of the Mari-gold, to receive 1,500 cwt. of biscuit, and 100 firkins of butter, to be sent to Ayr for the forces in Scotland, customs' free. [*L. 67, pp. 97-103.*]

May 21. Council of State to Capt. Hen. Toope, commander of the *Giles*. You were ordered to convoy several ships to the coasts of Scotland, but have only got to Harwich, the wind being contrary. You are therefore speedily to repair to Gen. Blake in the Downs, and observe his orders. The vessels must stay at Harwich till the wind serves for some ship to convoy them. [*L. 67, p. 107.*]

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1. The Admiralty Committee to give daily account to Council of the state of the victualling of the fleet.

2. The members of Council to attend on Monday at 9 a.m., to give audience to the Dutch Ambassadors.

3, 4. Sir Oliver Fleming to inform the Dutch Ambassadors that Council have appointed next Monday at 10 a.m. for giving them audience, and to leave it to their choice whether to use the guard appointed to wait upon them to their audience.

5. Sir Arth. Hesilrigge to send up 600 barrels of powder from Newcastle, to be convoyed by a ship from the northern coast, and a warrant to be issued accordingly; also to send his major down to see this done, and to give directions to the ship to touch in the Hope, and send notice of her being there, and expect further orders.

6. The Ordnance Committee to consider how a competent store of powder may be provided forthwith, and brought into the stores.

7. The contractors for powder to be informed that they are behind in performing their contract for 1,400 barrels which should have been delivered in this night, and that Council expects they should perform their contract, or appear before them on Monday at 8 a.m., to give an account.

8. The money payable to the officers of the High Court of Justice, out of the exigent money of Council, to be paid to Mr. Manley, and by him to the several officers to whom it is due.

9. The Ordnance officers to attend Council on Monday at 8 a.m., to give an account of what powder has this day been brought in, as also what shot and other provisions they have in the stores.

10. The Navy Commissioners to give an account to Council of what cordage, or other provisions for the navy properly under their care, they have in store, as also to make provision of stores for supply of a fleet upon any emergency; and to send an account of the sum required.

13. The petition of Lady Stanhopé to be considered next Friday.

16. Col. Stapley, Mr. Martin, Mr. Corbett, Mr. Hay, and Alderman Pennington, and any other members of Parliament with whom they can prevail, to accompany the Danish Ambassadors at their meals this day and to-morrow.

18. The Navy Commissioners and the Committee of Trinity House to meet and consider the list of ships given into Council by the latter, and what number of them and what other ships now in the Thames may be put to sea fit for the service; and by speaking with the owners and masters, agree upon some propositions to be offered to Council, upon what terms they may be set forth, in respect both of the time and charge, so that the State may not, by their present necessity, be brought into too great disadvantages, as also that there may be a certainty when the ships agreed for will be ready. Power is hereby granted them to send for any owners or masters of ships, or any others for this service, and they are to give an account

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of what they do on Monday, and meantime advance the service as far as is possible. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 109-113.]

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Sunday.

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1. To write the Navy Commissioners and Ordnance officers to send to Gen. Blake the boatswains' and gunners' stores that he has written for.

2. A messenger to be dispatched to the Thames, to take an account of the going out of the ships which are ready, of which he is to have a list, and give an account to Council what are gone, and how far the rest are on their way.

3. The warrant signed yesterday by the Lord President, for impressing men for the fleet, approved.

4. To write Capt. Moulton to agree for a ship of 36 guns lying at Cowes for three months, and send her to General Blake in the Downs, and that Council approve of his directions to the ships to repair to the Downs, with the caution given by the General as to his coming, and that he is to acquaint the masters of ships bound for Ireland with corn, that the State cannot furnish them with convoy at present.

5. To send to Capt. Peacock to sail immediately for the Downs, and that he shall receive his month's pay.

6. The Navy Victuallers to send down a month's provisions to the ships commanded by Capt. Peacock.

7. To write Capt. Baskett to give his best assistance for furnishing seamen to such of the ships in that harbour as want them, on notice from Capt. Moulton.

8. The Admiralty Committee to sit to-morrow at 7 a.m., and confer with the Navy Victuallers as to making further provision of victuals for the navy, as also with such of the Navy Commissioners and Trinity House as have subscribed the letter to Council concerning the furnishing of more ships, and a summons to be issued to them accordingly.

9. To write the Attorney-General that there has been some neglect amongst the postmasters on the Portsmouth road, in the conveyance of letters relating to the service, and to desire him to give them directions to dispatch with all convenient speed all letters between Portsmouth and London, relating to the service.

10. To write the Lord General, Mr. Bond, and General Blake, what ships Council have ordered to the Downs, and to desire them to give frequent intelligence. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 117-119.]

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1. The Navy Victuallers to send to the Downs the victuals they have provided for the ships now there.

2. The paper of necessities required by the Ordnance officers referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to report.

3. Order to be given to the postmasters on the road to the Downs to carry express all letters written to Council from the Navy Victuallers, and sent to be carried between them and the fleet.

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4. The Navy Victuallers to certify to Council the neglect of any person in not speeding the provisions to the ships, that they may be proceeded against.

7. Nine members of Council to speak with Heer Newport, lately come from Holland, and to hold correspondence with him.

8. Mr. Thurloe to prepare an extract of the several letters to Council, giving an account of the fight between the Dutch and the English fleet in the Downs, as also of that of Captain Young of Plymouth, and give the same to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to sit thereon to-morrow.

9. To desire Col. Morley to write to his brother at Arundel Castle, to send all the powder he can spare out of that garrison to Portsmouth.

10. To desire Alderman Pennington to tell the Lord Mayor and aldermen of London that, on account of the failure of a contract for powder, there is some want of it in the Tower for furnishing ships; and that if they have any in their companies' halls or other places, they are to deliver it forthwith, and Council will take care that the same proportion shall be restored.

11. The Ordnance Committee to take an account of what powder is in the stores in the several garrisons, and letters to be sent to the respective governors to give an account with all speed.

12. Sir Oliver Fleming to acquaint the Dutch Ambassadors that Council will consider what they have said, and send its resolutions in due time.

13. The Lord President to report the paper from the Dutch Ambassadors to the House to-morrow, with the matter of fact of the fight between the two fleets in the Downs, and Capt. Young and the Dutch.

14. To write the Lord General and Mr. Bond of the audience given to the Dutch Ambassadors, enclosing a letter of Tromp's to the States General, and to say that they shall have a copy of the paper given in by the Ambassadors, when it has been reported to the House. With note of a similar letter to General Blake.

15. To write Major-General Deane of what has happened between the English and Dutch fleets in the Downs, and to say that Council think it necessary,—in regard of the fishing which the Dutch have every year about Orkney and Shetland, and the fair they hold there—that further forces should be sent thither; and to desire him therefore to give order for sending such further forces as he shall judge fit, to secure the place from any attempts of the Dutch.

That as to Dunottar Castle, since the means used for the rendition take no effect, he is to use his best endeavours to straighten and reduce it, upon the best terms that he can. He is also to acquaint himself with the harbours of Orkney and Shetland, and whether it is possible for our ships to be defended by the forts there, in case they may have occasion at any time to come thither.

That if any persons have obtained leave from Council to come to Scotland, if he finds it will be prejudicial to the peace of that

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country, he is, notwithstanding any such licence, either to secure such persons there, or command them to return to England.

16. The letter from Holland to be reported to the House to-morrow.

17. To report to the House that Council finds it necessary, in the present state of affairs, that 40 sail more than are already in the service should be taken on, and have given orders to that effect; and to move the House to consider where money may be had for paying them.

18. To write the Commissioners of Trinity House to direct the ten ships bound for the Newfoundland fishery to fall down to the Downs, and remain with the fleet until further order; and to say that if the State has occasion to make use of them, they will receive reasonable satisfaction for the time they are employed, and shall have jack provided for them.

19. The Earl Marshal of Scotland, and such Scotch ministers as have been released from the Tower on bond, to be remanded until further order, their bonds to be delivered up, and they to have the liberty of the Tower.

20. The Admiralty Committee to order some fit ships to convoy 600 barrels of gunpowder from Newcastle to London.

21. Power to be given to Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to dispose of such of the recruits lately added to the Lord General's regiment as he shall think fit, to that of Col. Ingoldsby, for the more speedy dispatch of that regiment to the service.

22. The *Marigold* to go as convoy to the *Hopewell* of London, with provisions for Scotland, now at Harwich, instead of the *Mary* and *William*, formerly appointed to that purpose, and Mr. Coytmor to acquaint them herewith.

23. The matter of fact as stated by the Lord General, concerning the fight between the English and Dutch fleet in the Downs, to be reported to the House to-morrow by the Lord President.

24. Warrant to be given to such persons as are entrusted with the carrying down of powder and stores from the Ordnance office to General Blake, to sail down the river, and take the first man-of-war they shall overtake on his way to the Downs, and go in his convoy to the fleet.

25. To write Gen. Blake of the coming of a supply of stores, and that he is to order care to be taken of the vessels in which they are sent, when they arrive in the Downs.

26. To write the Lord General thanking him for his care and pains in the business of the fleet, to give him an account of the ships that are going out of the river towards the fleet, and of the provisions, and of the letters of Admiral Tromp to the States General, giving an account of the action between the two fleets.

27. Order to be given to the *Marygold* to go for Scotland, as a convoy to the *Richard* and *Martha*, which is to carry 500 tents and poles, and 500 fowling pieces, &c. for the army in Scotland. [I. 67, pp. 120-128.]

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Council of State to the Vice-Admirals of Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk, Kent, Sussex, and Hants. The fleet of this nation now at sea having lately received some affront on our coast by the Dutch, who, as is conceived, will still persevere, in opposition of the obedience they have always yielded and are bound to observe in our seas, Parliament have resolved to prepare and set forth a fleet of 40 more ships, as an addition to those already out. You are therefore to summon before you all the seamen in your several towns and villages, between the ages of 15 and 50, and acquaint them with the emergency of service, and the want of seamen to man a fleet of ships now in preparation in the Thames; and to press for that service as many able seamen as you can, giving to each 1s. press money, and $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ a mile conduct from the place where they shall be impressed to the place of their appearance at Deptford, where they shall be entered on board the respective ships by Nath. Tearne, the State's clerk of the check.

For better performance of this service, you are to cause a note to be written by your clerks, and delivered to each seaman, specifying his name, age, stature, complexion, and where pressed, and when; the Navy Commissioners will reimburse all moneys laid out in carrying on this business, upon sending up your accounts. You are to use all care and diligence, as this business is of high concernment, and a strict account will be required thereof. For your better assistance therein, all mayors, justices of peace, bailiffs, constables, and others are to be aiding and assisting, according to the tenor of an ordinance of Parliament lately passed. [*I. 67, pp. 129, 130.*]

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Council of State to [Capt. Hum. Felstead,] commander of the *Mari-gold*. The *Richard* and *Martha* was ordered to carry to Scotland provisions for the forces, but has since been designed to another service. You are therefore to receive the provisions, as delivered by Commissary Dobbins or Phipps, sail for Leith, deliver them by order of Major-Gen. Deane, and take 2 receipts, one of which you are to return to Wm. Rowe, at the Committee for Irish and Scotch Affairs. As you pass Harwich, you are to call and take the *Hopeful* of London, ready bound for Scotland with provision, and convoy her. [*I. 67, p. 131.*]

May 25.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Council being informed that Lady Ormond has come to England, it is ordered that she depart out of the territories of this commonwealth within 10 days.

2. The Earl Marshal, who has had liberty of the town on bail, to return to the Tower, and remain prisoner till further order, but to have the liberty thereof; the Serjeant-at-arms to go with him thither, and acquaint the Lieutenant with these orders.

3. The petition and papers of Rich. Morgan, of Marlow, co. Bucks, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

4. The Admiralty Committee to consider what ship may convoy the *Hopewell* of London, now at Hull, with provisions for the army in

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Scotland, and Lieut.-General Fleetwood added to the Committee for this business.

5. To write General Blake that Parliament has been made acquainted with the facts of the engagement between him and the Dutch fleet, and to enclose him the relations of Parliament thereon, and refer to yesterday's instructions to desire him to lose no time for putting them into effectual execution.

6. Mr. Thurloe to prepare an extract out of the letters and papers which relate to the action between Capt. Young and a Dutch man-of-war off Plymouth, and to that between General Blake and Van Tromp, and bring them in.

7. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare the form of a general embargo of ships for a fortnight, and Drs. Walker and Exton to attend the Committee to-morrow at seven a.m.

8. The Ordnance Committee to consider the best way for speedily converting the saltpetre bought of the East India Company into powder, and for contracting for such saltpetre as remains in the East India Company, and converting that also with all possible speed; also to consider the present usefulness of powder, and report what they shall do herein.

9. The Ordnance Committee to consider the best way for making saltpetre within this nation, and report; the care thereof referred to Mr. Holland.

10. The Admiralty Committee to prepare an Act for calling home all English mariners, and forbidding them, on the strictest penalty, to serve any foreign state or prince, and bring it in on Friday.

11. Such fortification as remains about Croyland to be slighted, and the Lord President and Col. Wauton to speak with Mr. Lister and other gentlemen of Lincolnshire concerning it.

12. To write Capt. Moulton to take on Capt. Stanton's ship, and the other two mentioned by him, on the best terms he can, and certify the contracts, and hasten out the ships to sea; also that the Admiralty Committee is to furnish the Convert and Dove with ammunition at Portsmouth, of which he will hear further.

13. The letter of Col. Pyne from Curry Mallett referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider how the prisoners may be disposed of.

14. The Committee for Examinations to examine Mr. Leutnor, lately come out of Holland, and Capt. Wm. Kendall, as to what they have heard from any Dutchmen as to their intentions of fighting the English fleet, or breaking with this nation, as also any other persons who can give information of this nature.

17. The list of garrisons throughout the nation, formerly referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to be recommended to them to consider how inland garrisons may be slighted, and how such as are upon the coast may be enforced, without increasing the establishment.

18. The condition of the Isle of Wight and the several garrisons thereof, as also of Portsmouth, to be considered on Thursday.

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19. To write the Navy Commissioners to hasten out the Warwick and Marigold, and to take into convoy such ships as are bound for Scotland, whether in the Thames or at Hull, and Mr. Coytmor to give notice to the ships at Hull that a convoy is appointed for them and will speedily arrive.

20. The desires of Capt. Farley for ammunition for the company in Rye referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to allow such a proportion as they judge necessary.

21. The Admiralty Committee to consider on what terms the Convert and Dove at Portsmouth may be furnished with powder out of the stores there, and to confer with the owners.

22. Also to prepare commissions for Captains Stanton and Fras. Tatnell to be captains of ships, and bring them to Council.

23. The two letters drawn up to Capt. Hatsell and Mr. Walley to pass. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 133-139.]

May 25. Council of State to the Vice-Admirals of eos. Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk, Kent, Sussex, and Hants. To the same effect as the letter to the Vice-Admirals of other counties of the 24th inst. [*See p.* 257, *supra.* *I.* 67, *p.* 140.]

May 25. **20.** Thomas Bulstrode and three others to the Excise Commissioners. The excise of the inland commodities in Kent having been let to farm, there will be no further use of so many sub-commissioners, and we have therefore reduced them to two, Jno. Cradock and Adrian Lenthall, who are acquainted with trade. The rest of the sub-commissioners may be dismissed, there being scarcely sufficient subsistence, according to the usual salary, for two; we present this for your allowance. Noted as agreed. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

Excise Office,
London.

May 26. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write the Navy Commissioners, in answer to theirs, to proceed with pressing the five ships already laden for merchant voyages, and give order for their speedily setting forth.

2. The answer to the papers delivered by Mons. Applebon, Public Minister of the Queen of Sweden, reported to Council from the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to be translated into Latin, and presented to the House by Mr. Scott.

3. The letter prepared by that committee to the King of Tunis to be fair copied, and signed by Council.

4. Also the answer to the agent of the Duke of Tuscany.

5. To write the Navy Commissioners that the General of the fleet requires more fire-ships, and that they are to look out for six fit for that purpose, and provide the materials for fitting them out.

6. The Ordnance Committee to order the Ordnance officers to view the 30 ships ordered to be pressed into the service, and give order for supplying them with guns, if requisite.

7. The committee appointed to meet the Spanish Ambassador to assign him a day for hearing; Mr. Martin added to their number.

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8. The petition of the Merchant Adventurers to Greenland referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9. The Committee to meet the Spanish Ambassadors to-morrow at 4 p.m., and Fleming to signify the same to him.

12. The paper of Gertrude Pickover, brought in this day, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

14. To-morrow morning set apart to receive the report from the Lord General as to the state of the fleet, and to consider what is to be done thereupon, and the members to have notice to attend.

16. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider of providing some exigent money for Council.

17. The petition of Col. Fealan to be considered next Friday.

18. The committee to meet the Spanish Ambassador next Friday instead of to-morrow, and Fleming to give notice.

20. The petition of Jas. Lydsey, on behalf of himself and other miners of 'calamine and drawers of latten wire, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to examine them and others, and report.

22. The list of maritime prisoners in the common gaol at Dover referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to consider the best way of disposing of them.

23. Order on the petition of Jno. Dizney, treasurer, that Mr. Scott make his report upon that business next Friday.

24. Order on the petition of Margaret Feyver, that the Committee for Foreign Affairs prepare a report to be offered to the House, whereby relief may be given in cases of that nature.

26. The petition of Capt. Philip Thorpe referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to confer with Mr. Lister therein.

28. Lieut.-Col. Salmon, Deputy Governor of Hull, to send the 19 prisoners in his custody, who were taken as pirates at Wyer, to Ireland, except Capt. Cotterell, who is to be detained until further order.

29. The Governor of Cowes Castle to set at liberty the two sons of John and Nich. Barleehare. [*L.* 67, *pp.* 141-148.]

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Amsterdam.

21. Jas. Yard (?) to Sir Robert Stone, London. I send, as you request, my opinion as to the cause of the obstructions in the Mint in the Tower of London, and have made inquiry of others here, well acquainted with the mystery of this business, and with the reasons that hinder England from coining money. My mind has always been bent upon understanding the mystery of Mint and exchange, having read great volumes put out by the Moneyers in France, who have a constant court and council for regulating their money and bullion, and constantly sit to discover and punish all clippers and counterfeiters; such a court ought to be put up in England, strict laws made, and men appointed to see them put in execution.

Experience has taught me that when the State does not keep extraordinary watch on coiners, clippers, and counterfeiters, and the laws are not put in execution against culling and sorting out the

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heaviest to be transported, and the light and clipped left behind, it is a great debasing of the current value of coin. All your silver money is thus abused by goldsmiths and others, and when the State does not employ such as can discover these offenders, but puts persons into the Mint who have had no experience, upon the recommendation of friends, great damage must follow; for there are bankers and exchangers in Holland who know the ignorance of all your present Mint men that have any place of trust, and laugh at them. They say when the Mint in the Tower flourished, old Andrew Palmer, Mr. Rogers, and one Cogan were there, who were all subtle Mint men, and held correspondence here, and knew what to do to advance the Mint, and would always find a way to bring grist to their mill; but now your Mint comes to be neglected, the money adulterated, and the State dishonoured.

I hear by people from Ireland that a greater quantity of the new English gold and silver coin has been counterfeited than has been coined in the Tower, and I know the States here took some English merchantmen that had disposed of a great quantity of 20s. pieces, which upon trial were not worth 4s. apiece, and that they sent some of the gold to the Lord Mayor and Common Council of London, and the examination of one Badland, an English factor, who lay here to vent and disperse counterfeit gold for London merchants; but the business was smothered and bribed by the merchants in London, which it is very easy for the State to find out, as the letter was sent to Alderman Andrewes, then Mayor, and to Michell, the town clerk, who must know how this business came to be smothered.

We hear that your Mint has come to such contempt that where you formerly coined 40,000*l.* a week, and above 20,000*l.* a week in gold and silver, there is now not so much coined in a year, and your coin is nothing but counters and farthings, which is because your officers have no skill. In Ireland almost all the English money is clipped, and is not so weighty by 20 pounds in the 100; and when the Dutch send goods there, their shippers and factors always carry weights to weigh the money they receive, and sell their commodity at 20 in the 100 more when they receive clipped money; I have weighed the English money here when they returned from Ireland, and found 400*l.* of your culled and weighty money weigh 500*l.* light English money, which money is transported back to England, and goes current at all seaports, where they will change it for a small matter for weighty culled money, which they send for Holland. Your clipped English money will make no more than to melt. I hear there are goldsmiths in London, Bristol, and several seaports, very guilty of clipping, and many false coiners in and about Lancashire and London.

Many of our bankers here have a great trade with your goldsmiths and merchants in London, for English gold and heavy English silver. Your Mint will never go until this be discovered, for these men are the sluices that drain all your moneys, and destroy your Mint. On a longer stop of the Mint, great damage must follow, especially to England, which has no considerable mines to supply

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you with treasure, as Spain and other countries, nor can you do as we do in Holland, make money a merchandise, having so much; I believe there is at this day 40 times more gold and silver in the Low Countries than in England.

You have a compass of land and stock, which they have not, but then they are so subtle in their banks, which you are not, that they can bring in money, and let it out again as they list. When you have as much money as they, then do as they do; but now you must recruit your Mint, and be vigilant that no money comes into the nation but what shall be converted into coin, and by all means find out the transporters of treasure; for you must have money plentiful, to pay your armies in England, Scotland, and Ireland, and no small sum will serve your fleet. As your business now stands, you have hardly money left to maintain the trade of the nation; the taxes will be collected with great difficulty, and in a short time impossible to be paid, if you do not keep strict laws and watchful officers, to discover the transporters of gold and silver; for when your treasure comes to be exhausted, it will breed a strange change in all parts of the State. If you observe this rule, that no person is to cull or melt coin, or give for gold and silver above the price settled by the State, and the Mint to inquire of and punish all offenders, and hunt out all clippers, counterfeiters, and transporters of treasure, you may with great difficulty restore your Mint.

About 12 years since, the French were forced to call in all their money, it being so clipped that their payments and commerce ran into confusion, and you have almost brought yourselves to the same point, the coin in Ireland being 20 per cent. less value since the war.

In England almost all your gold is transported, and the little that is left is in hucksters' hands, that go to an exchange in Lombard Street, and you must pay from 6*l.* to 10*l.*, and sometimes more, to have 100*l.* in gold for silver; and this has been set on foot for the unlawful profit of a few, without any license, and to the destruction of the Mint; for who will bring gold to the Tower to be coined, and lose 2*s.* in 20*s.* of what they can make by transporting it? This was done in France till the Court of Moneyers was revived, which convicts the offenders, who die without mercy.

The late King went squirting up and down with his mints at Bristol, Shrewsbury, York, Oxford, Carlisle, and many other places; and when these garrisons were surrendered, the irons were carelessly neglected, and came into the hands of knaves, who fell first to coining of a great quantity of money in Lancashire, and the materials they wrought on was only the clipping of English silver and pewter dishes; some of them were executed, but to this day the State does not know the hundredth man in that country that are clippers and counterfeiters, and the like is still done in London and elsewhere. There could not be a better service to the State than to bring them all to justice.

If you move this business to any person in power, be sure to warn him to have a care of believing or advising with the Guinea and East India merchants and goldsmiths, for these are the only offenders; and without a joint confederation with each other, these mischiefs of

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transporting money, diverting it from the Mint when it is brought in bullion from beyond sea, by giving 1*l.* and 2*l.* in the 5*s.* in silver, 6*d.*, 1*s.*, and sometimes 2*s.* in 20*s.* for gold, more than it will make in the Mint, will not be prevented; for what does the merchant care, so that he be rich, how poor the public is? Let the commonwealth sink, so that he gets his profit, and sends our gold and silver into foreign parts for cards, paper pictures, glass pearls, beads and babies, Flanders' laces, tobacco, or 100 trifles that the nation buys for ready money, and good gold and silver are transported. Your expense for foreign goods is twice as much as the goods you export, and this, in a few years, will drain all your stock, and not leave you a penny. We have more English gold in Amsterdam than you have, all sent within these 20 years, and great quantities of English silver has weekly come over in pinks and Dutch men-of-war for years, to the value of many hundred thousand pounds, in return for corn.

I wondered at first how the merchants transported all weighty and cull'd English money into Holland, until one of the bankers told me. I would have you inquire into and prevent it, for it is a most pernicious thing, and ought to be punished with the greatest severity.

It is the goldsmiths, especially those in Lombard Street, who are the greatest merchants and London cashiers, and who will receive any man's money for nothing, and pay it for them the same or the next day, and meantime keep people in their upper rooms to cull and weigh all they receive, and melt down the weighty, and transport it to foreign parts, sometimes without melting, and keep banks for all the principal coin in Christendom in their shops, where any may be furnished. Some of them clip and counterfeit both gold and silver money, English and all other nations', and thus destroy your Mint.

There is also a great waste of silver in England by wearing gold and silver lace; there is 300,000*l.* worth made annually, which ought to be put down, until you have recruited the nation with treasure, and your Mint is flourishing. [4 pages.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The messenger of Council who carried the dispatch to General Blake on Monday night last (to be examined) as to his not making greater haste therein.

2. To write the Navy Commissioners to take up two ships for fire-ships, and order their being speedily fitted out, and the Ordnance officers to be written to, to provide materials.

3. The disposal of the fleet for the summer's service to be taken up to-morrow, and the members of Council to have notice.

4. The Admiralty Committee to consider as to disposing of such sea prisoners as are now in England.

5. The persons informed against by Mr. Scott for forging debentures to be sent for in safe custody, and examined by the Committee for Examinations, in order to the matter being reported to the House; Mr. Scott and Mr. Neville to take care thereof.

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6. To write General Blake that directions have been given to the Admiralty Committee to send for Capt. Thorowgood and Capt. Gibbs, and that he is to send up his informations concerning their miscarriage on the engagement between the two fleets, and to supply their places during their absence, and until further order.

7. The Admiralty Committee to send for the said captains, examine them upon the above, and report.

8. The Ordnance Committee to consider what has been represented concerning the badness of the new iron guns, examine the parties by whom they were made, and report their answers.

9. To write the Vice-Admiral of co. Dorset to secure the ship from Bordeaux at Weymouth, make an inventory of her goods, and take care that none are embezzled.

10. To write the Mayor and jurats of Dover, taking notice of their good affection, as also that of the seamen there, upon the late engagement between the two fleets.

11. The Admiralty Committee to consider the good services done by the seamen belonging to the port of Dover, and give them such reward, out of the tenths of prizes, as the Act of Parliament allows.

12. To write the Mayor of Sandwich thanking him for his readiness to promote the public service on occasion of the engagement between the two fleets.

13. To write the commanders of the Providence, Heart, and Weymouth Pink, to remain upon the northern shore for guard thereof.

14. The Committee for Examinations to consider how the packet of Vincent De La Barre of Dover may be searched, and by whom, and to prepare a warrant therefor.

16. Mr. Bond to acquaint the House of the good affections of the Mayor and jurats of Dover, manifested in giving their assistance to the fleet, as also of the seamen there, by their voluntary and cheerful going on board the fleet before the engagement between the two fleets in the Downs, and their faithful service there; also to acquaint the House with the great loss of houses at Dover through the defective pier, towards the repair of which Parliament formerly ordered 4,000*l.*, of which they have as yet not received anything, and that they are in great danger of sustaining a further loss, for want of that money or some part thereof, and to move the House to consider where 1,000*l.* of it may be speedily had, for preventing further mischief which is likely to befall many houses in that town.

17. The fresh victuals for the 500 men for five months, now lying at Dover, to be put on board the fleet forthwith.

18. The above victuals to be sent to the fleet in the Downs, to be spent while they are there, so as to spare their salt victuals.

19. The Admiralty Committee to consider the defects in the victualling at Harwich, both in point of time and quality, Council being informed that the Reformation, and two other ships sent thither to take in their proportion, were detained there many days, and that the beer and victuals are generally bad.

20. The Ordnance Committee to consider as to sending 500 barrels

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of powder to Deal Castle as a store for the fleet, and also a fit quantity for the service of the castle.

21. To write the Navy Committee to pay off the Fairfax, Centurion, Entrance, Adventure, and Star, for 16 months, for supply of their present necessities, there being 22 months' pay due to them. [*I. 67, pp. 149-154.*]

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London.

Levant Company to John Hobson. Having considered the grievances obtruded on us by the regiments at Zante and Cephalonia, and the means for redress you suggest, by a small leviation on currants exported, we authorise you to solicit and procure a remedy, as follows on these particulars:—

1. The one dollar per mille which our factors charge to account, as a gratuity to the regiments for license to lade.

2. The regiments' enforcement of their own currants upon the factors, thereby hindering them of liberty to buy where they please.

3. The exaction of five sous per livre upon all customs, whereas heretofore only three sous were paid.

4. Their partial enforcement of five ducats extraordinary upon such as they call unfree ships, which reflects with inconvenience upon themselves, since if all our ships were equally free, the currants would be more easily taken off their hands. Together with the decimo and what other abuses may be offered us at both islands.

Let half a livre per mille be levied upon all currants exported from both those islands, for defraying your charges, which you are to take care is received, giving the factors advertisement thereof. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., p. 190.*]

May 28. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Thanks to be returned in the letter to Sandwich, to the Deputy of Deal, and the rest there, for their readiness to promote the public service, on the engagement between the two fleets in the Downs.

2. Mr. Corbett added to the committee appointed to meet the Spanish Ambassadors.

3. Mr. Scott to make his report to Council on Monday on the business of Mr. Dizney.

4. What has been done by Col. Dixwell and Lieut.-Col. Kelsey, in making choice of a postmaster for Dover, approved.

5. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Roseworm referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider what is due to him, and fit to be done for him for the future, in reference to the employment in which he has been engaged by Council.

6. To signify to General Blake that Council cannot dispense with Capt. Harrison as commander of Upnor Castle.

7. Council to sit to-morrow at 9 a.m.

8. The Admiralty Committee to sit to-morrow at 7 a.m., to consider of a fit person to be captain of the Resolution, and present his

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name to Council ; also what should be done with Sir Geo. Ayscue's ships, now come into Plymouth.

9. The petition of divers French merchants referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to consider and report.

11. The paper from the Dutch Ambassadors to be considered to-morrow.

12. The letters from Truro and St. Ives referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to give order therein or report.

13. One of the Commissioners of the Seal, and Lords Chief Justices Rolle and St. John, to attend Council to-morrow at 9 a.m.

14. To signify to Commissary General Whalley, that the intention of Council in appointing a guard at the house of the Dutch Ambassadors, being only for the safety of their persons against injury and violence, he is to manage the guard in such manner as may appear to be honourable, and no restraint to be put upon them or any of their retinue, but that it be at their liberty, and that of their attendants and servants, to go and come as their occasions require ; leaving it wholly to them, when they go abroad, whether they will have any guard to attend them or not.

19. The company trading to Russia to bring in to the Committee [for Foreign Affairs] the capitulations made between this State and the Emperor of Russia, and what privileges have been granted to the English by him, and reduce to writing the advantages and commodities that accrue to this State by the trade thither, and wherein the privileges heretofore granted have been violated, and what remedies the company think fit to be applied for their recovery, and deliver it to Mr. Thurloe by this day week, when the committee will consider this business. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 156-161.]

May 28.

COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on the petition of Sir Belthazar Gerbier, that the committee can make no bargain with him to allow him part of what he discovers, but doubts not Parliament will deal worthily with him, if he brings any advantage to the State, and keeps secret what he discovers.

2. He read a contract between the King of Sweden and the Duke of Buckingham, made in March 1628, at Stockholm ; also the state of the loan from Queen Elizabeth to Flanders in 1566, then under the King of Spain, 133,000*l.*, now 7,000,000*l.*, for which Antwerp, Ghent, Bruges, and Dunkirk were engaged.

3. His propositions referred to a sub-committee, with power to send for papers and records relating thereto.

4. To report to Council, on Jas. Burkin's petition, that the penalty of the Navigation Act be suspended, on his taking an oath upon his narrative, till Parliament's resolution be known. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 51-56.]

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1. The Navy Victuallers to attend the Admiralty Committee on Monday morning.

2. Mr. Corbett to confer with the Lord Mayor as to what ammunition they have in store in the City, as also in the companies' stores, and to deliver an account thereof to the committee which will sit next Monday on that business.

3. The form of embargo now read approved, on the 14 days mentioned being made 28, and to be fair copied and sent to the several ports.

4. Lieut.-Col. Salmon to take care that the Holland man-of-war secured at Hull have her sails and guns taken out of her, but her company to be left on board, to victual out of the provisions in her. The like with regard to the ship stayed at Falmouth.

5. To inform the Navy Commissioners what shallops have been appointed to ply up and down off the western ports, and that if those they directed to ply up and down off Plymouth are sufficient for that service, they are to pay off the rest.

6. To write the Navy Committee to pay such bills as shall be sent them from the Navy Commissioners, for the charge of the small boats sent out to give notice to merchant ships coming home.

7. To write General Blake, enclosing the letter from the Mayor of Weymouth, giving notice of the passing of 60 sail of Dutch towards the Downs, and to desire him to stay them, or any other Dutch ships, and send them into port, or otherwise secure them, without embezzlement; but this is not to divert him from prosecuting his former instructions.

8. The Admiralty Committee to consider how the charge of keeping the Dutch prisoners at Dover may be satisfied, and report.

9. The taking off the suspension laid on letters of marque against the French to be considered next Wednesday.

10. Dr. Stephens to attend the Committee for Foreign Affairs on Monday, and bring a list of such ships as he conceives fit to be made men-of-war, with particulars of their tonnage, guns, &c.

11. Dr. Walker to attend that committee on Tuesday at 8 a.m.

13. To write Capt. Moulton that the Convert and Dove are to be supplied with ammunition out of the stores at Portsmouth, which the owners are to repay to the Tower, and that such ships as he takes up there are to be accounted as part of the 30 merchant ships to be taken up, and he is to acquaint the Navy Committee from time to time with what he does herein, and receive their directions.

14. The letter of Capt. Moulton from Portsmouth, as to taking up ships for the service, to be sent to the Navy Commissioners, for their more full information of what he is doing. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 22.*]

15. To write Sir Wm. Constable that the consideration of Mr. Hancock's miscarriage has been referred to the Commissioners of the Great Seal.

16. Lieut.-Col. Salmon to deliver up the 18 prisoners ordered for the service of Ireland, and now at Hull, to Capt. Kingdown, who is raising a company there for that service.

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17. Lieut.-Col. Salmon to send up Capt. Cotterell, imprisoned at Hull, by the next man-of-war passing from Hull to London.

18. The letter of Sir Wm. Constable, from Gloucester, relating to the miscarriages of Mr. Hancock, justice of peace for that county, to be delivered to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, who are to do as they see cause.

19. To write the Mayor of Dover, and Governor of Dover Castle, that Council approve their nomination of Mr. Day of Dover to be postmaster there, and appoint him to that place.

20. Col. Clerke's regiment to be sent to the port of Bristol, and there shipped for Ireland; Mr. Powell to have notice of their number, and the Army Committee to assign them a month's pay.

21. To write Mr. Powell to provide shipping for such men as Col. Clerke, or a field officer of that regiment, shall signify the regiment to consist of, and to pay the owners and shipmasters, and charge a bill on Council or the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I. 67, pp. 162-167.*]

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Council of State to all Admirals, Vice-admirals, officers of ships, governors of castles, forts, &c. Council finding it meet, for weighty reasons, to lay an embargo on and make stay of all merchant ships, English or foreign, for 21 days, desires you to cause the said embargo to be duly executed, and not to permit any vessel to depart out of the Thames or elsewhere, without license from Parliament or Council, except Newcastle colliers fetching coals, and vessels sent by order with provisions or victuals for Scotland or Ireland. [*I. 67, p. 169.*]

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Downs.

23. General Robt. Blake to Robert Coytmor. Having written the Council of State that I had sent them the enclosed, I desire you will deliver it to Mr. Thurloe, the omission arising from much business; also hasten down the fire-ships. [$\frac{3}{4}$ pages.] *Annexing,*

23. I. *Petition of the officers and company of the Worcester to Col. Robert Blake, to summon a council of war to inquire into false aspersions of some envious tongues, made to the disparagement of their captain, Chas. Thorowgood, and that of the officers and seamen under him.* [1 page, 49 signatures.]

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Sunday.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write General Blake that Council still desires to have Captains Thorowgood and Gibbs sent up, with such examinations and informations as concern them, and that before receipt of his of May 29, Capt. Young was appointed captain of the Worcester, and Capt. Graves of the President, which Young commanded. Also to desire him to give frequent intelligence of the state of the fleet, and motion of the enemy, and to say that the note said to be enclosed in his letter has not come to hand. [*I. 67, p. 171.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Committee for Examinations to examine Col. Throckmorton, taken prisoner in the late fight near Wigan in Lancashire, and sent up for that purpose, and to report.
2. A ship in the service to be appointed to carry over Mynheer Newport to Holland, provided he come not within command [of the forts], and the Ambassador's word to be given for return of the vessel.
3. The Admiralty Committee to consider of some fit ship to carry over Mynheer Newport, and the Lord President to sign a warrant for that purpose, in the name of Council, when sent him from the said committee.
4. The petition of the commonalty and corporation of Maidenhead referred to the Committee for Timber, to report.
7. To signify to the officers at Gravesend that Council did not intend, by the general embargo sent them, that fishermen, North Sea men, mackerel men, trawlers, and others, or any coasters or vessels bringing provisions to London, should be stayed from pursuing their occasions, but should be left to their liberty, as if no embargo had been ordered.
8. Like order to be sent to other places from whence scruples of a like nature shall come.
9. To write General Blake, enclosing copy of the letter from the Commissioners of Customs, and to desire him to see that the ship is secured, if he can without prejudice to the business he is now upon.
10. The officers of the Dutch frigate, who came ashore at Hastings, and are stayed there, not to be permitted to return to their frigate until this day week, without further order.
12. The Ordnance Committee to consider what means may be used for making a greater proportion of powder weekly.
13. The Recovery, Dover Merchant, Angel, Mayflower, and St. Lucar Merchant, to be permitted to proceed on their voyages with their lading, and so much to be signified to the Navy Commissioners.
15. To send to all the members in town to attend Council tomorrow afternoon.
16. To write the Navy Committee to contract for the proportion of shot now wanting by the Ordnance office; also to have 500*l.* ready to be sent to the fleet for present exigencies, over and above what has been sent.
17. Mynheer Newport to have liberty, in answer to the paper of the Dutch Ambassadors, to return to Holland, and be transported in a ship belonging to this commonwealth appointed for that purpose, the said Ambassadors declaring in writing that such ship shall not be stayed in the Netherlands, but permitted to return without interruption as soon as she has landed him, nor be interrupted or affronted in her passage thither, or in the return, by any of the Dutch ships; Sir Oliver Fleming to acquaint them herewith. [*I.* 67, pp. 172-175.]

May 31. Levant Company to Sir Thomas Bendish, Ambassador. We
London. cannot understand your meaning touching the disaffection of many

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of our company, in reference to your opposition to Sir Hen. Hyde. We surveyed the articles out of which you seem to collect it, but find not how they can relate to him, nor how you could draw any such inference from them. We acknowledged it as an acceptable service, and thanked you for it, so that you misapprehend the scope of those orders, they being for better regulation of our trade, and for easing us of excessive charge, at a time when we are less able to bear it.

In reference thereto, we lately settled the salaries we agreed to allow in Turkey. You give some account how the same is relished as to the dragomen. We have been so far from offering them the least injury, that we have done them much justice, for some of our company viewed our books for 20 years, and found that the dragomen have not received greater allowances than those now settled, until those extravagant times of Sir Sac. Crow, which we would not have drawn into a precedent. Persuade them to content themselves with what we have allotted them; when our trade is in a low ebb, we should not augment charges, they having other ways of gain besides. If they remain obstinate, you may get others who will submit to our terms. The like we affirm for the secretary, in which employment Sig. Dominico Timone remained 30 years before he obtained the salary of 600 dollars a year, though he was not only secretary but dragoman, and that was ordered to him by us after many solicitations from himself and others.

The course of the factors in voting away our money, either to the secretary or otherwise, we shall not allow; we, and no others, must appoint salaries to such as we employ, whose applications and reasons for larger allowances we shall deal with as we see cause. We never allowed more than 200 dollars a year to the minister, which we may not increase, nor approve of the 500 dollars voted to him by the factory. It is true that something more has been given to the consuls at Aleppo and Smyrna for the ministers' diet, but we have resolved that—those consuls' salaries being increased,—they shall afford the minister his diet in their respective houses, out of their own allowances; and we expect the like of you in reference to the minister there, as has been accustomed.

Touching Mr. Vernon's continuance in your service, the order for his dismissal grew from reports of his intemperance and ill-demeanour; but if he be injured, and you find him so necessary, we refer it to your discretion to dismiss or make longer use of him, hoping he will so live as not to be a scandal to our nation. We confirm our late orders to you, except such as have been since dispensed with by us, as also the list of salaries.

Touching the abuse of the brokers, we wish some remedy were discovered for it; we conceive the factors' registering their bargains in Cancellaria would much conduce to it, and therefore desire you to cause our orders formerly made in that behalf to be put in execution. We are sorry for the renewal of your troubles there by change of officers occasioning more expense, and for your fears of a new difference with the factory of Smyrna, which we hope will be forborne on receipt of our orders for levying 4 dollars per cloth; this

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will both prevent any occasion of Turkish justice, and furnish you with necessary money. Having taken this course for satisfaction of our bills of exchange, you are to see that it be not diverted to any other use, but our bills paid without delay. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., pp. 191-193.*]

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London.

Levant Company to the Consul at Smyrna. We are sorry to hear of the great mortality of those of our nation at Smyrna, amongst whom was your minister, Mr. Bull. You mention Dr. Duncone as fit to succeed him; accept him should he arrive, but do not engage with him for any certain time, as we shall send one from hence well qualified. Let Mr. Durant be dismissed, and not allowed to remain in the factories.

The troubles at Constantinople continuing, and our charge therewith greater, with the great debt we are in, have caused us to survey our allowances, and as a list thereof was sent you, let it not be exceeded, our present condition and the deadness of trade requiring abatement rather than augmentation of charge. We approve of your resistance of the Capage sent thither to disturb our ships and factory, and of your promise to prosecute our orders, in reference to future leviations to be paid by us, and that already due by the factory.

This course being settled by us as a means for discharging our bills of exchange, we expect nothing to hinder their speedy payment with interest. If those concerned should remain any longer unsatisfied, they would withstand the payment of their ordinary consulage and leviations.

Touching the $\frac{1}{4}$ dollar per bale upon strangers' silk usually allowed to a distinct Janizary serving the treasurer, we are satisfied with your reasons for its continuance, notwithstanding our orders to the contrary. Let what remains due to Rich. Laurence, on account of his cloths, be reallocated him there.

We have received a petition from John Brent, administrator of Dixwell Brent, whose books of account and papers your predecessor left in your hands; we desire that they and other things in your custody be delivered to such person as Brent shall appoint, taking his receipt or sufficient caution. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., pp. 194, 195.*]

May.

24. Reasons offered by the Governor and Company of Merchants trading to the Levant seas to the Committee of the Council of State for Trade and Foreign Affairs, showing that the trade to Turkey will be carried on with more advantage to the commonwealth in a company than in a free trade, as that to Spain. With reply to 7 articles to the contrary, propounded by Mr. Walwyn. [*10 $\frac{3}{4}$ pages.*]

May ?

25. Petition of Andrew Ricards and Wm. Vincent, of London, merchants, governor and deputy of the company of merchants trading to the Levant for themselves, the assistants, and rest of the said company, to the Council of State, for an order to Jno. Chaplain, agent and deputy of the company, to use his utmost care for discovering and preventing the import and export of goods to and from the Levant, by persons not belonging to the company.

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Petitioners are incorporated by patent, and have had divers laws and ordinances of Parliament for upholding their government, and prohibiting all not of the company to import currants, yet many others have secretly brought in these and other commodities, to their great damage. For prevention of these inconveniences, petitioners have formerly granted orders of assistance to their officers, and an order of the late Committee for the Navy and Customs was granted to Jno. Chaplain on petitioners' account. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.] *Annexing,*

25. I. *Order by the Committee of the Navy and Customs above alluded to.—Treasury Chambers, 17 September 1644. [Copy, 1 page.]*

25. II. *Order of the Navy Committee,—on complaint from the Levant Company concerning Peter Collier, merchant, who not being of the company, imported two bales of silk from Leghorn, of the growth and manufacture of the Levant, and yet refused to pay the duties laid by the said company on such goods;—that any such merchant not being free of that company, importing goods out of the Levant seas, ought to pay the impositions laid on those goods by that company, towards the maintenance of their ministers and government, and that Peter Collier is to pay such impositions accordingly.—1 May 1645. [Copy, 1 page.]*

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6. Mr. Scott to report to the House the facts as to counterfeiting debentures and public faith bills, by some persons committed to the Gatehouse, and to ask what further proceedings are to be taken against them.

8. Lady Ormond to have further time granted, from the expiration of the first ten days given her by Council, for preparing to depart out of this nation.

9. The Navy Victuallers to attend the Admiralty Committee to-morrow morning.

10. That Committee to consider General Blake's letter relating to the victualling of the fleet, and providing the victuals wanting

12. The Committee for Examinations to examine the manner of the escape of Major-Gen. Dalyell from the Tower.

13. To write Mr. Lusher, officer of the Customs at Hastings, to take up a small vessel at the State's charge, and send all the common seamen taken in the Dutch ship to the Netherlands.

14. Order, on the petition of Capt. Thomas Harrison, Governor of Upnor Castle, that he cannot be dispensed with at present from personally attending his charge there.

15. Order, upon consideration of the list of ships impressed for the service, presented by the Ordnance officers, that they confer with the Navy Commissioners as to which of them are to be fitted out, survey the same, and report to the Ordnance Committee.

16. The petition of James Pickering and Company referred to the Admiralty Judges, notwithstanding any former order, to proceed

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against the goods mentioned according to law and justice, petitioners establishing their case.

17. To signify to the Collectors of Prize Goods that Council have been informed from General Blake that he intends sending a Dutch ship into the Thames with 250 passengers, and that they are to take up a small vessel, and send them over to Holland, by the first opportunity.

18. The members of Council now in town to attend to-morrow afternoon.

19. To write the Navy Commissioners what has been written by Gen. Blake as to his want of men, and to desire them to use all diligence for furnishing him.

20. Directions to be given to the captain who is to take Mynheer Newport on board.

21. Order that Sir Arth. Hesilrigge cause divers brass guns in the garrisons at Berwick, Tynemouth, and Newcastle to be sent to the Tower with all possible speed, for supply of the navy.

22. Capt. Moulton to send the merchant ship which he took up with 30 guns at Portsmouth, as convoy to the ships with provisions for Ireland. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 179-184.]

June 1.

Council of State to ————. You are to take into charge and convoy to Limerick, Galway, or any other port of Ireland, the vessels from Portsmouth or the Isle of Wight, of which Capt. Moulton will give you a list, laden with corn and other provisions, calling at Portsmouth, and taking up any vessels which Capt. Hatsell has there, laden on the State's account, or any other vessels bound for those ports; and having convoyed them, to return to the coasts about Land's End and Scilly, and look after the pirates which infest those parts. After plying for some time thereabouts to clear the coast, you are to repair to the fleet, or follow directions from the General of the fleet, whom you are to inform of your proceedings. [*I.* 67, *p.* 186.]

June 2.

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1. The petition of Wm. Panther, merchant, referred to the Commissioners of Customs.

2. That of Alex. Norwood to the Committee for Examinations to report.

4. Mr. Thurloe to deliver to Mr. Lathrop the medal and chain to be given to Col. Mackworth by order of Parliament, as a mark of favour for special services.

5. To write Gen. Blake to send the Dutch ships taken by him to the Thames, and all the common seamen (if not English) to Holland, by the first opportunity, and to cause the captains and commanders to be secured.

6. Upon returning Council's letter to the Army Committee, desiring payment to be made for 500 fowling-pieces sent to Scotland, it does not appear by whom the contract was made, which

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the Army Committee desires to know in all cases of that nature ; the letter is therefore recommitted to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to insert the name of the contractor.

7. The petition of John Bonner referred to the Admiralty Committee, to inform themselves of his abilities for a command at sea, and report.

8. To write Capt. Hosier, noticing his good service in bringing the 400 barrels of powder from Newcastle, and to tell him to deliver it to the Governor of Deal Castle, take a receipt, and then return to his station.

9. To write the Governor of Deal to receive 400 barrels of powder from Capt. Hosier, and keep them in the castle until disposed of by the orders of Gen. Blake, which he is to observe.

10. To write Gen. Blake of the arrival of the powder from Newcastle to Deal, and that he is to dispose of the same as he thinks fit.

11. To write the Navy Committee that what has been done by Capt. Hosier in coming from his station has been by special directions, and upon a good service, and that he has been ordered to return to his former station.

12. The petition of Eliz. Brooking referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.

14. That of Eliazar Beancock and Hen. Simpson referred to the Committee for Examinations.

15. To write the Army Committee to send over 40,000*l.* to Ireland, for speedy supply of the forces. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 186-190.]

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Whitehall.

26. Warrant to Sir John Wollaston, &c. to send to Bristol, to be there by 16 June, the said 40,000*l.*, to be sent in the Discovery or some other ship to Waterford, or other port in Ireland, and issued by warrant of the Commissioners of Parliament there, or the Commander-in-Chief. [*1 page.*]

June 3.

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1. The Committee for Examinations to state the facts in Mr. Dizney's case, for presentation to the House by Mr. Scott.

2. The Ordnance Committee to consider how the vessel which brought the 400 barrels of powder from Tynemouth may be paid, as also the pilot.

3. To signify to the Customs' officers at Dover that Council did not intend, by putting a general embargo on ships, that the post barks should be stayed from going as usual.

4. The account by Nicholas Bond of the expense of entertaining the Danish Ambassadors referred to the committee appointed therefor, who are also to consider what should be allowed to the officers employed therein.

5. The committee appointed for hearing Mons. Barrière to appoint a time to meet him again, receive what he has to offer, and report.

6. The petition of Rich. Jones, lately sent from the commissioners

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in Ireland with some prisoners, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to consider the expenses of his journey, and report what should be done therein.

7. The letter of Mr. Pennoyer to the Lord President, as to making of a larger proportion of powder weekly, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

8. The order of Parliament concerning the persons who counterfeited debentures and public faith bills referred to the Committee who had the examination of that business, and who are to prepare a bill to be offered to the House.

9. The order of Parliament concerning the Highlands in Scotland to be considered to-morrow.

10. Capt. Haddock, jun., appointed captain of the *Hanibal*, in place of Capt. Tatum, deceased.

11. Capt. Harrison appointed captain of the *Vanguard*.

12. The Lord General to take care for the command of *Upnor Castle*, during Capt. Harrison's absence.

13. To write to *Chatham* to know if the *Resolution* has sailed, and if not, the reason why.

14. The Admiralty Committee to examine the complaint of impressing unfit men for the fleet, and to give directions to the Navy Commissioners for redress thereof.

15. To write the Commissioners of Customs to permit three small vessels belonging to *Thos. Cowell*, *Thos. Woods*, and *Alex. Scott*, now at *Tower Wharf*, bound for *Ostend*, to sail to the *Downs*, notwithstanding the embargo.

16. Order to be given to the officers at *Cowes Castle* to permit the *Catherine of London*, laden with French wines, to come to the port of London, notwithstanding the embargo.

17. To write the Commissioners of Customs to permit the *George of Dantzic* to return there, notwithstanding the embargo.

18. Also to permit *Clement Trotter*, of *Yarmouth*, to carry his vessel out of the *Thames*.

19. The petition of *Margaret Penton*, widow, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

20. The explanation of the embargo, made by order of Council last May, to be signified to the Customs' officers at *Dover*.

21. The order of Parliament as to the retrenchment of the public charge to be considered to-morrow.

22. The letter from the Mayor of *Plymouth*, with the examination relating to the bringing in of a ship belonging to *Prince Rupert*, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to consider what is fit to be done for those who brought her in.

23. Order on the petition of *Mary Gernon*, for money to transport herself to Ireland, and for employment for her husband, that Council cannot supply her with money, but will recommend her husband to the Commissioners in Ireland for employment.

24. To write the Commissioners in Ireland of the condition of *Luke Gernon* and his family, and recommend him for employment.

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25. Sir Oliver Fleming to deliver to the Swedish Ambassadors the letter from Parliament in answer to that from the Queen of Sweden; also the paper of Council in answer to his.

27. To write the Militia Commissioners for co. Lincoln to pay Capt. Phil. Thorpe 384*l.* 16*s.*, for pay of a troop of volunteers raised and commanded there by him, over and above 40*l.* already paid.

28. Mr. Frost to pay 450*l.* to Dr. Carteret, on his account of the whole charge of the funeral of the late Lord Deputy Ireton, examined by the Irish and Scotch Committee, over and above 200*l.* advanced to Deputy Alleyn, and 400*l.* to Carteret; and as most of the velvet used at the funeral is left, Carteret and Alleyn are to sell it at the best rate they can. [*I.* 67, *pp.* 191-179.]

June 3.
Leghorn.

27. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee, Treasury Chamber, Westminster. Arrival and departure of ships. The 12 Holland men-of-war are still at Toulon, and have been at Marseilles, and were well treated in both places. The French here report that they come to see their King for the relief of Barcelona, and the Dutch here affirm their order was to take or sink any French men-of-war; but the seeing they have not done one hostile act makes our nation jealous that they lie there to watch how the treaty takes in England, and will make use of the first opportunity to fall upon our Turkey ships; but they shall be forewarned.

Since our ships have been in these seas, and taken some French ships, that nation trades in small barks, which are more nimble, and can better avoid our shipping by getting near the shore. If the fleet intended to keep these seas brought three small frigates of 16 or 20 guns each, well manned, and to row with 18 or 20 oars, they might clear the seas in a short time of all sorts of French, and the trade of the Levant or Turkey would solely remain to our nation. [*1½ pages.*]

June 3.
London.

Levant Company to Hen. Riley, consul at Aleppo. We received yours, advertising us of the death of Mr. Ivate, late consul at Cyprus, as also of his debts, and of Roger Fowke's intrusion thereto. He writes us that he intended to have remained as a private person at Cyprus, but was enforced to take the place of consul to satisfy Mr. Ivate's debt of 14,000 dollars; but we have disavowed his proceedings, holding it a ridiculous thing for the Turks to appoint consuls for satisfying our debts, and have resolved for the present not to settle any consul there.

We are glad that by your care our privileges are preserved entire, notwithstanding attempts to the contrary, and hope the designs of that great Basha, who grows so formidable there, will not reflect upon us so far as to disadvantage our trade, or augment our expenses. We approve your not enlarging the ordinary present given him.

Touching the Hattecheriff, we find that the factories at Constantinople concerned performed their engagement, until they found divers fall off and decline it, upon which account 1,689 dollars still

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remain due to them; and although we have now disbursed 5,400 dollars for a second purchase of the Hattecheriff, after these factors had deserted the business, yet we have ordered that the factors interested be allowed credit in our books for the respective sums due to them, viz., their principal without interest; this we hope will fully satisfy them, and therefore desire you to see that Mr. Fowke and such others as have upon this pretence expostulated the payment of our dues, give satisfaction of their arrears, and their future payments. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., p. 196.*]

June 3.
London.

Levant Company to Roger Fowke. We received your intimation of a debt of 14,000 dollars of Mr. Ivate, deceased, which being there declared national, you have become consul for clearing the same, it having, as you allege, to be levied upon the ships coming thither; which debt, if any such be, together with the means you have agreed to for discharge thereof, we utterly disclaim, as a thing not at all concerning us, as we also do your employment in the place of consul. We shall not as yet settle any consul there, esteeming it very preposterous for the Turks to make choice of any consul for payment of other men's debts; therefore it is needless for you to expect our consent herein, or a commission from Constantinople. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., p. 197.*]

June 3.
London.

Levant Committee to the factors at Zante. Being oppressed with grievances in our trade to those islands,—as the dollar per mille gratuity to the regiments for license to lade; the regiments' enforcement of their own currants upon us; the exaction of 5 sous per livre upon customs; the 5 ducats extraordinary upon unfree ships, &c.,—we have authorised John Hobson at Venice to use means for remedying the same and other abuses; and towards his charges, have ordered that half a livre per mille be levied upon all the currants exported from both islands, of which we give you notice, that you may give a ready compliance, and assist towards clearing the trade from those burdens. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., pp. 918.*]

June 4.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. All ships bound for Ireland, Scotland, Guernsey, and Jersey, with soldiers and provisions, or on any service for the State, to be permitted to pass the ports without interruption.

2. The bill of exchange from Mr. Peirepoint and Mr. Hutchinson, for the charges of carrying guns from Nottingham to Hull, to be accepted and paid by Mr. Frost.

3. The ships bound for Newfoundland, now at Plymouth, Weymouth, Bristol, and Poole, to proceed on their voyage, notwithstanding the embargo, and notice to be given to the officers of those ports.

4. The Danish Ambassadors to have audience at Council on Thursday next at 4 p.m., and Sir Oliver Fleming to acquaint them.

5. The Dutch ships stayed in Scotland to continue under arrest until further order, and notice to be given to the commissioners there.

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6. The letter of General Blake relating to Captains Thorowgood and Gibbs referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to further examine them on their arrival here.

7. Order, on the petition of Capt. Playford, that a letter be written to the Commander-in-Chief in Ireland, and the commissioners there, recommending him for some command.

8. The petition of Thos. Wheeler, Marshal of Tynemouth Castle, referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

9. That of Stephen Slany, merchant of London, for license to carry some cows to Ireland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to consider whether the necessities of the garrisons and forces there are such that constant supplies should be sent by way of license.

10. The money due to Fras. Wortley, for a couple of small brass guns bought of him for the use of the State, to be paid by Major-Gen. Harrison.

12. To inform Peter Bergen, in answer to his petition, that the matter is not cognizable by the Council of State, but that the law is open, by which he may seek his remedy.

13. Sir Hen. Vane, the Lord President, Lord Commissioner Lisle, Lord General, Lord Bradshaw, Col. Martin, Mr. Scott, Sir Gilbert Pickering, Mr. Carew, and Mr. Holland, to be a committee to prepare an answer to the Dutch papers, in pursuance of the order of Parliament, as well on the grounds expressed in the paper now read, as on those now debated; and by way of aggravation, mention to be made that the late act of hostility committed by the Dutch fleet upon the English was during the treaty; the committee to meet at 6 a.m. to-morrow, and prepare the same to be presented to Council at 8 a.m.; the special care of this left to the Lord President. [*I. 67, pp. 201-204.*]

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2. The Lord President to report to the House the answer to be given to the Dutch Ambassadors, as also the other letters and papers which are to go with it.

3. The letter of Sir Geo. Ayseue, from the Rainbow in Plymouth Sound, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to state the fact done by Wm. Coxon and his company, in bringing away the Marmaduke from Prince Rupert, and consider what reward should be given them.

4. Mr. Carew, Scott, Martin, and Bond, Lord Bradshaw, and Col. Wauton to be a committee to consider the instructions to be given to the General of the fleet, and the other persons to be sent to him, and meet to-morrow at 2 p.m.; Bradshaw and Carew to take care of the business.

5. Wm. Browne to attend the Council of State daily, to receive orders and instructions, and no one to hinder or interrupt his attendance.

6. To write the Navy Commissioners to take up four more fire-

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ships, and give an account to Council next Monday; and the Marmaduke to be employed in the service as one of the 30 merchant ships.

7. To write the Ordnance officers to furnish the four fire-ships with all necessary materials.

8. To write the Navy Victuallers that there is still a want of victuals in the fleet, and that they are to furnish them forthwith.

9. To write Gen. Blake, enclosing copy of the answer of Parliament to the Dutch Ambassadors, and tell him what has been done for furnishing victuals and fire-ships.

10. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue what has been done for Coxon, and that the ship brought in by him is ordered to be taken on for the service, and to desire him to hasten the fitting of his ship, and to come about with all speed.

11. The committee appointed for the declarations, to which all the members of Council are added, and are to have voice, to consider on Monday next the copy of instructions now read, and such as shall be brought in from Mr. Coytmor, and out of them to frame such instructions as they think fit, and offer them to Council.

12. The petition of Hen. Robinson referred to the Admiralty Committee.

13. Council to meet on Monday, morning and afternoon, and the messengers to give a particular account whom they summon, and whether they will attend or not.

14. Sir Oliver Fleming and Mr. Thurloe to deliver to the Dutch Ambassadors the paper from Parliament, in answer to three of theirs sent to Council, and the other papers which are to be delivered with them.

15. The committee of the members who meet on Monday morning to prepare laws and ordinances of war.

16. To write the Recorder to reprieve Thos. Ledingham, now in Newgate under sentence of death, until next session, according to the order of Parliament.

17. The petition of Robert Masters referred to the Admiralty Committee.

18. The Ordnance officers to contract with the gunfounders for as many iron ordnance as they think necessary for supply of the merchant ships pressed into the service. [*I. 67, pp. 205-209.*]

June 5.
Portsmouth.

28. Col. Nath. Whetham to the Ordnance Committee. I enclose an account of powder and great shot remaining in the garrison at Portsmouth, and will send you an account of that in Southsea Castle by the next post. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

June 7.

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1. To signify to the constable who apprehended a servant of the Dutch Ambassador, on suspicion of being a dangerous person, and seized his portmanteaus, that Council accepts very well of his care, and that he is to restore them to him.

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2. Friday next appointed for Council to consider the condition of all the prisoners about town, and the prisoners of war, and how they may be disposed of.

3. The Committee for Examinations to consider the information concerning Mr. Bard, and prepare a warrant for his apprehension, if they see cause.

4. The time given to Viscount Montgomery of Ardes for going to Ireland, and remaining there to settle his own business, extended to 20 August next.

5. To write the Commissioners of Customs to permit the Peter of Dantzic to return thither, notwithstanding the embargo.

6. The laws and ordinances of war for ordering the fleet referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to ascertain what has been done in Parliament as to establishing their laws, and report to Council with all convenient speed.

7. To write the Customs' officers in the Isle of Wight to permit the Haveling laden with wine to come to London, notwithstanding the embargo.

9. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue to bring with him the ships that are staying at Plymouth for a convoy, and leave the prizes to the care of the Collectors for Prize Goods, and to send Col. Harrington up to Council.

10. To write the marshals at Chester and Stafford for an account of the prisoners in their custody.

11, 12. To write General Blake to permit the Robert and Richard and the Friendship, now in the Downs, bound for Newfoundland, to go on their voyage. Also to send a perfect list of the fleet now with him in the Downs, as his former list gives the number as 55, and a letter from one of his officers makes them but 42.

13. The Admiralty Committee to prepare a list of the fleet, as also of their stations, and in what state those are that are to be fitted out for sea, and the time when they will set sail. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 29.*]

14. The consideration of making Sir Geo. Ayscue commander of the fleet going northward to be taken up this afternoon.

15. The letter of Mayor Evelyn from Wallingford Castle, referred to the Ordnance Committee. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 30.*]

16. The Greyhound to return to General Blake in the Downs, and receive his orders.

17. The Admiralty Committee to sit once a day for a fortnight, and Mr. Hay added to that committee.

18. To write General Blake that some money has been shipped at Portsmouth for the garrison at Guernsey, and that he is to appoint a convoy.

20. The letter of Major-General Deane from Oldneene, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider of the forces to be transported by sea from Chester to Cantyre, and give an account thereof to Council to-morrow.

22. The petition of Capts. Rich. Fernes and Robt. Hudson referred

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to the Admiralty Committee, to confer with them, and ascertain whether any employment can be found for them.

23. Order on the petition of Jas. Phillips and Rowland Dawkins,—that the examinations of the grievance of Thos. Lloyd and others, then prisoners at Cardiff, might be removed from before Serjt. William Powell, and referred to more indifferent persons—that the same be referred to Bussy Mansell, Jno. Herbert, and John Price.

24. Col. Thompson to attend the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow.

25. Directions to be given to the Navy Commissioners to cause the Marmaduke at Plymouth, and the Mary Prize to be brought to Portsmouth, to be fitted out there for the service.

26. To write General Blake for an account of the condition and motions of the fleet, and what has been done for hastening the victuals, &c. to him and the fleet.

27. The paper from the Spanish Ambassadors, concerning the transporting of some Irish foot, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider it next Thursday, and report thereon with all speed.

28. Sir Oliver Fleming to have a copy of the answer of Parliament to the paper of the Dutch Ambassadors.

29. Mrs. Hamilton's report to be considered to-morrow afternoon, the first business.

30. Lady Ranelagh's report to be heard the next.

33. Mr. Love to represent to the House that Council finds it necessary, for the more certain supply of powder, that the manufacture of saltpetre should be set up and encouraged in this nation, and to request them to give directions therein.

34. To write the Navy Committee to prepare a sum of money for paying the arrears due to the hoymen for carrying ordnance from the Tower to Chatham, and on board the State's ships.

36. The 287*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* disbursed for pilots, &c. by Rich. Saltonstall, Sam. Desborough, and Edw. Seley, to be paid to Lieut.-Gen. Monk.

38. To write the commissioners in Ireland to send all unserviceable metal to the Tower, by some of the State's ships.

39. The Navy Commissioners to supply Capt. Moulton with money for the State's occasions at Portsmouth, that the service may not suffer.

47. To write the General of the fleet to give order to the officers under his command that no guns be shot in the way of salute, except at the landing of an Ambassador; and also to write to the same effect to the Governor of Portsmouth, and of other seaports, castles, and sconces by the sea side.

48. To write the Army Committee that the established forces in the Isle of Man,—which are in two companies of 120 men each, and of which 40 are appointed to be under a third captain, two serjeants, and a drummer,—be now divided into three companies, two of 80 apiece, and one of 60 and 10, the charge being proportioned within the former allowance of the establishment.

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50. To write Col. Jas. Heane, Governor of Jersey, to supply the garrison at Scilly with 300 serviceable muskets and pikes, and 100 collars of bandoleers, or more if he can spare them.

52. The letter and orders concerning providing and shipping the deputy general's regiment for Ireland to be signed and sent. [*I. 67, pp. 211-223.*]

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31. Petition of John Young, master, and three other owners of the Exchange of London, to the Council of State, that the Navy Commissioners may contract for the ship for the State's service. She was freighted for Newfoundland, and ready to sail and follow the order of General Blake, but on the report of Prince Rupert's seizing divers ships off the Isle of May, and his intending for Newfoundland, the freighters declined their contract. [*1 page.*]

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Whitehall.

32. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. You are to survey the said ship, and if she is fit to serve as a man-of-war, agree for her, otherwise leave her to the owners' disposal. [*3/4 page.*]

June 8.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Heer of Hempstead having signified to Council his arrival at Gravesend, as an Extraordinary Ambassador from the States General of the United Provinces, the Lord President to present his letter to the House, for their direction as to his reception.

2. Power given to the Lord President, in case the House shall declare their pleasure for the reception and entertainment of Lord Hempstead, to send to Sir Oliver Fleming, and direct him to provide the barges to bring him up, and to order all the officers employed in the entertainment of the Danish Ambassadors to make the necessary provisions for the reception of himself and his train.

3. The frigate at Bristol appointed for carrying the money to Ireland to convoy over the recruits of Col. Clerke.

4. Capt. Stanton to attend Council this afternoon.

5. To write Capt. Moulton to discharge the ship whereof Capt. Stanton is master.

6. To desire the Lord General to give order for transporting Major-Gen. Lambert's regiment to Ireland, or in lieu thereof, such other regiment as he thinks fit; and in ease there shall not be an entire regiment that can be spared, to send Major-Gen. Lambert's recruits, and find sufficient conductors to carry them to the water-side.

7. The committee appointed to consider the entertainment to the Dutch Ambassadors to consider what is fit to be given to Lord Hempstead, now arrived at Gravesend, as Ambassador Extraordinary from the United Provinces.

8. 150*l.* to be paid on account towards his entertainment.

9. To write the Navy Commissioners for an account of what is wanting for the merchant ships taken up for the service, that order may be given for the supply.

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10. The business of Mrs. Hamilton and Lady Ranelagh to be considered next Thursday.

11. To write General Blake, acknowledging his letter as to the willingness and unanimity of the officers of the fleet in the service, and to desire him to improve all opportunity for the execution of the commands he has received.

12. The business concerning Ireland, referred to Council by order of Parliament, to be considered next Thursday, after the audience of the Danish Ambassador.

15. The petition of 13 officers late of the Alexander and Luke French prizes, Nich. Brand, master, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

16. The petition of Robert Joyner referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

17. To write General Blake of the taking of several vessels off the coast of Ireland, and of the miscarriages of a man-of-war of 28 guns, in Cork harbour, by refusing to assist a ship which was encountered by a pirate; and to desire him to ascertain the truth, and proceed against the captain.

18, 19. Sir Arthur Hesilrigge and Sir Gilbert Pickering, members of Council, with a convenient number of coaches, to meet Lord Hempstead at the place of his landing, and bring him to Sir Ab. Williams' house, appointed for his entertainment, and there dine with him.

20. The same persons to be employed in his entertainment as were engaged in that to the Danish Ambassadors.

21. Sir Oliver Fleming to go to Gravesend on Thursday next, with as many barges as he judges necessary, to bring up Lord Hempstead, and give notice of his coming to the members of Council appointed to meet him, and also give order for such a number of coaches as are usual for the reception of an Extraordinary Ambassador.

22, 29. Col. Wauton to represent to Parliament that the Ordnance Committee having treated with the East India Company, they will deliver 70 or 80 tons of saltpetre refined at 4*l.* 8*s.* per cwt., and allow 3 six months' discount, to be paid out of the Customs in July or August next, and the powder makers will supply powder at 4*l.* a barrel; but if Parliament assign payment out of the 100,000*l.* growing due to the army on the Excise, after the 100,000*l.* is paid to the navy, the company will sell their petre at 4*l.* a barrel, and the powder makers will supply the powder at 3*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* a barrel.

23. The committee for the entertainment to Ambassadors to consider what proportion of diet should be prepared for the [Dutch] Ambassador.

24. Also to give nine meals' entertainment to Lord Hempstead, in case he does not have an audience before; but if he has one within the time of nine meals, then the entertainment is not to be continued longer than the supper after the audience.

26, 27. Col. Thompson and the Navy Commissioners to attend Council on Thursday, at 7 a.m.

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28. To write the Navy Commissioners desiring that the proportion of victuals formerly ordered for the merchant ships, to be delivered at two months and two months, be now delivered at once; that Sir Geo. Ayscue's ships are to be counted as part of them, and that the victuals are to be put on board in the Downs. [*L. 67, pp. 225-232.*]

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Shrewsbury.

33. Col. Thos. Mackworth to Sir Arthur Hesilrigge and the rest of the Ordnance Committee. I have had the stores viewed in this garrison, and find 13 barrels of musket powder and 800 great shot. This garrison was furnished, at the end of the war, with 100 barrels of powder, but it was issued to neighbouring garrisons by order of the late General, and some was sent to Chester at the last invasion. I have had promises of further supply, but never had any from the State; my supply hitherto has been from what was gained from the enemy in the time of war, and bought by money raised in this county. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

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1. Gen. Blake's letter now read to be represented to Parliament by the Lord President.

2. To inform the Navy Commissioners that the victuallers of the fleet have been at Council, and given an unsatisfactory account of the victualling, and to desire them to confer with the victuallers for a better ordering of the same in future, informing them that all the men in the fleet are to be victualled to 1 October, and all this victual to be put aboard together; desiring them to have a continual inspection of the sending of victuals to the fleet, and to assist in its transport by impressing boys and men; to desire them to take an account of the present victualling, and how what is wanting may be supplied, and to report to Council to-morrow.

4. Mrs. Hamilton and Lady Ranelagh's business to be heard to-morrow.

5. To send the Navy Victuallers as many of the letters lately written to the ports, in explanation of the embargo, as they desire.

7. To write the Customs' officers at Rye to permit a ship of which Wm. Key is master, laden with ordnance for the State, to come to London, notwithstanding the embargo; and to permit some poor Frenchmen now there to pass to France.

8. The Danish ships at Lynn, which are without ordnance, to be permitted to return home, notwithstanding the embargo.

9. To write the Governor of Dover Castle to send up in safe custody the Dutch officers taken at several times since the first engagement with the Dutch fleet.

10. Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, Viscount Lisle, Lord Chief Justice St. John, Mr. Bond, Mr. Scott, Col. Purefoy, Col. Martin, and Col. Morley to meet the Danish Ambassadors, receive their overtures in writing, and report.

11. To write the Mayor of Dover to send all the Dutch common seamen to Holland, but that Council has given order as to securing

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the officers; also to send up an account of the charge the town of Dover has been at, in keeping prisoners and wounded men, both English and Dutch, the consideration thereof having been referred to the Admiralty Committee.

12. That committee to consider the said charge, and report what should be done for satisfaction.

13. Mr. Dixwell added to the said committee.

14. Sir Oliver Fleming to acquaint the Danish Ambassadors with the order of Council whereby commissioners are appointed to treat with them, and also to attend them to the place of their meeting, at the time appointed.

15. Copies to be taken of the credentials of the Danish Ambassadors, and the original to be sealed up, and sent them by Sir Oliver Fleming.

16. The appointed committee to meet the said Ambassadors from time to time, as there shall be occasion.

17. Col. Wauton, Mr. Bond, Col. Morley, and Mr. Carew to be a committee to go to the Navy Office to-morrow morning, and confer with the Navy Commissioners and Victuallers as to the victualling of the fleet, both as to what has been already delivered by the victuallers upon their contract, and what they have ready to send away; and to settle the business, so that the whole proportion may be forthwith dispatched to the fleet; and to report in the afternoon.

18. The debate now had concerning the fleet to be taken up to-morrow afternoon, after the said committee have made their report.

19. Order, on the order of Parliament of May 28, for 100*l.* to Capt. Vernon, with reference to Council to order payment, that it be paid out of the contingent moneys of Council.

20. The letter of Rob. Elcocke referred to the Ordnance Committee.

22. Capt. Bishop to make an extract of intelligence from letters come to his hands, and deliver it to Mr. Thurloe.

23. The paper of Mons. Barrière, concerning a ship of the Prince of Condé, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to examine and report.

25. Warrant to be issued (when desired by Sir Art. Heselrigge) for freeing the men of the ship that brought 400 barrels of powder from Newcastle for the service of the State, from being impressed in their passage hither and back again. [*I.* 67, pp. 234-239; *I.* 28, pp. 66-68.]

June 10. **34.** Council of State to General Robert Blake. We are well satisfied with your care to give daily intelligence of the condition of the fleet, and have received your relation of the engagement between [the Tiger and another] English frigate and two Dutch men-of-war, which being reported to Parliament, they took notice of the worthy deportment of Capt. Peacock, and have expressed their good acceptance thereof, and you are to signify this to him for his encouragement.

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On the other side, we approve your proceedings as to your inquiry concerning the carriage in that action of Capt. Taylor of the Laurel, whose behaviour was very unbecoming his duty, and the great trust committed to him; and we doubt not but you will take care that he receives according to his demerit, to the terror of others upon a like occasion; we return the examinations, &c. taken concerning him.

You will receive herewith some intelligence from Holland concerning present affairs; continue your own daily intelligence. [*Copy, $\frac{3}{4}$ page; also I. 67, pp. 235, 236.*]

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35. Council of State to General Robert Blake. Council having considered as to putting the fleet into a posture suitable to the present juncture of affairs, has resolved upon giving you further instructions, which you will receive by Col. Thomson, who comes to confer with you concerning the speedy and effectual execution of their instructions; this done, he is to return and make his report to them or Parliament. [Let the time be improved to the best advantage, that he may return speedily]. The instructions are put under secrecy. [*Copy, $\frac{1}{2}$ page; also I. 28, p. 67.*]

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2. The papers now read concerning Lord Craven, to be delivered to Mr. Scott, to use as required.

3. To write to the Mayor of Plymouth to continue the two barks employed for the purposes expressed in former orders, until further direction, and to let him know that Council have written to Gen. Blake for some men-of-war to clear the western coast, so that the two barks may ply up and down safely.

4. Notice to be given to Gen. Blake of the information given to Council of several pirates infesting the western coast, and that he is to find men-of-war to clear those coasts.

5. The Admiralty Committee to consider of qualifications to be further given to the ships lately employed as men-of-war, by virtue of letters of marque and reprisal against the French, which letters are now suspended, whereby they may be restrained from meddling with small French fisher boats; also to consider of what countenance the ships to be so employed are fit to be, and report.

6. To write to the Trinity House men, to treat with such masters and owners of ships in the Thames as have ordnance in them which they do not use, to deliver them on good security to the Navy Committee, for the ships impressed for the service, and to send such owners as they find willing to the Navy Committee, to agree with them concerning the same.

7. To write to the Navy Committee according to former order of Council, appointing them to take up 30 merchant ships as ships of war, to contract with * * * *

8. To write to Mr. Powell at Bristol to notice the receipt of his letter of 10 June; to approve his care in the shipping of Col. Clarke's

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regiment, and to tell him he is to pay for the victuals provided for their transportation, and to that end money is provided in the country by the Treasurers-at-war; but if money is not ready there, he is to draw a bill of exchange upon the Treasurers for the amount.

9. The Admiralty Committee to meet on Monday to consider the business of Capt. Thorowgood and Capt. Gibbs, which they are so to prepare that a report may be speedily made to Council.

10. The letter of the Parliament Commissioners in Ireland, dated Cork, May 29th, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to confer with the Treasurers-at-war, ascertain the payment of the money therein mentioned, and report what should be done.

11. Order,—on an order of Parliament of 11 June, whereby the paper delivered in by Lord Paw, Ambassador Extraordinary from the United Provinces, is referred to Council, who are likewise to hear what he has further to say, and treat with him, and upon his desires made this day to Council,—that they will give him audience to-morrow, 9 a.m.; Sir Oliver Fleming to signify this to him.

12. The business of Ireland to be considered on Monday next.

13. Council to sit to-morrow at 8 a.m., to give audience to the Ambassador from the United Provinces, and those members now in town to attend.

14. To write to the Commissioners of Customs at Bristol to permit the ships now in that port, bound for the Straits and Bilboa, to pass notwithstanding the embargo, Council being informed that the goods on board are perishable.

15. Mr. De la Barre to be sent to by Mr. Fleetwood to come to Council to-morrow.

16. Both the papers delivered to Council by the Spanish Ambassador referred to the Committee of Foreign Affairs, to consider and report; the said committee to sit on Monday morning for this purpose.

17. The entertainment of the Ambassadors Extraordinary from the United Provinces to be continued to him to-morrow, and Mr. Bond, steward for this entertainment, to have notice.

18. Mr. Nevill and Mr. Martin to dine with the said Ambassador to-morrow.

19. The Committee for Examinations to send for — Turner and — Heath, and examine them concerning what was given by Turner to Heath, to procure him to solicit his enlargement, when Turner was a prisoner by warrant of Council, and what Turner gave to any others for procuring the delivery of his petition to the Council; and to send for all other witnesses relative to this business, and report.

23. The packets of Mr. de la Barre and Mr. de la Vall to be delivered to them, nothing dangerous having been found in them.

24. Mr. Scott to defray the charges of Rich. Bartlett for apprehending Capt. Oxford, when he endeavoured his passage to foreign parts, as also for bringing up the books of Lieut.-Col. Lilburne which he seized, being sent over from foreign parts.

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25. Sir Jas. Harrington and Sir Wm. Masham to be a committee to receive overtures for the public profit from a person to be named by Edw. Woodgate, and to report.

28. To write to the Navy Committee that Council have appointed the Navy Commissioners, if they find it necessary, to impress money on account to the merchant ships taken up for the service, and to desire them to give order for the payment of sums certified to them by the Navy Commissioners as paid to the shipowners.

30. Order to be given to the Treasurer of the navy to secure the money to be sent to the Downs, in Deal or Dover Castle, in case the ships for which it is designed are not at present there.

31. Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to order a horse guard to be ready at Gravesend, to convoy a sum of money to Dover for the fleet.

33. The castle of Conway, when the garrison shall be drawn out of it, being the inheritance of Lord Conway, to be delivered to him, he entering into a bond of 3,000*l.*, in which his son, Mr. Conway, is to be joined with him, that the said castle shall not be made use of at any time to the prejudice of the commonwealth. [*I.* 28, *pp.* 69–76.]

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36. Council of State to General Robt. Blake. We much rejoice to find the constant resolution of the fleet, not only to prosecute with all faithfulness and activity what is before you, but to do it with a humble reliance upon the Lord, and the guidance of His spirit, which much adds to our hope of seeing a blessed issue of this great work. The Navy Commissioners and Victuallers have attended us to day, and we hope that business is put into a good way of dispatch. You will see by the enclosed the necessity of taking some care for clearing the western coast of pirates, but the way of doing it we leave to yourself. [*Copy, ½ page.*]

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Whitehall.

37. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Upon considering your account of the fleet in reference to victuals, and your proposals for more effectual dispatch of that business and prevention of inconveniences, we commit the ordering thereof to you, with power to give requisite directions, as well for the timely doing as the goodness of the provisions, whereof there have been complaints brought before us, and so to order the whole business that the fleet in the Downs may be first victualled, and be ready together, or they will be disabled for action.

We likewise desire your care in fitting forth the ships lately pressed by our order; for furnishing them with guns we have written the Trinity House Commissioners to borrow guns, carriages, &c. for those ships, to be received on appraisement by indifferent men; and you are to give the owners security in the name of Council for returning the same in good condition, or the value, if lost or broken. Confer with the masters and owners of those ships as to the freight, &c., and settle that business with frugality and ease to the State, both as to the time they are to be out, and otherwise,

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and what money you want we have written the Navy Commissioners to provide.

For the better enabling you to perform these directions, you are authorised to grant warrants for pressing vessels and men. Give order for dispatching away the fire-ships, and place commanders and officers upon them, to carry them to the Downs, with orders to attend the directions of the General of the fleet. Council has ordered the Ordnance officers to put on board powder and other stores, as certified by you, and such guns as cannot be supplied by the Trinity House. [1 $\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]

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1. The Lady ketch to be paid for past service, before she was taken on to this summer's guard, and a letter written to the Navy Committee to this purpose.

2. The money for the fleet to be secured in Dover Castle, and the Governor of the castle to give his acknowledgment for it to him who delivers it.

5. The facts of Mrs. Hamilton's case, in respect to her husband's service and sufferings, and the debts owing to him from Parliament, to be represented to Parliament by Mr. Scott.

6. The petition of Ann Hollister referred to the Admiralty Committee.

7. To issue a warrant to the Commissioners of Customs to permit Wm. Panther, merchant, to export 2,000 qrs. of barley or malt, out of counties where it is cheapest, and the price such that it is not forbidden by the statute, on security to import silver value 1,100*l.*, and bring it to the Mint in the Tower to be coined.

8. Council to meet on Monday at 9 a.m.

9. The petition of Gervase Lock referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to examine and report.

10. The letter from the Governor of Warwick Castle, giving an account of the magazine there, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

11. The business of Lady Ranelagh to be considered on Tuesday, and all orders of Parliament or Council relating to it to be brought at that time.

12. To write to the Army Committee to pay the surgeon of Major-Gen. Deane and Col. Fairfax's regiments as much as they usually allow, for buying new surgeons' chests for the two regiments.

15. Council to meet at 4 this afternoon.

16. Pass for Joanna Carter to foreign parts if Mr. Thurloe be satisfied, upon speaking with her, of the occasion of her going.

17. The Earl Marshal, now prisoner in the Tower, to be restored to the liberty which he formerly had on the same terms.

18. The Admiralty Committee to consider fit persons to be appointed to take care of ships and goods taken from the Dutch, and report their names to Council.

21. The Earl of Leven to have leave to go to London and remain for two months. [I. 28, pp. 77-81.]

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June 12. **38.** Council of State to General Robert Blake. We have your notice of 11 Holland ships laden with salt, &c. being brought in to Dover, as also a cruiser of 22 guns; we have referred it to a committee to name commissioners to be entrusted with that affair, so that no inconvenience may fall out therein, and their resolution shall be communicated to you. Meantime take care that such ships as are brought in are properly secured, without the least embezzlement. [*Copy, $\frac{1}{2}$ page.*]

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1. To write to the Commissioners of Customs to secure such Dutch ships as shall be sent to them, by taking away their sails and rudders, and spiking their decks, and to appoint them to such port in the Thames as they think fit, and to secure the goods, so that they may not be embezzled, and to permit the ships' companies to remain aboard till further order.

3. Mr. Martin and Col. Morley added to the committee to treat with the Danish Ambassador.

4. All papers relating to the late treaty with the Dutch Ambassador to be ready against afternoon.

5. Alderman Chiverton to deliver to Mr. Thurloe a book which he has in his hands concerning * * *.

6. The treaties or writings in the Paper office, relating to Denmark, to be looked out, to be used as there shall be occasion in the treaty with the Ambassador from Denmark.

7. To write to Capt. Jordan to send all Dutch ships which he shall take to the port of London, to be secured.

8. To write to Major-Gen. Deane to take notice of his letter, wherein was enclosed an inventory of goods found in Dunottar Castle, and to desire him to send them to London, with the books named in the inventory, by the most secure and convenient passage.

9. To write to Capt. Moulton at Portsmouth, that in case a vessel shall not be sent from Gen. Blake to convoy the money to Guernsey, the ship Francis convoy it, and thence sail to Cane [Caen?], and bring thence into the Downs such vessels as are there ready.

10. The letter from the commissioners in Ireland, dated Cork, June 5th, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to speak with the Treasurers-at-war as to providing the money desired.

11. The vessel laden with goods and provisions for the soldiers and island of Guernsey to set sail with the convoy, notwithstanding the embargo.

12. By order of Parliament of June 11, Council have appointed Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, Viscount Lisle, Lord Chief Justice St. John, Mr. Scott, Col. Purefoy, and Col. Morley to meet with Lord Paw, receive his overtures in writing, and report; they are to meet the Ambassador at 4 this afternoon, and so from time to time as there shall be occasion. Sir O. Fleming to signify the same to his Lordship, and attend him to the place appointed.

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13. The Earl of Pembroke to be President of the Council for the ensuing month.

14. The petitions of all who have desired leave to carry men out of Ireland into foreign parts referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.

15. Notice to be given to all ships trading in the Sound to make a rendezvous at Elsinore, and not to leave the Sound till they receive convoy from Gen. Blake ; a letter to be written to the Resident at Hamburg, to give notice to the said ships.

16. Whereas Council have thought fit, in this conjuncture, that all merchant ships trading to the Baltic homeward bound should come together in a fleet, in order that a fit convoy may more conveniently be appointed for them,—it is ordered that all such ships come to Elsinore Castle, and do not sail out of the Sound until a convoy from Gen. Blake be there ready to receive them, with which they are to sail to their designed ports, and all persons concerned are to take notice hereof.

17. Mr. Scott to report to Parliament to-morrow a letter of intelligence, read this day.

19. The petition of Edw. Carter, surveyor of works, referred to the Committee of Parliament for Whitehall, or the members of Council who are of that committee, who are to examine and take a more particular account from him how the money desired by him has been expended, and to consider out of what treasury the money shall be paid, and report.

21. The commissioners appointed to treat with Lord Paw are to demand a sight of the powers and authority given to him by his superiors to conclude on such matters as he has to offer, and to acquaint him that Parliament desires that all speed may be used on his part in this treaty, assuring him that nothing shall be wanting on the part of Council to bring the same to a speedy issue.

23. The letter from Gen. Blake, and the list enclosed, to be reported to Parliament by Sir Henry Vane.

24. Sir Hen. Vane to represent to Parliament that Council having, in pursuance of their order of June 8, 1651, considered the business of Ireland, upon perusing the commissions of Lord General Cromwell as Lieutenant of Ireland, they find that it is dated June 23, 1649, and was to continue for three years ; and that his other commission as Captain General is dated June 8, 1650, and is to last till Parliament shall otherwise ordain. That on 19 May 1649, the people of England and all its territories are by Act of Parliament constituted a commonwealth, and hereupon Council offers it to Parliament that the commissions in Ireland, as to the military part, being to determine the 23rd of this instant June, may speedily be provided for. [*I.* 28, *pp.* 81–85 ; *I.* 29, *pp.* 1–4.]

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Council of State to the high sheriffs of all the counties of England and Wales, and the sheriffs of 24 principal towns. You are herewith to receive the Acts of Parliament for a day of public fasting and humiliation to be kept on 30 June, and cause them to be dis-

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tributed to all the parishes under your jurisdiction, that none may pretend ignorance, and a special account will be required. With notes of the messengers, &c. by whom the letters and Acts were sent. [*I. 28, p. 86.*]

June 14. **39.** Council of State to General Robert Blake. We have received your list of the Dutch ships, and that you might be eased as much as may be from trouble of this nature, we have ordered the Commissioners of Customs to secure all such ships, and preserve the goods on board; therefore give them notice of all such sent into the Thames; for those sent into any other port, give notice to the commissioners there, who will receive directions from the commissioners in London. We had given order for sending back the common seamen to their country, and for securing the officers; but upon further consideration, we desire you to give direction for keeping all of them on board their respective ships, which are to be secured from sailing away by taking off their sails and rudders, and the Commissioners of Customs are to give us notice when the victuals aboard their respective ships are nearly spent, that further order may be taken. [*Copy, $\frac{3}{4}$ page.*]

June 14. **40.** Council of State to General Robert Blake. The fleet under Van Tromp daily increases, and is now recruited to considerable numbers, whereby just ground of jealousy is given that their intentions are to pursue those actions of hostility already begun upon our fleet. To prevent their future accession of strength, as the whole fleet under your command is victualled to 1 September, let all opportunities be improved to put in execution the resolutions of Parliament, and the instructions formerly sent you from us. We have had frequent experience of your care and vigilance, from the first engagement in the Downs, and are fully assured of your continuance in the same.

Notwithstanding the arrival of the Dutch Ambassador, who has had audience in Parliament, and is referred to us to hear what he has further to say, as also to treat with him, yet Parliament orders that we hold close to its former answers and declarations, a copy of which we enclose, you being one of our number, and recommend to you to effectually pursue your instructions. [*Copy, 1 page.*]

June 14. **41.** Benj. Gifford to the President of the Council of State. I have Landguard Fort. received a letter from the Ordnance Committee, addressed to Quartermaster-General Ireton, Governor of this place, who died the same day it arrived, and since then the Lord General has given me the charge. According to the request in that letter, I send the account of the stores at Landguard and Harwich, both places being in my commission, and doubt not the Council of State will consider whether the proportion of powder and ball be answerable to the ordnance of both garrisons, which number about 45. Flags are also wanted, but being for ornament and not strength, I leave it to you; they give testimony of the side we hold to, though none of our abilities to defend that side. [*$\frac{3}{4}$ page.*] *Enclosing,*

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41. I. *Account of powder, shot, and match at Landguard Fort and at Harwich. No flags at either place.* [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

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Leghorn.

42. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. Details of ships. We hear of no French men-of-war abroad, but within a month, a dozen sail will be sent out of Provence, to relieve Barcelona, and when that service is done, their ordinary way of payment is to catch what merchant ships they can. I hope the ships intended hither by the State will prevent them. The Holland men-of-war, 18 sail, are still before Toulon, without effecting anything considerable. [$1\frac{3}{4}$ pages.]

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Rawmeer.

43. Hump. May to Lord Conway. Were I not tied to daily attendance, I should have committed the crime of waiting upon you with this bearer, whose highest hope is to be your servant, but you must lay my errors on my brother. The lad will use his utmost endeavours to prove himself as faithful and diligent as his friends conceive him capable, and were not this also my belief, I would not hazard my reputation in the least degree, for all the glory the devil has left the world. [1 page.]

June 15. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The ship King of Poland, now stayed at the Isle of Wight, to be permitted to come to the port of London, notwithstanding the embargo.

2. The petition of Thos. Davids, receiver of assessments in co. Pembroke, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.

3. Mr. Bond, Mr. Scott, Col. Morley, and Mr. Neville to be a committee on the petitions desiring Irish men for service in foreign parts, and to report.

4. The petition of John Shanvell referred to the Admiralty Committee.

6. The Lord General to attend to the supply of a commander for Landguard Fort, Council being informed that the captain is lately dead.

7. The letter from Benj. Gifford from Landguard Fort referred to the Ordnance Committee. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 44.*]

8. To write to the Navy Committee that Col. Thomson has contracted with three ketches for the service at — apiece, and to desire them to order that the money be satisfied.

9. To write to Col. Thomson that Council has given order for providing the carpenters', boatswains', and gunners' stores, a list of which he has sent; to approve what has been done by him since his going down, and to return him thanks, &c.

10. To write to Sir George Ayscue, to hasten him, and the ships with him, into the Downs.

12. The Navy Committee to order the carpenters' and boatswains' stores, in a list enclosed, to be speedily sent to the fleet.

13. The petition of the Mayor and jurats of Rye, Sussex, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

14. To write to Gen. Blake concerning the four men-of-war of the

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United Provinces, that Council will consider the matter, and signify its resolutions.

15. To write to the Navy Committee to take care that the Vanguard be hastened out, and all merchant ships which are taken up.

16. The paper given in to Council from the agent to the Hanse Towns referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

17. Col. Morley to represent to Parliament the papers which have been delivered to Council from Lord Hempstead, Extraordinary Ambassador from the United Provinces; Lord Commissioner White-lock to be in Parliament at the time.

18. To write to the Militia Commissioners of co. Hereford, to represent what has been offered to Council by the petition of Miles Hill, and to desire them to examine the business, and give order agreeably to justice.

19. To write to Capt. Swanley to take into his convoy vessels bound to Hull, Boston, and Yarmouth, now ready to set sail from the Thames.

20. The petition of Anne Parrie and Marg. Roberts referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

21. The business concerning Ireland to be considered to-morrow afternoon, and the Lord General to be there.

22. Order, on consideration of the papers delivered to Council and their commissioners by Lord Paw, and also of what has passed at two conferences between him and the commissioners, that the whole be reported to Parliament; Sir O. Fleming to signify the same to the Ambassador.

23. Col. Herbert Morley to report to Parliament what Council have directed touching the conference with Paw, and the papers; and it not appearing that the Ambassador has power to treat or conclude, Council submit the whole to Parliament.

24. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to attend Parliament to-morrow, on making the report touching the Dutch losses, and to inform Parliament of particulars, as occasion may require. [*L.* 29, pp. 4-9.]

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45. Council of State to General Robert Blake. Having received petitions from persons concerned in the ships bound for Newfoundland, now with you in the Downs, for their release, that they may proceed on their voyage, we desire you to dismiss them, and acquaint them that they are to keep together in one fleet, for their mutual assistance and defence, we being informed that Rupert with his fleet had a design to go towards Newfoundland, to disturb the trade there. Give the like permission and direction to such other ships, bound thither, as come into the Downs. [*Copy, ½ page.*]

June 16.

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1. The petition of Thos. Weynys, a Scotch prisoner on bail, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who, if they think fit, are to discharge him.

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2. A list of prisoners taken at the battle of Worcester, and now in restraint in the prisons about town, to be represented to Parliament by Mr. Corbett, that their pleasure may be known.

3. The Lieutenant of the Tower to certify by what warrant Sir Sackville Crow stands committed to the Tower.

4. The petition of Col. John Buller, prisoner in the Tower, laid aside.

5. That of Dame Mary Hartop, Eliz. Stock, and Anne Danvers, sisters of Thos. Cooke, now prisoner in the Tower, to be presented to Parliament by Alderman Pennington.

11. The papers of Lord Paw to be translated from French into English.

12. The Lord President to report to Parliament to-morrow the papers which have been given to Council from Lord Paw.

13. The Irish and Scotch Committee,—in pursuance of the order of Parliament of the 15th, referring it to Council to consider what powers are to be given to such as shall have the civil power in Ireland,—to prepare a commission and instructions for such persons as shall be sent commissioners thither, and to report what they propose this day fortnight, or sooner if they possibly can.

14. The report from the committee for the business of London to be made to-morrow, after the report of the papers given in from the Danish Ambassador. [*I. 29, pp. 9–20.*]

June 17. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Wm. Legg, wardrobe keeper, to have 300*l.* a year for performing the duties of his place, and paying all incident charges (excepting the buying or hiring of hangings or other stuff, when the commonwealth wardrobe is defective), to begin from June 19, 1651, and continue during the time of this Council.

4. To write to the Navy Commissioners, approving Gen. Blake's fitting out the three Dutch men-of-war, and to desire them to correspond with him concerning their fitting, and to take care that they be furnished with men and victuals, to be supplied from hence and not from the fleet, as also with all other things necessary.

6. To write to the Navy Committee that, besides the five ketches already taken up, five more must be taken on, and to desire them therefore to order that they be paid for according to contract.

7. The Earl of Pembroke and Mr. Carew added to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

8. Mr. Neville and Mr. Carew added to the Committee for treating with the Dutch Ambassador.

11. To write to Gen. Blake, noticing his letters of the 15th and 16th, and a letter of Col. Thomson of the 15th, with the paper enclosed, and to give account to him of what Council have done in the matters mentioned in those letters.

12. The auditors for imprest to examine the account of Mr. Bond for entertainment of the Danish and Dutch Ambassadors, and certify thereon to Council.

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13. The bill brought in by Mr. Gay, for finding coaches for bringing in Lord Paw, to be paid out of the contingent moneys of Council.

14. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider what allowance is to be given to those employed in entertaining the Danish Ambassador and Lord Paw, and to report.

16. Nich. Burgh to be under-graver of the Mint, the officers of the Mint to admit him thereto.

17. The Mayor of Ipswich, Nathaniel and Fras. Bacon, and John Brandling to dispose of such strangers who are now prisoners from the sea there, either in colliers' ships, or as they see cause, provided the prisoners are not suffered to straggle up and down the country.

18. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider what has been propounded by the Danish Ambassador, and also the several treaties between England and Denmark, and to prepare an answer to be reported to Council.

19. Order to be given to Matthew Heyman, commander of the Henry, to stay some hours with the rest of the fleet at Dartmouth, to receive the commissioners aboard him.

21. Jas. Sharpe, minister, to be permitted to return to Scotland, rendering himself to Major-Gen. Deane on his coming thither.

23. The petition of John Leigh, merchant of London, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to do as in cases of that nature.

24. To write to Gen. Blake to permit the St. Lucar Merchant, now in the Downs and bound for Cadiz, to proceed on her voyage.

25. The list of Dutch ships taken by the fleet, and sent to the Commissioners of Customs, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider how the ships and mariners may be disposed of, and to report.

26. The petition of Wm. Huby referred to Mr. Scott, to certify what allowance he has made him on his former petition.

27. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to meet to-morrow at 7 a.m., and Council at 8, and notice to be given to the members of Council.

28. The petition of Antonio Fernandes referred to the Admiralty Committee, to examine and report.

29. That of Edw. Bushell and others to the said committee, who are to examine whether the ship named belongs to Englishmen, and to give order as they think fit.

30. The information of Wm. Chase, of Wivenho, Essex, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

33. The Committee of Foreign Affairs to draw up an answer to the papers which Lord Paw has delivered to Parliament or Council, keeping close to the former answers and declarations made by Parliament, and to report with speed.

34. Council having received a paper from Lord Paw, desiring a speedy meeting with the commissioners, 6 this evening appointed

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for the meeting, if his Lordship think fit, in the usual place; Sir O. Fleming to signify the same to him, and to bring him to the said place. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 20-27.]

June 18.

46. Order in Parliament that 10,000*l.* be charged upon the remainder of the 50,000*l.* to be raised by way of doubling on the lands and estates forfeited for treason, and be issued as the Council of State shall direct, for carrying on their survey. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir H. Vane to represent to Parliament that, at Lord Paw's desire for a meeting with the commissioners, to propound matters of great moment, they met him, and he, having propounded things by word of mouth, has sent in a paper to the effect thereof.

2. Council to sit to-morrow at 9 a.m., and the Commissioners for Foreign Affairs at 7; Council to be summoned accordingly.

3. One of the [Navy?] Commissioners and Mr. Coyntor to take account of what ships are in the river, and what are ready, and how long any have been ready, particularly the Old Warwick and the Mary fly-boat, and to give account to Council on Monday.

4. To write to the Commissioners of Customs and of Prize Goods to consider how the men on board the Dutch ships may be provided for, for 10 days, and what the Commissioners for Prize Goods issue on that behalf shall be discharged by Council.

5. So much of the paper sent in by Lord Paw as relates to the answer (already ordered) to the papers heretofore delivered, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs to answer.

6. Sir David Cunningham, of Robertland, to have the liberty of the Tower, and on certificate by the doctor, Council to consider his further desire for liberty in and about the city.

8. Mr. Holland and one other of the Navy Commissioners to attend the Admiralty Committee to-morrow, at 7 a.m.

9. The petition of Col. Gilbert Stewart referred to the Committee of Prisoners.

12. Col. Mackworth to examine the petition of Bonham Amyars, of Stottesdon, co. Salop, and give order to set the petitioner at liberty, on security to act nothing to the prejudice of the State, sending up the examinations.

13. The bond given by Sharp, a Scotch minister, to be delivered up.

14. The letter from the Navy Commissioners, of June 18th, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 27-30.]

47. The Admiralty Committee to present an estimate of the charges the State has been put to, and the damages sustained from the United Provinces, this summer. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

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48. Council of State to General Robert Blake. We wrote you last night that we approved of your fitting out the three Dutch men-of-war brought in by you; and as we now hear there is a fourth, we approve of that being fitted out also. [*Copy,* $\frac{1}{4}$ *page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of the trustees for the sale of lands forfeited for treason referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, according to an order of Parliament of June 18 ; they also to consider how the orders of Parliament in reference to the money charged upon the 50,000*l.* to be raised by way of doubling upon the lands, in relation to the payment for Peter * * * , to the end the instructions of Parliament, as to both particulars, may be answered ; the committee to report on Monday next, Alderman Allein to be present.

3. The answer to the papers of Lord Paw referred to Col. Martin, Lord Bradshaw, and Mr. Scott, who are to meet at 4 p.m., and at 5 p.m. to report.

4. The Council to be summoned for 5 p.m.

5. Smith, a merchant, apprehended on suspicion of being a Jesuit, and for holding correspondence with the enemies, to be sent to the Gatehouse.

6. The Committee of Examinations to examine Smith, and report.

7. The soldier who apprehended and brought him from Dover to be allowed the expenses of his journey to and fro ; Mr. Frost to pay him out of the contingent money.

8, 9. The answer to the papers of Lord Paw of $\frac{24}{14}$ June, to be fairly written in English, signed by the President, and delivered to Lord Paw by Sir O. Fleming.

10. Mr. Villers to attend Council on Monday at 3 p.m.

11. Cols. Martin, Purefoy, and Morley added to the committee for disposing of such Irish as are to be sent to the service of foreign states and princes, to meet in the little Horse Chamber on Monday at 2.

12. [Sir] David Cunningham, prisoner in the Tower, to have liberty in and about the city, to use means for recovery of his health, on security to be forthcoming.

13. Council to be summoned for 8 a.m. Monday, particularly the Lord General.

14. The petition of Nath. Markes referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

15. M. Augier's secretary to be continued in his employment in France until the last of September, and to have for his entertainment 10*s.* a day from March 25th, 1651 ; Mr. Frost to pay the same out of the contingent money. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 30-33.]

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3. To write to Sir Geo. Ayscue.

4. The committee appointed to treat with Lord Paw to give him a conference between 2 and 3 this afternoon, in the usual place ; Sir Oliver Fleming to signify the same to him.

5. The present debate to be taken up at 4 p.m.

6. The petition of Walter Jacobson referred to the Admiralty Committee.

7. That of John Bernard to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

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8. Members of Council summoned for to-morrow at 7 a.m.

9. Wm. Crane to be sent to the Gatehouse, for counterfeiting debentures.

10. The Committee for Examinations to send for Col. Leighton, examine him on the cause of his being here, and let him know that he must at his peril depart within 30 days. [*I. 29, pp. 33-35.*]

June 21.

49. Council of State to General Robert Blake. We perceive, by your letters and Col. Thompson's account, that the fleet will be very soon in a condition to put to sea to execute instructions, and are confident you will use that expedition which the state of affairs requires, and pray that the Lord will continue His presence amongst you for good.

We enclose our answer given to Lord Ambassador Paw's paper. There are four Dutch men-of-war off the Land's End, who examine ships that pass that way; give such directions concerning them as may prevent inconvenience to English merchants. [*Copy, $\frac{3}{4}$ page.*]

June 22.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Sovereign, Resolution, Vanguard, and James, to be 4 of the 10 State's ships to be added to the 30 merchant ships for strengthening the fleet, and the report from the Admiralty Committee concerning the fleet to be recommitted for alteration accordingly. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 50.*]

2. The present debate to be resumed in the afternoon.

4. The Ordnance Committee to consider the survey of Tilbury Fort, and to report speedily what should be done.

5. The part of Lieut.-Col. Crompton's letter referring to a Dutch ship of war now riding near Tilbury Fort referred to the Admiralty Committee.

7. [Major] Edw. Broughton, prisoner in the Tower, to have liberty for 3 days to visit his wife, lying dangerously sick, on good security for his return.

8. The petition of Jas. Lundin, Scotchman, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

9. That of Wm. Hodder, merchant, to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to report out of what treasury the money desired may be paid.

12. That of Sir Thomas Urquhart, of Cromarty, Scotland, referred to the Lord General.

13. That of Col. John Gorges and Capt. Nath. Quaish to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

14. That of Cornet Michael Morfield referred to Col. Wauton, Geo. Glapthorne, Lieut.-Col. Underwood, Wm. Fisher, and Lieut.-Col. Diamond, to determine, or to report.

15. That of Giles Van de Putt, merchant of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee to report. [*I. 29, pp. 35-39.*]

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51. Lady E. Lowther to Joseph Williamson. I doubt not but you have received my son, with our letters entreating your care for improving all good in him, and restraining all irregularities, as he is the hope and only stem of his father. I implore of the Almighty, and labour for all means conducive thereto; I conceive your discreet government and admonition may much promote it. Tell me whether you find him tractable or disorderly; his disposition is good, and his natural parts reasonable, but his acquirements meaner than I desire; however he is young enough yet to learn, and by study may recover, if not recall, his lost time.

In the first place, endeavour to settle him in his religion, as the basis of all our other hopes, and the more to be considered in regard of the looseness of the place where you are. I doubt not but you have well considered of the resolve to travel to Italy, yet I have this to say for my fond fears (besides the imbecility of my sex), my affections are all contracted into one head; also I know the hotness of his temper, apt to feverishness. Yet I submit him to your total management, only praying the God of Heaven to direct you for the best, and to make him tractable to you, and laborious for his own advancement. [2 pages.]

June 23. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write to Col. Whetham to reduce 4 private soldiers in Portsmouth garrison, and with the money arising therefrom, to entertain such person as he shall think fit to be chaplain there.

2. The contractors for sale of the late King's lands to forbear to sell the platforms and bulwarks, Governor's house, and lodge, &c. in Portsmouth garrison, until further orders.

3. To write to the committee for removing obstructions in the sale of the late King's lands, to certify whether the above platforms, &c. belonging to Portsmouth garrison are excepted, by the Act of Parliament for sale of the late King's lands, from being put to sale.

4. The Admiralty Committee to bring to-morrow a copy of such instructions as have been given to Gen. Blake.

5. When a report is made to Parliament of the Dutch business, the papers in answer to Lord Paw, and those since sent by him, to be also reported.

6. John Lewis, Jas. Rosier, Sam. Fursman, and Capt. Nicholls, to be committed to the Gatehouse, for counterfeiting debentures.

7. The Committee for Examinations to send for the above-named, examine them, and report. [I. 29, pp. 39-41.]

June 23. 52. Council of State to General Robert Blake. We received yours of yesterday from Dover Road, desiring direction as to taking a ship bound for Newfoundland into the State's service; but considering the condition of Newfoundland and the fishery there, and that there is some danger of Prince Rupert making some attempt thereon, we do not think it safe to detain any ship, especially such as are fit for service, from their voyage thither; suffer her to go on her voyage, and lose no time in the affairs now under hand. [Copy, $\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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June 24. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Ordnance Committee to consider what proportion of powder should be allowed to Lieut.-Col. Worsley, for the exercise of the Lord General's regiment, and to report.

3. To write the Commissioners of Customs to cause all perishable goods, taken in Dutch ships, to be prized and delivered to the owners, to be disposed of by them as they think fit, provided they first give in sufficient security for their value, in case they shall be adjudged to the commonwealth. [*I. 29, pp. 41, 42.*]

June 24. **53.** Petition of Fras. Ashe, Governor, and the Company of Merchants trading to Russia, to the Committee for Foreign Affairs to review a letter lying before the Council of State, and after making such alterations and additions as may be deemed necessary, to send the same to the Emperor of Russia, and to permit petitioners to send their ships to Russia this year, which if they may go, must leave Gravesend by 10 July next. Formerly petitioned the Council of State concerning the loss of their privileges in Russia, and were referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who ordered petitioners to send a copy of their privileges, which they did, and have attended several times, but have not been able to receive their resolutions or encouragement as to proceeding in that trade, on account of the committee's other weighty affairs. [*1 page.*]

June 24. **54.** Miles Woodshaw to [Lord Conway]. Private affairs. Mr. Smyth, of Paternoster Row, has sued you to an outlawry. I have given Darby his usual daily allowance, as you promised to give me an order for something for him, but did not. The old woman that looks after your lodgings has now been with you a year, and asks what you will allow her; inform me and I will pay her, and stay until you can conveniently spare it. [*$\frac{3}{4}$ page.*]

June 25. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. 14 days further liberty to be given to Mr. Broughton to continue with his sick wife, his security being renewed.

3. The petition of Gilbert Keate, &c. referred to the Admiralty Committee, to examine and report.

4. That of Wm. Graves, gunmaker, to transport 1,500 birding pieces into Barbary, referred to the Committee for Law and Examinations, who are to consider of the powers of Council to give licenses of that nature, and to report.

5. Liberty to be given to Jas. Wemys, prisoner at Windsor Castle, to go to London for a month, on giving security in 2,000*l.*, two sureties in 1,000*l.* each, to render himself prisoner at the month's end, either at Windsor or such other prison as Council shall direct.

6. The Earl of Carnwarth to have liberty to go to Epsom for six weeks, to drink the waters.

7, 8. The petitions of Antonio Fernandez Carvajal, and of the Mayor, jurats, and commonalty of Rye and Hastings, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to examine and report.

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10. The appointed commissioners to meet with Lord Paw this night at 6, at the usual place in Whitehall, Sir Oliver Fleming to acquaint him herewith. In case he offer anything concerning the matter of fact, the commissioners are to adhere to the answers of Parliament and Council already given.

11. The Council to sit until the commissioners return.

12. The business of Ireland to be considered on Tuesday next.

13. The Irish and Scotch Committee to bring in on Tuesday their report concerning Ireland.

15. Mr. Hatter to receive the 450*l.* ordered to be paid by Mr. Frost out of the exigent money.

16. Lieut.-Col. Roseworm to be paid off by Mr. Frost what is due on the entertainment allowed him of 10*s.* a day.

17. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider what increase of allowance is to be made to Lieut.-Col. Roseworm as engineer-general, and to report.

18. The Committee for Examinations to prepare something to be offered to Council, and if approved of, to Parliament, whereby all persons whose estates have been put to sale by Act of Parliament may be prohibited to remain in England.

19. The letter brought to the Lord General by Col. Leighton to be given back to him.

20. The Committee for disposing of Irishmen to foreign service to consider the propositions of the Spanish Ambassador and others, for taking some of those men, and to report.

21. The Committee for Law and Examinations to prepare a declaration,—according to order of Parliament referring it to Council to do so,—for asserting the right of this nation to the sovereignty of the sea and the fisheries, and to bring it to Council with all speed; Lord Bradshaw to take care of this.

22. The commissioners for treating with Lord Paw to desire him to give speedy and positive answer to the propositions of Parliament, to be delivered to him by the commissioners at a conference at 6 this night.

23. Council to meet on Monday next at 9 a.m.

25. The commissioners appointed to treat with Lord Paw to deliver him the answer of Parliament of June 25, to that part of the paper whereby his Lordship desires the commissioners to propound what they think reasonable and just, in order to compose speedily the present differences between the commonwealth and the States General. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 42–47.]

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55. Council of State to General Robert Blake. We have received yours from off the South Foreland, of the readiness of the fleet to put to sea, and pray the Lord to go along with you, and be your wisdom and strength. We enclose intelligence from the Low Countries which may be of use to you, and desire a particular list of what ships you carry with you, and what you leave behind under Sir George Ayscue. If you have not time to furnish it, Sir George can prepare and send it us. [*Copy,* $\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The committee for treating with Lord Paw, in conformity to his desire, to give him a meeting this afternoon at 5, at the usual place, Sir O. Fleming to signify the same, and to attend him.

2. The Navy Commissioners to give account on Monday in what readiness the ships now in the river are, and when they will be fit to go to sea. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 56.*]

3. Mr. Coytmoor to take a view of the said ships, and to report.

4. Council being informed by Alderman Pennington of several tumultuous meetings near Moorfield, particularly on the Lord's day, and having received an account thereof by Dr. Hubbard, the latter is to be told to put it in writing, and present it to Council.

5. The petition of John Raven referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

6. Mr. Frost to pay for the printing of a book in justification of the engagement, out of the incident moneys.

7. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to take order for printing the book called *Mare Cluusum*, and Mr. Dugard to print it. [*I. 29, pp. 48, 49.*]

June 26.

57. Carew Raleigh to Lord Conway. I send you a parcel of papers which perchance you will scorn, as they are old, rotten, and dirty, and such as a person less intelligent than yourself would hardly understand; but they are all receipts, and most in my father's hand, and therefore approved ones. I have many others of verses and discourses of several kinds, which, on the return of these, shall be sent if you desire it.

Our Council is much divided about Holland affairs, and nothing determined, but we are providing for war, by manning our ships, and caring for money, in order to which Lord Craven's estate and Mr. Cooke's are voted to be sold. You shall not be ignorant of what we know here, and in requital, I doubt not but you will let us know how the noble lord and excellent lady are at Petworth, as also Lord Stanhope. Lady Bettie increases in beauty and goodness, if it be possible. Let me know if you have found any ease or medicine for your stone, or a cure for Mrs. Ramsdell's green sickness, so that it may not fall any more into her legs. Does the captain grow smooth and plump, and when is he coming to London? My wife sends her service. [*Damaged, 1¼ pages.*]

June 27.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

Sunday.

1. Lord Paw, having desired audience this afternoon, the commissioners are to give him a meeting at his house, and hear what he has to offer, and report to Council. [*I. 29, p. 49.*]

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3. To write to the Navy Victuallers that the Clare galliot, Wm. Beck, captain, is coming into Portsmouth to victual, and that they take care that victuals may be ready, and they are to write to Capt. Moulton to take such other course as they judge best for this service.

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4. To write to Sir Geo. Ayscue to send the number of ships with him, and their condition, and what others he expects to come to him, and likewise to give frequent intelligence of what he shall receive from Gen. Blake and of all other occurrences. To enclose to him the intelligence from Capt. Wm. Becke, and to desire him to send convoy for the ships mentioned in the letter, as also how the Dutch ships mentioned in another letter may be met with; also to acquaint him with the departure of the Dutch Ambassador.

5. The Admiralty Committee to consider how the Dutchmen come into Dover from their ships (being now under restraint) may be disposed of, and to report.

7. The information of Clement Walley referred to the Committee for Examinations.

8. The petition and paper of Capt. Wm. Burrill referred to the Ordnance Committee, to report.

10. That of Wm. Hodder, merchant of Cork, to the Admiralty Committee.

11. The Ordnance Committee to give order that 12 guns be left at Weymouth, for the defence of that harbour.

13. Directions to be given to the Vanguard, Success, and Pelican, to set sail by the first opportunity, go into the Downs, and receive orders from Sir Geo. Ayscue, until they have further orders from Council.

14. The Navy Commissioners to supply the ships which are to go to the Downs with men, and the Ordnance Committee to consider how guns may be supplied to such ships where they are wanting, and to report.

15. To write to Capt. Harrison of the Vanguard that his ship is to go into the Downs, and receive orders there from Sir Geo. Ayscue, and to desire him to omit no opportunity of going, Council being informed that his ship is in all respects fitted to go to sea.

16. To recite to the Navy Victuallers the former order, directing them to victual Sir Geo. Ayscue for four months, and desire them to put aboard the ships with Sir George the provisions which they sent to the Downs, and the fleet could not receive.

17. The officers of Ordnance to come to-morrow to the Ordnance Committee, by 7 a.m.

18. To write to Sir Geo. Ayscue * * * *

19. The papers given in from Lord Paw, and that from the other three Ambassadors, and the other papers which have passed between the Council and Lord Paw, since the last report made to Parliament, to be represented to Parliament to-morrow by the President.

20. To write to the Mayor of Plymouth that Council is informed that the East India ships, the Barbadoes fleet, and several other ships from Turkey, the Straits, and Spanish coasts, and also some Guinea ships, are expected in the channel daily, and being ignorant of the present affairs in reference to the Dutch, may be in danger of being surprised by them, 10 Dutch men-of-war being on those coasts; and therefore to desire him to give order to the two small vessels

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formerly sent out to ply up and down off the Land's End, and to give notice to any English ships that they meet, to go into the most convenient port, and stay there until convoys can be appointed.

21. Alderman Gore and Mr. Harrington contracted with the Navy Commissioners to deliver to the storehouse at Woolwich 300 tons of Riga hemp, by 30 September next, with exception of the restraints of princes and commonwealths. By reason of the troubles with the Dutch, no ship will undertake the voyage, and they therefore free themselves from the contract; but as a means of performing it, with an enlargement of time, they desire leave to employ Dantzic ships to Riga, which they cannot do without further declaration of Parliament. The case is that a Dantzic ship is a ship of Poland, and Riga hemp is of Polish growth; Riga, lately Poland, is now subject to Sweden, but is the only convenient port for that commodity. This case to be reported to Parliament, with the advice that, as affairs now stand, they should declare that Dantzic ships may import Riga hemp from Riga, notwithstanding the Act for increase of navigation.

22. Considering what has been offered for supplying the State with Riga hemp, Council declare that all Dantzic ships that import hemp for the use of the State shall be saved from the penalty in the Act for navigation, &c. That all such hemp, and the ships importing it, be free from confiscation and other penalty; and for further security of the said ships and hemp, Council have ordered report to be made to Parliament, for their declaration herein. [*I. 29, pp. 50-57.*]

June 28.
Leghorn.

58. Chas. Longland to the Navy Committee. I perceive, by yours of the 21st of May, the great insolencies of the Holland fleet in the Narrow seas, and before Dover, even at the time of their Ambassador's treaty for peace; but their intended mischief has in part fallen upon their own heads, and it is God's mercy that the State's ships, being so few, have been so wonderfully protected. Capt. Appleton has just come to anchor here, with the Leopard, Warwick, Sampson, and the rest of the merchant ships, and I have sent your letter to him, and will go on board to-morrow, to consider with him what is best for the safety of the whole fleet.

I hear from Smyrna that the William and Thomas, and one of the State's frigates belonging to Capt. Badiley's squadron, have arrived there, and would leave in 40 days. I sent a felucca with letters to Capt. Badiley, advising him what had passed between us and the Hollanders, that they may be more vigilant for their own safety. I have also written him by way of Venice and Naples, &c., so that some of my letters must find him. I hope you will send a good fleet into these seas, for so long as the Hollander keeps a fleet here, we shall be debarred all trade, except we have an equal force. The felucca will cost 150 pieces of eight, which I shall value upon you, as you order. [*Copy, 1 page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on the petition of Sir Jno. Holland, that he have the liberty asked for, to apply to the Dutch Ambassador for a pass for his lady at Utrecht.

4. The petition of Aquila Wykes, Keeper of the Gatehouse, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to ascertain what expense he has been at in keeping prisoners, and report what should be paid him.

5. The business of letters of marque and reprisal against the French and Dutch to be considered next Friday, and the members of Council who are in town are to attend.

6. To write the Navy Commissioners to hasten the Sovereign to sea.

7. Note that Sir Arth. Hesilrigge reported from the Ordnance Committee, that all the merchant ships which have been taken up as an addition to the fleet are fitted with guns and gunners' stores.

8. The Admiralty and Ordnance Committees to be joined, and to examine persons as to the delay in furnishing the ships added to the fleet, and meet this evening thereon.

9. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to draw re-credential letters to the States of the United Provinces, concerning the Ambassadors sent thence.

10. To write Capt. Cuttance to convoy the ships with him to the Downs, and receive orders from Sir Geo. Ayscue.

11. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue of the intelligence from Col. Heane, concerning pirates infesting the sea near Jersey, and that, if he can, he is to send some fit ships towards Jersey for clearing those parts.

12. 30*l.* to be paid to Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Corbett, and Mr. Garland, for distribution amongst those who were injured in quenching the fire at Greenwich House.

13. The Committee on the entertainment to be given to the Dutch Ambassadors at their coming to consider what civilities should be shown them at their departure.

14. Order to be given to Capt. Tucknell of the Francis, to receive 100 recruits on board for Ireland, as also to convoy such ships as are bound thither.

15. The debate concerning Ireland to be taken up again to-morrow.

16. Orders, passes, and safe conducts to be given to the Lord Paw and the 3 other Extraordinary Ambassadors, for their safe passage into the Low Countries.

17. The letter from Dantzic to Mr. Scott referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to prepare an answer.

18. Col. Broughton to be remanded to the Tower, and remain a prisoner there, on the warrant by which he was first committed. [*J.* 29, *pp.* 58-61.]

June 30. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write the Navy Commissioners to appoint some ship out of those taken from the Dutch, to carry the necessaries of the Dutch Ambassadors.

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2. The letters taken by Mr. Morris, directed to the Dutch Ambassadors, to be delivered back by him to the party from whom he took them, with the thanks of Council for his care.

3. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to report next Friday the answer they have prepared to the proposals of the Danish Ambassador.

4. The Ordnance officers to furnish the Sovereign with such brass guns as are now in the Tower.

5. To write the Mayor of Newcastle and the bailiffs of Yarmouth to hire a ketch to carry the Council's messenger to the fleet, if none of the State's ships are there upon his arrival.

6. Thomas Williams, of Worcester, to attend Council to answer matters objected against him on behalf of the commonwealth, and a warrant to be sent to him to that purpose.

7, 8. The Mayor of Worcester, Col. James, and Lieut. Roger Legg to examine the business concerning the trunk of gold left with Thomas Williams at Worcester, and return the examinations to Council. Also to declare that 1,000*l.* shall be given to those who discover the trunk of gold left at Worcester by Charles Stuart, provided the same be of the value it is stated to be.

9. The list of necessaries given in by the Ordnance officers to be contracted for, for supplying the stores, referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to contract for such proportions as they see cause; also to write the Navy Committee to pay for them. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 62-64.]

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59. Council of State to General Robert Blake. The negociation of Lord Paw, Extraordinary Ambassador from the United Provinces, being brought to such an issue, we let you understand the state of that business, so far as it may relate to you and your fleet.

Parliament having referred it to us to treat with him, he delivered us several propositions for putting an end to our differences, the substance whereof was, that the examination of the action between the two fleets in Dover road should be referred to commissioners to be chosen on both sides, he supposing Parliament to have been untruly informed in that fact; and meantime to have a cessation of hostility and a proceeding with the treaty with the other Ambassadors.

This way being dilatory and impracticable, and needlessly drawing into question things that stood clear in proof, on purpose to delude this State of their just satisfaction, Parliament—to bring things to a short issue in a friendly way—made the three enclosed demands, the Ambassador being pressed to declare himself directly to the first of them, that Parliament might give in an estimate of the sum to be demanded for charges and damages, and thereupon proceed to a cessation of acts of hostility, and a restitution of ships and goods. Instead of giving satisfaction, he declared that he had received commands from his superiors to return home, to give an account of his negotiations, as also the other three Extraordinary Ambassadors, and therefore they desired audience to take leave;

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which the whole four have this day done in Parliament, and are now going to their ships at Gravesend.

It is easy to judge, considering their preparation meantime, what the instructions [intentions ?] of those people are towards this State and how necessary it is for you and the fleet to put yourselves into a suitable posture, and to intend with all watchfulness and activity the execution of your instructions, and what else tends to the safety of this State and the trade thereof, so much endangered by our neighbours. A constant correspondence is to be held between you and the Council, and between yourself and the other part of the fleet, by small vessels to be constantly sent between to give intelligence ; otherwise there will be many mistakes and inconveniences, and great uncertainty in the counsels. We have not received anything from you since your going from Dover road, and do not know what design you are upon, nor what course you hold, neither can the rest of the fleet inform us anything thereof ; so that we neither know how to send to you, nor to give direction to the fleet left behind. Give us frequent intelligence of your proceedings, and where you are to be found, and your resolutions as to Tromp's fleet, whereunto you are in the first place to have respect by your instructions, and endeavour to deliver this commonwealth from the danger thereof. [*Copy, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ pages.*]

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60. Narrative made by command of the Council of State, by Wm. Coxon, one of the two masters of the Marmaduke of London in her voyage from Cape de Verd Islands for Plymouth, of the surprising and taking of the ship, which was late Vice-Admiral to Prince Rupert, and called by him the Revenge of Whitehall.

I went out as mate in the Supply of London, commanded by Bartholomew Howard, in the service of the Guinea Company, and upon the $\frac{2}{12}$ th of March 1651-2, she, together with the Friendship and John pinnace, was piratically surprised in Gambo River in Guinea, and the officers and seamen of the three London ships distributed by Prince Rupert into his own ships.

I, with John Blake, gunner of the Supply, Anth. Hill, and Wm. Farthing, was put into the Marmaduke, *alias* the Revenge, but in coming out of Gambo River, the Vice-Admiral, Prince Maurice, put the crew of the Marmaduke into the Friendship, she being better provided than the former, though not so good a ship ; and from thence the whole of the Prince's fleet, then consisting of six sail, viz., the Swallow as Admiral, the Marmaduke Vice-Admiral, the Honest Seaman, formerly called the Speedwell of London, Rear-Admiral, with the said three London ships surprised, sailed towards the Isle of May, where we found two English ships, the Lisbon Merchant of Plymouth, and another ship of Dartmouth, which latter escaped, and fell to leeward ; but the Swallow and Marmaduke gave chase to the former, and took her, and the Swallow then left the Marmaduke, and went to the leeward of the Isle of May, leaving us riding in the road, as if we had been a merchantman, Capt. Philip Marshall, Rear-Admiral of the fleet, being commander of our ship.

On 14th April last, being 14 days after, two other English ships

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and a Dane came to anchor close by Capt. Marshall, he having told them that the Marmaduke belonged to New England, and that Captain Middleton was her commander. Marshall commanded both the Plymouth commanders aboard, and within three hours surprised both their ships. The next day Prince Rupert arriving with the Swallow in the Road, commanded both the Plymouth ships to be sent to St. Jago, with the John pinnace as a convoy, leaving the Dane free. The same day, after Capt. Marshall had been aboard Prince Rupert, he told us that his ship and the Swallow had to go and take another ship of London, of 40 tons and 28 pieces of ordnance, riding at the Isle of Soll, as they said some of the Plymouth men had unworthily informed them, either to curry favour, or out of cowardice, or something worse. Had we been as regardless of our country's good, and the Guinea Company's interest in particular, when we were taken at Gambo, and were strictly examined where we knew any other English ships were, we had caused all the English ships belonging to the company and others to have been taken by them, we well knowing where they were.

The Isle of Soll lying from the Isle of May S.S.W. 16 leagues, and being just in the wind's eye, that is, the wind against us, as it always blows trade there, or but one way all the year, our ship parted with the Swallow, and in turning up against the wind, they lost each other, the one standing eastward and the other west, and did not come in sight of each other but for half-an-hour each day. We had thereby an opportunity of consulting how we might obtain our liberty, and free ourselves from the piratical life we were forced to lead, among these pests and plagues of human society, who wished that London were altogether in flames, the Tower of London sunk as far below as it is above the ground, and that Cromwell's heart's blood were out; which curses, we doubt not, will, by the divine hand of justice, fall upon their own heads, when they are full ripe for destruction; for their delight is in cursing and swearing, and in plundering, sinking, and despoiling all English ships and goods they can possibly lay their talons upon, Prince Rupert being not ashamed openly to declare that, provided he might but ruin and destroy the English interest, especially the estates of the merchants and mariners of London, and the owners and proprietors of all ships belonging to the same, he cared not whether he got a farthing more whilst he lived, than only what would maintain himself, his confederates and fleet.

The consultation began between myself and Anth. Hill, cooper of the Supply, with some others. We had to make a party of a competent number, and considering there were 115 men in the ship, we dared not declare our minds positively to any, but first felt how their pulse beat, setting forth our miserable condition, and how acceptable a service it would be to Parliament, and honourable and profitable to ourselves, if we could reduce such a considerable pirate to obedience. We then called Geo. Maynard, master's mate of the Hope Adventure of Plymouth, and three others, also John Wand, boatswain of the Marmaduke under Prince Maurice, from the time she was taken, who was weary of that employment, and expressed

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a desire of returning to his native country. His interest over all the ship's crew emboldened us to discover our designs to him and the other four, each apart, upon their faithful promises, if they did not approve of what we had to divulge, to keep our secrets ; and we found all eagerly desirous of attaining the ends aforesaid.

Being now 7 in number, all officers of the merchants' ships aforesaid, we met together in the hold where the cooper's work lay, and resolved to get as many associates on our side as we could, using all possible caution, considering we carried our lives in our hands, and offered them up at the pleasure of everyone we divulged our intentions to, if they should discover us before our design was brought to maturity. We therefore fell close to each man, treating with the most likely persons we knew to join with us, by which means we treated with the major part of the ship's company, but durst only engage 18 ; and considering delay was dangerous, I and 5 others were appointed to guard the gun room. Twice our enterprise was put by ; first, by Prince Rupert coming in sight ; and second, by a mighty gust of wind, which split both our topsails, as we were ready to set upon the work, on 22 April at noon. These disappointments so heightened our resolutions that many of us entered into a vow not to eat or drink until we had put them into practice, and so concluded to do it at 9 at night ; but we found some sparks of suspicion began to glow, for Capt. Marshall walked, contrary to custom, until 10 o'clock at night upon deck, and every officer and many others had got swords and pistols in their cabins, and our hopes were to have surprised him in his cabin ; this rendered our design much more difficult than if it had been sooner attempted.

Fearing new dangers might arise, notwithstanding that there were 90 English with French and negroes against 25 of us, that we had 1,000 leagues to sail, and that we were so near to Prince Rupert that if but one gun had been shot, he would probably have heard and overtaken us, God so heightened our spirits that we were impatient of suffering any longer delay ; and seeing Capt. Marshall did not come into the great cabin, we dispersed our men as follows : myself, John Blake, and 4 more to the gun room, who immediately disposed of all hand weapons except those that were in the cabins ; Chas. Lane, with Anth. Hill and 5 more, were appointed to the great cabin and steerage ; Geo. Maynard, the other master, with 11 more, for the quarter deck cuddy and roundhouse, having got 2 Spaniards and three Dutchmen to guard the powder, for fear some desperate rogue should blow us up, ship and all. This being done, Lane with the other six, being about the middle of our quarters, had orders to give out one word with a loud audible voice, that we might all hear, which was, " God with us," and they in the steerage and we in the gun room were to echo " God with us," and so immediately to fall on ; which we did accordingly, all fires and candles being put out, save that in the binnacle, lest they should have fired one or more guns, and so Rupert hearing, might have come up. Thereupon the word being given, Lane fell upon Capt. Marshall, tripped up his heels, and told him he was a dead man if he resisted ; but he struggling received sundry wounds before he yielded. The boatswain coming to his

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assistance was commanded to forbear, or else be pistoled, whereupon his heart failed him, and he withdrew. By this time the alarm was quite through the ship, and the two men in the gun room, and one upon the deck, and divers others being wounded, the gunner's mate, as stout a man as any in England, fell cursing and swearing he would speed some of us presently; whereupon one ran at him with a hatchet, and after he had given him sundry wounds, felled him, and broke his shoulder bone, and there left him, grovelling in his blood, until we trimmed sail. Then we took him, with the captain, and all the rest that were wounded, and all the rest of their officers, the boatswain excepted, and put them together in chains in the great cabin, sending a surgeon to dress their wounds; which being done, all the French, 36 in number, cried for quarter, and begged for their lives, entreating us to set them on shore, in any place in France, which we promised, and performed as to their lives, and left them aboard the ship when I came from Plymouth, having obtained a grant from Sir Geo. Ayscue for a small vessel to carry them to France. Thus God gave us victory over our masters, and all performed without taking away the life of any one man. Having clapped the helm a weather, we stood away south-west until next day at noon, and then sailed 24 hours more, and after that, lay as near the wind as we could for England.

When Capt. Marshall heard our words "God with us" three times spoken, he smote his hand upon his breast, and said, "Lord have mercy upon my soul," which much encouraged us, and made us conclude that we had struck a terror upon his spirit. Having thus brought all into subjection, we found new difficulties by reason of the consultations which were daily observed; whereupon we made a law that if any two or more of them consulted together, they should be punished; and accordingly put it rigorously in execution, clapping some of them in irons, and brought them so to Plymouth. During the time of the passage, which was from 23 April to 31 May last, we scarce dared to sleep or take any rest in the night, and in the day time very little, as we were forced to set guards of our own in arms at sundry places in the ship, lest the captain, officers, and the rest of the soldiers and seamen should rise against us. We kept them continually before the main mast, and had all the powder and shot drawn out of the guns in the forecastles, and charged sundry pieces with small shot, which stood traverse before and aft, ready primed against the places of danger, and with a match burning day and night, and a sentinel by each gun so charged, with order to fire them in case of tumult.

Thus by the blessing of God, we brought in the Marmaduke of London, *alias* the Revenge of Whitehall, into Plymouth Sound, 31st May, having in her 36 iron and 3 brass guns mounted, and 7 others with 2 carriages in the hold, 30 barrels of powder, swords, muskets, and other hand weapons, with a store of shot, sundry grenades, &c., and a good quantity of dried hides, some decayed tobacco, and Campechio wood, with 4 great chests locked up; what was in them we know not. They belonged to Capt. Marshal, the purser, and the master of the ship, named Harris, and were taken out of the

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ship by order of Capt. Park, commander of the *Amity*, and Vice-Admiral to Sir Geo. Ayscue, when we arrived at Plymouth.

The Prince's fleet is supposed to have gone to careen and be fitted out, as the *Swallow* and *Honest Seaman* were so leaky that they had to pump day and night, and consequently cannot keep long at sea; they had not above three weeks' bread, and nothing but water, at the time they took the three ships in Gambo River, and the three Plymouth men in the Isle of May. I think he will meet the East India fleet, or go for Newfoundland. [$3\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

July 1. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Cols. Morley and Thompson to go forthwith to the Thames, to take an account of the captains and other officers of the State's ships and merchantmen taken up for the service, as to what condition they are in for sailing to Sir Geo. Ayscue in the Downs; and in case of any defects, to give directions for furnishing them, and use all means possible to hasten them out. One of the Navy Commissioners, one of the Ordnance officers, and one of the victuallers to attend the colonels. In case they find any of the captains or other officers to have been negligent in their duty, they are to remove them from their command or place, so that Council or Sir Geo. Ayscue may put others in their place, taking care meantime that the ships be not stayed, but appointing some persons to carry them to the Downs whilst other commanders and officers shall be appointed; instructions to be drawn to this purpose.

2. The persons aforesaid to take an account what ships are in the river, and acquaint Council therewith.

3. To write the Navy Commissioners to provide two ketches that are swift sailers, and send them to Sir Geo. Ayscue in the Downs.

4. Jas. Sharp to render himself, upon coming to Edinburgh, to the Governor of Leith, in the absence of Major-General Deane, according to the condition upon which he was permitted to return to Scotland.

5, 7. Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle and Col. Morley to be a committee to review the declaration lately brought to Council concerning the proceedings between this nation and the Dutch, and to report with speed. Whitelock to attend the business and hasten the report.

6. Capt. Crandley and Mr. Shute to attend the Admiralty Committee to-morrow at 7 a.m., and that committee to confer with them as to hiring their two ships for the service.

8. The Ordnance Committee to send to Mr. Scobell for the draft of the Act offered to the House for encouraging the manufacture of saltpetre, and to prepare another draft to be offered to the House.

9. That committee to take an account of all ordnance belonging to the commonwealth, and contract for such guns as are necessary, and give frequent account of what they do herein to Council.

10. To write the Governors of the Isle of Wight, Guernsey, Jersey, and Scilly, as also to the officers of the ports, and the commissioners in Ireland, as to what has happened between this common-

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wealth and the United Provinces, and to desire them to take special care that they be not surprised by the Dutch.

11. The Admiralty Committee to sit every day for the dispatch of affairs committed to them.

12. The private Scotch soldiers, prisoners at Durham and Gloucester, to be released, and permitted to return to their own country.

13. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning the business of Lady Ranelagh, to be made to Council to-morrow, after the business of letters of marque and reprisal, and 50*l.* to be paid her for subsistence, on account of what she claims as due to her from the State, out of the exigent money of the Council.

14. The petition of Jno. Mauer of Dieppe referred to the Admiralty Committee.

15. The desires of Lieut.-Col. Kelsey referred to the Ordnance Committee.

16. To write Col. Venables, enclosing the petition of John Lownes, and if he finds the matter to be as alleged, he is to take care that justice be done to the parties.

17. The Ordnance Committee to appoint some persons to receive such iron shot as shall be borrowed for the navy out of the London magazine, in pursuance of the order of Council, and take an account of the number and heights of such as shall be lent. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 64–69.]

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61. Answer of Isaac Legay, one of the defendants to the bill of complaint of Don Melchior de Aranguren. Admits that the Santa Clara, laden with silver, cochineal, &c., arrived at Southampton, and that she belonged to the several owners in the bill named, and that some of the silver and cochineal came into his custody and that of Daniel Farnack; that they conveyed in goods and money 433*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* to Don Alonso Destrada; that by direction of Ignatio de Landa Ivola and Marcus de Rumbido and others, they paid 5,000*l.* to Abraham and Thos. Chamberlaine, merchants of London, and 1,038*l.* 16*s.*,—being the remainder of a sum of 6,038*l.* 16*s.*, which this defendant and Farnack received upon the account of Ignatio de Landa Ivola and Rumbido,—they also paid to others by their appointment or for their use, and not to the Parliament of England, except so much thereof as was allowed to the defendant and Farnack on account of their portion; but for further particulars as to the several sums paid, he begs to refer to the account, which he can produce, kept by the parties concerned. Believes that Peter Le Gay, of Southampton, also received a great quantity of silver and cochineal out of the said ship, that he transmitted it to London by order of Parliament, that it was delivered at the Guildhall, and that other portions were sent to some of the Spanish owners in London; but how much of each particular sort he is unable to state, not having kept any account. [*3½ pages.*]

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1. The petition of Thomas Woods and others referred to the Admiralty Committee.

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5. The Committee for Law and Examinations to consider the draft of an Act for calling home all English seamen, and giving them a general pardon for all things done by them against the commonwealth, to be brought to Council next Monday.

6. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue to convoy four ships bound for Ostend, and bring back those bound for London.

7. The Committee for Law and Examinations,—in pursuance of the order of Parliament referring it to Council to consider how some reparation may be made to Mrs. Hamilton and her children for the loss of her husband,—to consider the whole business, and report what should be done for them.

8. Mr. Bond and Col. Purefoy to confer with Mr. Greenwood as to the present condition of Lovingland, and receive what he has to offer for its security.

9. The Committee for Law and Examinations,—in pursuance of an order of Parliament referring it to Council to consider how Jno. Ascham may be appointed to some place of employment,—to consider the same, and report.

10. 300*l.* each to be paid to the two sisters of Anth. Ascham, deceased, out of the exigent money of Council.

11. To write the Sequestration Commissioners in Scotland to take an inventory of the goods in Dunottar Castle, as well those belonging to the Earl Marshal as to the public, and send it to Council.

13. Order on the petition and papers of Hen. Stephens that—as Council are satisfied that the ship and goods mentioned to have been taken by the *Hopeful* were taken before the suspension of the letters of marque was known to the captain, as also that the petitioner has not been satisfied the amount for which he had letters of reprisal granted him against the French,—the Admiralty Judges are to proceed against the ships and goods according to law, any former order of Council notwithstanding.

14. The 150 men marched towards Ireland out of the Lord General's regiment to be remanded, and 300 more out of the same regiment forthwith dispatched to the merchant ships in *Tilbury Hope*, and sent to the Downs; the regiment to be recruited to 2,000 men, and the Lord General to give order accordingly.

15. The Lord General to be desired to make up the 300 men ordered to be sent to the ships in the *Hope* to 700.

16. The Ordnance Committee to give order for providing arms for the recruits to be added to the Lord General and Col. Ingoldsby's regiments.

17. The Council to meet to-morrow at 4 p.m.

18. To write the Navy Commissioners to use all possible speed for hastening out the Sovereign.

19. Col. Purefoy and Mr. Bond to confer with the Lord General as to drawing the army from the inland parts towards Dover and those parts.

21. To write the Army Committee to advance 1,000*l.* on account of the pay of the Lord General's regiment, for paying off 300 men to be sent on shipboard for strengthening the fleet.

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22. To write the Navy Commissioners to appoint some boats to be at Whitehall, to take 300 men who are to go on board the merchant ships in the Hope.

23. The petition of Geo. Jones, master shipwright at Plymouth, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what should be allowed to him for that employment.

26. Mr. Frost to pay 25*l.* to Anne Dennie out of the exigent money of Council, for quartering soldiers in Goring House for three months, before the allowance was made to her by Council for quartering soldiers there.

27. Lord Crawford to attend Council next Monday.

28. The paper concerning Yarmouth and Lovingland to be considered at the next coming of the Lord General to Council.

29. The Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker to prepare some qualifications and limitations to be given to such as shall have letters of marque and reprisal granted them, and to bring the same to Council next Tuesday.

30. The letter from the Sheriff of Kent, concerning Capt. Norwood, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

31. The appointed committee to consider and prepare a declaration upon the proceedings with the Dutch in pursuance of an order of Parliament to that purpose, and bring it to Council on Monday.

32. Capt. Pett to be desired to build the frigate he has now in hand 115 feet by the keel.

33. Peter Pett, Navy Commissioner, to fit out the Sovereign with all speed.

34. Ellis Leighton to depart out of the commonwealth and the dominions thereof, within 10 days after notice, and the Committee of Examinations to signify the same to him.

36. The confiscation on the John of Bristol and her lading (seized in pursuance of the Act prohibiting the importation of French wines) suspended until the case of the said ship be represented to Parliament, and meantime her lading to be restored to the owners, on sufficient security to be answerable for the value of the cargo.

37. The committee appointed to draw a declaration concerning the proceedings with the United Provinces to prepare an answer to be given to the Danish Ambassador, in pursuance of the order of Parliament. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 70-77.]

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Leghorn Road.

62. Capt. Hen. Appleton to [the Navy Commissioners]. Fourteen Holland men-of-war arrived in Leghorn road on the 27th ult. under Capt. Kates, and wearing his colours on the foretop as Vice-Admiral of Holland. Each ship has from 46 to 34 pieces of ordnance. The Constant Warwick is yet at Genoa, as being very foul and eaten by worms, I ordered Capt. Cox to have her careened. The Hollanders often call their council of war, and the Commander-in-Chief went yesterday to the Governor of Leghorn, and told him that if our merchant ships discharged any of their English goods in this port, he would either sink or burn them; whereupon I caused them to go as

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near the Mold head as they could, and I with the Leopard and Bonadventure went to seaboard of them. The Governor has promised our nation that he will secure them to the utmost of his power, and has ordered the guns of all his castles and forts to be in readiness to fire on the ships that begin or attempt a disturbance. Yesterday the English merchants and factors, and the commanders of each ship came on board the Leopard, when it was thought fit to land all fine goods into the Lazaretto; we guard the barks ashore with our boats.

It is reported here, by the Hollanders and others, that eight French ships from Marseilles and four fire-ships will be here suddenly, in expectation of meeting with us or Capt. Badiley's fleet, and that there are 15 Holland men-of-war at Cadiz, who are ordered to come for this place to join with the others, or go for Messina to intercept Capt. Badiley. We are already begirt, so that we cannot stir except it be into the Mold with our ships, for their better security. It would seem that there is an absolute breach between England and Holland, and that the Hollanders here have received orders, and I expect every minute they will begin to fight us. It is impossible we can remove from this place, or Capt. Badiley come to us, except we have a squadron of ships from home to free us. I have sent Edw. Domelow, one of my company, with this, who will certify how the business is with us. There are several English houses here who are much our enemies, and animate the Dutch upon us, but I leave the event to the Providence of the Highest, who I hope will protect us against all our enemies. [1 page, copy.]

July 3. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Holland to report to the House that Council find that great sums are expended in repairing the public houses of the commonwealth, upon the laying out of which there is no check or control; and that for the better clearing the account of expenses of that nature, a comptroller should be appointed to keep a check upon those disbursements.

2. Col. Ingoldsby to send some discreet person to Moorfields tomorrow [Sunday] to discover what meetings are publicly had in those fields, Council being informed that meetings are weekly held there, as also cudgel playing and other recreations.

3. Mr. Frost to pay to Edw. Carter, Surveyor of Works, 1,844*l.* 18*s.* 1*d.*, out of the exigent money of Council, for disbursements in repairing the Parliament House, Courts of Justice, Whitehall, Cockpit, Somerset House, and the Mews, as certified from the Parliament committee for Whitehall.

4. Col. Stapley, Col. Dixwell, and Mr. Hay to be a committee to consider and examine Mr. Carter's account of 746*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.*, for repairs at James's House, Tower Wharf, Barge Houses at Lambeth, Tapestry House at Mortlake, Greenwich House, and Hampton Court, and to report.

5. Butler Kinkid to have a pass to foreign parts, if Mr. Thurloe be satisfied concerning him and the occasion of his going.

6. To write the Commissioners of Customs at Bristol to secure the

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Dutch ship and goods brought in there by Capt. Marriot, and to take care that the goods are not embezzled.

7. A letter to be prepared to the Commissioners in Ireland, acquainting them with the present state of affairs, and with the departure of the Dutch Ambassadors.

8. To write Capt. Harrison noticing the return of Col. Morley and Col. Thomson, and to desire him to observe the directions formerly given him.

9. The Admiralty Committee to examine the defects in the victualling of the merchant ships hired for the service, and to report what should be done.

10. The Committee for Examinations to examine Capt. Coterell sent up from Hull, and report.

11. Capt. Coterell to be committed to the Gatehouse, for piracy and on suspicion of treason.

12. Order,—on consideration of the information and examination of Col. Ellis Leighton, reported by the Committee for Examinations and Discoveries, and of the occasion of his coming over, together with the condition of himself and the Duke of Buckingham, being the party from whom he pretends to be sent, and in respect of their obnoxiousness to the justice of this State,—that the sealed letter directed to Lord Gen. Cromwell, and presented by him to Council, be redelivered to the said Colonel, who alleges he brought it from the said Duke, and that he have notice by the Clerk of the Council to depart the limits of this commonwealth within 10 days, at his uttermost peril. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 78–81.]

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63. Council of State to General Robert Blake. By ours, written you before the receipt of yours of 28 ult. from off Flamborough Head, you will see the justice and necessity of making use of all such means as Providence has put into your hands for our defence against the Dutch, and of putting the fleet into such a posture as may be most serviceable to those ends.

Since we heard of your going northward, we have endeavoured to send out the ships in the river to reinforce Sir Geo. Ayscue, so as to enable him to be fit for service, but find it more difficult than was expected. We enclose intelligence out of the Low Countries. We hear that Rupert's fleet is in the west, holding its course towards Brest, but we do not hear where Tromp is. Noted as enclosed to Major-Gen. Deane by the post. [*Copy, 1 page.*]

July 4.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Admiralty Committee to send a physician and surgeon to visit Capt. Wright, in respect of his wounds.

2. The said committee to provide two more ketches to be sent to Sir Geo. Ayscue for intelligence, and to take an account from Mr. Thurloe of the orders already made for that purpose, and what is done thereupon.

3. Also to consider how some additional strength may be sent to

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Sir Geo. Ayscue, and for guard of the seas, and to send for and confer with merchants and others thereon.

4. Also to ascertain from Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood and Col. Ingoldsby what more soldiers are ready to go for manning the ships in the river, and take an account from Mr. Coytmor, if he has come home, of the number and condition of the ships.

5. The said committee to meet to-morrow at 8 a.m., upon the above matters, and report in the afternoon; Cols. Martin and Purefoy to take care thereof.

6. Council being informed of some intelligence of consequence to be had from a person now in France, who is said to be within the rules of exceptions, and makes offer of discovery, Lord Whitelock and Cols. Martin and Morley are to cause some correspondence to be held with him, by such persons as they think fit, and to report the result to Council. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 81, 82.]

July 5. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The petition of Wm. Flinton, mariner, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. That of John Wallop, master of the *Annie* and *Alice*, to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

4. Mr. Thompson, Navy Commissioner, to go down the river Thames, hasten the ships taken into the service to the Downs, and remain there until he sees them all gone, and give information daily to Council.

5. To write the Navy Commissioners to hasten the fire-ships in the river to the Downs, and to take care that they are furnished with all necessaries, and that no time be lost.

6. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue that Council gives him leave to come on shore for several days, for recovery of his health, provided he leaves the command of the fleet in the hands of some able and fit person.

7. Col. Farrington to be committed prisoner to the Serjeant-at-arms, until he is examined.

9. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to report to the House the draft of a declaration concerning the proceedings between this commonwealth and the Dutch. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 82-85.]

July 6. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Col. Morley, Col. Thomson, and Mr. Scott to go down to Tilbury Hope, to hasten out the ships there, so as to join the fleet under Sir Geo. Ayscue.

2. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to report to the House the letters lately sent from the commissioners in Ireland, General Blake and Sir Geo. Ayscue.

3. The list sent from the Ordnance officers, of guns to be put on board the *Sovereign*, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

5. The petition of Anne Doughty referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

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6. That of Mathias Nicolls, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the Committee for Examinations.

7. The orders of Parliament for giving an allowance to Mr. Eldred, employed in Scotland as Commissary of Provisions, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to consider out of what treasury the money is to be paid, and to report.

8. To send for Monsr. Jentilliot to attend Council.

9. The Admiralty Committee to consider the best way of making sale of the goods lately taken from the Dutch, and to meet this evening thereon, and make their report.

10. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue that Lady Norton, wife of Sir Gregory Norton, is now at Calais, and that he is to give her a passage over into England.

11. Mr. Frost to pay the persons who gave information of the dangerous words spoken by a brazier in Oxford.

12. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue and the Navy Commissioners to hasten out the fire-ships and the remaining men-of-war in the river, and to inform themselves of the cause of their stay, and in whom the defects lie, and certify.

13. The committee appointed to draw a declaration of proceedings with the United Provinces to bring to Council to-morrow the answer they were to draw to the paper of the Danish Ambassadors, which was by them presented to Parliament.

14. The Ordnance Committee to consider of supplying the forces at Tilbury and Gravesend with guns mentioned in the list sent by Cols. Morley and Thomson when they were there.

15. The letter of Major-General Deane from Dalkeith referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report what should be done.

16. To write the Mayor of Hull that much oak timber has been brought towards Hull for transportation into foreign parts, and to desire him to give order that no timber whatever be allowed to be transported.

17. The articles read and reported from the Committee for Foreign Affairs, in answer to the proposals of the Danish Ambassadors, and also the articles prepared to be given to the said Ambassadors from Council, approved, and to be translated into Latin.

18. Directions to be given to the Collectors for Prize Goods to make sale of the oranges, lemons, and other perishable goods aboard the Abraham's Offering, taken from the Dutch, and brought to Weymouth.

19. Col. Throgmorton to be bailed on bond in 1,000*l.*, with two sureties in 500*l.*, on the usual conditions.

20. Major Salwey added to the Admiralty Committee.

21. Col. Goffe's regiment to be recruited to 1,200 men, those being counted who are now at sea, and the Ordnance Committee to give order that the recruits of that regiment may be armed.

22. To signify to Monsr. Jentilliot, who pretends to be envoy from the King of France, that Council expects he will deliver to Parlia-

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ment the letter he pretends he has brought to them from the said King, between this and Friday, or give an account to Council on Friday afternoon. [*I.* 29, *pp.* 86-90.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Direction to be given to the Commissioners of Customs to take up sufficient men to bring the prizes from Dover to the Thames, which men are to be protected from impress whilst upon that service.

3. The letter to Sir Geo. Ayscue approved, and to be signed and sent.

4. To write the now Treasurers-at-war, enclosing the petition of Major Philip Eyton on behalf of Lieut.-Col. Finch, and desire them to pay the money forthwith, or give an account why they do not.

5. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider how more money may be furnished for the incident charges of Council, and report with all speed.

6. Sir Adam Hepburne, of Homby, and Jno. Cockburne, his son-in-law, to have liberty to go to Scotland, if upon conference with the Lord General, his Lordship shall think it fit, upon the usual security.

7. The suspension laid upon the letters of marque and reprisal granted to the administrators of Paulet taken off, and so much to be signified to the Admiralty Judges, that the parties concerned therein may proceed upon their letters of reprisal.

8. The Irish and Scotch Committee to audit Mr. Frost's accounts of the disbursements of the contingent money of Council, made by their order for this year.

11. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue, recommending the petition of Thos. Browning, of St. Katherine's, Tower, on behalf of Capt. Jas. Smith, and leaving it to him to do as he thinks fit.

13. The petition of Isabel Trenhele, of Kingswear near Dartmouth, widow, referred to the Ordnance Committee to report.

14. That of David Dove to the Admiralty Committee.

15. To write the Lord Mayor of London, recommending David Dove, a maimed soldier, as fit to be put into some hospital for his present relief and subsistence.

16. The account annexed to the petition of the officers of the High Court of Justice, of money due to them for attending that court, to be perused by Mr. Frost, who is to certify what is due to each of them.

17. The debate as to appointing a Commander-in-Chief for Ireland, to be resumed to-morrow afternoon, and the Lord General and the other members of Council to attend.

18. The letter to Sir Geo. Ayscue to be signed and sent.

19. The paper read in answer to that given in to Parliament by the Danish Ambassadors, at their last audience, approved.

21. Council to sit to-morrow at 8 a.m., and the members to have notice.

22. The Committee for Examinations to take bail of Thos. Smith,

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of Stony Stratford, co. Northampton, who was apprehended upon suspicion of being a Jesuit, &c., on the usual conditions, and if he cannot find sureties, they may take his own bond, and set him at liberty.

23. To write Capt. Harrison that if, upon coming into the Downs, he shall find Sir Geo. Ayscue gone westward, he is to follow him, unless orders have been left to the contrary.

24. To write the Navy Commissioners to have sufficient barges ready at Whitehall Bridge, to carry the 200 landsmen appointed to be sent on board the ships going to the Downs. [*I. 29, pp. 91-96.*]

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Order in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs that a sub-committee consider the business of the clothiers referred from Council, and report to Council. [*I. 131, p. 9.*]

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64. Form of a blank bond taken upon the issuing of letters of reprisal. [*1 $\frac{3}{4}$ pages.*]

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Exeter.

65. Rich Harte, receiver, to Lawrence Steele, treasurer, Lombard Street. Mr. Lippencot refuses to pay the 230*l.*, and his son says that you and Mr. Sealey should pay it. I hope you will speak to them about it and avoid any clamour with the trustees. I shall be in London next week and then make up the 300*l.*, that being admitted in part, and give you an account of Holwell's business, and what I have done in it. If Mr. Sealey will order Lippencot to pay the 230*l.*, Mr. Sheppard will stay here to receive it. I desire to be careful in the discharge of my duty here, and as fast as we can receive money, will pay it into and for the Treasury, as your reputation is as tender to me as my own, and let mine be so to you with the trustees. [*1 page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Dr. Walker to attend Council to-morrow afternoon.

2. The petition of Hen. Stephens referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. Sir Oliver Fleming to inform the Danish Ambassadors that the commissioners appointed to treat with them will attend them to-morrow at 9 a.m., and deliver the answer of Council to their last paper given in to Parliament.

4. Mr. Bond, Mr. Scott, Mr. Martin, Col. Purefoy, Mr. Challoner, and Lord Commissioner Whitelock, to be a committee to attend the said Ambassadors, to deliver the answer to their 14 articles and paper, as also the declaration of the House on the differences between this commonwealth and the United Provinces.

6. Lieut.-General Fleetwood to appoint officers to conduct the 200 soldiers from London to the Downs, and see them put on board, so that there may not be a repetition of the disorders which happened with those last sent.

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7. The petition of Thomas Wale, shipwright of Dover, referred to the Navy Commissioners, who are to order the supply of masts, &c. needful for repair of ships there. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 66.*]

8. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Barrett Lacie referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

9. Mr. Love to report to the House the Act prepared for regulating printing.

10. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Geo. Kekewich, Governor of Mawes Castle, Cornwall, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

11. That of Col. Herbert Lunsford for liberty to transport 3,000 Irishmen into the service of the King of Spain, referred to the committee appointed for that business.

12. Mr. Corbett added to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

13. The servant of Monsr. Barrière, apprehended on suspicion of being a dangerous person, to be set at liberty.

14. To represent to the House Council's opinion that Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood is a fit person to be Commander-in-Chief of the forces in Ireland, under the Lord General.

15. Memorandum to send the order dismissing Scotch prisoners in Gloucester to Sir Wm. Constable.

16. Col. Christ. Mayo to have liberty to transport out of Ireland, into the service of the King of Spain, 3,000 of such Irishmen as have been in arms against Parliament, provided he give security, to be approved of by the committee appointed to dispose of Irish soldiers, that none of them shall return to Ireland, or any of the territories of this commonwealth, or be made use of to the prejudice thereof.

17. Mr. Carleton joined in commission with Mr. Wilson, employed in Spain on public affairs.

18. The petition of Isaiah Blorefield referred to the Admiralty Committee.

19. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider the proposals of the Spanish Ambassadors for carrying Irishmen to the service of the King of Spain, and report what should be done.

20. Col. Fealan to have liberty to transport out of Ireland, into the service of the King of Spain, 1,000 Irishmen who have been in arms against Parliament, on like security as Col. Christ. Mayo.

21. The letter from the Resident at Hamburg to be read to-morrow.

22. Mr. Bond to offer to the House the report concerning Jersey, as also the letter read at Council from thence.

23. Dr. Gurdon, and the rest of the officers of the Mint, to take care to apprehend Welling, junior, of Highgate, charged with coining false money, and that a due prosecution be made concerning this business, and in all cases of a like nature; Lord Chief Justice Rolle to be desired to take notice hereof, on their application to him, and grant warrants as he shall see cause.

24. The instructions for the commissioners to be sent to Ireland to be considered to-morrow.

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25. The qualifications prepared by the Admiralty Judges for letters of marque referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs; Dr. Exton to attend them thereon.

26. Major Salwey to report to the House that, there having been a necessity of sending land soldiers aboard the State's ships out of several foot regiments, and affairs requiring further numbers to be sent, Council have given order for recruiting those regiments to a number above the establishment; they therefore desire that the Army Committee may be empowered to pay such recruits as Council have already ordered or shall order.

27. Major Salwey to report to the House that divers merchant ships belonging to Holland have been taken and brought into the Thames, to Dover, and other ports, where they remain with their ladings undisposed of; that a large proportion of such goods are of a perishable nature, and many of them have been embezzled by the Dutch mariners, notwithstanding the care taken to prevent it; and that so long as they remain undisposed of, the commonwealth is at great daily charge for the maintenance of the mariners taken on board such ships, and the employing of officers to take care of them, and therefore to desire that order be given concerning them.

28. So much of the letter of Capt. Jno. Topping, from Tynemouth Castle, as concerns the demand of Fras. Comin for six guns in that garrison, by virtue of a warrant of Council, referred to the Ordnance Committee, and meantime the warrant for their delivery suspended. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 1-8.]

July 9.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue that Council has received his letter, and that notwithstanding the present extremities which are upon him, they hope God will bless him with good success.

2. Council to meet to-morrow at 7 a.m., and the particular members to have notice.

3. To write General Blake, enclosing a copy of Sir Geo. Ayscue's letter, and acquaint him with the present station of the merchant ships taken on as additional strength to the fleet, and leave it to him to do as he shall think fit.

4. To write the Mayor of Dover that Ellis Carter, of that town, was lately taken at sea, with his ship and goods, by the Dutch, and carried to Flushing; and to desire him to examine him, and such of his company as are at Dover, concerning his capture and usage, and return their examinations in writing.

5. Dr. Walker to attend Council on Wednesday next.

6. The business of qualifications for letters of marque and reprisal to be considered to-morrow.

7. To write the Lord General that, as there is a considerable fleet of Dutch upon the coast of Kent, he is to order the troop of horse at Ashford, or any other, to march to and quarter at Deal, for the security of that coast.

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8. Capts. Moulton, Crandley, and Limbrie to attend Council to-morrow at 8 a.m.

9. To declare to Col. Elias Leighton that he is not to make any further addresses to Council, that he is to depart this nation within the time limited by former order of Council, and that if he stays beyond that time, it must be at his peril.

10. Mr. Dixwell to go with Mr. Scott and Col. Thomson towards the Downs, and be joined with them in the instructions which are to be given to them.

11. Capts. Moulton and Limbrie to be at Col. Thomson's lodgings in Whitehall by 12 o'clock this night, so as to be ready to go along with some members of Council appointed to go to the Lee Road, and towards the Downs.

12. To write the Governor of Waterford to deliver to Robt. Cann, Robt. Yate, and Thos. Speed, merchants of Bristol, such Irishmen as are now prisoners with him, and as they shall have occasion to make use of, being bound with their ships for the West Indies.

14. The petition of Hans Steiger referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

15. To write the Commissioners of Customs that Council have withdrawn their late order concerning the Golden Lily, of Flushing, and other Dutch ships of that nature, and have left those ships and goods to be disposed of according to law.

16. Order that Monsr. Gentilliot—having had time given him to deliver the letter he pretended to have from the King of France, directed to Parliament, and having neither delivered it, nor given any sufficient reason for not doing so—depart this commonwealth, and its territories, within three days, or remain at his peril.

17. Major Salwey to report to the House that Council have found it necessary, as the present state of affairs stands, for the more effectual carrying on of the service, to give order for recruiting the Lord General's and Col. Ingoldsby's regiments from 1,200 to 1,600 men, and Col. Goffe's regiment from 700 to 1,200, to be continued from the 2nd instant for three months; and to move the House that the Army Committee may order the pay of those regiments accordingly.

19. The Admiralty Committee to consider the information given to Council of the taking of Capt. Gardner, a pirate, and take order that he may be put in safe custody. [*I. 30, pp. 8-13.*]

July 9. Additional instructions by the Council of State, to Col. Thomson, Mr. Scott, and Col. Dixwell:—

1. By the instructions given you on the 6th, you were to hasten the ships then in the river to the Downs; Council being informed this afternoon of a fleet of Hollanders that may interpose between these ships and Sir Geo. Ayscue, they leave it to you either to send away the said ships according to the said instructions, or to stay

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them in the river, and give such directions concerning them as you, being upon the place, shall judge best.

2. Having given such directions, and taken such order concerning the ships, you are to be resident in such place as may best enable you to hold correspondence both with Sir Geo. Ayscue and the other ships, that you may from time to time advise and order in all things that may fall out, in this juncture of affairs.

3. In case you find it necessary to raise any part of the county of Kent, power is hereby given to Col. Dixwell to raise the same, by such ways and means as shall be thought most fit, and to apply the same in a more particular manner for guarding the sea coast in this time of imminent danger.

4. You are to give frequent advertisements to Council of all that shall occur. [*I. 30, pp. 12, 13.*]

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The Leopard,
Leghorn Road,

67. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. My former letter was to be sent by Marseilles, the sickness being in Genoa, but the messenger was detained by foul weather. There were no letters for any of our nation the last post. The major part of the fine goods, which were on board the Sampson, Mary, and Levant Merchant, are safely landed at the Lazaretto. The Holland men-of-war are yet by us, and we hear, by their letters from Holland this week, that our ships have taken the French fleet in the English Channel, consisting of 40 sail with 3 convoys, and they seem much displeas'd at it. It is thought that those here have not yet received orders to fight us, but last night they called a council of war. We do not know the result; it is reported that they are to depart from Leghorn the first fair wind, and it is supposed for France. We hear that the 8 French men-of-war and 4 fire-ships have gone to relieve Barcelona; but we have no certainty that there are 14 sail of Holland men-of-war at Cadiz. If these ships depart, Mr. Longland and I intend to send a felucca to see what course they steer, and we will stay for Capt. Badiley's arrival, unless you otherwise order. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

July 9. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, Sir J. Harrington, and Mr. Corbett added to Sir Baltazar Gerbier's sub-committee.

2. To report to Council, on the case of Gervase Locke, that the penalty of the Act of Navigation should be suspended, on his swearing to his narrative, until Parliament's resolution be known. [*I. 131, p. 9.*]

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3. To write the commissioners sent down to the ships of the intelligence from the Downs, and also the information of Jeremiah Low, of the fleet of General Blake, and of Tromp's fleet sailing that way.

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4. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue, enclosing the information given in by Jeremiah Low.

5. The Council adhere to the vote that all who have already had or should have letters of marque and reprisal granted, should be enjoined to carry aboard the ships set out by virtue of those letters, not less than 20 guns.

6. Five days more added to those already given by Council to Monsr. Gentilliot, for his departure out of the nation.

7. To write the Navy Commissioners to provide hammocks for the land soldiers put on board the fleet with Sir Geo. Ayscue.

8. The letter of Capt. Clarke, from West Cowes, to Capt. Moulton, complaining of the neglects of the captain of the Francis, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

9. Jas. Lesley, Lord Lundoris, prisoner at Chester, to be bailed, and permitted to live at Thornton le Street, or any other place in the North Riding of co. York, on a bond in 500*l.*, with two sureties in 200*l.* each, on the usual conditions.

10. The paper given in to Council, containing some propositions for ordering the ships in the river, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to meet concerning the same on Monday afternoon, and the Navy Commissioners to attend them.

11. The petition of John Lucas and Jno. Spcare referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

12. Also the petition of the owners and freighters of the James Bonadventure, the committee to consider whether the petition may be granted without prejudice to the State, and report.

13. The petition of Armiger Warner, for leave to carry soldiers to Ireland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

14. The Admiralty Judges to prepare the draft of a qualification to be given to all such as have or shall have letters of marque and reprisal granted them, restraining them from seizing or molesting any of the French fishermen who fish between the coast of France and Sussex, in small fisher boats. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 13-17.]

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Whitehall.

Additional articles to those of 19 Dec. 1649, agreed upon by the Council of State, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament of 25 June 1649, for granting commissions and letters of marque or reprisal against foreign princes and states, and their subjects, by whom merchants, owners of ships, and other persons of this commonwealth have sustained or shall sustain loss or damage, as well at sea,—in having their ships, merchandizes, and goods, surprised, taken, and detained,—as otherwise:—

1. No merchant or owner of any vessels or other persons whatsoever of this commonwealth—who, on their complaint to the Council of State according to the former articles, have obtained or shall obtain letters of marque or reprisal,—shall set forth any ship, man-of-war, or other vessel whatsoever, for executing their said letters, which shall not be of the burthen of 200 tons at least, and carry 20 guns, saving that they may set forth any small pinnace to accom-

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pany them, for pursuit of such vessels as fly from them into or be in any creek, sands, or narrow places, whereinto the said greater ships or men-of-war cannot safely enter; provided that no such pinnace be set out to sea without one or more of the greater ships, and be set forth to attend upon such greater ship.

2. That the said greater ships or men-of-war, and likewise the said pinnaces or smaller vessels, be sufficiently manned, armed, and furnished with powder, shot, provisions, &c., proportionable to their burthen.

3. If they discover any ship or ships belonging to this commonwealth or to any of its people in distress, by being in fight, or by being set upon or taken by any of the enemies, the captain or commander of every ship making such discovery shall use his best endeavours to rescue and succour all such ships, and labour to free them from the enemy.

4. The captains and commanders of all ships set forth on letters of marque shall,—on special warrant from the Parliament, Council of State, or their Admiral at sea, requiring their particular aid for the service, by reason of any occurrent or special occasion,—forthwith yield obedience thereunto, and perform such service as by the said warrant they shall be required.

5. When any ships, goods, wares, or merchandize shall be seized, and brought into any port, haven, or harbour of this commonwealth, by virtue of letters of marque, and shall be adjudged in the Admiralty for lawful prize, or shall be ordered to be sold as perishable, the same shall be appraised, and an exact inventory taken thereof, and returned to the registrar of the said court, there to remain, for the better keeping of just and due accounts, and answering any demands concerning the same.

6. They are to keep good order in their ships, and give frequent advice to Council where they are; what ships they surprise, with the commander's and ship's name; with what laden, and of what force; and endeavour to get the best intelligence of all matters concerning the commonwealth, and give advertisement thereof to Council.

7. None of the said merchants, owners of ships, or others having letters of marque shall, by virtue thereof, seize or take any of the boats or other vessels of any of the French fishermen, or molest or hinder the said fishermen in their employment, without special warrant from Parliament or Council. [*L. 30, pp. 17, 18.*]

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68. Council of State to General Robert Blake. By the enclosed you will see the present state and condition of things in the Downs, as fully as they are represented to us. Sir Geo. Ayscue has only 16 ships, 20 of the merchants' ships taken into the service being yet in Lee road, and not ready for service, although nothing has been omitted conducing to the fitting of them out; but the greatest want is men, which we hope will be supplied shortly. [*Copy, $\frac{1}{2}$ page.*]

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Sunday.

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1. To inform Dr. Brian Walton that, on considering his petition offering an edition of the Bible in several tongues, Council are of opinion that the work propounded by him is very honourable and deserving encouragement, but find that the matter of his desires is more proper for the consideration of Parliament than Council.
2. To write Peter Pett to proceed in carrying down the Sovereign, as propounded by him in his letter to Sir Hen. Vane.
3. To write the Commissioners sent from Council what has been propounded by Peter Pett, and Council's approval.
4. Mr. Frost to have leave of absence for some days, for recovery of his health, and his brother, Joseph Frost, to attend Council meantime.
5. The Navy Commissioners to attend the Admiralty Committee to-morrow by 6 a.m.
6. That Committee to consider of providing more soldiers to be sent to the fleet, and to sit to-morrow at 6 a.m.
7. Special summons to be given to all the members of Council to meet to-morrow at 3 p.m.
8. To write the western ports to send out some small vessels to give notice to all English ships to put into the next convenient port, until they have a sufficient convoy sent for them.
10. To write Col. Syler, Mr. Desborow, and Mr. Saltonstall, commissioners at Leith, and to the Governor of Tynemouth Castle, to send the enclosed letter to sea in a fit vessel, to General Blake. [*I. 30, pp. 19-20.*]

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69. Council of State to General Robert Blake. We hear from Sir George Ayscue in the Downs that the Dutch have appeared there, with a fleet of 102 men-of-war, besides 10 fire-ships, which are divided into three squadrons, not far asunder, and in sight of Sir George's fleet. The Governor of Deal writes that Sir George has resolved, finding the Dutch in this posture, to put his fleet, being but 14 or 16 sail, as much as he can under the protection of the castle, the fleet of merchantmen under the command of Capt. Harrison, which were to have come to him out of the river, being stayed for want of men. Noted as sent by the post, enclosed in letters to Leith and Tynemouth. [*Copy, 1 page.*]

July 12.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Bond to be President of Council until this day month.
2. To write the Governor of Plymouth to set out two more ketches, to stand off to sea from the Land's End, and acquaint English merchant ships homeward bound of the difference between this nation and the Dutch, and require them, in the name of Council, to put into the first convenient port, and forbear coming to the port of London, until they have convoy, or order to come without it.
3. To write the Governor of Pendennis Castle to the same effect.

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4. Directions to be given to the Collectors for Prize Goods, to cause the man-of-war taken from the Dutch, and now at Hull, to be appraised.

5. The Admiralty Committee to order the victualling and manning of the man-of-war lately taken from the Dutch, and now at Hull, and to satisfy themselves of the fitness of Stephen Rose to be her commander.

6. To write the bailiffs of Yarmouth for an account of what guns they have in Yarmouth, and to say that iron culverins 10 feet in length shall be sent them, if they will supply the place for which they are desired.

7. To write the Masters of Trinity House to return the names of fit persons out of which Council may choose a master for the Sovereign.

8. Mr. Pett to take the first opportunity to carry the Sovereign to Bishops Ness, and stay on board until a master or captain comes to take charge of her.

9. The debate as to choosing a commander for the Sovereign to be resumed next Wednesday.

10. To write the Lord General to send Lieut.-Gen. Monk to his charge in Scotland, and to inform himself of the present state of affairs there, and acquaint Council therewith. [*I. 30, pp. 21-23.*]

July 12.
Yarmouth.

70. Jno. Carter and Geo. Spilman, bailiffs, to the Council of State. We send you an account, by Thos. Creswell, master of a vessel sent out to sea by us last Saturday, of a Dutch fleet. We have again sent him to the northward, to give intelligence of this Dutch fleet to all the merchant ships and others which he shall find. The other sloop we sent out has not yet returned, but we will inform you of anything further that shall be brought us. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.] *Enclosing,*

70. I. *Thos. Creswell to [the bailiffs of Yarmouth]. We came out of the Haven at 10 p.m. last Saturday, intending for the Holland coast, but the wind changing, we returned and put into Winterton Roads, and from thence plyed up to Yarmouth sands, where we saw three ships coming from the south, and seven others from Southwold Bay. We weighed and stood after them, but soon after fell in with a fleet of 120 sail; and they being to windward of us, we dared not stand too near; they steered their course N.N.W., and I took them to be the Holland fleet.— 10 July 1652. Elizabeth of Yarmouth, Great Yarmouth.*

July 12.
Leghorn.

71. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. I went aboard the Leopard to consult with Capt. Appleton about his safety, and we resolved his stay until the next letters from England, which might give us some further light how affairs stood between us and Holland. On the 7th inst., being the day before the letters arrived, 14 Dutch ships of war came into this port, which for three months have been before Toulon. Their coming amazed us, this being an

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open road, where the ships can receive little succour from the castles on shore. We took counsel with the commanders of the Turkey ships to land all their fine goods, and having brought several bark loads on shore, the chief commander of the Hollanders sent a threatening message to the Governor, that if we landed any more goods, they would either sink or burn our ships, which they say are besieged by them, and consequently the goods are theirs. As this was strange news to us, we dispatched a post to Florence, to desire the Great Duke's special protection and help to get our goods ashore, which he has very favourably granted, and ordered us all the succour the town can afford us, either by castle, galley, or armed boats; so that to-morrow we shall work again in landing, and hope to accomplish it without any great danger. You thus see the condition of these ships, and that they must lie thus besieged here until you send a dozen good frigates to fetch them off; although Capt. Badiley's three ships might be joined with these here, yet 6 are very unfit to fight with 14. Some of the merchant ships are of good force, but their rich lading rather encourages the enemy. It is rumoured amongst the Dutch that 15 more of their ships are coming hither from Cadiz, and it is suspected that 12 sail of French may come hither from Marseilles. [1½ pages.]

July 13. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The lists of prisoners who stand committed to the Tower, and of other prisoners, to be brought to Council to-morrow, that they may consider what to offer to Parliament concerning them.

2. Capt. Harrison and his lieutenant to attend Council this afternoon.

3. To write Capt. Kendall that, in the absence of Capt. Harrison, he is to receive and observe such orders as shall be sent to the fleet now in the river, either from the commissioners sent from Council to the Downs, from the Lord General, or from Sir Geo. Ayscue.

5. Fras. Owen, merchant of Leadenhall Street, Mr. Perinaut of Bottle Lane, near Billingsgate, and Alex. Holt of Lombard Street, approved as security for Col. Mayo, as to his transporting 3,000 men to Bilboa or St. Sebastian's, and preventing them returning to England, Ireland, or any of the territories of this commonwealth.

7. To write the Army Committee recommending the petition of Major Philip Eyton, that [they may prevent] the inconvenience mentioned therein, which will come to the soldiers in the Isle of Man, by reason of the length of time which will elapse in sending a warrant to Col. Duckenfield, to give his receipt, and return it.

9. The letter from the Customs' Commissioners, with the letter of Thos. Shewell from Bristol, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to confer with the Admiralty Judges, and give order as they find fit.

10. The committee appointed to speak with Monsr. Barrière to meet him to-morrow.

12. The Committee for Examinations to examine Thos. Bushell, of Euston, co. Oxford, and if they find him chargeable with anything, to take bail; if not, to dismiss him.

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13. Dr. Walker to attend the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow by 7 a.m.

14. The petition of James Pickering and Co. referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to confer with Dr. Walker, and report.

15. The Navy Commissioners to send in an account to Council to-morrow what ships are now in the Thames which have been taken from the Dutch, and which of them are fit to be made men-of-war.

16. The Mint Committee to speak with Thos. Bushell concerning what he has to propound as to discovering and working certain rich mines, and to report.

18. The letter from the Ordnance officers, desiring 300*l.* to be imprested to Thos. Hodgkins, to enable him to provide iron bars and double cross bow shot for the fleet, referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to inquire whether the stores are already sufficiently supplied therewith, and if not, where the money may be had for them, and report.

21. The petition of Easter Pope referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report what should be done for him.

22. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to confer with Dr. Walker to-morrow, concerning the putting the ships lately taken from the Dutch into a way of adjudication, and to give order for doing it. [*Also I. 131, p. 10.*]

23. To write the Haberdashers' Hall Commissioners, enclosing copies of the orders for payment of money to Sir David Hasteville, and to desire them to certify Council next Thursday what money they find due to him.

24. The Navy Victuallers having put on board a vessel victuals for 200 men for the northern squadron, and the *Lion*, one of that squadron, having victualled the other ships, and come into Hull to revictual, the 200 men's victuals are to be stayed at Hull for further service.

25. Council to sit to-morrow, at 8 a.m.

26. The petition of ——— Mayart, for leave to transport some Irish soldiers to foreign parts, referred to the committee appointed for that purpose.

27. Mr. Thurloe to appoint fit persons to translate the Parliament's declaration into Latin, French, and Dutch. [*I. 30, pp. 24-29.*]

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Ipswich.

73. Rich. Hayle, Rich. Jeninges, and Fras. Bacon, bailiffs, to the Council of State. We hear from the bailiffs of Southwold that yesterday there were 80 Flemish men-of-war before their town, and that although they did their best to keep them off with their guns, yet they took two vessels. We have given notice hereof to the masters of the ships in this harbour, who intend to lie up until they have a guard, many of them being of considerable burden, and it may be very prejudicial if they should fall into the enemies' hands. We crave your consideration thereof, as also of the security of these coasts. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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2. The Admiralty Committee to consider as to disposing of the Dutch prisoners now at Hull.

8. The petition of Thomas Diamond referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to examine the cause of his commitment, and report.

10. Liberty to be given to Sir Thos. Urquhart to repair to Scotland, on security to return in five months, and not to act to the prejudice of the commonwealth.

11, 12. The Ordnance Committee to consider what should be done for strengthening Aldborough, Dunwich, and Southwold, and what ammunition should be sent thither, and for the security of the Isle of Lovingland, and report; Mr. Greenwood to attend them thereon.

13. Also to consider what maritime places should be fortified, in the present state of affairs between this nation and the Dutch, more especially in the western parts.

14. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning bills and instructions to be proposed to Parliament for settling that place (?), to be considered to-morrow.

15. The petition of Col. Wm. Herbert referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

16. That of Capt. Wm. Digby to the Committee for Plantations, to report.

17. That of Gerrard Van Hoven to the Committee for Examinations to order him a pass, unless they find cause to the contrary.

18. The Earl of Pembroke and Mr. Challoner added to the committee to speak with Monsr. Barrière.

19. The petition of Rich. Skinner referred to the Committee for Forests and Preservation of Timber.

20. That of Stephen Puckle, mariner, referred to the Admiralty Committee, and if they find it to be as alleged, they are to consider of a fit reward for him, and what employment he may deserve.

21. To desire the Lord General to order Major-General Lambert's regiment to march towards Yarmouth, the Isle of Lovingland, and the sea coast of Suffolk, for strengthening the same.

22, 27. To write the Navy Commissioners that Council did not expect such an answer as was sent them, concerning the giving an account of the Dutch ships lately taken, and to require them to proceed to take an account, and send a list thereof, and return it with all speed.

23. The petition of James Orrock, and others of St. Andrew's, Scotland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

24. The list given in to Council, of ships now in the Thames fit to be taken into the service, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to choose 10 of the best, and advise with the Navy Commissioners concerning the same,—especially the propositions made by the owners in reference to their setting out, and what is fit to be given by the State,—and to report.

25. The Ordnance Committee to consider what ammunition is

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necessary for the supply of Yarmouth and Lovingland, and Major White's letter also referred to them.

26. To write Capt. Kendall to sail to Sir Geo. Ayscue, with the first opportunity. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 29-34.]

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74. Council of State to General Robert Blake. The last letter we received from you was off Sunderland, since which we have sent two expresses of the condition of affairs here and in the Downs, and now enclose some intelligence concerning Tromp. Give us frequent notice of your posture, and how we may send to you. Noted "sent by the post to the Governor of Leith, 11 at night." [*Copy*, $\frac{2}{3}$ *page*.]

[July 14.]

75. Petition of Col. Wm. Herbert to the Admiralty Committee, for command of a vessel. Has served Parliament from the beginning of the wars, "and lost much blood and bones" in the service, and is yet unsatisfied of 2,000*l.* due to him therefor. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page*.]

July 14.

COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on a reference affixed of the Council of State of 13 July, concerning Dutch prizes, to report, as the committee's opinion on conference with Dr. Walker, that the said ships and goods, and all others taken from the Dutch, should be proceeded against in the Admiralty Court, and there adjudged for lawful reprisals, for damage sustained by the violence, miscarriage, and irregular proceedings of the Dutch. The Admiralty Judges required to proceed therein with expedition.

2. Dr. Walker to make the appointed alterations in the Act for calling home mariners, and present it to the committee on Friday. [*I.* 131, *p.* 10.]

July 15.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Huet Leat and Randolph Manwaring and Co., referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to confer with the Admiralty Judges thereon.

3. The paper of Monsr. Barrière referred to the said committee, who are to consider what has been propounded to Council as to opening the trade to Bordeaux, and meet to-morrow thereon.

4. The report from the Committee for Examinations concerning Mr. Hamilton approved, and to be reported to the House by the Earl of Pembroke.

5. Mr. Scott and Mr. Dixwell to return the hearty thanks of Council to Capts. Moulton and Limbrie, for their great pains in the journey they took with the commissioners to the Downs.

6. The 4 papers concerning the wants of the castles in the Downs referred to the Ordnance Committee.

7. The paper concerning the wounded men at Dover referred to the Admiralty Committee.

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8. The report concerning Walter Jacobson recommitted to the Admiralty Committee, who are to send for the invoice and papers of the King David, and ascertain what goods belong to the English, and what to the Dutch.

9. The Lord General and Mr. Neville to report to the House that Council, having considered the petition of Sir Oliver Fleming, Master of the Ceremonies, find that he was so appointed by an ordinance of Parliament of 2 November 1643, and authorised to receive and enjoy all such allowances, rights, and privileges, as had at any time belonged to any other master.

That the profits and incidents of the said office were, in the King's time, worth above 1,000*l.* a year; but now there is appertaining thereto only the antient fee of 200*l.* a year, payable out of the Exchequer;—gratuities from foreign public ministers, and other profits, being laid down, as dishonourable to the commonwealth.

That the said 200*l.* a year is no way sufficient for the support of Sir Oliver Fleming, in the quality in which the said employment necessitates him to live, and that its slenderness in time past has, as set forth in his petition, reduced him to want, and constrained him to contract debts.

That it is Council's opinion that his condition should be represented to Parliament, that they may settle a competent salary upon the said office, so that neither Sir Oliver, nor others that enjoy it after him, may be under the temptation of doing things dishonourable.

In regard he has served for many years past, for so small an allowance as 200*l.* a year, in which time his services have been very many, and wherein he has demeaned himself faithfully and very diligently, having no Marshal as formerly,—to request the House to confer upon him such a reward as they think fit, to help him out of his present debt, which otherwise may remain upon him and his family. [*I. 30, pp. 35–38.*]

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2. The ship at Dover, which was bound for Guinea, but has been taken on for the service, to be called the Advantage.

3. To write the Navy Commissioners that the Dutch ship Concord, laden with iron, was sent in to Dover by some of our men-of-war, and as Council have resolved to send her out in the service, they are to give order for fitting her forth with all speed; and that Council have named her the Advantage.

4. The penalty of the Act of Navigation to be suspended, as to the goods mentioned in the petition of John and Wm. Rushout, and Abraham Cullen, merchants.

5. To write the Commissioners for Prize Goods to take care that no damage come by firing the ships in the Thames or in other ports, or other harm to be done to them at this time, as there are so great number of them in port.

6. The question being put whether Capt. Harrison should be continued as captain of the Vanguard, it passed in the negative.

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7. Capts. Haddock and Hall to be employed in the fleet now going out.

8. Capt. Haddock appointed commander of the Vanguard.

9. Council to sit on Tuesday next at 7 a.m., on the business of Ireland.

11. The Admiralty Judges to attend Council to-morrow morning.

12. A messenger to be sent to Mr. Hayes, at the Six Pigeons, near [St.] Bride's, to receive a letter to be sent to Capt. Haddock, near Chatham. [*I. 30, pp. 41-43.*]

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The Leopard,
Leghorn Road.

76. Capt. Hen. Appleton to [the Navy Committee]. The 14 Holland men-of-war have not yet sailed, and are this day upon a council of war. They give out that they will send two ships to Tunis, hearing the Merchant's Delight is there; but I cannot believe they will separate their fleet, and I think if they leave Leghorn, they will go to Messina or Zante, to meet Capt. Badiley if possible, whose safe return to Messina I much desire; we must both endeavour to meet. Some friends of the Hollanders on shore say they are much discouraged because they did not fight us on their first arrival, and they now know that most of our merchant ships have discharged their rich goods, and that there is no hope for them. The Constant Warwick is in Leghorn Road. The difference between the two senates of the Great Duke and the Genoese is now in dispute, and is much to the hindrance of the English here. We have not received any letters for 20 days. [*1 page.*]

July 16. Note that M. Barrière's paper and the order of Council referring it to the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs to consider the opening the trade of Bourdeaux, was this day read in that committee. [*I. 131, p. 11.*]

July 17. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Fras. Todd and John Bird referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

2. That of Edw. Watkins to the Admiralty Judges, to report.

3. To write the Revenue Committee to pay Peter Thelwall 75*l.* due for salary when agent at Brussels.

4. Jeremiah Luther, having been pressed into the service, to be discharged, and have protection for the future, he being incapacitated from an imperfection.

5. The petition of Eliz. Salmon referred to the Admiralty Judges, who are to examine the fact therein mentioned, state the case, and represent it to Council.

6. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue that, as soon as the ships in the river have come to him, he is to stand to the west, for security of the English ships.

7. Capt. Haddock appointed Vice-Admiral to Sir Geo. Ayscue, and to choose his own lieutenant.

8. To write the Navy Commissioners to return the names of three persons fit to be masters of the Sovereign.

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9. The business concerning Capt. Read to be considered next Monday.

11. Col. Morley to present to the House the draft of an Act for calling home English seamen.

12. To write Capt. Kendall to hasten away the ships that are with him to the Downs.

13. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to place the papers of the Dutch Ambassadors given in to Council, in answer to the paper of demands given to them from Council, in such hands that a full and clear answer may be given thereto.

15. Col. Morley and Mr. Hay to speak with Capt. Haddock, and acquaint him with the resolutions taken by Council concerning him, to deliver him his commission, and give him such further directions as they shall judge best, for expediting the service to which he is appointed. [*I.* 30, pp. 43-46.]

July 19. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write the judges of the Western Circuit that Wm. Serjeant and Thos. Mansfield, of Plymouth, are persons who have received and conveyed away powder from the State's ships, the principal of which is now in the fleet with General Blake; and to desire them to bind over the accessories in that business, as also the prosecutors and witnesses, to appear at the next general assizes to be held for that county.

3. To write the Ordnance officers to hasten down from London such guns as are to be put on board the Sovereign.

6. The petition of George Lord Spynie referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine and report.

7. Capt. Reed appointed commander of the Sovereign, and to attend Council forthwith.

8. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue that on his departure out of the Downs, he is to leave a small vessel, a nimble sailer, and another of good force, for clearing the coast of pirates; also to acquaint him with the forwardness of the Sovereign and Antelope, and other ships, and to leave it to him to make Capt. Pack his rear-admiral.

9. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue to give convoy to some ships bound for Newhaven, and bring some from thence, and to do it in such a manner that the public service may not be retarded or prejudiced thereby.

10. Council to consider next Wednesday the disposal of the Dutch ships and goods lately taken.

12. To desire the Lord General to order some forces quartered in the East and West Riding of Yorkshire to draw down towards Scarborough and the sea coasts, for the security thereof.

13. To write the gentry of Yorkshire, giving them an account of what has been done by Council on their letter, as to quartering soldiers near the coast.

14. To write the Navy Victuallers that on Sir Geo. Ayscue's going westward, he will require to be supplied with victuals at Portsmouth

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and Plymouth, and that they are to take care that provision is made at each place for his fleet.

15. The Admiralty Committee to confer with the Navy Committee, as to providing money for the ships with Sir Geo. Ayscue, come from Barbadoes, for the better satisfaction of his men while they are kept out.

17. The Admiralty Committee to confer with the Navy Commissioners as to fitting out the ships to be taken on for this year's service, and as to the state of the victuals, and for how many men's victuals more the State must declare upon this occasion. [*Also Vol. XXIV, No. 77.*]

18. The three ships at Dover represented as fit to be made men-of-war to be forthwith fitted out, and this to be signified to the Navy Commissioners.

19. Mr. Gurdon to report to the House the two letters from the Navy Commissioners, as to providing money.

20. The Admiralty Committee to prepare a state of the fleet in reference to its charge, and particularize the time when every ship is to come in, and bring it to Council. [*Also Vol. XXIV, Nos. 78, 79.*]

21. The Rotterdam, taken from the Dutch and brought into Falmouth, to be called the Falmouth, and be fitted out as a man-of-war, and have a captain and officers appointed; to send to the Navy Commissioners to fit her out.

22. What has been done by the two ketches employed off the Land's End for giving notice to merchant ships for their security, in taking a French man-of-war, approved, and a third part of the value of that ship to be allowed them.

24. The Marmaduke to be set out as a man-of-war in the service.

25. The examination of Capt. Nicholls to be brought to Council to-morrow.

26. The Committee of Law and Examinations to prepare an Act forbidding all persons to hold any correspondence with the Dutch, to the prejudice of this commonwealth.

29. The petition of Daniel Sochen, French merchant of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

30. That of Lieut. Bolton to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

31. To write the Militia Commissioners for co. Devon, to ascertain what money has been levied in that county, on account of the militia, and in whose hands it now is.

33. The charges of Col. Thomson, Mr. Dixwell, and Mr. Scott, sent commissioners from Council to Sir Geo. Ayscue, and to the ships in the river, to be paid by Mr. Frost, out of the exigent money of Council. [*I. 30, pp. 47-53.*]

July 19.
Whitehall.

80. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. We have chosen Mr. Rabnet, master attendant at Chatham, the first of the 3 named by you, to be master of the Sovereign; hasten victuals and provisions to her in the Hope, and assist in supplying her with men. We approve the officers named by Capt. Rose for the Convert,

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and will send them warrants. The Marmaduke and the Rotterdam, now called the Falmouth, as also the 3 other Dutch ships at Dover, are to be speedily fitted out, and the Admiralty Committee will confer with you as to the victualling. [1 page.]

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81. Petition of Thos. Jones, and the rest of the owners of the ship Ann and Joyce, to the Navy Committee, for payment of 34*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* mis-cast in their bill of freight for 3,789*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.*, made out 30 Dec. 1650, and paid. With reference thereon to the Navy Commissioners. [1 page.]

July 20.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Collectors for Prize Goods to send an account what ready money they have for goods sold, and what is owing for prizes sold for which money has not yet been received.

2. Council to proceed in the afternoon with the business of the qualifications for Ireland.

3. Note to send to Mr. Dugard to speak with Mr. Milton as to printing the declaration.

4. Note to send Mr. Milton the order made on Sunday week, concerning Dr. Walker.

5. The Falmouth to carry 100 men, the Marmaduke 160, the 3 prize ships at Dover 120 each, the 2 merchantmen in the river 100 each, the Convert at Hull 120, and the London Merchantman 180; and the Navy Commissioners to give order accordingly.

6. 20 volunteers of the ablest seamen to be taken into the Sovereign, and to be aboard of her during her being at sea this summer; 10 of them to be allowed the pay of masters, and 10 of mates.

7. The Admiralty Committee to name officers for the Falmouth, the 3 prize ships at Dover, and such other ships as are to be set forth as men-of-war; also to consider of Capts. Edwin and Tatnell, recommended by Sir Geo. Ayscue, and nominate them to the command of such ships as they think fit, and report thereon to-morrow.

8. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue that a captain was appointed to the Advantage before the receipt of his letter, but that the 3 prize ships at Dover which are to be fitted out for service have no officers yet appointed, and that in nominating them, the captains offered by him may be taken into consideration.

9. Capt. Pack appointed Rear-Admiral of the fleet commanded by Sir Geo. Ayscue, and a commission to be given him under the seal of Council.

10. The instructions sent in from the Irish and Scotch Committee, for the commissioners to be sent to Ireland, recommitted to them, to report them back again to Council next Thursday.

13. The petition of Jonathan Hyde referred to the Admiralty Committee.

14. The 9th article of the qualifications for Ireland recommitted to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who, on the debate had

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thereon this day, are to amend it and report upon it again on Thursday.

15. Council to proceed with the consideration of the business of Ireland on Thursday.

18. The Lord General, Mr. Scott, Mr. Challoner, and Mr. Love to be a committee to confer with Philip Batalion who has made a proposition to Council for bringing down the price of coals, or with any others concerning that business. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 53, 56, 65.]

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Instructions to Sir Geo. Ayscue, appointed to command the fleet designed for the present guard of the Channel and those seas:—

1. You are to dispose of the fleet under your command in such manner and to such stations that you may thereby secure the English trade from the southward, and especially the ships homeward bound from the Indies, Straits, Guinea, Spain, Portugal, &c., daily expected; and to that end, if need be, you are hereby authorised to send such part of the fleet as you think fit to ply off the Land's End and the Scilly Islands, and further to sea, if necessary.

2. You are to endeavour to take and seize all ships, as well men-of-war as merchantmen and others, belonging to the United Provinces, or any of their people, that come within [your power, and secure them by sending them into some of the ports belonging to this commonwealth or otherwise, as shall be thought fit, without any embezzlement, until further order.

3. You are to take, seize, and secure in like manner [the ships belonging to the French, except such as have license from Council to trade between Dieppe and Rye, and likewise the French fishermen, who usually fish in small vessels or fisher boats upon the coasts of France, Sussex, and Kent, whom you are not to molest or trouble; provided they do not, under pretext thereof, suffer the people of other nations not free to trade and fish as aforesaid, nor colour or transport any prohibited persons or goods.

4. You are required and authorised by force to take and surprise, or otherwise to burn, sink, or destroy all such ships or vessels as resist you in the execution of these instructions.

5. You are to give orders to all the captains and officers of the said fleet, pursuant to the foregoing instructions. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 57, 58.]

July 20.
Whitehall.

Instructions to Jas. Locke, commander of the *Constant Anne*, and Thomas Quixley, commander of the *Batchelor*:—

1. You are with your said ketch to ply to and again about the Land's End, and give intelligence to such English merchant ships as you can meet with, of the present condition of affairs with the Dutch, that they may avoid the danger of being surprised by any Dutch men-of-war in those parts.

2. You are to endeavour with all diligence to discover what number of men-of-war or other ships are upon those seas, and to whom and what country they appertain, and give speedy intelligence

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to Sir Geo. Ayscue, who, with a good squadron of ships, is going towards the west, that he may steer his course accordingly; and you are likewise to give notice to such English merchants as you meet of Sir Geo. Ayscue's coming towards the west.

3. In case you meet with any ships of war or other vessels belonging to the Dutch or French, you are authorised and required, according as you are able, to take and seize upon them, and secure them from embezzlement until further order; nevertheless you are not to take or molest any Frenchmen having liberty from Council to trade between Rye and Dieppe, or such French fishermen as usually fish in fisher boats and small vessels upon the coasts of France, Sussex, and Kent, provided they do not, under pretext thereof, colour or transport any prohibited persons or goods.

4. You are to observe such further directions in the management of this business as you shall receive from Council, General Blake, or Sir Geo. Ayscue. [*I. 30, pp. 59, 60.*]

July 21.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The examinations remaining with Council concerning James Hind to be sent to the judges who go the Berkshire Circuit, and to signify to them that Council leave it to them to proceed against him according to law.

2. The Admiralty Committee to consider what way may be best and most expeditious for disposing of Dutch prizes to sale, and also what persons will be most fit to be entrusted with that employment, and make their report to Council next Friday.

3. That Committee to consider how the Dutchmen may be disposed of, and report to Council next Friday.

4. To consider as to writing General Blake to-morrow afternoon.

5. To write the Navy Committee to contract with the Navy Victuallers for victuals for 829 men for 6 months.

6. To write the Navy Victuallers to like effect.

7. The petition of Capt. Edm. Berriman referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. Also the paper containing a survey of the Dutch prizes in the Thames.

9. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue to omit no opportunity of sailing for the Land's End, for the security of the English ships homeward bound, and expected daily.

10. To write the Navy Commissioners that the Peter of Rotterdam and the Golden Lion of Middleburg are to be set out as men-of-war, and that they are to give order accordingly.

11. To signify to the Ordnance officers that they are to take special care that carriages be made with all speed, for the ordnance for the Sovereign and the Antelope, and they are to require the carpenters employed therein to lose no time.

14. The petition of Charles Lovell referred to the Committee for Examinations.

15. Order to be given for the release of the ship of Jno. Mauger,

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lately taken, and to inform him that he is not to come any more upon the coast of England with guns in his ship.

16. The Admiralty Committee to consider what ships are fit to be sent to the Straits, for the security of the merchant ships there, and to confer with such merchants as they think fit, and report.

17. The paper of Monsr. Barrière given in to Council, concerning ships taken belonging to Bordeaux, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

18. The report concerning Monsr. Barrière to be considered tomorrow.

19. The petition of Eliz. Teresa, wife of Col. Wm. Caverley, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

20. The petition of Jas. Powell, of Bristol, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider what allowance should be made him for the time he has been or shall be employed, and report.

21. The petitions of Wm. Crane, Jno. Lewis, and Mathias Nicolls, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

22. Order on report of the committee appointed to consider of the wife and children of Mr. Frost, late secretary to Council,—that the 1,000*l.* appointed to be paid to the wife and children should be equally divided amongst them, according to the agreement made between them under their hands and seals on that behalf, and produced before the said committee ;—that the said 1,000*l.* should be paid accordingly out of the exigent money of Council.

23. Order on the second part of the report, that a particular be brought in of the debts against which protection should be given.

24. The said committee to consider what Parliament should be moved to do for, and to settle upon the wife and children of the said Mr. Frost, for their better support, with respect to their present necessities. [*I. 30, pp. 61–65.*]

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82. Order in the Admiralty Committee that the Navy Commissioners confer with the Navy Victuallers, and prepare a state of the fleet and charge thereof, by Monday next, on an order of the Council of State. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

July 21.
Duchy Court.

83. Order of the Parliament Committee for the Isle of Axholme, co. Lincoln, that the drawing up of the report concerning the participants and inhabitants of that isle be referred to Col. Sydney, Hen. Darley, Mr. Say, Col. Feilder, Mr. Trenchard, Mr. Nevill, Col. Boseville, Sir Thomas Maleverer, and Mr. Strickland, who are appointed a sub-committee for that purpose, and are to meet this day fortnight. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

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2, 5, 6. To report to Council that the penalty of the Navigation Act should be suspended, as to the goods mentioned in the cases of

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Rich. Hillier and of Solomon Andrews and Walter Tucker, and of Thos. Raven, and the cases reported to Parliament.

3. Mr. Thurloe to prepare speedily an answer to the papers of the Hanseatic agent.

7. To accept the security offered by Col. Fealan, viz., Sir Baltazar Gerbier and two others, for his transporting 1,000 men from Ireland to the service of the King of Spain.

8, 9. The petition of Col. Mainwaring, Major Hawes, Cowper, and Leate to be considered on Friday; all the papers concerning that business and the Santa Clara to be looked up, and the Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker to attend thereon. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 12, 13.]

July 22.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Henry St. John and Co., merchants of London, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs; the examinations concerning the business therein mentioned are to be looked out, and the Admiralty Judges to be conferred with concerning it.

2. The thanks of Council to be returned to Mr. Lisle, for his great care and pains in the journey upon which he was envoy from Parliament to the Queen of Sweden.

3. The account of Mr. Lisle's expenses, in his journey as envoy to Sweden, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to examine and report, so that what has been expended by him may be paid.

4. The business of Ireland to be considered to-morrow.

5. To acquaint General Blake with the state of affairs here, and also what intelligence Council have received from Holland.

6. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to draw up a letter to the East India Company, the Turkish Company, and others, expressing the sense Council have of affairs as they relate to the present difference with the Dutch, and how much the matter of trade in their apprehension is concerned herein.

8. To write Capt. Saltonstall, commander of the Lion, to come with the first opportunity to the southward.

9. Major Salwey to move the House to consider the business of the Treasury of the commonwealth, and likewise the executive part of the Admiralty, that the same may be so settled as to prevent the many difficulties and inconveniences daily arising from the way they are now managed. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 66-68.]

July 22.
Whitehall.

84. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. We send a letter from the Victualling Office, representing that affair differently from your account. Send for the victuallers, and examine and adjust the difference, and report to us this afternoon. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

July 22.
Victualling
Office.

85. Victualling officers to the Council of State. The Navy Commissioners say that you require victuals for 829 men more than formerly declared for. We find that we have already supplied victuals for 943 men more than declared for. Unless we are paid

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for what are already delivered, we cannot be ready to supply other ships without a larger declaration. We need one for the 829 men, and a general one, that what we supply in addition shall be paid for at the present rate. [1 page.]

July 22.
Leghorn.

86. Charles Longland to the Navy Commissioners. Transmission of letters. The sickness at Genoa makes it doubtful whether my letters by France will find a free passage, for the Great Duke admits none from Genoa, and we are consequently destitute of news from England; so I send these by way of Mantua and Antwerp, a longer, yet a secure way.

The Dutch fleet are still in port, and ours in the same posture, and most of the fine goods on shore; if it should prove a total breach with that nation, our ships cannot stir hence, being so much overmatched. If Capt. Badiley's fleet and this were joined, they might make a good shift in a defensive way; but being thus far asunder, and a vigilant cunning enemy in the midst, the danger is very evident, and the merchant ships, being in a port, will not be easily drawn to sea, although Capt. Badiley's fleet were in sight to join them. The felucca I sent to Messina has returned, and my letters were sent from thence to Zante to meet Capt. Badiley, but I doubt we shall not have him here these two months, for the Hunter, a small ship just arrived from Smyrna, reports they did not expect him there until now. [1½ pages.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letter to the several companies of merchants of London to be signed and sent.

2. Capt. Limbrey and Co. to have liberty to set out their ship the Hector, of 110 tons, 14 guns, and 55 men, commanded by Capt. Hen. Greene, as a man-of-war against the enemies.

3. An instruction to be drawn up, giving authority to all vessels whose owners desire it, though under the burden of 200 tons, to go out as men-of-war against the enemies.

4. The letter brought in from the Committee for Examinations to the Commissioners of Haberdashers Hall to be signed and sent.

5. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue what Dutch ships are in the channel, and to send the letter to Portsmouth, Weymouth, and Plymouth, to be sent to him by post.

7. The petition of Otto Zum Voorbrook, recommended to Council from the agent of the Hanse Towns, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider of an answer.

8. Letters of private men-of-war to be given to the captains of such ships as are employed to Greenland by the Muscovy Company.

9. To answer to the petition of the French congregation that they are to apply to a committee appointed for the houses of the commonwealth.

11. Mr. Thurloe to prepare the form to be offered to the House, of an oath to be given to persons employed in the sale of Dutch prizes.

14. The petition of Col. Ralph Harrison referred to the Admiralty Judges, to report.

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16. The Dutchmen taken at sea and brought into port, whose names are in a list annexed to the petition of Mich. Johnson, to have liberty to go home, and have 5s. each given them towards their charges, out of the exigent money of Council.

17. The letter from the Spanish Ambassadors to Council referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

18. That committee to draw up an answer to the said letter, and express the reason why Council has not hitherto given any answer upon his former papers.

19. The letter of Charles Longland from Leghorn referred to the said Committee, who are to order a letter to be written according to his desire.

20. Liberty to be given to the Greenland Company to send a ketch to Greenland, to give notice to their ships upon the fishery there of the present state of affairs, and to have a protection for 12 men.

22. To declare to the victuallers of the fleet that from henceforth, what provisions they deliver to the fleet on special warrant, over and above what are already declared for, shall be paid for according to the rates for which they have been already contracted with.

23. In pursuance of an order of Parliament of the 6th inst., Council have considered as to disposing of the ships and goods lately taken from the Dutch, and are of opinion that they ought to be duly proceeded against in the Admiralty Court, and adjudged lawful prize, towards satisfaction of the damages this commonwealth has sustained, by the violences, miscarriages, and irregular proceedings of the Dutch; and the Admiralty Judges are hereby required to proceed therein accordingly, with all expedition.

24. Dr. Walker, advocate for the commonwealth, having appealed from a sentence in the Admiralty touching the *St. Anthony* and her goods, has now certified that the cause is concluded and ready for sentence, but that the judges of the quorum having gone out of town, it cannot proceed without a commission of adjuncts, and that it has been usual to grant commissions of adjuncts in causes. That the ship and her goods are of great value, and will waste and perish if not speedily adjudged, and that the interest of the commonwealth is clear in the case, especially now as affairs stand with the Dutch. It is therefore ordered that Dr. Walker and the Collectors for Prize Goods attend the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal, and desire them to grant a commission of adjuncts to some fit persons now in town, to hear and determine such matter forthwith. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 68-73.]

July 23. **87.** Order of the Committee for Foreign Affairs that the Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker send their opinion to the Council of State upon the following questions:—

1. Whether upon former damages and no demands made, letters of marque may now be granted.

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2. Whether upon damages and depredations done since hostility broke out letters of marque be grantable, and in such case, whether the ascertaining of wrong and liquidating of damage ought not to precede the granting of those commissions.

3. Upon what conditions commissions for private men-of-war may be granted, for the best service of the public, and encouragement of the takers thereof. [*Draft by Bradshaw. ¼ page.*] *Annexing,*

87. I. *Opinion of Drs. William Clerk, John Exton, Wm. Stephens, and Walter Walker, upon the above questions.*

That on damage done, reparation abroad being refused, appeal is made to the supreme power at home for letters to the power where the wrong is done, which letters are granted, with clause of letters of marque to be given, on failure of justice; but in case of hostility no such demands can be made. Before granting letters of marque the damage should be proved, in the Admiralty Court, but these should not be granted after the lapse of 10 years, if no complaint has been made before.

The conditions have been hitherto grounded on Acts of Parliament, and allow all to the takers except the tenths, but commissions might be granted to those who have no private damages to redress, allowing them only a half or a third, and reserving the rest to the public.—Doctor's Com-mons, 29 July 1652. [3 pages.]

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1. The petitions of Major Hawes and of Leate read. †

2. That of H. St. John to be delivered to the Admiralty Judges, to return their opinions this afternoon. [*I. 131, p. 14.*]

July 23. **88.** Report of Wm. Clerk and John Exton, Admiralty Judges, on the petition of Hen. St. John & Co., merchants of London, referred to them by the Council of State:—

1. That by the evidence of Wm. Bennet, merchant of London, and Walter Williams, mariner of Poplar, the *Mary*, laden with tobacco and calico, valued at 3,500*l.*, arrived at Sally in Barbary, in 1650, and was there sold.

2. That there were then other goods there, value 227*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in the hands of Wm. Clobery, which were to have been put on board the *Mary*, on account of St. John and Company.

3. That this was interdicted by Gavert Reael, commander of the *Moon*, a Holland man-of-war, who said the ship was in pay of the United Provinces.

4. That Bennet was also ordered to redeem divers English captives, but was obstructed by Reael, who said he had orders to interdict all manner of commerce with those of Sally.

5. That besides the goods, Clobery lost 100*l.*

6. That St. John and Company suffered damage to the extent of 1,351*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*, beside losses by demurrage.

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With notes of depositions and statement that, as the troubles between the two nations prevent copies of the proceedings in the Low Countries being taken, they think letters of reprisal may be granted against the Dutch for such losses; but as the proof of the damage done is only supported by one witness, St. John and Company should support that proof on oath. [$3\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

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The Leopard,
Leghorn Road.

89. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. The Holland men-of-war left Leghorn the $\frac{17}{7}$ inst., and the wind being westerly, kept two days in sight. On the 20th, I ordered Capt. Cox to ply after them, and if they went eastward, he was to make all haste to Messina and Zante, to give Capt. Badiley timely notice. The day after his departure, the Holland fleet appeared again, and sent three of their ships in for letters or what was needful; these ply near the Malora waiting for orders, or for the French fleet, of 10 men-of-war of 600 men each, and three fire-ships, who have departed for the second time from Marseilles for Barcelona. No letters from England, so we cannot hear the good news we daily expect. I hope Mr. Domelow has arrived with the express. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

July 25.
Sunday.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Note for a messenger of Council to go to the Yarmouth post, at the Cross Keys, Gracious Street, and tell him not to go out of town to-morrow till he has received a letter from Council.

2. An abstract of the intelligence this day received in letters to be taken, in order to be sent to Gen. Blake and Sir George Ayscue. [*I. 30, p. 74.*]

July 25.
London.

Levant Company to Michael Francis. The Ambassador at Constantinople having, on the death of Mr. Gatward, substituted you to transact the public affairs at the Morea, until we should appoint another consul from hence, we have now made choice of Rich. Middleton, and having received sufficient security here, we have given him his instructions; you are to resign the office to him, and afford him what assistance you can. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., p. 200.*]

July 26.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Jacob Matson, master of the George of Estresse, Norway, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to confer with the Commissioners of Customs as to what should be done for the petitioner.

2. That of Majors Thomas Henderson and William Erskin, prisoners of war in Chelsea College, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to take their examinations in writing, and report, Mr. Corbett to take care of it.

3. That of Capt. Hen. Hatsell, with the book and papers concerning the revenue of Jersey, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to confer with him thereon.

4. Mr. Thurloe to prepare the draft of a letter to the Great Duke of Tuscany, to be offered to-morrow to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, taking notice of his readiness to assist the English ships in Leghorn Road, and desiring him to continue the same, especially

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upon this occasion of the Dutch ships being in considerable numbers there, and giving out an intention of offering wrong to the English.

5. The Admiralty Committee to confer with the Navy Committee as to what ships may be fit to be sent to the Straits, and report to Council what should be done therein.

6. To desire the Lord General to order 200 men to be ready to be sent to the Sovereign and Antelope on Friday.

7. The Navy Commissioners to order some barges to be in readiness at Whitehall Bridge, on Friday.

8. To write General Blake, enclosing a copy of Mr. Longland's letter from Leghorn, as also of the petition of the Turkey Company, and the like to be sent to Sir Geo. Ayscue.

10. The letter of Major-Gen. Deane referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.

11. That committee to consider how such soldiers as are to be disbanded out of the regiments in England may be transported to Ireland, and disposed to the service there, and report.

12. The business of Ireland to be proceeded with to-morrow.

13. The letter of Col. Bingham from Guernsey referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

14. Major Purling to go to Col. Heane at Jersey, in order to the making up of an account depending between them, concerning the expedition thither when that island was taken.

15. The paper presented to Council by Col. Hewson and Adjutant-General Allen, in the name of themselves and the other field officers in Ireland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to consider the propositions contained therein, and report.

16. Lieut.-Col. Roseworm's condition to be considered next Wednesday.

17. The commission formerly given to — Huett to be master of the Sovereign, cancelled.

18. — Scott to be master of the Sovereign, and a commission granted accordingly.

19. The petition of the merchants of the Intercourse, referred to Council by order of Parliament, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs to report. [*I. 30, pp. 75-79.*]

July 27. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letter from Weymouth referred to the Ordnance Committee.

2. Liberty to be given to the Ambassadors of Denmark to send back the ships in which they came, with some of their men, moveables, and baggage, free from search or any impediment, and a warrant to be issued to the Commissioners of Customs to that purpose.

3, 5. The committee appointed to treat with the Danish Ambassadors to meet them to-morrow at 3 p.m., at the usual place in Whitehall, Sir Oliver Fleming to inform them, and attend them to the audience, and notice to be given to the commissioners.

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4. Mr. Carew and Mr. Salwey appointed to further examine Mr. Barnard, as to where the Earl of Worcester is concealed.

6. The account of Major Tolhurst, of money disbursed by him for buying horses for the service, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider out of what treasury it may be speedily paid.

7. Thos. Williams referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine him concerning the trunk of gold which was left in his custody by Charles Stuart, or was belonging to him or his adherents, and report.

8, 9. John Cleypool to be left out of the commission for the sale of Dutch prizes, and Robert Turpin added to Mr. Hill and Mr. Wilson. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 79-81.]

July 27. Instructions to the commissioners for disposing of goods taken in the Dutch ships:--

1. You are to take into your charge all such goods, merchandise, and commodities, on board any vessel belonging to any of the people of the United Provinces, as have been or shall be taken by ships in service of the State, and stayed in any ports by authority from Council, and likewise all such vessels, and the tackle, furniture, and apparel thereto belonging.

2. You are to cause exact inventories to be made of the said goods, and the same to be appraised according to the true value, by three able men to be nominated by you, which appraisers, together with yourselves, are to subscribe their names to the said inventories and appraisement, to be fairly entered in two several books for that purpose.

3. After such inventories and appraisements made, you shall cause the said goods to be sold by the candle, for the best advantage, and not under the value they are appraised at; and shall, by the best ways and means you can, prevent any embezzling of the said goods, and all frauds and deceits in the inventorying, appraising, or selling them.

4. You shall, on every Monday afternoon, present to the Admiralty Committee a true and perfect account in writing of all goods sold by you, with the names of the buyers, and the prices; and the money thereby arising you shall pay to the Navy treasurer, whose acquittances shall be a sufficient discharge.

5. You shall retain for your care and pains herein 2*d.* in the pound of the money arising on the sale of the said goods. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 81-83.]

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1. Mr. Corbett, the Earl of Pembroke, and Mr. Nevill added to the committee appointed to treat with the Danish Ambassadors.

2. The representation of Sir Jno. Cocheran referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to examine him and report.

3. The said Committee to examine Christ. Leutner, and report.

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4. The order of Parliament concerning North Wales to be considered this day week.

5. The draft of a letter to the Spanish Ambassadors brought in referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who, on a view of the orders of Parliament concerning that business, are to prepare the draft of a letter, and bring it to Council.

6. The petition of Jno. Arnett referred to the Committee for Examinations.

7. Order, on the petition of Rich. Child, that a letter be written to the commissioners in Ireland to the same effect as was sent to Col. Duckenfield.

9. Council to consider to-morrow the order of Parliament concerning the Earl of Worcester's being brought to trial.

10. The three quarters' salary of 10*l.* a year, due to Hen. Shotwell for attending the committee of Parliament for Whitehall, to be paid him out of the exigent money of Council.

12. The petition of Thos. Love of Plymouth referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who, if they find it convenient, are to give him a license, under the usual restrictions and limitations.

14. The petition of Thos. Cooke, minister, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to discharge him if they find his case within the Act for general pardon, and order his bonds to be delivered up.

15. The remainder of the papers brought in as a report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, in reference to carrying on the business of Ireland, recommitted to the same committee, to consider which of them are necessary to be first despatched, in order to Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood's speedy going over to Ireland, and to report.

16. The Earl of Rothes to have liberty to go 10 miles from the city of London, notwithstanding his restraint to the city and lines of communication.

17. Query whether the commission for the master of the Sovereign, ordered on Monday, has been made out.

18. Capt. Moulton dismissed from further attendance on Council, and to return to his charge at Portsmouth.

19. Liberty to be given to the Earl of Traquahair to remain four months longer at Berwick, unless the Commander-in-Chief there see cause to the contrary.

20. To write Lord Grey and James Challoner to permit the Danish Ambassadors to take their pleasure in the parks under their command, and to kill what venison they think fit.

21. Sir Oliver Fleming to acquaint them that Council have given order to the keepers of Hyde Park and Hampton Court Park to permit them to take their pleasure there, and to kill venison. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 84-89.]

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1. The account of Mr. Lisle, late envoy from Parliament to the

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Queen of Sweden, in reference to that journey, referred to the auditors of imprest, to report.

2. Lord Bradshaw and 3 others appointed a sub-committee on Col. Bennett's business. [*I.* 131, *p.* 14.]

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1. The papers and petition of Claus Bobbasin, received yesterday from the Danish Ambassadors by the committee appointed to meet with them, and now read to Council, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

2. The petition of Sir Fras. Wortley referred to the Committee for Examinations.

3. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to receive from Sir Belthazar Gerbier to-morrow what he has to offer in reference to the public, and report.

4. Copies of the declaration of Parliament concerning the business of the Dutch to be sent to each of the Ambassadors and public ministers in town, and also to the public ministers of this commonwealth abroad; Mr. Thurloe to give order that some of them be fairly bound for those purposes.

5. Mr. Nevill to report to the House—in pursuance of the order of Parliament referring it to Council to consider in what way the Earl of Worcester may be tried—Council's opinion that he should be tried by a High Court of Justice.

6. The letter of intelligence from Holland to be translated, and a copy sent to Sir Geo. Ayscue, by the next post.

8, 9. Capt. Reed to choose some honest and able minister to go to sea with him, as minister to the Sovereign, and the Admiralty Committee to consider of a fit allowance for him.

10. To write the Navy Commissioners to order the advance of some money for fitting a surgeon's chest for the Sovereign.

11. Capt. Reed to keep constant guard on the Sovereign, and take account of all who pass in or out of her.

12. The persons appointed her lieutenant and master to repair immediately aboard, and exercise their charge.

13. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider the satisfaction to be offered to Major-General Lambert, for his expenses in preparing to go over to Ireland.

14. Council to consider to-morrow the nomination of persons fit to go over as Commissioners to Ireland.

15. The Irish and Scotch Committee to give order for the shipping necessary to transport 100 horse into Ireland, with Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood.

16. Note to see what moneys are ordered by Council to be set apart for the use of the commissioners in Scotland, and copy out the orders.

17. The report from the Admiralty Committee, concerning the St. Ann of St. Sebastian, belonging to the Prince of Condé, referred back to the said committee, to confer with the Admiralty Judges, and report to-morrow.

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18. Mr. Sidrack Sympson, Owen, Carill, Strong, Lockyer, Brookes, Thomas Goodwin, Knight, and Peters to meet on Tuesday at 3 p.m., at the Lord General's house at the Cockpit, with Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Col. Hewson, and other officers, to advise about providing some godly persons to go into Ireland to preach the Gospel; the State to provide fitting encouragement for them therein.

19. Parliament to be moved to consider the speedy passing of the Act before them, for satisfying the adventurers for Ireland their proportions, the soldiers their arrears, and for giving encouragement to planters.

20. To consider to-morrow the 4th, 5th, and 6th articles of the Irish and Scotch Committee's report of 29 June concerning Ireland, and especially the moving of Parliament to approve the declarations of the commissioners in Ireland in the 4th article.

21. To represent to Parliament Council's opinion of the advantage of free trade with France, and to move them to give means for such trade, under such restrictions as they think fit, notwithstanding the Act prohibiting the importation of wines, wool, or silk from France. [*I. 30, pp. 89-94.*]

July 30.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The close imprisonment of Sir Sackville Crow in the Tower to be taken off, and this to be signified to the Lieutenant.

2. License to be given to David Bonnell, merchant of London, to import from Holland, by way of Flanders, certain goods manufactured there, bought by him, he giving in a list to the clerk of the Council.

3. The Admiralty Committee to confer with a person propounding the making of pitch and tar out of fir timber in Scotland, and to report, after conference with him.

5. The petition of Sir John Wintour to go down to Bath for recovery of health refused; he being committed to the Tower by Parliament, Council cannot give him liberty.

6. Liberty given to Katherine Simons to transport broken and decayed butter, not exceeding 400 barrels, provided it be not taken into the United Provinces.

7. The petition of Rich. Fauconer referred to the Committee for Examinations.

8. The petition and account of the Ordnance officers referred to the Ordnance Committee, to report.

10. Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, Mr. Love, Mr. Carew, Mr. Holland, Mr. Challoner, and the Earl of Pembroke, added to the committee for disposing of Irish foot to foreign states and princes.

11. Liberty given to Col. Thos. Plunkett to transport from Ireland into the service of the King of Spain 3,000 Irish foot or more, and the committee thereon to consider what security he should give for his performance, which, if approved, is to be taken by the Clerk of the Council.

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings (*cont.*)

12. Power to be given to the committee for disposing of Irish prisoners to treat with any Ambassador, agent, resident, envoy, or secretary, or with any other person, concerning the transport of Irish prisoners into foreign service.

13. The medal given by Parliament to Col. Mackworth to be paid for out of the contingent moneys of Council, according to the bill given in to the Council, and signed John Borrodale.

14, 15. The petitions of Mary Taylor, widow, and of several Frenchmen and Spaniards, who were in the Marmaduke, brought in from Prince Rupert, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

18. That of Capt. Norris, Cornet Brockhurst, and five more, referred to Col. Heane.

19. To write to the Army Committee that before the time of reducing the foot regiments to 700, the Lord General's and Major-General Deane's regiments were sent to the Isle of Man, with directions to complete their regiments to 1,200 each; and being employed in the reduction of that island, the orders for disbanding all above the number of 700 were not given until Nov. 16th last. To desire them, therefore, to give warrant to the war treasurers to pay to Col. Worsley and Lieut.-Col. Mitchell, 14 days' pay for the officers and soldiers allowed on the muster of Oct. 20th, above the number then allowed upon the establishment. [*I. 31, pp. 1-5.*]

July 30.

Order in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs to request Council to give Sir B. Gerbier a pass to go beyond seas, and to bestow 50*l.* on him, for his long attendance to acquaint them with some particulars relating to the service. [*I. 131, p. 16.*]

July 31.

Leghorn.

90. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. I have not received any letters since 21 May. The Dutch report that 12 of their ships-of-war that guarded their fishermen fought with 10 of ours, and sunk four and took two. The Dutch men-of-war departed hence the 27th inst., but are coming in again, which makes me fear they intend keeping here, to separate Capt. Badiley's squadron and this. It is rumoured here that the States of Holland have ordered all their merchant ships in the Straits to be made men-of-war. Consider the condition of our ships here, bound up by so strong an enemy, their provisions nearly consumed, in a dear country, and money scarcely to be found by exchange. [*1 page.*]

Aug. 2.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of John Stevens, commander of the London, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, and the owners of the ship to come to the committee on Wednesday, to give account of their refusing to contribute towards setting her out.

2. The warrant and orders for committing Mr. Prynne to be looked out against Wednesday.

3. The small vessels sent to sea by the Mayors and Governors of the ports and towns in the west, for giving notice to merchant ships

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homeward bound to look to their own safety, to be discharged (except the two sent from London), and they to send an account of the charge, that payment may be made.

4, 5. Signor Amerigo Salvetti to have audience to-morrow at 4 p.m., and the appointed committee to meet him at that time in the usual place in Whitehall; Sir O. Fleming to give him notice, and notice to be given to the above committee.

6. To write to Sir Geo. Ayscue leaving to him the season of conveying to Portsmouth the East India and other merchant ships now in Plymouth.

8. The petition of Katherine Fermes, widow, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

9. The business of Ireland to be proceeded in to-morrow.

10. The members of Council to be summoned for to-morrow at 7 a.m.

12. The Ordnance officers to view the guns taken in the Dutch prizes, and certify with all speed which are fit to be reserved for the use of the State.

13. The committee for sale of Dutch prizes to sell any of the ships, with their tackle and furniture, and the goods taken in them, except the guns and ammunition.

14. Thos. Stevens dispensed with from employment as lieutenant to the Sovereign.

15. The petition of And. Brograve, Christopher Pett, and Mr. Taylor, for the place of Peter Pett, deceased, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to inform themselves of their fitness, and report.

16. The petition of David Moise referred to the said Committee.

17. The Committee for disposing of Prisoners to examine Albert Cunningham, prisoner at Chester, who remains there upon the late engagement at Worcester, and to report. [*I. 31, pp. 5-9.*]

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London.

Levant Company to Morgan Read, consul at Leghorn. We received yours, intimating what has passed at Leghorn in reference to the Holland fleet, and their attempts upon our ships, who resolved thereupon to land their goods; and we desire you to express our approbation of what has been done, and to thank the masters for their care and pains; every one of us interested is willing to bear the charge of such landing and of the Lazaretto, and when the ships return, we will recompense both masters and mariners, according to their merits in so great an exigent. We cannot give particular directions at this distance, but must leave the case to be managed as occasion offers. We approve your advice for the Warwick frigate at Genoa to meet Capt. Badiley, and wish it were so, if Capt. Appleton agrees.

We are not backward in soliciting for more ships to be sent hence to the Straits, for securing the rest home, and hope shortly to procure it, though it is suspended in regard of the absence of the greatest part of our navy in the north. Meantime the Council of State, to show how well they resent the friendly respect

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of the Great Duke, have sent him a letter of thanks, and will entertain a strait correspondence with him, and forbear ought that may occasion discontent; and we believe His Highness will think it meet to prohibit the Dutch men-of-war from remaining there, or using any hostile attempt, or violating the freedom of his port; then Capt. Appleton and the rest of the ships may likewise the better attempt a meeting with Capt. Badiley. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., pp. 198, 199.*]

Aug. 3. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Wm. Troughton, concerning false coiners, referred to Dr. Gurdon, who is to make the best use he can thereof for the service.

2. That of John Bright, late one of the master shipwrights, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. The letter of Gen. Blake, with the enclosed list, to be reported to Parliament, and Major Salwey to make this report, and bring the papers back.

4. The letters from Leghorn, and the list of merchant ships in the Straits, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider and report.

5. Also the letters of Capt. Reed and Peter Pett, from aboard the Sovereign.

6. [John] Gunter to be committed to the Serjeant-at-arms, in order to his further examination.

7. The order of Parliament as to preserving the peace of South and North Wales, with some letters produced in reference to that business, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are likewise to examine John Gunter, this day committed to the Serjeant-at-arms.

8. Mr. Freeman to be sent for by one of the deputies to the Serjeant-at-arms, and brought in safe custody to Council.

9, 14. Order, on the petition of Col. Rich. Grevis,—who has been bailed for a time now expired, for enlargement of time and further liberty,—that if he give in bond as before with two sureties, to render himself prisoner within 20 days' summons during six months, not to depart without leave, and meantime to do nothing prejudicial, he be discharged from his present restraint.*

10. Thos. Williams of Worcester, sent for to be examined concerning his having a small trunk of gold left with him belonging to Chas. Stuart, to be discharged, his examination having been read at Council.

11, 12. The petitions of Capt. Chas. Lovell and of Robert Waldron referred to the Committee for Examinations.

13. That of Cornet John Brockhurst to the Admiralty Committee.

16. The paper given by Signor Amerigo Salvetti to the Com-

* This entry is in rough draft, entirely in Bradshaw's hand.—Ed.

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missioners of Council who gave him audience, and by them reported to Council, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.

17. Four ministers appointed to go over to Ireland, and 50*l.* to be paid to each out of the contingent money, when they shall be nominated by Council.

18. The Irish and Scotch Committee to bring in the draft of the Act concerning stating soldiers' accounts in Ireland.

19. Mr. Scott to send to Parliament the report ordered by Council concerning the business of Ireland.

20. The Committee for Examinations to consider the condition of Major Adams, and to report what should be done for him.

22. The Admiralty Committee to consider what is to be given to the person who came express from Capt. Appleton in the Straits.

24. Council having appointed that the *Peter* of Rotterdam, one of the Dutch prizes, be fitted out as a man-of-war, and being informed that her lading still remains aboard, the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes are to order the unloading of all such goods, that there may be no further delay in setting forth the ship. [*I.* 30, *pp.* 9-19.]

Aug. 3.

[Report from the Committee of Examinations.] In pursuance of an order of Parliament to consider the condition of Major Adams, and report, Council,—considering the importance of his timely discovery, and thorough prosecution of the traitorous design of Mr. Love, the minister, and his accomplices, the hazards he has run through, and will be liable to, the loss of his calling, and his imprisonment, &c., and how much the favour of the State to him may encourage others to discover such treasons,—are of opinion that Parliament should settle on him lands of inheritance of 200*l.* a year in Ireland. That he should be recommended to the Parliament Commissioners for Ireland for employment there, and should be under special protection; and as his present condition is somewhat low, and it will be some time ere the 200*l.* a year can be settled upon him, that 100*l.* should be advanced for taking thither himself and family. [*I.* 31, *pp.* 15, 16.]

Aug. 4.

91. Act settling the forfeited estates of William Lord Craven and 28 other delinquents, on William Skinner and 6 other trustees, for the benefit of the Navy (saving rights of dower and debts, &c. due in equity before 20 May 1642, claimed before 1 Oct. 1642, and allowed by the Commissioners for removing obstructions in the sale of lands), to be by them sold; and meanwhile, for carrying on the present service, 200,000*l.* to be borrowed on security of the said lands, by way of doubling the sum due to any person or body corporate, upon the public faith. Sir John Wollaston, Thos. Andrews, John Dethick, and Fras. Allein, Aldermen of London, to be treasurers. Saving of a claim of George Joyce, of Portland, Isle of Wight, to 100*l.* a year, and of the rights of Chas. Fleetwood, and Frances his late wife. Portions of the lands appointed to be sold to be set aside, for payment of incumbrances. [*13 pages, printed.*]

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1. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider what is to be advanced to Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, for the cost of his journey to Ireland.

3. To write to the commander of the ships in the Downs to give Lady Norton passage from Calais to Dover, if it can be done without prejudice.

4. The justices of peace to assist Dr. Gurdon, master workman of the Mint, in apprehending all coiners of false money, and in examining them and their adherents, and bringing them to be proceeded against.

5. The Admiralty Committee to consider of the speedy setting forth of the London, and also of some fit person to be captain, and to report on Friday.

6. To write to the Mayors of Lynn, Yarmouth, Ipswich, and Harwich, to impress the proportions of men mentioned in the margin, and order them to go to the Navy Commissioners in London, in order to be disposed of in ships for the public service.

9. Council to sit to-morrow at 7 a.m.

10. The report made from the Committee for Examinations, in the case of Major Adams, approved, and Mr. Scott to report it to Parliament.

11. The order for detaining the arrears of Col. John Humfrey (due to him for service at the High Court of Justice), in the hands of Mr. Manley, to be looked out and brought in.

12. The petition of Mr. Cooke referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and report.

13. To write to Sir Geo. Ayscue to acquaint him with the intelligence in reference to Gen. Blake, and of the coming of some Dutch ships towards him.

14. An extract of such intelligence as has come this day to be prepared against to-morrow, and sent to Gen. Blake.

15. To write to the Mayors of Milton, Rye, and Hastings, that several men have been pressed from those places, a list of whom is enclosed, but have not appeared; or if they did, have run away; and to desire them to cause examination to be made concerning those persons, and them to be proceeded against for their offences. [*I.* 31, *pp.* 20-23.]

Aug. 4. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order that the person who came from Leghorn, and was examined in Council yesterday, concerning Capt. Appleton's taking a French vessel near Leghorn, put his message in writing. Noted, Amerigo Salvetti.

2. To write Capt. Appleton of the Grand Duke's complaints of violation offered to his free port, which Council resents, and desires there may be no such thing for the future.

3. Order, on report from the auditors of imprests on Mr. Lisle's accounts, that Council be requested to pay him 380*l.*, by which his disbursements exceed his receipts. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 16, 17.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letter from Gen. Blake to Council to be presented to Parliament by Mr. Scott.

2. To write to Sir George Ayscue, enclosing the said letter, and telling him Council's opinion that Blake knew not what ships of the enemy were moving towards him, and to desire him to observe previous orders of Parliament or Council.

3. The members of Council now in town to be sent for to attend at 3 p.m.

7. The latter part of the order of Parliament of this day referred to the Admiralty Committee, to examine and report.

8. The petition of the Eastland merchants and of the Levant merchants, and the answer of the latter to Council's letter, to be considered to-morrow.

9. The Admiralty Committee to request the Navy Victuallers to give orders that as soon as General Blake shall come upon the shore of Yorkshire, or into the seas thereabouts, he may be speedily supplied with provisions, Council being informed that 500 men's provisions are in readiness at Hull.

10. That committee to speak with the Navy Victuallers concerning the providing some small wines for making beverage for the fleet, and to report.

11. The letters of General Blake to Sir Geo. Ayscue and of Capt. Nixon to the Speaker, referred to that committee.

12. The said committee to confer with the Navy Commissioners and Victuallers, concerning providing victuals in the northern ports for the fleet under General Blake.

13. To write to General Blake to take the victuals out of such ships as he finds unfit for present service, which ships he is to send into port, and to put them on board the rest of the ships. Also to set on shore the prisoners he has taken, writing to the sheriffs of the several places to make provision for them till further order from Council, who will reimburse the money laid out by the sheriffs.

14. Note that yesterday's order concerning the coining of false money was sent to Mr. Gurdon. [I. 31, pp. 24-28.]

Aug. 5.
The Leopard,
Leghorn Road.

92. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. I hope mine of the 25th June and the 2nd and 9th of July have arrived, although since that, the State of Genoa and the Duke of Florence, upon pretence of sickness, have peremptorily denied each other Prodict (*sic*), and the English letters have been stayed for several weeks, which, in this conjuncture of affairs, may prove dangerous. Kates, with 12 sail, is still in sight; he has dispatched his other 2 for Genoa, where their agent is taking up several other ships. The general discourse here is that Holland will break with us, and the loud language of their friends assures the breach.

You know the condition of this squadron; though the Constant Warwick could not have made us equal to our enemies, yet its absence makes us considerably weaker; and the protection of this port will scarcely poise the disservice we shall receive from the most unnaturally disaffected here on shore. The merchantmen have

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landed their fine goods, and we all ride as near the Mold as we can for defence.

I received your order as to consulting with Mr. Longland about the advancement of the public service, and none of your servants will be more zealous than myself; but in case the enemy, seeing our ships discharged of their goods and in harbour, should seek for Capt. Badiley, my constant advice to him would give him the opportunity of securing himself in some port, as their departure would give me an opportunity of joining with him; but with only 2 ships, myself and the Bonadventure, the danger would be too great. Should I take up the merchant ships, who would willingly go if I could assure them satisfaction from you, and such pay as the rest of the ships in your service have, I would then defy their fleet, nor question meeting with Capt. Badiley; but where is my order? I believe with two or three months' pay, I could entice most of the 200 English and Scotch from the service of these Dutch ships, who owe them above 15 months' pay, and feed them very hardly; this would much weaken them, and make our merchantmen good men-of-war; there is no other way for that design but this, or endeavouring to have men from Venice upon some such terms.

News has just come from Genoa that Sir Geo. Ayscue has put ashore on the coast of France, and taken most of the Dutch fleet from Rochelle, and other Dutch ships going to their East India men, which is welcome news to us. [1 $\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

Aug. 6. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Oliver Fleming to give notice to the Spanish Ambassador Extraordinary that Council appoints 5 o'clock this afternoon or Monday to give him audience.

2. The letter to General Blake to be sent forthwith by way of Hull, and duplicates by way of Scarborough and Yarmouth.

3. Mr. Frost to pay, by Mr. Challoner's directions, what on Mr. Thuloe's account appears due, for putting the picture of the commonwealth of England in the frontispiece of the *Mare clausum*.

4. Thomas Challoner and Mr. Corbett to speak with the Navy Committee, concerning paying the victuallers the sum mentioned in the paper delivered in to Council, and to press them thereunto, from the necessity of the present affairs.

5. The Admiralty Judges to consider the business of the King David, Walter Jacobson, master, stayed in Dover Road, and to proceed according to law, taking care of that part of the Dutchmen's goods which belongs to the State.

6. The report concerning the persons in prison for counterfeiting debentures to be taken on Wednesday.

7. The Admiralty Committee to consider whether Captain Ellis Jacobson, or another, is fittest to be captain of the London; Mr. Coytnor to inquire into their merits, and inform the committee.

8. The petitions of Andrew Auchinlick and John Robinson, ministers in Scotland, now prisoners in the Tower, referred to the Committee of Prisoners, to examine them and report.

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9. The paper delivered in by the Spanish Ambassador in his audience before Council referred to the Committee of Foreign Affairs, to prepare an answer and report; the committee are to meet upon it on Monday at 8 a.m., and to report by Tuesday afternoon.

10. The Commissioners for sale of the Dutch prize goods to pay to the victuallers the first 15,826*l.* 16*s.* 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.* arising on their sale, by such sums as they receive from time to time.

13. The Ordnance officers to consider of the wages of boatswains, gunners, and carpenters, who complain of the smallness thereof, and to present to Council a reasonable establishment of wages.

14. Commissions for private men-of-war to be given to those in Scotland who desire them, blank commissions, prepared here by the Admiralty Judges, being sent to the Governor of Leith, with the clause inserted that they shall be subject to the orders, &c. of Parliament or Council.

15. The said judges and Dr. Walker to be here to-morrow at 8 a.m.

16. The Navy Commissioners to be at the Admiralty Committee on Monday at 8 a.m.

17. That Committee to speak with the Navy Commissioners and Victuallers concerning providing victuals for 12,000 men for one month, and to give directions into what ports to dispose the same.

18. The petition and examinations of Captain Matthew Penny referred to the Admiralty Judges, to report with speed.

19. George Payler, Surveyor of Ordnance, to have liberty to go to Yorkshire for 6 weeks, leaving a sufficient deputy.

20. John Williamson, master of the *Deborah* of London, employed by Col. Chris. Mayo to carry provisions from hence for transporting 3,000 Irish into Spain, to have liberty to pass with his ship and 16 men, free of impress.

21, 22. The petitions of Lieut.-Col. Wm. Innis and of James Relford referred to the Committee of Prisoners. [*I.* 31, *pp.* 29–33.]

Aug. 6.
Whitehall.

93. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. We have written to the victuallers, who undertake to make provision for 12,000 men for one month, one moiety to be ready by the 16th and the other by the 26th, at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* a man per day. We have advanced them 15,826*l.* 16*s.* 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.* out of the Dutch prizes, the better to enable them to perform this service. I refer them to you as to quality, price, appointment of ports, &c., for which you must attend the Admiralty Committee. [*1 page.*]

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Victualling
Office, London.

94. Thos Alderne, John Limbery, and D. Randers, victualling officers, to the [Council of State]. As to provisions for the fleet between here and Hull, we can supply 12,000 for one month, if we can have present pay of what is already due, viz., 23,859*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.*; the balance, viz., 15,845*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.*, could be paid by monthly instalments between now and March; what is now under proposal, being

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11,900*l.*, to be paid in 6 equal payments, at the rate of 8½*d.* a man a day. Authority should be given for taking up ships to carry provisions to the General of the fleet, and the receipts of the shipmasters for the provisions should be our sufficient discharge, in passing our accounts. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 6. **95.** Answer of the Governor and Company of Merchants trading to the Levant Seas to the Council of State. We find we are utterly incapable of setting out ships by letters of marque, not only in respect of our late many and great losses by the French fleet in the Straits, but by the present want, and the hazard of so great an estate as we now have there, being under two distinct convoys, whereof one is now at Leghorn, and the other expected from Seanderon.

For defence whereof,—since the present affairs of the State will not suddenly admit of a considerable number of ships going from hence, and because it is probable both convoys may be unable to join without further assistance and special order,—we propound, as a matter tending to the honour of this commonwealth and the security of all the said ships, that the State shall entertain in their service the Sampson and those other ships now mostly unladen at Leghorn, as also what other merchant ships within the Straits are in a capacity of being men-of-war; and order all those ships, both merchants and convoys, to endeavour a conjunction, whereby they may be in a better posture to resist the Hollanders, and to return themselves and that great estate home with more security, which we are willing shall meantime remain at Leghorn, as should the same be intercepted, it would render us unable to set out more ships for trade; but if it should be brought home, we may then be enabled to freight our merchant ships upon such terms as may make them men-of-war, and thereby do such service to the State as cannot be now expected from us. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 7. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

The letter now read to be forthwith sent to Sir Geo. Ayscue by express, being signed by Colonel Purefoy, President *pro tempore*. [I. 31, p. 34.]

Aug. 9. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Col. Purefoy to be President till this day month.

5. The Admiralty Committee to consider what is writ to Mr. Carew by Colonel Hunkin, about fitting out a ship at Dartmouth for scouring the seas of pirates, and to give such directions as they think fit.

6. The letter from the commissioners for Ireland of 6 July, and the bill of exchange for 1,000*l.* charged on Mr. Leman and Mr. Blackwell by Wa. Cooper, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

7. To write to Col. Morley, approving what he and other gentlemen have done upon the appearing of the Dutch fleet on the sea coast of Sussex, and to tell him that if necessary, he is to raise forces for defence of the country.

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8, 19. The petitions of Henry Stephens, and of Lionel Skinner, merchants, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.

9. Order that 625*l.* 9*s.* be paid from the contingent money of Council to the officers of the High Court of Justice, viz. :—

	<i>£</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Serjeant Dendie 38 weeks, from 7 April to 31 December 1651 -	190	0	0
Mr. Barnard 38 weeks 13 days, from 4 April to 31 December 1651 -	153	14	0
Mr. Kilburn 23 weeks 3 days, from 26 July to 31 December 1651	78	10	0
Mr. Norton 34 weeks, from 6 May to 31 December 1651	102	0	0
Mr. Pauncefort 22 weeks 3 days, from 26 July to 31 December 1651 -	67	0	0
Mr. Standbridge 23 weeks 3 days, from 26 July to 31 December 1651	34	5	0
	625	9	0
	625	9	0

10. Order, on the petition of Antonio Fernandez Carvajal, that the Committee for the sale of Dutch prizes forbear to sell the wools taken aboard the ship Peter, till further order.

11. The Admiralty Judges to report thereon with all speed.

12. The petition of the widows of the ship's company in the John, lost in the service, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

13. Also the petition of John de Coste, a Portuguese, to consider his condition, and report what should be done for his relief.

14, 15, 17. The petitions of James Powell, of Bristol, of Marie Gernon, and of Lieut.-Col. Roseworm, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

16. That of Hugh Ramsey, prisoner in the Tower, to the Committee for Prisoners.

20. Order on the petition of Meredith Higham, that he give a particular account to the clerk of Council of the places where the arms of the late King remain still unremoved, that further orders may be given for taking them down.

21. To signify to the Lieutenant of the Tower that Lord Spynie and Lieut.-Gen. David Leslie, now prisoners in the Tower and lodged with John White, are not to be discharged till they have paid their warder what is due for their keep.

22, 27. The petitions of Colonel Francis Farrington and of Wm. Brome referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

24. Order on the petition of the Countess of Ormond, that she may have 3 months longer to remain in England, at the expiration of which time she is to depart the commonwealth's territories.

26. David Leigh, prisoner, to be released, on bail approved by Mr. Thurloe.

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28. The letter from the bailiffs of Yarmouth referred to the Admiralty Committee.

29. The instructions for such persons as shall be sent commissioners to the fleet to be considered to-morrow. [*I.* 31, *pp.* 34–41.]

Aug. 9.

96. Order in the Admiralty Committee that the Navy Commissioners survey the Golden Lion, now in the Thames,—ordered for service, but condemned in the Admiralty Court as prize to the merchants that trade to Virginia, who took her there on a letter of marque,—and if she be fit for service, that they confer with the owners for hiring of her. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Aug. 9.
Deptford.

97. John Holland [Navy Commissioner, to the Navy Commissioners]. I could not, in faithfulness to my trust in the service, neglect my endeavours to prevent the great damage that has so long attended the service, by permitting the master shipwright to keep a private yard, for the ensuing reasons.

1. He that is the State's master shipwright, and yet keeps a private yard, has such a latitude of abusing the State, in timber, plank, masts, and deals used by the State and himself, that if he be false in his trust, he may, without possibility of tracing, embezzle, or at least exchange, the State's provisions.

2. The like latitude is thereby given him in the point of men serving the State, who, though borne on the State's yard or ships, may yet work in his private yard, and be sent out of the State's works and yard to accommodate his private work; good men may be exchanged for his bad, apprentices for freemen, boys for men, and the service may suffer severely, and that without discovery or remedy.

3. His attention and that of his officers is divided between the State's yard and his own.

4. The master shipwright not only has an assistant, but there are generally between 300 and 400 men under him, whose wages come to at least 40*l.* a day, and if the work is not answerable to the wages, and their neglect is occasioned through his absence at a private yard, then what is so lost daily is justly chargeable upon the master shipwright, who is attending his interests in his own yard, when he should be performing his duty in the State's yard.

5. Timber is wasted for want of being looked after.

6. The State formerly paid the master shipwright in various ways, viz., 2*s.* a day upon the prick and check book, and 2*s.* a day by way of reward, besides his Exchequer fee; the first 2*s.* was under check, the better to engage his attendance, and the last 2*s.* was arbitrary with the commissioners to allow or not; he was also allowed a dwelling-house in the yard, so as to be always at command, and see that his men were at their work, and give notice for pricking or discharging the negligent, all which must be neglected if he is permitted to keep a private yard.

7. The taphouse allowed in the respective yards had a good ground for its first institution, and is yet fit to be continued, if the master

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shipwright perform his duty by limiting the men to their time, forbidding the sale of strong beer, and not above a certain quantity of small beer at one time to one man, and that without doors; but for want of order, the taphouse is one of the greatest abuses in the navy, and cannot be prevented by any other than the master shipwright; and he cannot do it if private trade necessitates his absence from the yard above half his time.

8. It is his duty, in common with the storekeeper, to view and certify as to the goodness and usefulness of all masts, timber, deals, plank, ironwork, &c. used for building or repairing of ships, which he cannot do if diverted from his duty by private engagements.

I only add that some of the master shipwrights have affirmed that it costs the State twice as much to build a frigate in their own yard as it would do in a private one by contract, and I am of the same opinion, though I blush to say it.

To remedy this for the future, whosoever succeeds Mr. Pett should be limited to dwell in the State's house in the yard, and be restrained from keeping a private yard; it would be better to give him 1,000*l.* a year than to connive at his absence from his duty, the work of the men, and the well-doing of that work wholly depending upon his care. [2½ *pages.*]

Aug. 10. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of William Parsons referred to the Admiralty Committee.

2. Major-Gen. Gibson, Majors Thomas Henderson and William Erskine to be set at liberty on parole, and on bond to depart this commonwealth, and not return without leave of Parliament or Council.

3. The paper in answer to that of the Spanish Ambassador approved, and to be translated into Latin, and sent to him by Sir Oliver Fleming.

4. Colonels Plunket and Fealan's business to be considered to-morrow.

5. To write the Navy Committee to contract with the gun-founders about London for such guns as they have fit for the use of the navy.

6. Major-Gen. Gibbon's petition referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

7. The Ordnance Committee to consider the propositions made to Council for employing the copper works in England for making ordnance, and to take care that the said works be employed for the service of the State.

8. That the Lady Montagu * * * * *

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9. Mr. Holland's paper given in to Council, concerning the place of master shipwright, to be considered to-morrow; he and Major Thomson to attend, also Mr. Taylor, Mr. Bright, Mr. Pett, and such others as are suitors for the place.

10. The report of the Committee for Examinations, concerning the counterfeiters of false debentures, to be heard on Thursday.

11. The petition of the Collectors for Prize Goods referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

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12, 19. The Resident of the Hanse Towns to have audience of the commissioners appointed to treat with him to-morrow at 9 a.m. at the usual place in Whitehall, Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice and bring him to the place, and the commissioners to inform him that Council have taken in very good part his fair deportment during his negotiations with them; notice to be given to the commissioners accordingly.

14. The business of Ireland to be considered to-morrow.

16. Captain Reed to have liberty to repair to this town for some days, taking special care to leave the Sovereign in a trusty hand, who will be careful of her safety, and keep the men aboard.

17. Liberty given him to choose his lieutenants, and a commission to be given to any whose names he shall give to Council.

18. John Hooke and John Wood, pilots of Rochester, to conduct the Sovereign out of the Thames.

20. The ships bound for Barbadoes to be required to go in company, that they may the better save themselves from being taken by the enemies. [*I.* 31, *pp.* 41-45.]

Aug. 11.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The restraint laid by Council on Mr. Manley, by order of 12 April, to detain moneys due to Col. John Humfrey, deceased, in arrear for his attending the High Court of Justice, to be taken off, and Manley left to pay the same to the administrator.

3, 6. The petitions of John Fisher, yeoman waiter of the Tower, and of Sir John Douglas, referred to the Committee of Examinations, to report.

4. John Sheriffe and Ambrose Tooth, gallery keepers, each to receive *8l.* a year in addition to *12l.* already allowed, from the end of next quarter.

5. To write to the Revenue Committee recommending specially M. Augier's petition, and to desire their payment of some part of the money mentioned therein, for his present subsistence.

7. Four months' prolongation of time allowed to Viscount Montgomery of Ardes, to remain in Ireland.

8. The petition of Robert Hammon, merchant of London, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9. The prisoners in the Tower commanded to their chambers, and their keepers are to take special care of them.

10. The gentleman porter, gentleman gaoler, and other officers of the Tower to take special care in discharge of their duties.

11. Colonel Ingoldsby, or in his absence, the next commander of the regiment, to repair this night to the Tower, and take special care of its safety till Parliament * * * *

12. Mr. Salwey to acquaint Parliament of the death of the Lieutenant of the Tower, and of what has been done by Council for its present safety.

13. The reports from the Ordnance Committee to be considered on Friday.

14. Mr. Thurloe to draft a letter to General Blake, according to this afternoon's debate.

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15. Council to sit to-morrow at 7 a.m.

16. Thos. Tiddeman to be lieutenant to Capt. Read on the Sovereign, and to choose whether he will have Hewett or Scott as master.

17. The business of Ireland to be considered to-morrow. [*I.* 31, *pp.* 46-49.]

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COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

2. The petition of the old Collectors for Prize Goods, the Act giving them authority, and the order of Parliament leaving it to Council to dispose of Dutch prizes, read.

3. To report to Council that the new Commissioners for Prize Goods should give security in 2,000*l.* each, to the commissioners named in the Act for appointing commissioners for sale of prize goods.4. To give an account to Parliament of what Council has done in disposing of the goods and ships taken from the Dutch. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 17, 18.]

Aug. 12.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Act for prohibiting correspondence with the United Provinces, and for granting commissions for private men-of-war, to be first considered this afternoon.

2. The letter to General Blake to be signed and sent to him.

4. The petition of Richard Estcot and others referred to the Committee for Woods and Timber.

5. The business of counterfeiting false debentures to be considered on Wednesday.

6. The petition of Rebecca Barnes referred to the Navy Commissioners, who, if they find the allegations true, are to advance her 5*l.*

7. Ennis MacManners and Daniel Mac John, Highlanders, some time prisoners in Norwich Castle, to be set at liberty, and the justices of peace for the county to employ them if they think fit.

8. The petition of Capt. Benjamin Goselin, of the *Lioness*, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to speak with her owners, and give such directions as they think fit.

9. Mr. Neville and Challoner appointed a committee to speak with a person now without, from foreign parts, and to report to Council the effect of the conference.

10, 11. 8*l.* a year wages additional to 12*l.* granted to Henry Shotwell, bellringer and clock-keeper in Whitehall, and 10*l.* to Robert Tatnall, usher to the Admiralty Committee, from the end of the next quarter.

12. The petition of Richard Browne of Pembroke referred to the Committee for Scotch and Irish affairs, who are to examine the vouchers, and report.

14-16. Lieut.-Gen. Ludlow, Col. John Jones, and Miles Corbett to be propounded to Parliament as the Commissioners for the affairs of Ireland.

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17. The Committee for Examinations to take bail of Mr. Nicolls and Mr. Crane, committed on suspicion of counterfeiting false debentures, in such sums as they think fit, for one month only.

18. The representation from the Danish Ambassadors referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to send for and examine the persons mentioned therein, and report.

19, 20. The petition of Payne Fisher, and the paper of Morris Thomson, referred to the said committee.

21. Also the draft of an Act for prohibiting correspondence with the United Provinces, and granting letters for private men-of-war; to be considered to-morrow morning, and reported to Council in the afternoon.

22. Council to consider to-morrow afternoon the business of disposing of the ships to convoys and other necessary services, and the members of Council in town to be summoned to attend.

23. The account of Major Jeremiah Tolhurst, for his disbursements for train horses in Scotland, carrying provisions for the army, &c., referred to the Auditors of Imprest, who are to state and certify it to Council. [*I. 31, pp. 50-55.*]

[Aug. 12.] **98.** Petition of Rebecca, widow of Michael Barnes, surgeon, to the Admiralty Committee, for payment of the riding charges of her husband, who was sent twice to Portsmouth, and once to Yarmouth, for cure of the sick and wounded put ashore, and was commanded to ride post for expedition, and has lately died in the service. Has waited on this business seven months. [*1 page.*]

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Leghorn.

99. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. The Governor and other martial officers having informed me that the Dutch had some design to fall upon our ships in the road, I caused all the ships to lighten themselves as much as they could, and come into the Mould, where they are in safety; yet our restless enemies have been with the Great Duke at Florence, to solicit him to withdraw his protection from our ships; I therefore intend going also to Florence, with other Englishmen, to-morrow, to thank him for his protection, and to desire its continuance towards our nation and shipping in the port of Leghorn. Meantime I beseech you provide a remedy against this growing evil, for although Capt. Badiley should be joined to this squadron, yet this Dutch fleet, now 14 sail of good ships, is daily increasing, and 4 more are coming from Toulon, and they have orders to take up a dozen sail of merchant ships, all which together will make a great fleet. If you send a fleet hither equal to match them, send out money, or goods to make money, for so much as such a fleet will have occasion for, as it will not be found here by exchange for England. I hear that our ships of war have taken 5 of their East India ships, and if you sent 2,000 bags of pepper, it would maintain your ships, and obtain more ships to make men-of-war of. [*1½ pages.*]

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COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. The draft of an Act drawn on order from the Council of State of 12 May, for prohibiting correspondence with the United Provinces, to be reported to Council, for presentation to Parliament if they think fit.

2. To report to Council, on the petition of Lionel Skinner, merchant of Dover, that the penalty of the Act of Navigation should be dispensed with.

3. The petition of Hen. Stephens, merchant, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to examine on oath, state the facts, and report.

4. Order, on the petition of Fitzpayne Fisher, referred by Council,—stating his pains in finishing a treatise which will be of great use in all schools for youth, and intending a journey to Scotland, desires money for it, and a pass,—to request Council to order him the pass, and 100*l.*, to be paid by Mr. Frost, for his encouragement to perfect the work.

6. Order to report to Council, on the petition of Abraham Cawlyer, that the penalty of the Act of Navigation should be suspended, on his swearing to his narrative. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 18–20.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The paper given in by Mr. Holland, touching the master shipwright's place, to be considered on Monday, Messrs. Taylor, Pett, Bright, and the other petitioners for the place to have notice.

3. The petition of John Hamden, prisoner with Richard Alley, referred to the Committee of Examinations, to examine and bail him if they think fit.

4. Henry Shuter's proposals, formerly referred to the Committee for Examinations, now referred to the counsel for the commonwealth; the Attorney General, Attorney of the Duchy, and Recorder of London to take care thereof, and report within a month.

5. Col. Downes to present to Parliament the report of the Committee of Examinations, touching the counterfeiting of debentures.

6. Capt. Chas. Lovell, John Lewis, and James Rosier, now under restraint on suspicion of counterfeiting debentures, to be bailed on such security as the Committee of Examinations think fit.

7. The Committee for sale of Dutch prizes to deliver to Capt. Wm. Purefoy the Peter, she being appointed a ship of war, and Purefoy to be captain.

8. To write to Sir Geo. Ayscue that there are some ships at Morlaix only waiting a convoy, and to desire him, as soon as he may without prejudice to other services, to give them a waft over to England.

9. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to present to Parliament the draft of the Act forbidding correspondence with the United Provinces, and for granting commissions for private men-of-war; also of the Act for calling home of English seamen from the service of foreign states. [*I.* 31, *pp.* 56–58.]

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Aug. 13. Whitehall. **100.** Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. You are to confer with the victuallers as to what proportion of the victuals for 12,000 men for one month will be provided at Hull, Yarmouth, and Harwich, and inform General Blake thereof, that he may send for them. As to what is provided in London, send them in ships to the Hope, where a convoy will see them to the fleet. [1 page.]
- Aug. 13. **101.** List of 12 persons in custody for forging debenture and public faith bills; also of 15 others for whose apprehension warrants have been issued, but they keep out of the way; and of 22 informed against, but no warrants yet issued. [$1\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]
- Aug. 15. Sunday. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
1. 6*l.* to be paid by Mr. Coytmor to the three messengers that came this day from Col. Morley, and he to be reimbursed out of the money for Council.
2. To write to and thank Col. Morley, and desire him to continue his intelligence.
4. To write to the Mayor of Ipswich to send away two nimble ketches, with two despatches to General Blake.
5. Timothy Crouch summoned before Council by 8 a.m. to-morrow, to answer what shall be objected against him. [I. 31, p. 59.]
- Aug. 15. Whitehall. **102.** Council of State to Gen. Blake. We send you copies of two letters received out of Sussex [concerning the motion of the Dutch fleet westward], and conceive it advisable, unless your advantages are very great where you are, that you speedily repair westward, and keep your course along the channel, as you conceive most likely to find out the enemy, or meet with Sir Geo. Ayscue. This we offer as advice, wanting one of our number to complete a Council.
We have conferred with the seamen who brought Col. Morley's letter, and they affirm they counted upwards of 100 sail of Dutchmen. With note of the arrival and subscription of a ninth member to this letter. [Copy. 1 page. Also I. 31, p. 59.]
- Aug. 16. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
1, 17, 20. The petitions of Sir Thomas Thomson, of Edw. Cotterill, and of Capt John Bartlett, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.
3. That of Samuel Furman, prisoner in the Gatehouse, referred to Mr. Thurloe, to inquire and certify to Council.
4. That of Wm. Brome to the Committee of Examinations, to report what they know of his services in making discoveries in the business of counterfeiting debentures.
5. Mr. Busfield's business to be again considered, on the arrival here of the Portuguese Ambassador.
6. Mr. Martin to present to Parliament the Portuguese Ambassador's letter to Council, from Plymouth.

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7. The desires of Capt. Francis Tatnall to be excused from going out to sea at present, in respect of his family's sickness, and for the master of the ship to go in his room, referred to Sir George Ayscue.

8. The despatches to General Blake and Colonel Morley, made yesterday by some members of Council upon an exigency, Council not coming together, approved of, and a duplicate to be made of that to General Blake.

9. Mr. Thurloe to certify that Mr. Bushell has been examined before Council, and given security for his future good behaviour.

10. To write to Mr. Powell to provide shipping at Bristol for transporting 120 horse to Ireland.

11. The petition of William Greaves, master shipwright at Limehouse, craving the place vacant by Peter Pett's death, and all others of like nature, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

12, 13. Also the petitions of several merchants trading with France, desiring convoy, and of Michael Meal, of Dieppe.

14. The petition of John Slade, mariner of Stroud, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to give order according to the Act of Parliament.

15. The Navy Commissioners and Victuallers to come to a Committee of Council to-morrow at 7 a.m., in the Council Chamber.

16. The petition of Thomas Black, mariner, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider of some fit employment for him, and report.

18. The petition of the owners of the Maidenhead, that Captain John Daniel may succeed Captain Hancock, deceased, in command thereof, referred to Sir George Ayscue.

19. To answer Sir Thomas Meredith's petition that the business therein contained is not proper for Council.

21. The petition of John Buchanan, prisoner in Chelsea College, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine him and report.

22. Archibald Sydserf, merchant of Edinburgh, now prisoner in London, to be bailed, and allowed to return to Scotland on bond not to act to the prejudice of the commonwealth, and to render himself prisoner to the Commander-in-Chief in Scotland, when required.

23. The petition of William Barton and other mariners referred to the Admiralty Judges, to report what should be done for their speedy relief.

24. Col. Stapley or Mr. Carew to speak with Mr. Brookes concerning his going as minister in the Sovereign, and to report his answer.

25. Mr. Thurloe to speak with Col. Ingoldsby to have 100 men ready to be put on board the Sovereign.

26, 27. To write to the captain of the Antelope and Captain Stevens of the London, to fall down with their ships to Erith, and there remain till further order.

28. To write to the captain of the Little President to use all possible care in manning his vessel.

29. To write to the commanders of the ships at Portsmouth to join the fleet under Sir George Ayscue as soon as possible.

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30. The arrears, as well as this year's allowance of a pension of 100 marks, to be paid out of the Council's exigent money to Mr. Sydenham, for his writing in the cause of the commonwealth.

31. Order, on receipt of a letter from some of the Aldermen of Yarmouth, presenting Thomas Bendish, deputy collector of prize goods there, as Deputy Commissioner for sale of Dutch prizes, recommending him to the Dutch Prize Commissioners to be employed accordingly.

32. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider the state of the fleet, the number of ships, their service, and length of victualing, and the number requisite to be kept out for the present, and for the winter guard, with power to send for and confer with any touching the premises. The committee to meet to-morrow and daily, and to report. The Admiralty Committee to meet this committee in the Council Chamber for the said purpose. [*I.* 31, pp. 61-69.]

Aug. 17. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The form of a commission for a private man-of-war to be prepared and brought in with speed.

3. The petitions depending before Council for private men-of-war to be looked up, and granted in such form as Council shall direct.

5. The officers of the blue regiment in the city of London, and the regiment of Tower Hamlets, to have liberty to beat drums for gathering their regiments to accompany the body of Colonel West, late Lieutenant of the Tower, to the place of his interment.

6. The petition of John Harris and others referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.

7. To write the Mayor of Plymouth of the arrival of the Portuguese Ambassador, and to desire him to give him all respect, and any assistance he may need.

8. The petition of several masters of ships of Hull, Boston, Lynn, Yarmouth, and Ipswich, now in the Thames desiring convoy, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9. Also the petition of the Mayor, aldermen, and Common Council of Lynn.

11. To write to Lord Montague of the information given to Council concerning Mr. Tyrrell, and that Council have ordered him to appear before them on this day fortnight, and that they think it fit his lordship be here at the same time.

12. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to confer with Sir Oliver Fleming, as to what is further to be done for bringing up the Portuguese Ambassador from Plymouth.

13. The petition of the Lieutenant of the Tower referred to the Ordnance Committee, who are to sit on Thursday and confer with him.

14. Sir Peter Wentworth and Mr. Masham added to the said committee.

15. The Admiralty Judges to meet the Committee for Foreign

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Affairs to-morrow at 8 a.m., and to bring with them the form of a commission for private men-of-war.

16. Major Salway added to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

17. To write to the northern ports that all ships in those ports are to remain there till they receive convoy, of which care is taken.

18. Sir Wm. Masham added to the Admiralty Committee.

19. He and Major Salway to take particular care of the Admiralty business.

20. Mr. Scott to send 50*l.* to Capt. —, of the Fortune frigate, for relief of himself and men, taken and carried to Flushing.

21. The reports from the Committee for Examinations to be made to Council to-morrow.

23. The account of Lieut.-Col. Salmon, and the Committee for Accounts' certificate thereon, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

24. The Earl Marshal of Scotland to have liberty to pass to any place within 20 miles of London, and return without molestation.

25. To write to Richard Mayo that Council have chosen him minister of the Sovereign, and to desire him with speed to go aboard her, and exercise his office.

26. To write the Navy Commissioners to put a sufficient quantity of oatmeal, sugar, &c. aboard the Sovereign, for the relief of such as shall fall sick.

27. To send to Alex. Bence, Cpts. Lymmerie, Hall, Wildy, Ryder, Stephens, and Crandley, to come to the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow at 8 a.m.

28. The Admiralty Judges to see that speedy execution be had of the sentence lately made in the Admiralty Court, for restoring a vessel belonging to the Prince of Condé. [*I.* 31, *pp.* 70-76.]

Aug. 17.
Excise Office.

103. Thomas Bulstrode and three other Excise officers to the Committee for regulating the Excise. On 26 of June 1651, we let to farm to Ralph Watts, Edw. Pead, William Wall, and Geo. Northcott, the excise of all inland commodities then exciseable (salt, soap, and tobacco pipes excepted) in co. Herts for one year, for 4,000*l.* Parliament having, by their order of 12 Dec. last, taken off the excise of private families, by which means the farmers are prevented from enjoying their first contract, they have desired defalcation upon their last half year's rent, and we have agreed to an abatement of 800*l.* for the last half year. As this is an advance to the State, private families deducted, we desire your allowance of it. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Aug. 18. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Note that Alex. Bence, Cpts. Stephens, Ryder, Weldy, Hall, and Holland were called before Council, and had the oath of secrecy administered to them.

3. The Committee for Examinations to examine John Wyles, master of the Fortune, and report.

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4, 18. The petitions of Capt. Wm. Sumner, and of John Davis, mariner, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

5. James Lord Ogilvy to have the liberty of the city within the lines of communication, provided he depart not without leave, and act nothing prejudicial to the State.

6. Lord Sinclair to be at liberty on bail for one month.

7. Council having, according to order of Parliament of 9 July, nominated Richd. Hill, Sam. Wilson, and Robt. Turpin, Commissioners for sale of goods and ships taken from the Dutch,—that the proceeds may be kept on a distinct account from other prize goods,—and ordered them to give acquittances to the Collectors of Prize Goods mentioned in the Act of Parliament of 13 April 1649, for all such goods as they should sell, and given them instructions for execution of their trust, and to be subject to the same check as the said collectors: these proceedings are to be presented to Parliament, and they moved that the said commissioners may be put under the rules of the said Act for exercising their trust, and have an oath administered them for the faithful discharge thereof.

8. The Committee for Prisoners to examine Lord Spynie, and give him his liberty on bail, to extend 10 miles without the lines of communication.

9. The petition of Anne Halliston referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report what should be done for her.

10. Note to take Leigh's security.

11. To write to [Rich.] Bradshaw of the miscarriage of the English company at Hamburg, and desire him to return to Council the names of the offenders.

12. The petition of Thomas Brunning referred to the Admiralty Committee, to be considered with others who petition in the like case.

13. Peter Wall, master of the Sampson of Weymouth, to have a warrant for keeping 12 men aboard his ship, provided he go not to sea without convoy.

14. The petition of Elizabeth Nicholson referred to the Admiralty Judges.

17. That of Randolph Berkenhead to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

19. Council's letter to Mr. Powell, concerning the transport of 120 horses with Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood to Ireland, with his queries thereon, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee to report. The order to be sent to the said committee to-night.

21. The Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes to order their deputy at Dover to deliver to the Navy Commissioners such provisions as they ask for, now on board the ships in Dover taken from the Dutch, to be used for the ships set forth in the service, a reasonable appraisement being first made of the said provisions; and for payment of the money, the said commissioners for sale are to

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accept a bill from the Navy Commissioners, payable by the navy treasurer. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 104.*]

22. The members to come to Council to-morrow by 8 a.m.

23. Mr. Wyles to attend Council to-morrow afternoon.

24. Richard Hill, Samuel Wilson, and Robert Turpin, Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes, to enter into recognizances in 2,000*l.* each, with sureties, before the Commissioners for sale of Prizes appointed by the Act of 17 April 1649, to give Parliament or Council a true account of all moneys and goods by them received. They are to be subject to the rules, &c. of the said Act. [*I. 31, pp. 78-84.*]

Aug. 18.
Whitehall.

105. Council of State to General Robert Blake. We wrote you on the 15th inst. of the intelligence we had received of a great fleet of Hollanders having gone into the Channel, and that you should come there with your fleet, unless you had greater advantages before you. We now enclose a letter from the Mayor of Plymouth, signifying that Sir Geo. Ayscue was in fight with the Dutch fleet, which we send that you may make more haste to the west, not knowing how it will please God to dispose of this engagement. With note that a copy of this letter was dispatched by Mr. Priestley to Yarmouth, and Southwold, and by a flying post to Deal. [*Copy, ½ page.*]

Aug. 19.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The restraint laid on the prisoners in the Tower, on the death of Col. West, taken off; their condition to be as before the last order of Council for a general restraint.

2. Col. Stapley added to the Ordnance Committee.

3. Lord Bradshaw to open such letters as come this morning directed to Council, and after perusal, to send them sealed to the Lord President in Parliament.

4. The petition of the Lieutenant of the Tower, formerly referred to the Ordnance Committee, now referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

5. The paper of the Collectors for Prize Goods referred to the Admiralty Committee.

6. The letter from the Mayor of Lynn, with the list of seamen, to be sent to the Navy Commissioners.

7. To write to the Commissioners in Scotland to take an inventory of the goods in Dumbarton Castle belonging to the State, and of those belonging to the Duke of Richmond, and return it with the valuation to Council.

8. The Navy Victuallers to come to the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow by 7 a.m.

9. The petition of the pinmakers, with the abstract of the pin business, referred to the Committee for Law and Examinations.

10. That of John Walker, citizen of London, to the Mint Committee.

11. That of John Shemings to the Admiralty Committee.

12. Sir Peter Wentworth and Mr. Scot added to that Committee.

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13. The petition of William Urrie, prisoner of war, laid aside.

14. 3,000 native Irish, who have been engaged against Parliament in Ireland, to be transported to Spain by Col. Plunkett, on the engagement of Don Alonso de Cardenas, Spanish Ambassador, that they shall not return, or be employed to the prejudice of the commonwealth.

15. The Mayor and Recorder of York to examine George Gordon, a Scotch prisoner, and set him at liberty, on bond to depart the country, and not return without leave of Parliament or Council.

16. Lord Pasley to have liberty to repair to London and attend Council on 5 Sept., on his parole not to depart from London without leave from Parliament or Council. [*I. 31, pp. 86-88.*]

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106. Petition of the widows of the company of the John, lost in the service, to the Council of State, for a general order for payment of the wages due to their deceased husbands. On report of the ship's being lost, many of them are cast into prison for debt, and the rest expect imprisonment without timely relief. With note of reference to the Admiralty Committee. [*1 page.*]

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Leghorn.

107. Chas. Longland to the Council of State. I have been to Florence, on account of the importunity of the Dutch to the Grand Duke to withdraw his protection from our ships in this port. He cheerfully promises to continue it, and urges the Dutch to withdraw. When a new commander comes from Holland, I think they will go. Capt. Badiley had not arrived at Smyrna 40 days ago. The Grand Duke complains of the detention from Cordi, his subject, of rice taken by Capt. Hall in a French ship. Pray order its restoration. [*$\frac{2}{3}$ page.*]

Aug. 20.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. 100*l.* of Council money to be paid to Capt. Bishop for carrying on a special service, in the doing whereof he is to be directed by any three of the committee formerly entrusted therewith.

2. ——— to be sent to the Committee for Examinations, and their examination of him reported to Council.

3. Lieut.-Col. Roseworm to attend the Admiralty Committee for directions for further service.

4. That committee to consider John Martin's fitness to be master of the Leopard, and if satisfied, to order him a commission.

5. Council to sit to-morrow at 8 a.m., and the members to be summoned.

6. Mr. Wale and Mr. Ladyman to have 50*l.* and 20*l.* respectively to carry them to Ireland, as ministers to Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood.

7. Mr. Thurloe to speak with Mr. Bence concerning a convoy to be given to Thomas Wood, James Bishop, &c.

8. The paper delivered in by the Militia Committee for London referred to the Committee for Law and Examinations.

9. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider what use may be made of Bardley, Cotterell, and Diamond, lately pirates, in order to the service of the State, and to report.

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10. The 229*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* lent by the town of Hull to Col. Maulyverer for his soldiers upon an exigent, to be repaid out of the contingent moneys of Council, as ordered by Parliament.

11. The Lord President to open letters directed to Council, and if any contain matters requiring present dispatch, to summon Council.

12. The draft of a commission now read approved, as the form to be given to all who shall go out as private men-of-war, and to be sent to the Admiralty Judges, who are to prepare and send to Council with speed 14 blank commissions.

13. Lieut.-Col. Lunsden, a Scotch prisoner, to have his liberty on bail.

14. The petition of Wm. Tabor referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and report what has been done, and should further be done for him.

15, 17, 23. The petitions of the mariners lately of the Fortune frigate, of Joseph Finch and William Burgis, and of Thos. Cushings, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

16. That of Sir Joseph Douglas to the Committee for Examinations.

19. The security formerly given by Sir John (*sic*) Douglas to be released, and his own security accepted, on the usual conditions.

21. The petition of Frances Potts referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

22. The commander at Chester to dismiss James Balfour, a Scotch prisoner, if he find him to be only a private man.

24. The petition of Col. John Fealan referred to the committee which treats with the Spanish Ambassador.

25. That of Thomas Fenn to the Committee for Examinations.

26. The report of the Committee for Examinations concerning Mr. Upton referred back to them, to send for the parties, secure the papers, and examine.

27. The Admiralty Judges and Advocate to prepare a draft of an Act, to be presented to Parliament, that for speedy execution of justice in causes of freight and mariners' wages, the decrees of the Court of Admiralty be put in present execution, without being suspended by appeal, unless the appellants lay down the money adjudged to be delivered to the mariners or others, on bail to abide by the decision of the judges in appeal.

28. The disbursements of the Collectors for Prize Goods in relation to the Dutch prizes to be defrayed from their proceeds, if first allowed by Clement Oxenbridge, check master to the said collectors.

29. The Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes to give acquittances for all the goods they sell to the Collectors for Prize Goods, which is to be a sufficient discharge.

30. Clement Oxenbridge to be check master to the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes, as well as to the collectors, and to have instructions accordingly. [*I.* 31, *pp.* 89-95.]

Aug. 20.
Whitehall.

108. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Take care that the ships going out are supplied with men out of the Fairfax

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and Entrance sent in to Chatham, and the Centurion and Adventure to Deptford, by Gen. Blake, who is with the fleet between the South sands head and Blackness. Also that the Laurel and nine other ships belonging to the fleet under General Blake are supplied with victuals. What is here can be sent over the flats with a small convoy; the rest is at Dover and Portsmouth. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.] *Annexing,*

108. I. *List [by Gen. Blake] of the said 10 ships.* [$\frac{1}{3}$ page.]

Aug. 21. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The captain who convoys the money from the Isle of Wight to Guernsey to take into his convoy such other merchant ships of Southampton as are thither bound, when he sets sail thither.

2. The petition of Joachim Mangerflesh, master of the John of Lubeck, for so much of it as relates to the suit depending between William Blofield and him, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to proceed therein according to law and justice.

3. So much of his petition as relates to his want of satisfaction for service done in the expedition to Guernsey referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

4. Mr. Martin to present to the House the propositions of the inhabitants of Jersey.

5. The petition of the master shipwrights referred to the Committee for Woods and Timber, to which all the members of Council now present are added, and a perfect list of their names to be brought to Council. The Committee to sit on Wednesday, and Mr. Love to take care of it.

6. The rest of the persons who remain in prison on suspicion of counterfeiting debentures to be bailed on good security, by the Committee for Examinations.

7. Major Boseville to be committed prisoner to the Serjeant-at-arms, in order to his examination by the Committee for Examinations.

8. Elizabeth Viscountess Montague, and her servants, to take the public engagement before the next justices of peace to the place where she now resides, and on doing so, and such justice of peace certifying the same to Council, she is to make use of the pass given her for transporting herself beyond seas.

10. Robert Coytmor to go forthwith down the river, to hasten away the Sovereign, Antelope, Lion, London, Little President, and Renown fire-ship to the Downs; and in case they are not ready to sail, to examine the reason, and where the neglect has been, and certify Council; what he finds wanting in any of those ships, he is to send to the officers to whose charge the providing thereof appertains for supplying the same, and to use all other endeavours for hastening the ships away; he is frequently to acquaint Council with his proceedings, and all officers are required to suffer him to pass up and down, and to be assistant to him therein. [*I.* 32, pp. 1-4.]

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Instructions for Capt. Read, commander of the Sovereign, going to the Downs :—

1. You are, with the Sovereign and the other ships appointed to go in company with you, to repair forthwith to the Downs.

2. You are to use your endeavours to take and seize upon all ships, as well men-of-war as merchantmen, and other vessels belonging to the United Provinces, or other enemies, or to the French, that shall come within your power, and secure them by sending them into some of the ports of this commonwealth, or otherwise, as shall be thought fit, without any embezzlement, until further order.

3. You are hereby required and fully authorised by force to take and surprise, or otherwise to burn, sink, or destroy all such that withstand you in the execution of the foregoing instructions.

4. You are to give orders to the other captains and officers that are to go with you pursuant to the foregoing instructions.

5. You are to observe such orders as you shall receive from Parliament, Council of State, General Blake, or Sir Geo. Ayscue, and on your arrival in the Downs, you are to give notice thereof to Council and General Blake. [*I. 32, p. 34.*]

Aug. 22.
Sunday.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Approval of the letters written to Sir Geo. Ayscue and the Mayor of Plymouth, by some of the Council last night, and signed by them in absence of the Council.

2. To write General Blake that the engagement of Sir Geo. Ayscue's fleet with the Dutch is over for the present, and to desire him, out of the fleet now with him, to dispatch to Ayscue 6 or 8 good frigates, whereby he may be enabled by himself to re-encounter that fleet, in case he can find it. Also to tell him that Tromp's fleet is in preparation to come forth again, and to desire him therefore to come back again towards the coast of Holland, to attend his coming; and that the Sovereign, and the rest of the ships which are to come out of the Thames, are to join with his fleet.

3. To write the commanders of Col. Ingoldsby's regiment at Dover to make ready 100 of his men to be put on board the Sovereign in the Downs.

4. To write Capt. Read, commander of the Sovereign, of this order, and to desire him upon his coming into the Downs, to give notice thereof to the commander of the regiment, that the men may be sent aboard him.

5, 6. The letters now read to Sir Geo. Ayscue and General Blake to be signed and sent.

7. Note that Capt. Limmerie took the oath of secrecy this day.

8. Mr. Martin and Mr. Scott added to the Ordnance Committee.

9. Notice to be given to that committee to meet to-morrow at 8 a.m.

10. The Ordnance officers to attend the Ordnance Committee, and give an account of the state of the stores.

11. To warn Mr. Holland to attend the committee if in town. [*I. 32, pp. 5-7.*]

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Leghorn.

109. Chas. Longland to the Navy Committee, Treasury Chamber, Westminster. I went to Florence with some other Englishmen, to thank the Great Duke for his protection of our ships, especially at the present time, being under the threats of the Dutch, and in a manner besieged by them; we were very well used and looked upon by the Great Duke, who promised the continuance of his protection, and desires nothing in recompense but that our ships of war do not in any way offend or disturb the port. I have been earnestly solicitous with Capt. Appleton to give him a promise of compliance. Part of the Dutch ships are gone towards Messina, and part other ways, and some are still in sight. The Lewis has arrived at Messina from Smyrna. In the Arches she met the Phoenix, one of Capt. Badiley's squadron, going thither to bring the merchant ships, whom we may expect in a month. [*Copy, ½ page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Martin de Rivas and Melchior de la Lus, Spanish mariners, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report what should be done for them.

2. The petition of Paul Bradshaw for the place of Clerk of the Check at Woolwich rope yard, referred to the said committee to consider of his fitness.

3. To write, enclosing the petition of Mr. Edwards, to the Governor of Mersey Island, who is to certify whether he conceives it fit for the safety of the island to grant the petitioner's desire.

4. A commission to be given to Capt. Jordan to be Rear-Admiral of Sir Geo. Ayscue's fleet, and to Capt. Pack's brother to be captain of the Amity, and the commissions to be sent to Sir Geo. Ayscue, to be disposed of to them as he shall think fit.

5. Direction to be given to the captains of the State's ships at Harwich to convoy the ships bound for Hull and other northern ports to their respective places, provided it is no prejudice to the service.

6. The order of Parliament as to reducing some garrisons and officers in this nation referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to consider how they may be reduced, and report.

7. To write the Navy Commissioners what Capt. Ball has represented to Council, concerning the shortness of the number of the men appointed for his ship, and if they find it to be as represented, they are to appoint a further number.

9. The keeper of the back door of Council to permit no person to remain between the two doors between the Council Chamber and the lobby, during the sitting of Council, and to keep the lobby free from attendants.

10. The Admiralty Judges to make their report to Council on Wednesday next concerning the Golden Lion.

11. All captains employed at sea in the service to be required, at their return, to deliver up a copy of their journals to Council.

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12. The engagement of Don Alonzo de Cardenas, the Spanish Ambassador, as to the non-return of such Irish as shall be transported by Col. Plunket out of Ireland to Spain, having been presented to Council by the Ambassador's secretary, and read, it was ordered to be safely kept amongst the records of Council.

13. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to confer with the Admiralty Judges on Wednesday next, as to what should be done with the pirates imprisoned at Lancaster and other places.

14. The Committee for Examinations to confer with the Attorney-General concerning the business of Capt. Hall referred to him, and either to continue him under restraint or take his bail.

15. To write the Navy Committee that Parliament has ordered the gratuity money formerly given to the commanders and officers of the State's ships, by way of augmentation of wages, to be paid this year as the last, and to desire them to give order for its payment, according to the last year's list.

16. Fras. Lewis, of Brixworth, co. Northampton, to appear before Council, to answer matters objected against him.

17. The charges of ———, who brought up information to Council concerning Mr. [Lewis], of Brixworth, to be paid out of the contingent money of Council.

18. The petition of Wm. Smith and Wm. Lammas, for the place of Clerk of the Check in the rope yard at Woolwich, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

19. Sir Wm. Masham added to the Committee for Prisoners.

21. The Lord President to report to the House the paper of the Ordnance officers, representing what proportion of ammunition they judge necessary to be forthwith provided for supply of the stores, and an estimate of the charge thereof, amounting to 98,200*l.* 8*s.* 0*d.*, and to move the House to set apart 100,000*l.* for making the said provisions, out of such money as shall be raised upon the Act for delinquents' compositions.

22. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to move the House to consider the Act for granting commissions for private men-of-war to such of this nation as desire them, and also for calling home all English seamen employed in the service of any foreign prince or state. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 8-14.]

Aug. 23.
Whitehall.

110. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. We want an account of the state of the Marmaduke, and other ships. Your proceedings are slow. We expected that the Dutch ships at Dover, and three others would have been at sea by this, and we find scarce any orders are given. Make all speed and report. Consider how soon the Fairfax and three others can be made ready for the winter guard, and dispose of the men in them to other ships wanting them, now in the river. Pay the wages of the crew of the Hart, but retain those of the Fortune, until you have examined John Wild, her master, as to which of his crew cried quarter, and forced him to surrender

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her. Order some boats to attend the Sovereign, to prevent her being fired. See to the repair of some of Sir Geo. Ayscue's ships, hurt in the masts and rigging, and to the rebuilding of the Swan frigate. Supply the Antelope with cables, and augment her crew from 200 to 250. [2 pages.]

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Leghorn.

111. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. A Holland ship has arrived at Leghorn, which came with Capt. Badiley and three merchant ships under his convoy from Scanderoon to Zante. Badiley waits the coming of the Smyrna ships and the Employment from Cyprus. The Hollander also met the Constant Warwick plying for Zante, to acquaint Capt. Badiley with my orders, and I hope ere long to hear of Capt. Badiley and his convoy's safe arrival at Messina. Yesterday, Jan Van Gall, the new commander of the Dutch squadron in the Straits, arrived at Leghorn. He is to have 25 sail under him; 6 of his 14 men-of-war are in Leghorn Road, and the rest at sea, within one day's call. Their old commander Kates has returned home by land. The 4 merchant ships here are very unwilling to have their ships in readiness to assist us against the enemy, except I have power from you to command them. I wonder I hear nothing of my express messenger. I am on the mend after my long and tedious fever. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

Aug. 24. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The paper delivered to Council from Mr. Bence, Capt. Limerie, and Capt. Rider, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to confer with them thereon.

2, 3. Mr. Corbett added to the Irish and Scotch Committee, and to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

4. The information against Bonner, appointed captain of the Marmaduke, to be considered to-morrow by the Admiralty Committee, who are to examine and report with all speed.

5. *6d.* a day to be allowed for keeping such Dutch prisoners as have been taken, and are secured at Falmouth.

6. The letter from the Commissioners of Parliament in Ireland to the Speaker, with the order of Parliament thereupon, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

7, 9. The order of Parliament of this day, concerning trade with France, and the proposition concerning the fortifying some of the port towns, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

8. The two letters and paper from the commissioners in Ireland referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

10, 11. Mr. Freeman, now brought up, to appear before Council to-morrow, and Capt. Bishop to send to Council such papers as have been referred to the Committee for Examinations concerning him.

12. Major Adams to be recommended to the commissioners in Ireland for employment.

14. The Admiralty Committee to confer with the Navy Com-

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mittee on the letter of the latter to Council, as to providing money for pay of some ships brought into port, and report their opinion.

15. Major Salwey to report to the House Council's opinion that the 3 companies appointed for the garrison of Hull, which were recruited by order of Parliament to 120 men, besides officers, and ordered to be paid for three months, should be continued and paid according to the establishment for three months longer, Council conceiving it to be for the safety and security of that garrison.

16. Major Adams to be recommended to Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, and the rest of the Commissioners for Irish Affairs, for employment for his encouragement and subsistence, he having done good service for the safety of the commonwealth, at his own great hazard. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 15-18.]

Aug. 25. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write Capt. Stevens of the London, and Capt. Ball of the Antelope, to fall down to the Sovereign, and keep in consort with her.

2. The petition of Capt. Thomas Lemon, &c. referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. Mr. Freeman to enter into bond with good sureties, not to depart above 10 miles from town for one month, and to leave a note of the place where he may be sent to, in case there be occasion for summoning him.

4. The Ordnance Committee to think of the names of fit persons to whom the money for making fortifications at Yarmouth is to be paid.

6. Power to be given to Lieut.-General Monk to draw a bill of exchange upon Council at three days, to be paid out of the exigent money, for raising fortifications at Yarmouth. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 18-20.]

Aug. 26. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Edw. Marston referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

2. That of Edw. Smith, merchant, referred to the Committee for the sale of Dutch prizes, who are to state the matter of fact mentioned therein, and send it in writing to Council.

3. Jas. Ansdell appointed boatswain of the yard at Deptford.

4. The Committee for Advice, to consider whether it will be fit to continue the Love in the service, or to discharge her.

5. The petition of Thomas Gill and Co. referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. That of Cornelius Bradshaw to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider what may be further done for him.

10. The petition of the jury of the Thames eastward, whereby Council is informed of the decay of the landing bridge at Greenwich, referred to Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Corbett, and Mr. Garland, to contract with such workmen as they think fit for its

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repair, provided the charge does not exceed 60*l.*, which is to be paid out of the exigent money of Council.

11. Capt. Appleton's letter from Leghorn referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

12. Capt. Hall to be bailed, on security for his appearance on summons, and acting nothing prejudicial.

15. The petition of Thomas Hepburne referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

16. The paper from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning convoy for ships bound for Scotland with provisions, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

17. That committee to confer with Mr. Bence and others as to what ships are fit to be sent to the Sound, and report to Council in the afternoon what they think fit to be done herein.

18. To write the Governor of the Isle of Wight.

20, 21. So much of the letter from Capt. Moulton as relates to ammunition referred to the Ordnance Committee, and the letter to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

22. Also the letter from the Navy Victuallers.

23. Power to be given to Dr. Gurdon, master of the Mint, to send for any persons committed to prison on suspicion of coining false money, and examine and dispose of them to any other prison he thinks fit, in order to their being brought to trial.

24. The petition of Robert Pratt referred to the Admiralty Committee. [*L. 32, pp. 21-25.*]

Aug. 26.
Whitehall.

112. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. As you disapprove the plan of engaging the mariners of the ships lately come in to serve again in those just going out by detaining part of their wages, you are to pay them off, but take care to re-engage them. Use such docks as you think fit for setting forth the ships that have come in. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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113. Order of the Committee for the Public Faith money under 10*l.*, that the moneys received by the several receivers for the counties, of the treasurers at Weavers' Hall, be paid to the persons on whose behalf the Assessment Commissioners have certified, in proportion as it is paid to them from the said treasurers, and that the moneys so paid be endorsed upon the several bills of public faith given to them; such as have lost their bills are to give receipts for the money, which is to be in part of their principal and interest, from 1642 to 1 June 1652. A copy of this be given to the receiver for every county, to be observed by them. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

Aug. 26.

COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Lord Bradshaw and three others added to the Sub-Committee for Trade, to meet and consider the business concerning clothing.

2. An extract to be brought in of the heads of the several businesses depending before this committee.

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3. Sir Wm. Masham to move Council to consider where money may be had for supply of the fleet.

4. The order of Parliament concerning trade to France to be considered to-morrow. [*L. 131, p. 21.*]

Aug. 27. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. All the papers, orders of the House, and petitions concerning the Post Office before Council to be looked up, and that business debated next Thursday:

2. The petition of Hugh Woodward, keeper of James's House, referred to the Committee for Whitehall.

3. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider as to appointing two packet boats to pass between Munster and Pembroke, and to report their opinion.

5. Mr. Powell to provide shipping for transportation of such horse as shall go over to Ireland with Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood, not exceeding 200, and to charge a bill on Council for defraying the same.

7. The report concerning Lady Ranelagh recommitted to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to report on the whole business this day week.

8. The Committee for Timber to sit on Tuesday next.

9. The proposition given in to Council concerning money owing from the town of Edinburgh and Leith, appointed for charitable uses, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

10. The petition of Edw. Hughes referred to the Admiralty Committee.

11. Sir Wm. Fleming to be bailed on the same security as formerly, and go to Scotland, where he is to appear before the Commander-in-Chief, and return when required, and not do anything to the prejudice of the commonwealth.

12. To write General Blake of the intelligence that has come to Council.

15. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Maclewd referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to examine him, and certify Council what should be done for him.

16. The letter of Mr. Shelley to Lord Bradshaw, touching Dr. Baylie's invention, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

17. The committee formerly appointed for the business of money to consider, on a view of the state of the public treasuries, where money may be had for supplying the occasions of the fleet, and to report this day week; Lord Commissioner Lisle added to that committee.

18. The petition of Sir Jno. Chesholme referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to examine and do with him as they see cause.

19. The petition of Capt. Anth. Mildmay to be considered this day week.

20. Major Geo. Keith, a Scotch prisoner, to be discharged and

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permitted to go to Scotland, he rendering himself to the Governor of Dundee, and giving security to appear on summons.

21. The Irish and Scotch Committee to take the account of Major-General Desborow, as to money received and paid by him since he went down to the west.

22. His desire for appointment of some money for building a small house to lay powder in referred to the Ordnance Committee. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 26-30.]

Aug. 27.

Whitehall.

114. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. See our directions enclosed to the Navy Victuallers executed, and appoint the ports to which the victuals for the 14,000 men are to be sent. Agree with the owners of the merchantmen to retain them for October. Send the *Love*, or some other vessel ready, to convoy the victuals to the fleet. State the readiness of the ships last ordered, and the reasons for so much delay. [*1 page.*] *Enclosing,*

114. i. *Council of State to the Navy Victuallers. Take care that the navy now abroad is sufficiently victualled as directed until 1st October, for the least omission may be very prejudicial. As the fleet is to be kept out until the end of October, provide victuals for 14,000 men for a month, out of the 3,000 men's victuals declared for the winter guard, and see it is sent to the respective ports, from whence it will be issued in equal proportions, and not in fractions as hitherto.—Whitehall, 25 August 1652. [Copy, ¾ page.]*

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Whitehall.

115. Council of State to the Navy Commissioners. Gen. Blake, who is in the Narrow seas, wants masts, yards, cordage, &c.; as the *Nonsuch*, *Advice*, *Drake*, and *Merlin* frigate are unserviceable without them, order a speedy supply. Continue the *Love* in the service until the end of October, and any time lost by her captain or owners, in bringing her on shore to grave or victual, is to be abated out of the freight. [*1 page.*]

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Leghorn.

116. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. The Dutch here have taken a ship of Bristol from Lisbon, bound for this port, and brought her into the road, and her cargo is valued at 2,500*l.* Van Gall, the new Dutch commander, has added one ship to his squadron in this port, and sailed last night, with 9 men-of-war and their English prize. I and Mr. Longland despatched a felucca after them, to see which way they intended, and if they went eastward, to hasten for Messina with letters to Capt. Badiley. It is reported here that they are bound for Toulon, to better man their ships, and to fetch 4 that they have there. They have dispersed the Englishmen taken in the prize amongst their men-of-war, and did not suffer any of them to go on shore. Their other 6 sail still ride before this port.

We have heard of Capt. Badiley's arrival at Zante, and more ships from Smyrna have come to him. God grant us a safe meeting.

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We have careened the Bonadventure and Leopard, and our guns being all mounted, we have now both ships ready. Capt. Withe-ridge's writing to the Council of State for 3 months' pay for his men has caused all ours to desire the same. They should have clothes, as winter is coming on; money is less necessary, in case they should disorder themselves. [1 page.]

Aug. 27. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Pro-ceedings.

1. Order that the Advisers [Committee for Advice] be sent to and conferred with by Mr. Thurloe and Coytmor, concerning the command of the squadron designed for the Sound, and that on communicating to them the intelligence of the present state of affairs, they present their opinion in writing this afternoon.

2. The order of Parliament concerning opening trade to France to be considered on Wednesday.

3. The paper from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning a convoy for some ships to Scotland, referred by Council to this committee, referred to the Committee for Advice.

5. To write the Mayor of Gravesend to examine the matter of the letter from the postmaster of Gravesend to Mr. Coytmor, of 26 August, and to certify the facts to the Committee for Examinations.

6. The letter from Sam. Atkins to Mr. Rowe, from Leith, referred to the Committee for Advice.

7. That committee to consider the complaint concerning merchant ships in the service, and offer their opinion as to a declaration that, if any be lost in fight, satisfaction shall be given for them.

8. That committee also to give their opinion on the letter from Capt. Appleton, at Leghorn. [I. 131, pp. 22, 23.]

Aug. 30. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Antelope, London, Little President, and Renown to repair to General Blake for orders.

2. To write the Navy Commissioners to view the 5 prizes lately sent in by Blake, and give an account to Council how soon they may be fitted out as men-of-war, and at what charge; and to tell them that the Hercules, Richard and Martha, Reformation, and Giles, merchant ships with General Blake, are to be continued out their 8 months complete, and to desire them to give order that if the said ships need any supplies, they may be sent.

3. The petition of Benedict Moore and W. Jessop referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to examine and report.

4. The petition of the merchants of Bideford and Barnstaple for convoy referred to the Admiralty Committee.

5. To write the Navy Victuallers to give order to their deputy at Hull for the speedy victualling of the Convert.

6. The petition of William and Lodowick Drummond referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine them, and report what should be done with them.

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7. The paper from the Navy Commissioners, as to how the frigates sent in by General Blake may be repaired, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. The petition of Jno. Wiles, late master of the Fortune frigate, as also of some of his company, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

9. That of Jno. Bexwick, of Manchester, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and report.

10. That of Capt. Reeve Williams to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to examine his allegations, and report what should be done on his behalf.

11. That of the company of the Hart frigate to the Admiralty Committee.

12. To write the Navy Commissioners to give a speedy account why the Swiftsure and the new frigate at Woolwich are in no better forwardness.

13. Mr. Scott to move Parliament to declare their pleasure as to the payment of the salaries of the Commissioners in Ireland.

14. Lord Lisle to move Parliament to consider the two Acts for giving letters for private men-of-war, and for calling home all English seamen from the service of foreign states and princes. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 31-34.]

Aug. 30. Instructions for Capt. Ball on his repair to the Sound :—

1. You are to go to the Sound with the squadron of ships ordered for that purpose, and take into your charge such English ships as are homeward bound from thence, and use your best endeavours to convoy them safely to their several ports.

Nos. 2, 3, and 4, the same as in the instructions to Capt. Read [*21 Aug.*, *p.* 377, *supra.*].

5. You are from time to time to observe such orders as you shall receive from the Parliament, Council of State, or General Blake, and give notice of your proceedings to the Council and General as often as you can.

6. You are to give as timely notice as you can to the King of Denmark, or his commanders of ships or forts, of the reason of your coming thither, and to demean yourself with all respect and civility towards the ships, castles, and forts of the said King of Denmark. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 34, 35.]

Aug. 31. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Love to confer with the Navy Committee as to providing money for the present occasions of the fleet, and report the effect of that conference.

2. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider of an answer to be returned to the letter of General Blake, read this day.

3. The Navy Commissioners to confer with the Admiralty Committee as to paying the landsmen on board the fleet; also concerning the desires of Col. Goffe, delivered in by him to Council.

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4. The papers sent from General Blake, taken on board some of the Dutch ships, and written in that language, to be sent to Sir Oliver Fleming, who is to peruse them, and if he finds anything of secrecy in them, he is to keep it, and acquaint the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow with their contents.

5. Sir Wm. Masham to report to the House Council's opinion that the Commissioners for the sale of Dutch prizes should be put under the same oath and rules, in the execution of their trust, as the collectors for Prize Goods.

6, 7. The commissioners appointed to treat with the Spanish Ambassador to give him a meeting on Thursday at 3 p.m. in the usual place at Whitehall, and Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice and attend him; notice hereof to be given to the commissioners.

8. Mr. Love to report to the House that Col. Edward Massey escaped out of the Tower on Monday night last, and several prisoners of war who were committed there for high treason at other times, and to request that the House will give directions therein.

9. A copy of the warrant issued by the new Commissioners for Prize Goods, for payment of 15,000*l.* to the Navy Victuallers, to be left with the Navy Committee, that it may appear on their accounts what money they have received.

10. The Irish and Scotch Committee to make their report with all speed on the business concerning the Treasury.

11. The petition of Ignatio de Landa Ivola referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to report what should be done for him.

12. John Hyson, warder of the Tower, to be committed to Newgate, on suspicion of being accessory to the wilful escape of Col. Edw. Massey, committed prisoner to him for high treason.

15. The petition of Abraham Caulier referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

16. Order, on the letter of Mr. Hill and Mr. Turpin, Commissioners for the sale of Dutch prizes,—representing the state of the business of the sale of the Gentleman of Poland, a Dutch prize brought by Mr. Smith,—that the said commissioners do therein according to equity and justice, either by exposing the same to a new sale or otherwise.

17. The petition of Ellen Lovell referred to the Committee for Examinations. [*I.* 32, pp. 36–39.]

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117. Petition of Mary, widow of Capt. John Taylor, commander of the *William*, to the Admiralty Committee, for relief. Her husband served faithfully by land and sea 11 years, and sealed his service with his blood in the last engagement with the Dutch fleet, leaving her with 5 children, 3 very young, and his mother 70 years old, mostly dependent on him. His arrears are near 300*l.*, but owing to his being at sea, he could not have them stated. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.] *Annexing,*

117. I. *Certificate by Nath. Whetham and 3 others that Taylor was slain in July last, in the engagement with the Dutch fleet.*
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Sept. 1.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The papers concerning the tanners and skimmers to be looked up, and brought to Council this day week.

2. The Dutch captains sent up from Dover by Col. Kelsey, viz., Derrick Vygh, Capt. Steyner, Harmon Menicus, John Noblitt, and Rich. Boger, to be committed to the Marshalsea, being taken in hostility against the commonwealth, and a warrant to be issued to the keeper of the Marshalsea accordingly.

3. To-morrow afternoon appointed for Council to hear the Dutch manifesto read.

4. The coachmaker's bill annexed to the petition of Mr. Gay to be perused by Mr. Frost.

6. The petition of Theophilus Biddolph and Peter Birkenhead referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

7. The Admiralty Committee to meet to-morrow morning, and confer with the Navy Commissioners and Col. Goffe, as to supplying the land soldiers aboard the fleet with linen for shifts and other necessaries.

8. The Navy Commissioners to attend the Admiralty Committee to-morrow at 8 a.m.

9. The Admiralty Judges to bring in to Council next Friday the draft of an Act for paying mariners' wages, notwithstanding an appeal from the sentence in the Admiralty Court to the Judges delegate.

10. The letter from the Mayor of Dover and Governor of Dover Castle, as to the passage office there, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to examine how that office has been formerly executed, and how it can be managed for the future; also to consider the petition of Capt. Robert Beare.

11. The difference between Lord Montague and Mr. Tyrrell to be further considered next Friday.

12. The Admiralty Committee to confer with the Navy Commissioners concerning such prize ships as have been ordered to be fitted out as men-of-war, and to order the Navy Commissioners to bring in a perfect list of them, to be represented to the House.

13. That committee to appoint two boatswains to attend the rigging of the two new frigates at Deptford.

14. The petition of Wm. Dodson referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report what should be done with him. [*I. 32, pp. 40-42.*]

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118. Exceptions by Wm. Cooling against Wm. Smith's appointment as clerk of the rope yard at Woolwich, and the reasons on behalf of his own appointment, he having been recommended by the Navy Commissioners. [*2½ pages.*]

Sept. $\frac{1}{11}$.

119. Sir Marmaduke Langdale to [Sec. Nicolas]. In 1648, his Majesty, being then Prince of Wales and Captain-General of England, gave me the command of the 5 northern counties, then under the power of the rebels; I was to endeavour the reducing of those parts to his obedience, and in case I could not possess myself of Berwick and Carlisle, to render them to the Scots, which I performed without assistance of any force from Scotland. I had likewise in-

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telligence with the Governor of Tynemouth Castle, who, by means of His Majesty's friends in those parts, was persuaded to declare for the King, and to accept of a commission from me; but putting too great confidence in his own garrison, was unwilling to receive others, so that when Sir Arthur Hesilrigge came to storm the castle, his own men left him, he was slain, and the castle regained.

If His Majesty shall be pleased to command me to endeavour the regaining of any port town, I shall be most willing to undertake that service, and doubt not but, by the assistance of His Majesty's friends, to effect it, if I am furnished with such things as are requisite, and a good army is sent for securing those ports when they are taken. [1 page.]

- Sept. 1. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.
1. The business of Claus Bobasin to be considered on Friday; Dr. Walker to attend.
 5. Lord Bradshaw and Mr. Corbett to look over the papers of Huet Leat, and report on Friday, and all the papers to be looked up and sent to them. [*I. 131, p. 24.*]
- Sept. 2. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
1. 130 men to be allowed for manning the Peter of Rotterdam, a Dutch prize.
 2. Mr. Carew added to the committee who are to meet the Spanish Ambassador.
 3. The petition of John Harper referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
 4. Order on the petition of Nath. Marks, merchant, prisoner in the Gatehouse, that Dr. Gurdon examine him as to the matters laid to his charge, and report.
 5. The petition of Roger Alsop, Marshal General, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to examine his accounts, and report out of what treasury the amount due may be paid; also to consider whether the Scotch prisoners in his custody may be discharged without prejudice, and report.
 6. Order on the petition of Elizabeth, widow of Thos. Wetton, late deputy to the Serjeant-at-arms, that 5*l.* be given her in consideration of her husband's services, and a letter be sent to the Commissioners for Soldiers' Widows, recommending her condition.
 - 9, 16, 26, 27. The petitions of Anne Browne, widow of Simon Orton, of Fopp Jacobs, and of Michael de Hure of Dover and others, referred to the Admiralty Committee.
 - 10, 15. Those of Rich. Browne of Pembroke, and of Armiger Warner to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
 - 11, 19, 21. Those of the merchants trading to Hull, of Maurice Gardner, merchant of London, and of Wm. Dyer, to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

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12. The three busses taken by Gen. Blake and sent to the Thames, to be given to the corporation for the poor.

13. Major Geo. Keith to have liberty to go to Scotland, on security to render himself to the Commander-in-Chief there when called on, and not to do anything to the prejudice of the commonwealth meantime.

14. To answer to the petition of Denzell Holles, that the ships of the commonwealth are at present so employed that Council cannot dispose any of them to particular convoys.

20. The papers delivered in to Council from the Spanish Ambassador, by the commissioners appointed to meet with him, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

22. The petition of Marmaduke Russell, Jas. Smith, and others referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to discharge them, and dispose of them aboard the ships in the service, if they think fit.

23. Order, on the petition of Hen. Robinson, merchant of London,—on behalf of himself and others, who produced certain writings in claim to the Post Office, before a committee of Council appointed for that business, which were left with Mr. Lock, clerk to that committee,—that the said Mr. Lock redeliver such papers to the several persons, when applied to for them.

28. Lieut.-Col. Jas. Lunden to be permitted to go to Scotland, on security to render himself to the Commander-in-Chief there when required, and not to act anything to the prejudice of the commonwealth. [*I. 32, pp. 43-48.*]

Sept. 2.
Leghorn.

Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. Yesterday the new general arrived overland from Holland, to command their ships of war in these seas, which are to be made up 25 sail in Genoa, Venice, and Leghorn, and they are fitting 11 merchantmen as men-of-war. This general brought letters to the Great Duke, and was well received at Florence, whence the Great Duke's coach, with six horses, brought him to town. If the State will keep a good correspondence with this prince by letters, their affairs in these parts will put on a better countenance, and this I conceive requisite whilst your ships have occasion of this port.

The Bonadventure has been careened, and the Leopard is going to it. We hear Capt. Badiley was at Zante 28 days since, where he intended to stay for the Smyrna ships. There are only six Dutch men-of-war at Leghorn, but the rest are hereabouts, and I believe will go towards Capt. Badiley, who, I hope, will lie close at Messina, until some succour comes out of England. If you send as great a fleet as is reported, viz., 20 sail, send some commodities to raise money upon for them. These wars make trade dead, money is very scarce to be had by exchange for England, and the dollar has already risen to 63*d.* [*1½ pages. See 22 Aug., No. 109, supra.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Petition of Eliz. Heatly, widow, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

2. That of Daniel Shelen to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

4. The salary of Robert Munsell, keeper of the park gate near the stairs at Whitehall, to be increased *8l.* a year, beginning from the present quarter.

5. Provision of victuals for the next winter's guard, over and above the 3,000 men's victuals already declared for, to be made for three months, for the number of men, and at the ports following :

Portsmouth	2,074	Harwich	700
Plymouth	800	Yarmouth	770
London -	1,870	Hull	- 320
Dover	- 800	Kinsale	540

6. The petition and papers of John Penticoste referred to the Admiralty Judges, to examine the business, and report.

8. The petition of Wm. Bentley and Robert Mason referred to the Excise Committee, to do according to the Acts and ordinances.

9. Mr. Scott to report to the House the case of Mrs. Hamilton.

10. The business of money to be considered next Wednesday.

11. The paper of names of Irish rebels referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

13. The license for the Earl of Roxburgh to go to Scotland not to extend to above four months.

15. To write the Governor of Dover to secure — on suspicion of holding correspondence with the enemy, and to search his papers.

16. The petition of Jeffery Lewis referred to the Committee for Examinations.

17. That of Joshua Bennett, of Jersey, to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to examine whether the due proportion of commodities therein mentioned have been sent to Jersey. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 49-51.]

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Leghorn.

120. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee, Westminster. I advised you on the 27th ult. of the departure of Van Gall, the new Dutch commander, with 10 sail of Hollanders, and their English prize, leaving four men-of-war and one merchant ship newly added to their fleet in Leghorn Road. Not having recovered from my sickness, news was brought me on shore that Capt. Badiley was in fight with the above 10 sail of Hollanders, near the island of Elba, whereupon I ordered the Leopard and Bonadventure to be ready to go out of the Mold, and in case the Flemings in the road should weigh, we to follow them; in the interim I dispatched two feluccas to Capt. Badiley, from whom I received several letters, giving me a full relation of the hot and tedious dispute he had with the Flemings on 27 and 28 Aug. I am glad I sent Capt. Cox with the Warwick to him, as he was an instrument in preserving the fleet; I wish I and the Bonadventure had been with him. I am sorry to hear of the loss of the Phoenix, but I doubt not, when I and Capt. Badiley meet together, we shall regain her, and make those fellows smart for it, who wrote to their agents here that there has not been a hotter

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dispute upon the sea in their remembrance, and confess they are as much torn as Capt. Badiley, who is now in Porto Longone with seven sail, the Flemings with 11 sail, and the Phoenix riding a mile without, sent abroad to endeavour to cut off all intelligence and relief to Capt. Badiley. I have sent him 24 barrels of powder and 500 cwt. of match, and am now sending six hogsheads of meat of our store, and shall endeavour to furnish him with all necessaries, and if possible, will go to him with Charles Longland, to confer as to our meeting. Capt. John Witheridge, of the Bonadventure, died yesterday, and was buried to-day; I will advise with Capt. Badiley as to appointing Capt. Cox to that command. The wounded men taken in the Phoenix have been returned to Capt. Badiley, but they will not part with the sound men. [1 page.]

Sept. 6. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Lord Chief Justice St. John to be President of the Council of State for one month.

2. Mr. Thurloe to give him notice of his being chosen President, and that his attendance is required to-morrow afternoon.

3. The business of Mr. Tyrell to be considered next Wednesday.

4. The petition of Sir Abraham Williams referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. To write Mr. Brook, justice of peace for co. Northampton, enclosing copies of the information and examinations concerning Mr. Lewis, and to desire him to prosecute Lewis at the assizes, and take a bond for his appearance.

6. The letter, petition, and examinations from the justices of peace for Cheshire, concerning the miscarriages of Lieut. Jno. Griffith, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to report what should be done.

7. Mr. Love to confer with the Lord General, as to the borrowing the money to be paid to the army for their service in Scotland, and for supplying the present exigencies of the fleet, which Council will take care shall be repaid out of the money raised by the sale of delinquents' lands.

8. To write the Navy Committee that such money as shall be raised upon the sale of Dutch prizes is to be reserved for payment of seamen.

10. The petition of Robert le Holt referred to the Admiralty Committee. [I. 32, pp. 52-54.]

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Leghorn.

Charles Longland to the Council of State. I perceive, by yours of 29 July, that you have received intelligence hence of the condition your ships were in, besieged and threatened by the Dutch, and of the good protection we found from the Grand Duke, which has since been enlarged, and that you have resolved to write him a letter of thanks, which I have signified to him will come by the next post, as also an exact remonstrance of the state of affairs between England and Holland, declaring the clear reasons you have

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to demand reparation from that nation for many damages sustained, all which you will recommend to him for his own information, and that he may communicate the justness and integrity of your cause to the rest of his friends and allies the princes of Italy.

Since my return from Florence, I have received several letters from the Great Duke's chief secretary, to solicit a revision of Cardi's rice business, taken by Capt. Hall in a French ship last year, and his Highness often recommended me to put you in mind of it, and said he would write himself; what is required herein is justice, and by a great prince, who, by his own word and hand justified the rice to belong to Cardi, to which you may give entire credit, it being so believed by all the inhabitants of this city.

This week a new general arrived for the Dutch fleet. He came overland from Holland, and brought letters to the Great Duke from that State. He has now embarked, and gone out with 9 of his ships, and 5 remain here. They are making up their number to 25 sail, by taking up the best merchant ships in this port, and send to Toulon for men, and it is reported that these 9 ships are gone thither for that purpose, but I am told by others that the King's party sends an army to besiege Toulon, and that the Dutch are gone to block it up by sea. A small Bristol ship called the Dove, coming here from Lisbon with goods of the value of 2,500*l.*, fell into the hands of the Dutch 25 leagues from Leghorn, who stripped the men and carried them and the ship away with them.

Capt. Badiley is at Zante, and has daily advice from Messina of what passes here. I have sent out a felucca to attend the Dutch fleet, and if they go towards Messina, to go before and advise Capt. Badiley thereof. [$2\frac{3}{4}$ pages. See 19 Aug., No. 107, *supra*.]

Sept. 7. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Jas. Harrington to be President of the Council for this month.

2. The Admiralty Judges to send six blank commissions for private men-of-war to Col. Geo. Fenwick, in Scotland.

3. Alderman Pennington added to the Admiralty Committee.

4. To write Capt. Ball to convoy some ships bound with provisions to Scotland as far as the Firth, in his passage towards the Sound.

5. The Lord President to move the House to consider the draft of an Act for calling home English seamen in the service of foreign states and princes, Council finding by intelligence from abroad, that it is of great concernment to the service.

6. The Admiralty Commissioners to consider how the sick and wounded men sent to Dover from the ships in the service may be provided for, both in respect of money, and the appointing an able physician and surgeons to attend them.

7. Mr. Scott to report to the House the number of French prisoners which were taken in the French men-of-war, and ask for an order as to their disposal, they being a very great charge; and the Collectors for Prizes to allow 6*d.* a man per day, for their maintenance.

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9. Council to consider to-morrow the disposing of Henry Stuart, now in the Isle of Wight.

10. The Commissioners for the sale of Dutch prizes to allow 6*d.* a man per day for the maintenance of Dutch prisoners.

11. The Ordnance Committee to consider as to fortifying Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, and report.

12, 16, 23. The petitions of Jno. le Maisters of Jersey, of Capt. Jno. Byfield, on behalf of Colonel Twisleton's regiment, and of Sir Jas. Barrie referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

14. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to confer with the Navy Commissioners as to paying a bill of exchange drawn on Council by the Mayor of Plymouth, for money disbursed by him for sick and wounded men there.

15. To write Gen. Blake to convoy some English ships at Honfleur in France, provided it is not to the prejudice of the service.

17. The Navy Commissioners to attend the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow by 8 a.m.

18. To write the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes, enclosing the list received from Col. Sydenham, and to desire them to put the ships and goods mentioned therein in a proper way of security.

19, 21. The petitions of Lieut. Jno. Griffith and of Roger Watton referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

20. Order on the petition of Constance Jessop, minister of Wimborne, co. Dorset, for liberty to repair to Bristol to remove his goods, that such liberty be granted, on the restrictions and rules formerly given him, provided he does not stay more than 14 days.

22. The petition of the Mayor, jurats, and commonalty of Dover referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

24. That of Jeffrey Fleetwood to the Ordnance Committee.

25. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider how the money to be paid out of the Excise to ——— may be borrowed of them, for supplying the present urgent occasions of the fleet, on credit of the bill for sale of delinquents' estates; they are to take special care that it may be so propounded that no dishonour may come to the State thereby, and report.

26. The paper from the Collectors for Prize Goods referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 54–59.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of the primer binders referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

2. That of Sir Jas. Foulis referred to the Committee for prisoners, who are to examine him and report.

3. Order on the cases of Capts. Diamond and Cotterell, that the Committee for Examinations take their bond in such amount as they think fit, on the usual terms, and discharge them.

5. To write the Mayor of Dover and Governor of the castle to send the French prisoners there to France, reserving the masters of the ships, and as many of the mariners as will be sufficient to give

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evidence in the Admiralty Court on the adjudication of the ships. Also to tell them that 6*l.* a day is ordered to be paid by the Collectors for Prize Goods for the maintenance of the private men, and that they are to take care the officers are civilly treated, and Council will order payment of their charges, and they are to take care likewise of the sick men.

6. To write the Governor of Dover to conduct the Dutch prisoners there to Canterbury, as also to the Mayor of Canterbury to receive and keep them together, and that 6*l.* per day is allowed to each man for his maintenance, to be paid by the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes.

8. To write Capt. Ball that Council approves of the change of the ship mentioned in his letter, and hopes he will be gone from the coast before this letter comes to him.

9. The petition of William Spittlehouse and Anth. Hutton referred to Mr. Frost, who is to peruse the orders of Council whereby Mr. Henerick, deceased, was placed in the employment of keeper of the orchard back gate, and also whereby Mr. Spittlehouse was appointed to succeed him, and the order whereby Mr. Hutton was appointed gardener, and to compose the difference between them, or report.

10. Liberty to be given to Mich. Tounsen, and the other natives of Denmark named in his petition, to pass into their own country.

11. The petition of Jno. Marston, merchant, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

12. That of Dirk Bogaert and others, to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

13. That of Jno. Cockburne to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to examine him and report.

14. Jas. Kevanach allowed to go to Ireland, or any other country in amity, notwithstanding his obligation to appear before Council on summons within 12 months.

15. The petition of Rich. Hill referred to the Committee for Examinations.

16. The petition of Antonio Ferdinando Carvajal, declaring that there is some silver to be brought in a Hamburg ship to Ostend, on account of Spanish merchants, was this day read, and the manifestation therein expressed taken notice of.

17. The letter from the Navy Commissioners to be reported to the House by the Lord President.

19. The provision of victuals for the 3,000 men for the next winter's guard to be made at the following ports for six months, viz., London, 2,000; Dover, 300; Hull, 500; and Portsmouth, 200. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No 121.*]

20. The report from the Ordnance Committee, concerning the arrears due to the officers, clerks, labourers, and others of the Ordnance Office in the Tower, referred back to the said committee, to examine the account of the said arrears from 1648, and distinguish the salaries of the officers from the poor men's wages.

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21. Col. Morley to move the House to consider the two Acts now before them, one for sending home seamen and others, and the other for cutting off Dutch correspondence, and touching commissions for private men-of-war, they being of great importance to the service. [*I.* 38, *pp.* 59-65.]

Sept. 8.

COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Theophilus Biddlph and Peter Birkenhead referred to Mr. Thurloe, to look over the Navigation Act, and the powers given to Council to dispense with its penalties, and report on Friday.

4. The order of Parliament concerning opening a trade with France referred to a sub-committee, who are to bring in a bill on Friday.

6. The petition of Claus Bobasin referred to the Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker, to examine all parties concerned, state the fact, and their opinion what can be done by ordinary course of law or otherwise, for the just relief of the petitioning stranger.

7. To report to Council that a letter should be written to desire the Navy Committee to order payment of 300*l.* to Fras. Hacker, on a bill of exchange from the Mayor of Plymouth, as imprest in part of his account for disbursements for repairing and fitting to sea Sir George Ayscue's fleet, after the late engagement with the Dutch near Plymouth.

8. The draft of an Act for preventing frivolous appeals from the sentence of the Admiralty Court, in the causes of mariners' wages and freight, to be reported to Council, for presentation to Parliament. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 25-27.]

Sept. 8.
Excise Office,
London.

122. Thomas Bulstrode and four others to the Excise Committee. We hear from our sub-commissioners at Plymouth of undue practices of merchants there, to defraud the commonwealth of the excise. The sub-commissioners have met with affronts and abuses from them, and complained to the Mayor, who was inclined to connive at the offenders. Let a letter be sent from you to the mayor and other magistrates of the town, to give our sub-commissioners assistance in the discharge of their duty, and for the future, not to have our sub-commissioners, on every small occasion, committed to prison or bound to their good behaviour, as lately one of them was; but for the magistrates of the town and the sub-commissioners to join amicably together to advance the public interest. With note of an order for the letter requested.—9 Sept. [1 page.] *Enclosing,*

122. I.-VIII. *Depositions of Roger Chapman, Thomas Stacy, James Jeffery, Robert Dobell, Thos. Manley, Roger Toule, and Wm. Risdon, before the Commissioners of Excise at Ply-*

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mouth, as to an altercation between the Excise officers there, and Oliver Ceely, and Philip Francis, Mayor of Plymouth, respecting some deals, masts, and spars, seized for nonpayment of duty.—Plymouth, 6–27 August 1652. [8 pages.]

Sept. 9. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Hen. Jervoise referred to the Admiralty Committee, to examine the complaint against Capt. Bonner, commander of the Marmaduke, and report with speed.

2, 5. Also the petitions of the surgeons and their mates employed in the service at sea, and of Martin Crallo, of Dantzic.

3. To signify to the Lieutenant of the Tower that Major Edw. Broughton is to be permitted to visit his wife, provided there is a sufficient guard upon him.

7. Order on the petition of the mariners of the Fortune frigate, that the Admiralty Committee take an account from the Navy Commissioners of their deportment in the engagement mentioned, it having been already referred to them to examine the business.

8. To answer to the petition of Margaret, wife of James Hinde, a condemned prisoner in the gaol at Worcester, for a reprieve, that Council cannot intermeddle.

9. To write General Blake enclosing the intelligence from the United Provinces.

10. The petition of Anth. Trayford, for a warder's place in the Tower, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to confer with the Lieutenant of the Tower.

11. The petition of Christ. Huling, commissary of horse provisions for Scotland, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

12. The paper from the Committee of Advice to be read tomorrow.

13. Query why yesterday's order about Cotterel was not made out.

14. The Commissioners for Prize Goods to deliver the three busses taken from the Dutch, now in the Thames, with their nets and other fishing utensils, to the corporation for the poor.

15. The Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes to pay the Navy Treasurer such money as they have made by the sale of the prizes, it being appointed for paying off the ships in the service as they come in.

16. The Admiralty Committee to consider the letters from Leghorn, desiring some months' pay for the ships' companies in the Straits, as also the giving commissions to the merchantmen there and elsewhere to be turned into men-of-war, and what instructions should be given them thereupon.

17. Also to consider what number of men are in the fleet, and the time when the several ships which have been out for this summer's service will come in, what money will be requisite for paying them off, and where the money may be had. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 123.*]

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18. To write Sir Geo. Ayscue, enclosing the intelligence from the Low Countries. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 66-69.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Rowe to be empowered to receive from Major-Gen. Lambert, Major-Gen. Desborow, and other army officers, their desires as to enabling them to carry on the service in their several commands, and offer them to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to consider them, and such as they find they are short in power to answer, they are to report to Council, with their opinion.

2. Mr. Thurloe to look out what has been ordered by Council as to sending a squadron to the Straits, for the relief of the English shipping there, and send it to the Admiralty Committee.

3. To order Fras. Bethune, employed in bringing in brass guns from the north-west garrisons to the Tower, not to meddle with those at Chepstow Castle, they belonging to the Lord General.

4. The paper from the Committee for Advice referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. Col. Goffe to furnish Lieut.-Gen. Monk at Yarmouth with such money as he has or can take up there, not exceeding 600*l.*, and Council will see that it is repaid.

6. The letter from Major-Gen. Deane referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

8. The petition of the Earl of Worcester, desiring the liberty of the Tower, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine the Earl and report.

9. The petition of Phil. Neale referred to the Admiralty Committee.

11. That of Rich. Coghlan, minister, to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.

12. That of Jno. Denton to the Committee for Examinations, who are to commit him to prison if they see cause, and report.

13. That of Lieut.-Col. Geo. Smith and Capt. Garrett Pierse to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to consider what should be allowed them for the discharge of their lodgings and diet, for the time they have been prisoners here, and whether they may not go over to Ireland when they think fit, and to report.

14. The Committee for Examinations to take bail of Capt. Bexwick, and discharge him.

15. The petition of several inhabitants of Bristol, the letter from Lieut.-General Fleetwood, and the paper concerning the garrison at Bristol, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

17. Col. Downes to attend Council on Tuesday.

18. Warrants to be drawn for payment to the Commissioners in Ireland of their half-year's salary, due 25 Dec. next.

19. The Lord President to report to the House, on their order referring it to Council to consider of a fit place in England to which the Commissioners sent from Scotland shall come, Council's opinion that Westminster is a fit place; but they have not considered of the

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other particulars referred to them in that order, conceiving that, on receiving this report, Parliament would consider what further remains to be done.

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Leghorn.

124. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. I sent you some particulars in my last of the $\frac{3}{13}$ th inst., concerning the late engagement between Capt. Badiley and 10 sail of Hollanders, near the island of Elba. The Hollanders add daily to their fleet, and are now 19 or 20 sail, one half of which are here to keep us in, and the other at Porto Longone. The unfortunate Phoenix is careening in this Mold, and it much troubles me to see her. Capt. Badiley writes desiring that means may be used for our coming together, and Mr. Longland and I have spoken to the commanders of the merchant ships to go out with me for our assistance, they having no rich goods; the commanders of the Samson and Mary are very unwilling, but promise their answer to-morrow, which I expect will be a flat denial, as they have told me I have no power to force them; if these two ships deny the service, it will be difficult for Capt. Badiley and me to meet, there being nine men-of-war in Leghorn Road. I have entertained 20 English seamen who came overland from Venice to me. [$\frac{5}{4}$ page.]

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London.

Levant Company to John Hobson. Your letters having been read at a general court, we send you an order authorising you to redress grievances at Zante and Cephalonia, adding that it remains in force, by way of probation, for one year only, ending 10 Aug. 1653,—in which time it may appear what the benefit thereof may be,—and to be continued if it be advantageous. As for the name of consul, which you conceive might enable you the better to perform this service, we are not willing to renew a title which has been so long discontinued, and which would only accommodate ships and masters, which employment, if you can by your own means gain, with what profits are incident thereto, we shall be glad. Meantime we shall expect the effect of your endeavours in what we have committed to your care. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., pp., 200–201.*]

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London.

Levant Company to Morgan Read. Thanks for your advertisement of the state of affairs in reference to the Holland fleet, and our own ships, for the security of which we do not omit to solicit our State, and meantime have desired their order to Capt. Appleton, and the rest of the ships which are unladen and in a capacity, to endeavour a conjunction with Capt. Badiley, whereby they may be better able to defend themselves. [*Levant Papers, Vol. IV., p. 201.*]

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4. To request Council that Dirk Bogaert and three other Dutch captains of Rotterdam, and Andries Backer, of Guckhuysen, Peter Christianson, of Enchuysen, and Adrian Lenderson, of Rotterdam, Dutch shipmasters, all prisoners here, may have liberty granted to procure an exchange for themselves.

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5. Order, on the petition of Dan. Shocon, French merchant of London, for liberty to bring corn and other goods not prohibited, from Dieppe and adjacent ports, in the *James* of Dieppe, to request Council for a protection for the ship in her passage, from men-of-war and privateers. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 27, 28.]

Sept. 12. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.
Sunday.

1, 2. To write General Blake and Sir Geo. Ayscue, enclosing the intelligence from Deal and Dover, of a Dutch fleet appearing on the back of the South Sand head.

3. To write the Governors of Deal and Dover castles, thanking them for their letters, and desiring them to continue their intelligence.

4. The Governor of Dover to cause *La Roche*, captain of the *Duchesse*, a French ship, to be secured and kept in safe custody, and to take care that all the Dutch and French prizes be secured, lest the Dutch fleet should attempt to seize them.

5. To write the bailiffs of Yarmouth of the intelligence received of the Dutch fleet being on the South Sand head, and to desire them to order the masters and commanders of such ships as come to Yarmouth Road to be careful how they put forth to sea, and to stay until they receive further order from Council; also to desire them to send to Hull, Lynn, Boston, Scarborough, and Newcastle, to the same effect. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 70-75.]

Sept. 13. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Audience to be given to the Spanish Ambassador to-morrow at 4 p.m. at the Council of State; Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice and attend him.

2. Like audience to be given to the Danish Ambassadors on Wednesday at 4 p.m.

3. Notice to be given from time to time by the clerk of the Council to the Commissioners for Prize Goods, of all such prizes as Council shall understand, by letters from the commanders of ships in the service, and from the ports, have been taken from the Dutch, that the commissioners may give speedy order concerning them.

4. To write the Navy Commissioners to cause a view to be taken of all ships of war captured from the French and Dutch and in custody here, and not as yet set out in the service, and to certify Council how many of them are fit to be set out as men-of-war for this winter's guard, that thereby so many of the merchant ships as can be supplied by those prizes may be discharged; likewise to certify which of them are fit to be set out in the next summer's guard.

5. Note to send to the Ordnance officers to attend the Ordnance Committee to-morrow at 8 a.m.

6. The Lord General and the general officers of the army to be desired to attend the Irish and Scotch Committee on Thursday morning, as to the retrenchment of some forces and garrisons; Alderman Allein and Mr. Leman to attend.

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7. Mr. Legg, who has in his custody the globe bought for the use of the Council of Trade, to deliver the same to the clerk of the Council of State for their use.

8. The Admiralty Committee to consider the paying the account from the Mayor of Plymouth, of disbursements by him for accommodating Sir Geo. Ayscue's fleet, and to confer with Col. Thomson thereon, and report.

9. The committee appointed to carry the last answer of Council to the Danish Ambassadors to carry the paper now ordered to be sent to them, in answer to what was last given in from them; Col. Purefoy added to this committee.

10. Order, on the information of Thos. Long, Wm. Collins, and Peter Franklin, against Edw. Townsend of Gazington, and Jno. Childs of Toote Baldon, co. Oxon, yeomen, that the persons who gave in the information repair to the Commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall, and acquaint them therewith, for them to make such use of it as they think fit.

11. The petition of Wm. Burton, gunsmith, referred to the Ordnance Committee.

12. That of Capt. Gordon to the Committee for Prisoners, who are to examine the condition of the prisoners, and report what should be done with the petitioner.

13. The letter from Major-General Deane, dated Dalkeith, 7 September, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to give such order to the Navy Commissioners as they think fit.

14. To write the Governor of Dover Castle to send up Monsr. de la Roche, one of the Frenchmen lately taken by General Blake, in safe custody to Council, and to secure all the commanders of the said ships, and keep them in safe custody until further order.

15. The petition of Col. Alex. MacDonnell referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider his case, and likewise how Col. Barow, a prisoner with the Irish, may be released.

16. The one month's liberty granted to William Crane, late prisoner in the Gatehouse, on suspicion of falsifying debentures, to be enlarged for two months longer.

17. The petition of Howard Strackly referred to the Ordnance Committee.

18. Jas. Mordington, prisoner at Manchester, to have liberty to come to London, on giving good security to Mr. Haworth, justice of peace for co. Lancaster, that he will come to London, and attend the Council of State from day to day until further order, and be of good behaviour.

19. The fane in Whitehall, showing the points of the compass, to be repaired, and Mr. Carter, surveyor of works, to see that it is done. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 76-81.]

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Leghorn.

125. Charles Longland to [the Navy Committee]. The enclosed from Capt. Badiley will acquaint you with what passed 25 leagues from Leghorn and near Monte Cristi, between his fleet of 8 ships and 10 Dutch men-of-war, with whom he fought on the 7th instant, and

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125. 1. *Capt. Rich. Badiley [to the Navy Committee]. Having occasion to touch at Zante and Cephalonia in my homeward way from the Levant, I met the Constant Warwick, sent from Leghorn to inform me of the breach with Holland, and that 14 of their men-of-war had been there waiting to do mischief upon the English shipping, and that Capt. Appleton was to stay at Leghorn until I came thither, that they might be the better enabled to contest with the enemy and others in the Straits; whereupon it was resolved by the rest of the commanders of this squadron that we should hasten to Leghorn, without touching at Messina and Naples, which has been the common passage of our convoy, and of which the Flemings could not be ignorant, that so the enemy should have no intelligence where we were, and so prevent our joining with Capt. Appleton. That course was thought the best, the rather as we were advised that those 14 sail of Flemings were gone to the westward, and if they wheeled about as was suspected, to seek after us, it would be about Cape Spartavento, and not near Leghorn.*

But on the 27th inst., 11 of the best Flemish men-of-war came up with this ship and the Elizabeth, Phœnix, and Constant Warwick, between Lilboa and Corsica, I having the Mary Rose, Thomas Bonadventure, and the Richard and William from Scanderoon, and the William and Thomas from Smyrna under convoy, and at 4 p.m. they began an engagement with us; but at the close of the day, there was not above 4 in 500 pieces of ordnance spent on both sides, and we had suffered but little. Next morning they began afresh, and we replied until evening, when they seemed out of breath, and by my gunner's account, we discharged from this ship 800 pieces of great ordnance that day, which must have done no small execution, having sometimes two of the enemy's best men-of-war

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aboard, and their Admiral, Vice-Admiral, and Rear-Admiral, with all the rest, sometimes within pistol and musket shot of us. One of them that boarded us found it so hot that many of that ship's company leaped out of their ports and called to us for quarter, but so many of them hanging at our boat astern, they sank her, and were forced to address to their ship, and bear her off, with our help because she was on fire, (although afterwards quenched), but we were not then in a condition to possess her, other ships being so ready to enter this; yet had some other commanders performed their words to me, or come within musket shot of them, this ship might have been relieved, on which lay all the heat of the service, and to all outward appearance, we had ruined their great strength, and gained reputation to our nation, two of their mainmasts being shot down.

The Phoenix frigate was lost in a most sudden and strange manner, and there must have been great carelessness, to say the least, for had order been complied with, and the frigate fallen astern to my assistance, as the Constant Warwick did, for which her commander and company deserve great reputation, the enemy had been repulsed, and tired out sooner than they were; but while there were four on board and surrounding us in this ship, we could not stir. They suffered themselves to be run aboard by a heavy ship of the enemy's, that overcame the men and possessed the frigate, for want of a fore-castle. We had not much assistance from the merchant ships, some of them not receiving a shot. Considering we lost 26 men slain, and 57 wounded, amongst which were all our leading officers, so as to be useless to us in the midst of the work, and withal considering this ship received 50 shot between wind and water, and elsewhere in the hull, and in all her masts, yards, and rigging, impossible to number, so that none of our stays, shrouds, or other rigging were free, by the thousands of great shot that were discharged upon her; also considering she had been fired in many places, yet preserved, and with her so much wealth of the nation upon the four merchant ships as must in all likelihood have perished with her, and that we are brought safe to this place of security, I believe you will not esteem it amongst the meanest of the Lord's mercies.

I am sending to Leghorn for 150 barrels of powder and other ammunition, as without it I cannot stir. On the evening of the 28th, after our great dispute, the captain of the Elizabeth told me he had only two barrels of powder left, and the commander of the Constant Warwick only four; and after I spared them six, my gunner told me I had only as much left as would load my guns 10 times round, which would have been a great discouragement to the mariners had the enemy begun next morning.—Paragon, Porto Longone, 31 August 1652. [1½ pages.]

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4. To report to Council that the account of Sir Ab. Williams, of 53*l.* 17*s.* 3*d.* for disbursements for Ambassadors, should be allowed, on its being sworn to.

7. The Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker to be at the committee on Wednesday at 7 a.m.

8. The petition of Mr. Moore and Jessop to be considered on Wednesday week, and the papers concerning the foreign post brought in, especially the report ordered to be made to Parliament on the business. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 29–31.]

Sept. 14. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Margaret, wife of Vice-Admiral Penn, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider what may be done for her.

2. The condition of the wife and family of Capt. Michael Pack, late Rear-Admiral in the fleet of Sir Geo. Ayscue, slain in the service, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. The paper delivered in to Council from the Spanish Ambassadors referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

4. The account of wants in Deal Castle referred to the Ordnance Committee.

5. Order, on the petition of Geo. Smith, master of the Prosperous of Hull, Geo. Ruddock, master of the Unity of Hull, and Joseph Waters, master of a vessel of Yarmouth, desiring convoy, that the vessel which shall go convoy with the ship laden with ammunition for Scotland shall convoy them to the ports to which they belong. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 82, 83.]

Sept. 15. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Thos. Budd, prisoner in Newgate, laid aside.

2. The Committee for Examinations to secure Geffry Browne, examine him, and report.

3. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider how the great charge now upon the State, by paying rent for a house for the entertainment of Ambassadors, may be taken off, and where another house may be found for that purpose, and report.

4. The petition and letter from the people of Lynn and Boston, desiring more efficient convoy for that coast, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to consider what further convoy should be appointed, and report.

5. The paper from the Danish Ambassadors to be reported to the House by the Lord President.

6. 6*d.* a day to be paid out of the Dutch prizes to each of the Dutch prisoners at Canterbury.

7. So much of the petition of Drowett le Gros, merchant of Jersey, as relates to the confiscation of a commission of reprisal granted him by Col. Heane, as also the letter itself, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. So much of it as relates to carrying over some wool to Jersey, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

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9. The petition of John Watson referred to the Ordnance Committee.

10, 11. The petition of Leonora Rodugez, for delivery of a pearl necklace, sent over by her in the packet boat to England, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to deliver it if they see cause, on her payment of customs, and also the lace intercepted in the packet boat.

12. The petition of Capt. Rob. Stuart referred to the Committee for Prisoners.

13. Mathias Nicolls, late prisoner in the Gatehouse on suspicion of counterfeiting debentures, to have 2 months' prolongation of the month's liberty given him by Council, on the former security.

14. The petition of Rob. Inglis for delivery of his trunk, in custody of Capt. Bishop, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

15. The Mayor of Dover to be allowed to put into his bill of charges for French prisoners landed at Dover, the charge of landing and keeping some Englishmen in the Isle of Thanet. [*I.* 32, *pp.* 84-87.]

Sept. 15.

Order in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs in the case of the *Santa Clara*, that though the petitions deserve to be considered, it cannot be done till the cause of appeal in the Delegates' [Court], between Col. Manwaring and Major Hawes *v.* Landa Ivola and others, be sentenced; and that as the case is ready for sentence, the committee request the judge delegates to appoint a speedy day for hearing. Both parties to attend, the judges to procure a speedy day, and no delay to be used by any party, but that final sentence may be given. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 31, 32.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

Note of summons of Council for to-morrow, 8 a.m. [*I.* 33, *p.* 1.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write to the Governors of the ports of Sussex to save merchant vessels from the Dutch, by giving notice to the neighbouring ports of their fleet now off Beachy Head, that ships now there may stay.

2. Sir Oliver Fleming to go to and confer with the Portuguese Ambassador concerning the day on which he will come to town, receive his resolution, and acquaint Council, or the committee appointed for his reception.

3. To write to Major-General Deane to give notice to the commissioners who are to come out of Scotland hither to repair to Westminster, appointed by Parliament as the place for the conference.

4. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider what place in Westminster is most fit for the said commissioners to meet those appointed by Parliament to confer with them.

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5. Mr. Salwey, Challoner, Hay, Col. Purefoy, Mr. Holland, and Mr. Martin appointed a committee to consider the entertainment fit to be given to the Portuguese Ambassador, and the manner of his reception, and to report.

6. Mr. Challoner, Neville, and Martin appointed a committee to confer with the Italian secretary, receive what he has to offer, and report.

7. To write Capt. Moulton acknowledging his letter, and desiring him to send out a small boat to take notice of the motions of the Dutch fleet off Beachey Head, and to give notice thereof to as many English merchants as it can meet with, that they may avoid them.

8. To write to the Governor of Dover to send for Capt. Woolter, commander of the *Mayflower*, and confer with him concerning his coming away from General Blake, both as to the time when, and the place where he left him, &c., and to report with speed.

10. To consider the business of *Faux Hall* on Wednesday.

11. To consider on Monday what should be done for adding ships to the fleet by building more frigates; also for providing ordnance for the fleet.

12. To write to the Mayors and Governors of ports and sea towns, to see to the publication of the Act of Parliament for calling home English seamen in the service of foreign states and princes.

13. To write to the Customs' Commissioners to deliver to the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes the bond for 1,100*l.*, entered into by Arnold Beake, on Council's permission given him to take up some French wines taken as prize, he promising to pay their value if adjudged prize, which they have since been.

14. To order the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes to allow the sheriffs of counties where Dutch prisoners have been landed 6*d.* a day for each man, from the time of landing to the time of discharge. They are particularly to take notice of the prisoners lately landed at Yarmouth, and to pay off the charge of them.

15. The Admiralty Judges to sit three days a week, for dispatch of proceedings in their court on ships and goods taken prize, and depending there for adjudication.

16. Also to proceed with all expedition to adjudicate the wools taken in Dutch bottoms as prize, taking care that the State be not defrauded therein.

17. Also to proceed against the ships and goods stayed at the *Cowes* and there continued for divers weeks, on account of the Dutch.

18. To write to the Governor of *Hull* to discharge all the Dutch prisoners with him, especially those taken in the ship now called the *Convert*; each man to have 5*s.* to carry him home, to be paid by the deputy of the Commissioners for Dutch prizes. Also to discharge the small vessel which he has kept out for intelligence, the charge whereof Council will pay, on receipt of an account.

19. To order the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes by tomorrow night's post to order their deputy at *Hull*, to allow each Dutch prisoner there 5*s.* towards sending him home.

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20, 21. The Admiralty Judges to proceed in the Admiralty Court against the Dutch prizes taken by private men-of-war, reserving on such as they adjudge prize the tenths for the State, which are to be paid to the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes.

22. The Navy Victuallers to provide 16,000 men's victuals for the next summer's guard.

23. The Advisers to attend Council on Monday. [*L. 33, pp. 1-7.*]

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126. Instructions by the Navy Committee to Capt. Badiley. In case you meet with Capt. Appleton and the ships under his command, you are to take the same into your charge, and give forth orders to him and the rest of his squadron, as if particularly mentioned in your former instructions; Capts. Appleton, Witheridge, and Cox, are hereby ordered to observe your directions.

In case you arrive at Leghorn, you are to consult with Chas. Longland concerning all affairs relating to the ships under your command, as well for their preservation as the security of trade, and to take special care that neither you nor any of the ships under your command give disturbance to the said port. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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Leghorn.

127. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. I gave you notice in my last of the death of Capt. Witheridge. I have given the command of the Bonadventure to Capt. Cox. The commanders of the Sampson and Mary will not go out with me, except they see an order from you to me to command them, but the masters of the Levant Merchant and Peregrine are willing to serve; they have not however 70 men belonging to them, and the danger will therefore be too great to go out without your order, or a squadron to free me and Capt. Badiley. The Hollanders add daily to their fleet, and are now above 20 sail. The Hunter, an English vessel here, has procured a pass from Van Gall, the Dutch commander, to go for Smyrna, and he has granted several English merchants here the like favour, on account of their being royalists. Nath. Reading has sent me 20 English mariners from Venice. [*1 page.*]

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Carby
[Kirby].

128. Dan. Baguley to Joseph Williamson, Queen's College, Oxford. This had long since been with you but that the extraordinary heat hindered it. I shall not recommend it to you, for I suppose such guests bring their welcome with them. Private affairs. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Any three or more of Council to be a committee to consider the propositions made for discovery of gold and silver mines in the territories of the commonwealth, and to report.

2. The petition of Richd. Major and Thomas Hodgson referred to the Committee for Mines.

3, 8, 10, 11, 18, 20. Those of Alex. Barnes, shipwright, and of George Chune, and of Gerrit Jansen and other Dutch captains, of William Wheatley, mariner, of John Menneard, &c., and of Rich. Terrie, mariner, to the Admiralty Committee.

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5. The propositions delivered to Council by Mr. Scott, concerning the discovery of gold in Scotland, referred to the Committee for Mines.

6. The business between Lord Montague and Mr. Tyrrell to be considered to-morrow.

9. On consideration of the case of Mr. de Heys and of the return made by the Governor of Dover Castle, the said Governor is ordered to discharge him from restraint.

12. Order on the petition of Sam. Terrick and Lucas Lucie, merchants of London, that a license be granted to David Durand, of Quillebeuf in Normandy, master of the Flying Hart of 80 tons burden, to come from France to London or Southampton, to bring French linen, and return without molestation.

13. The petition of John Harris, and the other owners of the Mathew and John of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider it and the Act of Parliament therein mentioned, and to report.

14. The petition of the Mayor and burgesses of Gloucester referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

15. That of the well affected English in Wexford referred to the said Committee, who are to confer thereon with Mr. Wallop, and report.

16. That of Cornelius Cornelison referred to the Admiralty Committee, to give direction for his bail if they think fit.

17. That of Joshua Bennett, for license to carry wool and other commodities to Jersey, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee to consider the proportions of goods therein desired which have been carried thither, and whether it is necessary to give license for more, and to report.

21. The petition of Wm. Jacob referred to the Admiralty Committee to consider of his fitness for command, and if fit, into what place he may be put, and to report.

22. Also that of Eme [or Ennis] Coyt, widow, and other [women], to consider if the allegations therein be true, and if so, what may be done for their relief, and to report.

23. That of Lieut.-Col. Innis referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine him and report what should be done with him.

24. That of several merchants trading to France, for restitution of a small vessel belonging to some of Calais, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider and report.

25. That of Henrie George Mendes, on behalf of divers merchants of Spain, referred to the said committee, who are to confer with the Admiralty Judges and Doctor Walker thereon, and to report.

26. Capt. Charles Lovell and John Lewis, committed to the Gatehouse on suspicion of counterfeiting debentures, and bailed for a month, to have their time enlarged for three months, on good

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security given to the Committee for Examinations, to appear when called for, and meanwhile to be of good behaviour.

27. Monday next appointed for reception of the Portuguese Ambassador, Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice, and attend him at that time to the place of his entertainment.

29. The Irish and Scotch Committee to confer with the trustees and treasurers at Worcester House, and with Capt. Blackwell, concerning the providing of 1,000*l.* for Col. Goffe, and also 10,000*l.* more for the exigencies of Council, and to report to-morrow.

30. The provision of victuals for the 16,000 men for next summer's guard to be apportioned as follows: London, 8,000; Portsmouth, 4,000; Dover, 500; Plymouth, 1,000; Kinsale, 500; Ipswich and Harwich, 1,000; Hull, 1,000.

31. Nich. Bond to be steward for entertaining the Portuguese Ambassador, and to provide all necessary officers and things therefor; also to pay for all provisions out of moneys which he will receive by Council's orders.

32, 33. The Portuguese Ambassador to be allowed a diet of 50 dishes, for first and second course, and 30 dishes of fruit and sweetmeats, for each meal; also a convenient allowance for other tables for the attendants and followers; to be entertained for nine meals, and 300*l.* to be paid out of the Council's contingencies, to make provisions for his coming, to Mr. Bond, who is to give an account to the auditor of imprests, and afterwards present it to Council.

34. Mr. Legg to deliver the State's plate, for the service of the Ambassador, to Ant. Robins, who is to take care thereof, and deliver it back.

35. 12 messengers of Council to carry up the meal and wait at table.

36. Mr. Gay to attend the Ambassador with coaches, as formerly he did other Ambassadors.

37. The petition and accounts of Christ. Huling, commissary for horse provisions in Scotland, referred to the auditor of imprests, to state the accounts, examine the allegations of the petition, and certify thereon. [*I. 33, pp. 8-16.*]

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Leghorn.

129. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee, Westminster. Although the Governor of Porto Longone has permitted the Dutch likewise to come into his port,—as being in amity with Spain he cannot deny them,—yet he continues his promise to Capt. Badiley, and will assuredly afford his protection. I only wait the providing of some things to carry with me, and then intend going thither, when I shall so mediate with the Governor that I hope all suspicions of his neutrality shall be taken away. Meantime, as that port and castle has some relation to the kingdom of Naples, and the Governor is a Neapolitan, I have written to Naples for a letter of recommendation from that King to the Governor, for the protection of our ships, which I hope will much conduce thereto. This is what necessity puts me to for the present, but I hope God has directed you to a better protection, without which this will soon vanish, for

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the enemy is master of the sea, by which way only Capt. Badiley's wants must be supplied. If I should receive from you the happy news that a fleet is dispatched out of England to the succour of these, I would waylay them 20 leagues off, that part might go to Longone, and part come hither, to fall upon the enemy in both places at once; for except this fleet of Dutch be destroyed, there will be no trade for our nation in the Straits; and except it be quickly done, they will much increase, being already 20 sail. Provide some way for raising money, for I am now in disburse for Capt. Appleton and Capt. Badiley's provisions 20,000 dollars, and cannot find any money by exchange for England, although I have proffered 62 in 63*d*. Your occasions here are already great, and will be greater upon the arrival of more ships.

Some years since, the King of Portugal sent a squadron of ships into these seas, to join with the French in taking of Porto Longone, for supply of which squadron he sent 2,000 bags of pepper to make money of, and this or some such way I represent to you, for your ships must be served. If you do not think this way convenient, send me letters of credit for Venice, or order money to come hither from Spain. If your fleet intended hither shall have occasion to victual in these parts, let me have timely advice, for in the months of December and January, flesh here will take the salt, but hardly in any other months, and you might victual 6 men for a piece of 8 a day, with all manner of provisions as in England. [$2\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

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Leghorn.

130. Charles Longland to Col. George Thompson, Whitehall. Thanks for yours of 2 Aug., and promise of further correspondence. Since Parliament has made me their servant, they will advance their own interest in acquainting me with such affairs at first hand as may be made public; it will give me better access here to these Princes' officers. They expect, and not without reason, that I should have better advice of public affairs than what comes weekly from the Exchange.

What you have from Holland, that the Dutch make ships of war of their merchantmen, is true in all ports of Italy, and that their 14 sail are already grown to 20, and are to be made up to 25; but I hope a good fleet will be sent hither to prevent this mischief.

According to orders from the Navy Committee, I often urged Capt. Appleton to appoint Capt. Badiley a rendezvous, but he would not stir without the merchantmen. While the 10 Dutch sail went out to fight Capt. Badiley, they left but 4 sail here to keep in all these ships, and it was a great shame that two such ships of the State should be kept in by 4 Dutch, who had not so many men as our two. The Peregrine and Levant Merchant, two of the merchant ships, proffered to go out with them likewise, but all would not do. These two commanders, Mr. Wood and Mr. Marsh, deserve to be looked upon at home, for their readiness to do the State service.

By reason of the long lying here of Capt. Appleton, and the repairing of Capt. Badiley's squadron with ammunition, tackle, and provisions, I shall be at 3,000*l*. in disburse; and by reason of the deadness of trade, I do not find bills of exchange to draw the money for

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England; wherefore if the State keep so large a fleet as is requisite for defence of trade in these seas, they must forecast some way to furnish money, by sending out some goods, as pepper, tin, or prize goods, or otherwise to raise money for the service of such a fleet. [$1\frac{1}{2}$ pages.]

Sept. 20. **131.** General Robert Blake to Capt. Moulton. I have sent for your
The Resolution. harbour, along with Capt. [Young] in the Worcester, the Sapphire frigate and three men-of-war, the Princess Maria, Arms of Holland, and Dolphin. The two first you must see cleaned and victualled with expedition, and the latter taken in hand. I have written the Council desiring their approbation for continuing them in lieu of so many merchant ships. There is money due to all of them for short allowance; see them paid, that no discouragement may be put upon them. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

Sept. 20. **132.** Patent of John Champion, Mayor, and Thos. Tarleton and Nicholas Newbott, bailiffs, of Winchester, appointing Cornelius Hooker recorder of said city for life, with an annuity of $\text{£}l$. [*Parch-ment.*]

Sept. 21. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To consider to-morrow the disposing of the Scots prisoners; the Lord General to be desired to attend.

2. The petition of Nathaniel Manton, merchant of London,—representing the taking of some wools of his, shipped in Spain in Dutch bottoms by his factor, before the breach with the Netherlands, and his claim thereto made in the Admiralty Court, and its proceedings,—referred to the Admiralty Judges, to proceed according to law and justice.

4, 10, 14, 15, 18. The petitions of James Carr, of Edward Gibbons and John Cutting, of Christian Mustard, of Wm. Taylor and others, and of John Tatnell, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

6. To write the Navy Committee to give their warrant to the Navy Treasurers to pay Edward Mauditt the minister's pay due for the ship *Lion*, Council understanding that he has officiated therein, but received no pay.

8. Order on the petition of John de la Barre, merchant of London, that Council confer with the Committee of Advice.

9. The petition of Capt. Geo. Maxwell referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine him and report.

12. That of John Bland, merchant of London, to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what number of men should be allowed him for sailing his two ships, and report.

13. That of Robert Blacklay to the Committee for Prisoners.

16. That of Capt. John Stent to the Committee for Examinations, to give order for delivering him such of his papers as are only of private concern.

17. To write to the Governor of Kinsale, enclosing a copy of Wm. Mild's petition, and of a letter from the Senate of Hamburg to

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Council, and to desire him, if he find the business truly stated, to order the discharge of the ship.

19. The 91*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* due to Mr. Carter for repairs on the Parliament House, Whitehall, James's House, and the Mews, certified by the Whitehall Commissioners, to be paid out of the exigent money of Council.

21. The order of Parliament of 9 September, referring the business of Alderman Fowke to Council, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider and report.

22. The Admiralty Committee to consider what ships now at liberty should be convoy for those now at Newcastle, and report, and the letter of Geo. Dawson to Colonel Langham, dated Newcastle, 16 September, to be sent to them.

23. The towns of Soubise, in the river of Charente, Bordeaux, Brouage, and the islands of Oleron, to be inserted into the Act for opening the trade to some parts of France.

24. The Act now read in Council, concerning trade with some parts of France, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to consider the debate had thereon in Council, and of fitting restrictions to be added to the Act.

25. The account of Mr. Carter, surveyor of works, amounting to 763*l.* 5*s.* 8½*d.*, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I.* 33, *pp.* 16–21.]

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Order in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs,—on petition of Marg. Feyver, wife of Nich. Anley, of Guernsey, appealing from a sentence passed against her in that island,—that as appeals of that nature were heretofore made to the Privy Council, and Parliament has not yet appointed any to receive them, Council be requested to move Parliament for directions for hearing this and such like appeals in future. [*I.* 131, *p.* 33.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Henry Warren referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3, 4. Those of Richard Griffith and of Capt. Gordon to the Committee for Prisoners.

5. The appointed commissioners of Council to meet the Ambassadors Extraordinary from Denmark on Friday at 9 a.m., at the usual place in Whitehall, to receive what they offer, and report; Fleming to give them notice and attend.

6. Audience to be given to the Spanish Ambassador at Council to-morrow at 4 p.m.; Fleming to give him notice and attend.

7. The Navy Commissioners and Victuallers to come to Council to-morrow at 3 p.m., and the Victuallers to bring an account of the state of the victualling of every ship in the service furnished by them on their contract. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 133.*]

8. The paper given to Council by the agent from the Grand Duke of Tuscany, and the copies of Council's letters to the said Duke, to be presented to Parliament by Col. Morley.

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10. The paper delivered in to Council by Mr. Holland, one of the Navy Commissioners, concerning the master shipwright's place at Deptford, to be read first thing to-morrow afternoon.

11. To write to the Navy Commissioners to pay off the company of the Swan frigate, now come in from sea.

12. The commander of the Swan to bring her to Chatham, and deliver her to the master shipwright there for repairs.

13. To write to the several commanders of the ships not now with General Blake's fleet to repair to Yarmouth Roads, and assist the Yarmouth fishery, till further orders.

14. The Committee for Advice to come to Council to-morrow afternoon, and be heard the first business.

15. Order,—on a reference from Parliament of 15 September to those members of Parliament who are members of Council, to confer with Mr. Trenchard, concerning the messuage and lands of Vaux Hall, and to cause a survey to be made thereof by Col. Webb,—that the Ordnance Committee send for Col. Webb to survey Vaux Hall, ascertain its value, and what other lands and tenements in that place belong to the State, and for what they might be sold or let, and report.

16. Richard Hill to be bailed, as others of the same nature, by the Committee for Examinations.

17. Order on the petition of Margaret Feyver, wife of Nicholas Anley, of Guernsey, appealing from a sentence passed against her there, that Council,—finding that appeals of that nature were heretofore made to the Privy Council, and that Parliament has not as yet appointed any to receive such appeals,—desires Col. Martin to move Parliament for an order for hearing of such appeals. [*I. 33, pp. 22-25.*]

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134. Thomas Bulstrode and three others to the Excise Committee. Finding it necessary to join in one commission Southampton, Portsmouth, and the Isle of Wight, which were formerly in two, and thereby lessen the number of sub-commissioners, we present Major Peter Murford, of Southampton, justice of the peace there, to be sub-commissioner in place of Daniel Bury, lately deceased, Thomas Muson, alderman of the said town, Robert Hermitage, Arming Warner, and Hen. Tibbotts, which last four are already sub-commissioners upon the places. As Thomas Edmonds, another sub-commissioner, has detained money belonging to the State, he should be removed, and the five before named be appointed sub-commissioners for the said ports. Noted that Edmonds is to be removed, Warner suspended, and the others approved. [*1 page.*]

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1. The letter from the Straits from ——— referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 135.*]

2. The papers delivered into Council by the Spanish Ambassador

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referred to the said committee, to confer with such persons therein as they think fit, and report.

3. Mr. Weaver, Mr. Corbett, and Col. Jones, commissioners for Ireland, to have their salaries paid out of Council's moneys.

4. To write the Navy Victuallers to deliver all the victuals declared for, and not yet delivered in the several ports, according to the declaration of Council.

5. To write to General Blake of the condition of some colliers and fishermen at Newcastle; also of the ships and convoy of the Sound, by reason of the Dutch fleet having gone that way, and to desire him * * * *

6. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to meet to-morrow by 7 a.m., and Council at 8.30 a.m., and the members to be summoned.

7. The petition of Col. Pitscottie referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to take his examination subscribed by his own hand, and report.

8. The business of the Navy to be considered to-morrow morning.

9. To write the commissioners in Scotland, that Council knew not there was any Admiralty Court there when the blank commissions were lately sent thither, and to desire them to return the same, and issue out blank commissions not exceeding 20, to such as they think fit, on the usual terms and security, save only that the prizes are to be brought into Scotland, and there adjudged, and the part due to the State to be there reserved for its use.

10. The Admiralty Judges to prepare two blank commissions for private men-of-war, to be used by the Governor of Scilly, as he shall see occasion, and to dispatch the same to him by Saturday's post.

11. To write to the Army Committee to grant an allowance for providing fire and candle for the soldiers employed in guarding Parliament.

12, 13. The letter of the Mayor and jurats of Rye referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to confer with the Admiralty Judges, and report; the judges to come to the committee to-morrow by 7 a.m.

14. Mr. Scott to acquaint Parliament with the remainder of the report from Council in the case of Mrs. Hamilton, for something to be done towards her present subsistence, and maintenance of her many children, left wholly destitute by the death of her late husband, who was executed by the enemy in Scotland, for service to the State's armies.

15. The petition of Ennis Coyt and other women referred to the Admiralty Committee. [*I.* 33, *pp.* 26-29.]

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The Paragon,
Porto Longone.

136. Capt. Rich. Badiley to [the Navy Committee]. We have fitted up the Paragon to be ready for sea at an hour's warning, supposing the Leopard and the other ships from Leghorn would ere this have appeared in sight, at which time, with the other six here, I should have endeavoured to break through the enemy, and to have joined with them before the enemy grows stronger; but Capt. Appleton now writes that the best of the merchant ships in Leghorn will not be

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drawn to engage, and that the enemies' men-of-war were increased from four to nine, it is therefore judged too great an adventure to come forth; so nothing more will be done until further supplies of strength come from England.

Our charge in these parts is great, by reason of the dearness of victuals, and it cannot be remedied by us, for at the time of year we were in Turkey, flesh would not save; consider whether to put on board the ships coming for our relief three months' victuals for the 900 men upon the five ships of war, except beer, butter, and cheese. Bread costs 25s. a cwt. in Leghorn, flesh 32s. per cwt., and fish double what it is worth in England. The enemies' men-of-war in these parts will be 26 sail in a short time, besides such as have passed Sir Geo. Ayscue, and are designed to these parts. [1 page.]

Sept. 23. **137.** Dr. Colladon to [Viscount Conway]. I send you, from M. de Mayerne and myself, all you have asked for except one thing, which I have not yet had leisure to look for among my manuscripts, having been busy with the good man, who causes us great fear. I am honoured to be able to add anything to the treasure of your curiosities. Humble service to Lord and Lady Northumberland. [1 page. *French.*]

Sept. 24. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order, on conference with the judges of the Admiralty and Dr. Walker, as to the best way of bringing the captain of the Merlin frigate to justice for murder at sea, that as the Admiralty Judges have power to try such cases, Council be requested to send for him in safe custody, and for the witnesses necessary, that he may be so tried.

2. To report to Council that laws of war for the sea should be prepared by the Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker, for the reiglement of the fleet, and that the papers relating thereto with the Council or Admiralty Committee should be delivered them, to report thereon this day week. Also on instructions to be given to the General and officers of the fleet as to proceedings on their taking prizes. [*I.* 131, pp. 34-35.]

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1. The information given to some members of Council concerning the abuse in viewing soldiers' clothes, to be brought in to Council.

2. To write to Gen. Blake to acquaint him with the intelligence received from Holland of De Witt's going towards the Sound; that Council doubts not he has heard of it ere now, and has provided for the safety of that convoy; if not, he is to do it, lest by want of an addition of strength, the affair miscarry.

3. To write to the Major of Rye to send up Capt. ——— and two or three witnesses, for proof of the fact before the Admiralty Judges.

4. Laws of war for the sea to be prepared by the Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker, advocate for the commonwealth, for the

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reiglement of the fleet; the papers concerning former instructions and articles of that kind remaining with Council or the Admiralty Committee to be delivered to them, and a report made this day week.

5. The papers delivered in to Council by the Spanish Ambassador, concerning the Spanish wools, to be transmitted to the Admiralty Judges, to certify the fact and their opinion with speed.

6. Council being informed that the bills of lading, invoices, and other papers belonging to the ships taken prize are embezzled or otherwise destroyed, the Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker are to prepare instructions for the several officers of the fleet in reference thereto, to prevent like inconvenience in future.

7. The Admiralty Committee to consider of a fit convoy for the ship bound to Jersey with money for the pay of the soldiers there, and also for the merchant ships bound thither; and if they think the Francis, now at Portsmouth, fit therefor, to give order accordingly.

8. Mr. Tyrrell and Mr. Porter to be bailed till Tuesday, and then a report to be made of the business to Council.

9. The Lord General, Sir Wm. Masham, Mr. Holland, Col. Morley, Col. Purefoy, Mr. Scott, Col. Dixwell, Comr. Lisle, Col. Wauton, Alderman Pennington, Mr. Martin, and Sir Peter Wentworth, to be a committee for considering Alderman Fowke's business, referred to Council by Parliament, and to report; Commissioner Lisle to take care thereof.

10. Council's approval of the Navy Commissioners, fitting out the Princess Maria, Arms of Holland, and Dolphin to sea with all speed, to be signified to them by letter.

11. The letter of the Navy Commissioners referred to the Admiralty Committee, specially the part of it concerning the providing money for the mariners, to which purpose they are to send for the Collectors for Dutch prizes to inform them how much they can raise in a short time by sale of the said goods. Also to consider how the money formerly appointed for the relief of the captives of Algiers, and now remaining at Deal Castle, may be used for the present exigency, and how that money may be again supplied for that service, when it can be sent over; and to confer with Col. Thomson.

12. The charge against Col. Freeman to be brought in to Council on Monday, and his accusers to attend.

13. Three of the deputies of the Serjeant-at-arms to go to Rye, and take into custody the late captain of the Merlin frigate, and bring him up to Council.

14. To write to the Mayor and jurates of Rye, to approve their care in committing him, and to desire them to deliver him up, to be brought to London to answer the charges against him.

15. To write to the master of the Merlin to send up with him three witnesses who can testify concerning his killing a man aboard that frigate.

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16. The Admiralty Committee to confer with the purser concerning the wants and condition of the Merlin, and to order as they think fit.

17. The paper from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning providing convoy for the ships bound for Scotland, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

18-20. Council to sit to-morrow at 9 a.m., Cols. Thomson and Harvey, the treasurers at Drury House, and Mr. Oxenbridge to attend.

21. Dr. Walker to prepare a declaration of forfeiture of all goods found aboard Dutch vessels, leaving a blank for the time when such declaration shall take place.

22. To order the Commissioners for Dutch prizes to direct one of their deputies at Plymouth to bring up the chests of gold taken and brought in by Capt. Stokes, and to be very careful that they be not violated, and the gold embezzled; also to signify to them that Major-Gen. Desborow is ordered to appoint a fit guard of horse to come along with it. Also to make strict search after the writings and papers found aboard the ships in which the gold was at their taking, that none may be lost which may be of use in the adjudication of the said ships, and to deliver the same to Dr. Walker.

23. To write to acquaint Major-Gen. Desborow with the taking of the gold chests from Guinea, and to desire him to afford a competent guard of horse for their safe conduct to London.

26. Lord Commissioner Lisle, Sir Wm. Masham, Messrs. Wallop, Scott, Martin, and Holland, to meet the Portuguese Ambassador on Monday, accompany him to the place of his entertainment, and take supper with him that night.

27. The difference between the Navy Commissioners and Victuallers, as to the account of the delivery of victuals to the fleet, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

28. The report from the Committee for Examinations, of the condition of the bond Mr. Hambden should enter into, agreed to by Council, and Mr. Hambden ordered to enter into the said bond.

29. The paper given in to Council, containing reasons why the wools taken in the Peter, Swan, and Hope, should not be sold, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to state the fact and report.

31. The Committee for Examinations to consider the propositions to be made by the Serjeant-at-arms, concerning the keeping of prisoners committed to him by Council.

32, 34. The petitions of Edward Gibbons and John Cutting, and of Domingo Vaes de Brito, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

33. That of Nathaniel Manton, merchant of London, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to state the fact concerning the wools therein mentioned, and report.

35. That of Col. Alex. Strahan referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine him and report.

36. To write the Navy Commissioners to continue the Elizabeth ketch 3 months longer in the service.

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37. Order, on information that divers purchasers of prize goods taken from the Dutch delay payment, that Dr. Walker consider what should be done to prevent the said inconveniences, and deliver his opinion in writing to-morrow at 9 a.m., with the form of such instrument as he thinks Council should make thereon.

38-40. Col. Thomson, Alderman Allein, and Col. Harvey, a Commissioner for Customs, to be at Council to-morrow at 9 a.m.; also Mr. Oxenbridge and the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes. [*I. 33, pp. 29-39.*]

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138. Capt. Rich. Badiley to the Navy Committee, Whitehall. The cost of the 250 barrels of powder, shot, &c., and of carpenters' and boatswains' stores, and additional victuals, a great part of which I have already received, will amount to 12,000 dollars, and I shall need more victuals before the fleet goes to sea, which will cost 4,000 dollars more. Pray order that Longland's drafts upon the Treasurer of the Navy may be accepted and paid, because money is very scarce in Leghorn; also let a good stock be always ready at Leghorn or other parts of Italy, for supply, as needful when a great fleet comes abroad, and is engaged with so potent an adversary; it ought to be to the value of 50,000 dollars, and would be not ill spent either, for it will not do to starve a good cause. The Phoenix was lost for want of powder and shot, and the other ships had not sufficient to relieve her. [*1 page.*]

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The Leopard,
Leghorn Mould.

139. Capt. Hen. Appleton [to the Navy Committee]. The boorish Dutch still add more ships to their fleet, which is now upwards of 20 sail. The small British ship they took coming from this port has been made into a fire-ship, and is riding in this road, with nine more of their men-of-war, some of which go out daily, upon the appearance of any vessel at sea they suppose to be English. Our two men-of-war, the Leopard and Bonadventure, with the four merchantmen here under our convoy, would have endeavoured to break through these 9 sail here, if their commanders had been willing, and to have raised the siege of Capt. Badiley's fleet, who is blocked up at Porto Longone with 9 sail more of Hollanders; but not having orders from you to command these merchants, without which they would not agree to go out, I thought it not wisdom to adventure our two men-of-war alone. I have advised you by every weekly post, but have not received any answer, or any orders, which makes me doubt your letters miscarry. [*3/4 page.*]

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1. To signify to the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes, that on any occasion when the Navy Commissioners send to them for prize goods for the use of the fleet, they are to give notice thereof to the Navy Committee, as also of the value of the goods so desired, and on receipt of warrant from the Navy Committee, to cause the said goods to be delivered as the warrant shall direct, and not otherwise.

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2. Mr. Thurloe to prepare the draft of an Act declaring that all who buy Dutch prizes of the commissioners appointed for sale of them, and do not pay in their money according to contract, shall forfeit a moiety of the value of the goods; also authorising such as Parliament approve to administer an oath to the said commissioners and those they employ, for the true and faithful discharge of their respective trusts.

3, 4. The Admiralty Judges to come to Council on Monday, and Dr. Walker to bring the declaration concerning the forfeiting of goods in Dutch bottoms.

5. To write the Navy Victuallers to despatch forthwith to the Downs what victuals they have ready, to supply the ships with General Blake, and those merchant ships not on contract, the proportion which is at Dover being insufficient.

6. The Treasurers at Drury House to account to Council for the money charged on them by the first Act for sale of delinquents' estates, what they have received and issued, and what remains to be received thereon.

7. A frigate of 30 guns to go to the Guinea coast, with two men-of-war, to be set out by the company of English merchants trading thither. The Admiralty Committee to consider what frigate should go, and report.

8. To write the Navy Committee to issue their warrants to the Commissioners for Prize Goods, for payment to the Navy Treasurer of such sums as they shall have in their custody.

9. To write the [Navy Treasurer to issue the money received from the Commissioners for Prize Goods, according to the directions of the Navy Committee.

10. To write the Navy Commissioners to contract with the owners of such merchant ships as are now in the service, and with which no contract has yet been made, for furnishing them with all things necessary to 31 October. [*I. 33, pp. 40-42.*]

Sept. 25. **140.** Council of State to Mr. Compton, Mr. Tyson, &c. Capt. Warren, late of the Merlin, has killed a man in the frigate, and for the present is secured by the Mayor of Rye, Sussex. We have written to the Mayor to send up Warren for trial in the Admiralty. You are to repair to Rye, or wherever Warren is, and bring him up in safe custody, all officers assisting you. [*Draft, $\frac{3}{4}$ page.*]

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2. John Hyron, yeoman warder of the Tower, to be bailed, on bond for 100*l.*, with two sureties of 100*l.* each, to be forthcoming to be answerable to justice.

3. The letter of the Spanish Ambassador, desiring licence to transport some quarters of wheat from England to the Canary Islands, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

4. That committee to consider the clause now debated in Council, on the paper given in from the Admiralty Judges, and to report.

5. A warrant to be issued to the Admiralty Judges, to prepare

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three blank commissions for private men-of-war against the French and Dutch, and to send them to Col. Morley.

6. The business of Col. Freeman, and the charge against him, to be considered on Wednesday.

7. The petition of Hugh Ramsay referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine him, and report.

8. Major Edward Broughton, prisoner in the Tower, to be bailed for two months, on bond in 4,000*l.*, and two sureties of 2,000*l.* each (Mr. Thurloe seeing that they are responsible men), to surrender to Council on summons at any time within the two months, and at the expiration thereof, to render himself to the Lieutenant of the Tower.

9. The petition of Capt. Wm. Sumner referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

10. The Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker to be summoned to the Committee for Examinations to-morrow, at 7.30 a.m.

11. The persons who have printed the false primers, with that whole business, referred to the Committee of Examinations to report.

12. Sir Henry Vane to acquaint Parliament that Council is informed that some money remains on the first bill for sale of delinquents' estates, not yet charged, which would be of very good use towards paying off some of the ships' companies now come in from sea, and to move that power be given either to Council or to the Navy Committee to issue warrants to the treasurers for those moneys to pay them to the Navy Treasurer for that service.

13. Gerrit Jansen, of Enchuysen, Dirk Claese, Dirk Bogaert, Capt. Andries Bucker, Peter Christiensen, and Adrian Lendersen, [Dutch ship] masters, lately taken prisoners, and committed to the Upper Bench prison, with all others of this nature, to be discharged, 10*s.* to be given to each captain and master, and 5*s.* to each man, towards his expenses home, to be paid out of the contingent moneys of Council.

14. The five sealed packets this afternoon delivered to Council by Mr. Turpin, one of the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes, which were sent to them from Plymouth, to be delivered to the Committee for Examinations. The Admiralty Judges and Doctor Walker to confer with them to-morrow at 7.30 a.m., and to peruse the said papers, in presence of the said committee, who are to consider and report their opinions.

15. The petition of David Galbreth, close prisoner in the Tower, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine and report. [*I.* 33, *pp.* 43-46.]

Sept. 27. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. To answer to the petition of Domingo Vaes de Brito,—that some goods of his shipped from St. Michael's Isle to Amsterdam, in the *James* of Amsterdam, and taken by ships of the commonwealth, may not be confiscated and sold,—that this committee can give no order thereon.

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5. Mr. Thurloe to speak with Capt. Hall about the French ship laden with Cadiz rice, named by Chas. Longland in his letter of 19 August, as taken by Hall, and to report his answer. [*I. 131, pp. 35, 36.*]

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Leghorn.

141. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee, Treasury chambers, Westminster. The feeding 1,000 men in Italy with flesh costs money; 300 barrels of powder and 40 tons of shot are wanted, and the ships lately in fight need repairs. Send out money or goods to raise money, or else give me credit in Venice, that I may draw thither such sums as cannot be taken up for England here. The weather begins to be fresh, so that flesh may take salt. I have sent into the country for 40 or 50 oxen, which will cost $4\frac{2}{3}$ dollars this small cwt., which is but 75 lbs. English. I have sent likewise to Genoa for 200 cwt. of fish, for hitherto none was to be had. Foul weather has not suffered me to go over to Capt. Badiley yet, but he lies in Porto Longone, waited upon by a vigilant enemy. The Governor promises him fair, and performs no less. I procure letters of recommendation to him, and doubt not but your ships will ride safe there, yet it is no place for them to continue in, neither indeed is this, in such a besieged manner. The Dutch take up merchantmen daily to make men-of-war, and now they are above 20 sail, and more are coming from Venice. They have brought the Phoenix hither to careen, with 30 men in her, and I have propounded to Capt. Cox to use his best skill to seize or fire her. [*2 pages.*]

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142-147. Order in Parliament that the remainder of the money to be raised upon the first Act for sale of lands and estates forfeited for treason, and not yet disposed of, be employed for the navy.

That the treasurer appointed be authorised to issue such money to the Treasurer of the Navy, on warrants from the Navy Committee, whose acquittances shall be a discharge. [*6 copies, $\frac{1}{2}$ page each.*]

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1. The petition of the Eastland merchants referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

2. That of Roger Alsop, Marshal General, to be considered to-morrow; the Lord General desired to attend, and Mr. Thurloe to remind Council hereof.

3. That of Capt. Robt. Nixon referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report what should be done thereon.

4. Also that of Isabel Robinson, widow.

7. Mr. Tyrrell's business to be heard to-morrow.

8. Messrs. Martin and Carew added to the Scotch and Irish Committee.

9. Messrs. Martin, Morley, Challoner, and Carew, desired to dine with the Portuguese Ambassador to-morrow at noon, Mr. Challoner to have notice of it.

10. Council being informed that Patrick Young,—who had the Greek Bible of Tecla in order to its publication, which book belonged to the library at James's House,—is lately deceased, Lord Commis-

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sioner Whitelock is to send for it and all other books belonging to the said library, which were in Mr. Young's possession, and restore them to the library.

12. To write to the commissioners in Ireland that Council have perused the offer sent from them for furnishing 16,000 clothes for the soldiers there, and to transmit to them the offers made by some here, and to leave it to them to contract for the same, on the most advantageous terms, gaining the longest convenient time [for payment].

13. The paper given in to Council by John Williams referred to the Committee for Examinations.

14. The Lord President to represent to Parliament that Council, in pursuance of their order of 14 September, have considered that the House of Lords in Westminster, formerly appointed by Parliament for the Committee for the Regulation of the Law, is the fittest place for the Commissioners of Parliament to meet with the deputies from Scotland.

15. The Navy Victuallers to attend Council to-morrow, to give an account of the victuals sent to Gen. Blake, since the last order. [*I. 33, pp. 47-50.*]

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The Paragon,
Porto Longone.

148. Capt. Rich. Badiley to the Navy Committee. Charles Longland has arrived here, and shown me that he has already disbursed 10,000 dollars in ammunition, &c. for the ships-of-war here; the accounts will be sent you as soon as made up. As Longland said he had your order to supply the commanders with what money they required for the service, and to draw bills upon you for the same, I have given him bills of exchange upon you for 10,000 dollars at 63*d.* apiece, which is according as the exchange now runs by way of Venice, and there is no other way of procuring money at this time. [*1 page.*]

Sept. 29. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write to the Governor of Dover Castle to dismiss the packet boat now at Dover.

2, 10. The petitions of Capt. Thomas Thomson, of the *Mayflower* frigate, and of Captain James Clerke on behalf of the merchants of Lynne and Boston, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3. Lord Pasley, prisoner at Manchester, to have liberty to repair to London, and attend Council on 15 Oct., on parole not to depart from London without leave of Parliament or Council.

4. Nathaniel Markes to be bailed, on good security to be forthcoming to justice, and to act nothing prejudicial to the commonwealth.

5, 6. Mr. Tyrrel to be continued in restraint, till the business between Lord Montague and him is reported to Parliament; also George Porter, who is concerned in the said difference. [*Also Vol. XXIV., No. 149.*]

7. The informations before Council on that business to be presented to Parliament by Col. Purefoy.

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9. A request that—as the time for paying the Lord General's regiment as recruited from 1,200 to 1,600 men is near expired, and as the men sent aboard the ships out of the regiment are on their return home,—Council would take some resolution concerning that regiment, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider thereof and report. [*I.* 33, *pp.* 51–53.]

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2. Order that the Eastland merchants state the fact of the taking of their ships at Elsinore by the Dutch men-of-war, as they can prove it.

3. Col. Morley to report to Council that the petition of the Eastland merchants should be presented to Parliament, with Council's opinion that the consortship propounded therein will be for safety of trade and navigation during the wars and troubles at sea, and that the sustaining the charge thereof, by those who benefit thereby, be put in such a way as Parliament shall think fit.

4. Note to send for some French merchants to this committee on Friday. [*I.* 131, *p.* 37.]

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3. Note that Col. Morley acquainted Council that Lady Herbert, wife to Sir Edward Herbert, is come from France, with her children by her first husband, Mr. Carey.

6. The petition of William Clyde referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine him and report.

7. That of Lawrence Greene, merchant, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

8. To write to Capt. Badiley, acknowledging his letter of the late engagement between him and the Dutch, and to thank him for his good conduct in that business.

9. To write to Charles Longland, to take special care for applying all things necessary for the recovery of the sick and wounded men landed there [at Leghorn] by Capt. Badiley.

10. The Admiralty Committee to receive from Sir Geo. Ayscue an account of his services at Barbadoes and elsewhere, and report them to Council.

11. This day week appointed for Council to consider the state of affairs at home and abroad, and thereupon to resume the order of Parliament for the retrenchment of the forces, for the ease of the commonwealth. The last letters from Scotland of the state of affairs there to be read at that time, the Lord General desired to be present, and all the members of Council summoned.

12. Some of the Navy Commissioners to be at the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow by 8 a.m. [*Also Vol. XXIV. No. 150.*]

13. That committee to consider what may be done for relief of the ships in the Straits, and report.

15. Mr. Salwey to represent to Parliament the distracted state of the Treasury as it now stands, the great inconveniences

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whereof Council finds by experience every day, and to remind the House to resume consideration of the Bill now depending before them, relating to that business; also that concerning the executive part of the Admiralty, many difficulties daily arising from the way it is now managed.

16. A warrant to be drawn for the commitment of Capt. Warren to Newgate, to be tried for murder.

17. To write the Admiralty Judges that Capt. Warren is so committed, to send them the examination papers relating thereto, and desire them to use all expedition in bringing him to trial. The witnesses are staying purposely in town, and being officers of the ship, they cannot long be spared from their charge.

18. The letter of Captain Lawson referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider his desire, and report.

19. To write to acquaint the Navy Commissioners with the defects of the Advice frigate, and to desire them to give immediate order for her repair and fitting for sea.

20. Order that the Lord General's, Col. Ingoldsby's, and Col. Goffe's regiments, and the companies in Hull be reduced to their established number, and that a letter be written to the Army Committee, that the said regiments and three companies be paid to 18 Oct., and no longer.

21. To write the Navy Committee that the Satisfaction and Falcon frigates are now on the Scotch coast, and that General Deane informs Council they would be of much use there if some money were ordered for them, and to desire the committee to order six months' pay to the Satisfaction, and three to the Falcon.

22. To write Major-General Deane of the above order, and to desire him to direct the ships now upon that coast to sail towards the port where the Iceland fleet now is, and join with them as their convoy to Leith or Newcastle, according as they find they may with safety.

23. The [Lord] General to be desired to strengthen the garrisons of Hull and Yarmouth, out of the Major-General's regiment. [*I. 33, pp. 53-58.*]

Sept. 30.
Whitehall.

151. Council of State to Aldermen Andrews and Dethick, and the rest of the Treasurers at Drury House. Parliament, by their order of 18 June last, empowered us to charge the remainder of the 50,000*l.* to be raised by way of doubling upon the first Act for sale of delinquents' lands, with the money due for saltpetre, but by a later order, they have appointed such remainder to the use of the navy. We therefore do not intend to make use of the money charged upon the 50,000*l.* for the saltpetre, but leave the whole sum to be disposed of according to such last order. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petitions of several Dutch prisoners referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.
2. No search to be made of the foreign packet but by those authorised by Parliament or Council; this notice to be given to those who receive the foreign letters.
3. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider how the post bark may from time to time be safely conveyed to the port to which it is ordered to go.
4. The answer to the Danish Ambassador, now read and approved, to be translated into Latin, and sent to him by the committee formerly appointed.
5. Mr. Challoner to report to Parliament what was formerly committed to him concerning the postage of letters from London to the several parts of this nation.
6. Mr. Legg to furnish the Lords' House for the meeting of the Committee of Parliament with the persons who are coming from Scotland, and to confer with Richard Ward who was employed in Scotland, concerning the placing of the table and chairs, according to the manner used in Scotland when the Committee of Parliament met with them there.
7. Mr. Scutt, usher to Council, to furnish the said room with fire and candle, whenever there is a meeting, and to appoint a fit keeper thereof.
8. On the report of the Admiralty Judges concerning the Spanish wools taken in vessels belonging to the United Provinces, Council leaves it to the said judges to proceed therein agreeably to justice.
9. Major Rob. Cobbett ordered, on his petition, to furnish 6,000 of the suits for Ireland, on the terms of the contract with the Irish and Scotch Committee.
10. To write to the Commissioners in Ireland of the foregoing order, notwithstanding the last order of Council, as Cobbett had made great provision in order to the contract, and will otherwise suffer very much.
11. To write the Navy Commissioners to hasten the despatch from the Navy Victuallers of the victuals intended for the fleet, and to inform them that by order of Parliament, Capt. Willoughby succeeds Capt. Moulton at Portsmouth.
12. To write to the Navy Committee of what has been urged by the Navy Victuallers, regarding the want of money for victuals declared for, and to desire them to supply the money requisite to carry out the contracts, and to furnish the Navy Commissioners with money for incidental charges.
16. The charge against Mr. Freeman to be considered on Tuesday.
17. To write the Governor of Dover Castle, to deliver to the Mayor and jurates of Folkstone, one demi-culverin and one sacker, with powder, ball, &c. to be planted there for the public service.

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18. Mr. Scott to make the report to Parliament which he has in his hands, concerning debts for which Mr. Frost stood engaged on behalf of the State at his death, and to which his executors are liable, if not relieved by Parliament.

19. Note that when Dr. Walker brings to Council the Act for declaring goods taken in unfree ships forfeited, Council is to be reminded to consider what should be done to those who inhabit Hamburg, not being burghers.

22, 23. Six months' pay to be advanced to the labourers of the Tower, on account of their arrears, out of the 50,000*l.*; if it cannot be had there, out of the exigent moneys of Council. The Ordnance Committee to prepare the warrants, and bring them to Council.

24. The Committee of Examinations to examine the difference concerning the carrying letters into the northern parts, and to give order for restoring the packet stayed at Stilton, if they think fit, or to report.

25. To write the Governor of the Isle of Wight, inclosing a copy of Francis Hacker's petition, and to desire him to certify the fact, Council being unwilling to proceed further, till they hear from him.

27. The petition of John King, Lawrence Beale, and others referred to the Admiralty Committee.

28. Council to be summoned for to-morrow at 9 a.m.

29. Mr. Holland to present to Parliament the account, examined and audited by order of Council, of arrears due to those employed in the Ordnance Office, who, for some years past, have received nothing, particularly the labourers of the Tower, many of whom, with their families, are reduced to extreme want. By reason of the war, they have had more than ordinary labour about the weighing, proving, lading, unlading, and carrying the ordnance, powder, shot, &c., in which they often suffer, being liable to more than ordinary hazard. Parliament to be moved to give order for the payment of their arrears, and to appoint some certain establishment for them in future.

30. Mr. Holland also to present to Parliament the account of the arrears due to the officers of the armoury for their salaries, &c., they being in great want through long forbearance. [*I.* 33, *pp.* 59-68.]

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COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

2. The Navy Victuallers to give in to Council this afternoon a full and positive account of what victuals they have ready.

5. The draft of an Act for opening trade to France to be considered on Wednesday. [*I.* 131, *p.* 40.]

Oct. $\frac{1}{11}$.
Leopard,
Leghorn
Mould.

1. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. Capt. Badiley writes me from Porto Longone that as the Sampson and Mary will not go out to our assistance, it is not likely we shall come together, the enemy being so strong, until you send us some relief from home. We beg you to send us in those ships some victuals, as also cables and ropes; all things here are extremely dear, and hard to come by. Our

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men very much complain for want of clothes, and hope to have some with those ships. I am forced to let them have some money.

Alex. Bence of Alicant has 80 pieces of ordnance, saved out of the ships that Gen. Blake put ashore at Carthagena, but they are dear saving; he desires they may come home with us. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

Oct. 2.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Wm. Ryley, keeper of the records in the Tower, to give Roger Dodsworth free access thereto, he having in hand something of concernment relating to the public. A warrant to be sent to him for this purpose.

2. The Irish and Scotch Committee to confer with the army officers as to what should be allowed for buying fire and candle for the guards, and where the money may be had, and to report.

4. So much of Druet Le Gros' petition as relates to sending wools into Jersey referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to say whether a fit proportion for that island has not already been granted, and to report.

5. The petition of Thomas Mitchell referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine him touching Col. Massey's escape from the Tower, and if they see cause, to take bail of him.

6. To signify to the keeper of Newgate that, by the warrant for the close imprisonment of Capt. Warren, Council intended no other restraint than might be for his safe keeping for trial.

7. To write the Mayor of Rye to deliver to Eleanor Warren such goods of Capt. Warren, her husband, as on his restraint were put into the Mayor's keeping.

8. The petition of Wm. and Abraham de Vischer, merchants, to import 19 vats of potashes, bought and shipped at Amsterdam a month before the late Act for encouragement of English shipping, to be granted, on their taking oath of the truth of their allegations. As to their desire to import linens, they must expect the resolutions of Parliament, that business being under consideration there.

9. The petition of Margaret Knot, widow, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to inform themselves as to her condition, and do for her as they see cause.

10. Col. Thomson to come to Council on Monday.

11. The petition of Aquila Wykes, keeper of the Gatehouse, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine the account mentioned, and report.

12. That of Capt. Joseph Briggs referred to the said committee, to examine him and his witnesses, and report on Wednesday.

14. Also that of John Horl.

16. That of Mr. Thomas of Newbury referred to the Admiralty Committee, to examine and report.

18. That of Edw. Smith, gunner, referred to the said committee, to consider his fitness for the post desired by him, and on what ship he may be employed, and to report.

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19. Mr. Scott, Alderman Pennington, Col. Purefoy, Col. Dixwell, Mr. Challoner, and the Lord President appointed a committee to examine Mr. Carter's estimate of work to be done in James's House, to consider with him what is necessary to be done, and to report.

20. The business of the pinmakers, reported from the Committee for Examinations, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

21. The Lord President to open any letters that come to him before the next sitting, and if any require a present meeting of Council, to give order therefor.

22. The paper offered to Council, concerning the disposing of ships taken as prizes, to be considered on Monday.

23. The petition of the Eastland merchants to be presented to Parliament by Col. Purefoy, with Council's opinion—

(1.) That the consort ship propounded therein will be, during the wars and troubles at sea, for the safety and encouragement of trade and navigation.

(2.) That the charge thereof by those who benefit thereby be put in such a way as Parliament thinks fit. [*I. 33, pp. 69-73.*]

Oct. 4.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write to General Blake to send to Dover those of the wounded who cannot be sent to London, and the rest to London, and to inform him that order is given to the Mayor of Dover to take care of them.

2. To write to the Mayor of Dover to see to their care, and to acquaint him that the Collectors for Prize Goods are appointed to pay him 500*l.* for this and former service of this nature.

4. Mr. Neville, Mr. Challoner, and Mr. Martin appointed a committee to speak with the gentleman sent from the state of Venice, and to report what he communicates.

5. To write the Governors of Deal and Sandown castles, to have brought into their said castles the guns lately planted upon fortifications by the seaside, for defence of the fleet under Sir Geo. Ayscue, and all timber, boards, &c. there.

6. To write to acquaint the Lord Mayor of London that several men, lately wounded in the fight between General Blake and the Dutch, are coming up to London, and to request him to give order to the several hospitals to make room for them, and to be ready to receive them.

7. To write to the Navy Commissioners, informing them of what Council has written to the Lord Mayor of London, and that order is given to the master of the Savoy to receive the 30 men mentioned in their letter, and they are to be immediately sent there by water; also to signify Council's approval of their setting forth the French prize Hunter to sea, and adding 50 men to the 50 already upon her.

8. The Governor of the Savoy to provide for the reception of 50 men, 30 of them to-morrow, and to consider what persons now there may be removed into Ely House, and see them removed.

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9. The letter appointed to be written to the Lord Mayor of London suspended till further order.

10. The Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker to send to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, on Wednesday, their opinion on the two questions proposed to them from that committee, relating to the arrest complained of by the Danish Ambassador.

13. The papers delivered to Council sealed up, relating to Dutch prizes, to be returned to the Commissioners for Prize Goods, to carry them to Dr. Walker, to peruse and make use of on behalf of the State.

14. The two letters sent from General Blake, the narrative by Capt. Mildmay, and the examination of Capt. Jacobson, to be reported to Parliament by the Lord President.

15. Mr. Corbett, on the first opportunity, to represent to Parliament Council's proceedings in reference to the Dutch prizes.

16. The Admiralty Committee to consider how the order of Parliament concerning the building of 30 new frigates may be put into speedy execution, and to confer with the Navy Commissioners on Wednesday; also to consider what should be offered to Parliament as to providing money for that service.

17. Wm. Hull appointed in stead of Mr. Scutt to provide fire and candle for the House of Lords, when the commissioners of Parliament meet there the commissioners sent from Scotland; also paper, ink, and other necessaries. He is to speak with Rich. Ward, who waited on the commissioners lately sent from Parliament into Scotland.

18. The petition of Peter Biggleston referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

19, 20. That of Capts. John Limbrie, Richd. Granby, and others, and that of the governor and company of merchants trading with the Levant, to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.

21. The Navy Committee to attend the Admiralty Committee on Wednesday at 2 p.m. [*I. 39, pp. 74-79.*]

Oct. $\frac{4}{14}$.
The Leopard,
Leghorn Mould.

2. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. The Dutch have careened the Phoenix frigate, and she is now in this road ready for service, and makes up their number to 10; 9 men-of-war and one fire-ship. If I had not received strict command from the Council of State to carry myself with all due respect towards the Great Duke in this port, I would have adventured to regain the Phoenix; but I must observe orders. Capt. Badiley is kept in at Porto Longone, with 8 sail more, and they have also 4 or 5 fire-ships plying at sea between him and us. The loud language of the disaffected here of our own nation, with their intelligence to the Dutch, is more advantageous to our enemies than any other; I wish some course were taken with them. We have notice that General Blake was in sight of the Holland fleet, and hope to hear of his routing them. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

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The Resolution,
Downs.

3. Thomas Lewis to Thomas Turner, Navy office, Tower hill. I crave your favour [for the boatswain's place in the Nonsuch] for an honest and faithful man; get the Navy Commissioners' warrant, and return it to me on board the General. At 4 p.m. last Tuesday, we came up with the Dutch fleet of 60 odd, and fought them until night parted us; we sunk seven or eight,—whereof one was a Rear-Admiral, and as is conceived, one of their two Admirals, commanded by De Witt,—took two, and as we are told by prisoners, disabled most of them; had we had more day then, or the advantage of wind the next and third day, in all probability half of them had not seen Holland. We chased them to their own coast, and as far as shoals and sands would allow. Give my respects to Major Manley, Mr. Wilson, and the rest of our friends. [1 page.]

Oct. 5.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Wm. Constable appointed President for the coming month.

2. The petition of Geo. Porter to be considered on Friday week.

3. The ship Bryer to proceed on her voyage, as ordered by Council.

4. Commissioners from Council to be sent to General Blake, to confer with him about disposing the fleet under him to such services as they shall receive instructions for from Council.

5-8. Sir Henry Vane, Col. Dixwell, and Lord Commissioner Lisle, to be the commissioners, and the Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare instructions for them, and report to-morrow.

9. A Navy Commissioner and a Navy Victualler to go along with Council's commissioners.

10. Mr. Frost to advance, out of the exigent moneys of Council, such sum as the commissioners think fit, for defraying their expenses.

11. Such messengers of Council as the commissioners approve are to attend them.

12. The four ships appointed convoy to those bound for Yarmouth with guns, and other ships bound for Scotland, to proceed according to former instructions.

13. Order on report of the Committee for Examinations,—as to the seizure by the postmaster of Stilton of a packet of letters on the northern road, on a private account,—that it be delivered to the person attending for the same. [I. 33, pp. 79-82.]

Oct. 6.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on the petition of Mr. Clyde and Mr. Blacklay, Scotch ministers, that the Committee for Examinations examine and discharge them, they professing their resolutions to live peaceably and inoffensively under this government.

2. The soldiers of Col. Goffe's regiment, sent on shipboard for the service of the State, to be discharged therefrom, and a letter to be written to Capt. Hughson Smith, commander of the Richard and

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Matthew, to put ashore Lieut. Garrett, and the land soldiers with him.

3. The Dutch prisoners now at Dover and Canterbury to be released and allowed to go home ;—this to be signified to the Mayors there.

4. The Mayor of Dover to pay 20*l.* to the master of the vessel who brought from Ostend 120 English seamen taken by the Dutch, and dismissed in order to repair into England.

5. The Mayor and G[overnor] of Dover to think of some fit person, either now at Ostend or to be sent thither, to send to England such English seamen there as have been taken prisoners by the Dutch at sea, and dismissed.

6. The Marshal-General to give a list to Council of all prisoners in his charge, and all committed from his custody to other prisons, and an account of what is due for their keep.

7. The Lieutenant of the Tower to give a list to Council of all prisoners in his charge, the qualities of the persons, and the time and cause of their commitment.

8. Audience to be given to the Portuguese Ambassador at 4 p.m. to-morrow, Fleming to give him notice.

9, 17. The petitions of John Lucas, mariner, and of Col. Robert Duckenfield, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

10. To write to the Navy Committee, inclosing the account from Philip Francis, late Mayor of Plymouth, of disbursements by him for the fleet under Sir Geo. Ayscue, and to desire him to order payment of the 14*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.*, due to him on the balance of the account, the 700*l.* being already ordered to be paid him.

12. The petition of James de Preaux to be sent to the Admiralty Judges, to consider and report on Monday.

13. The account from the Mayor of Dover and Governor of the Castle, of their disbursements for French prisoners, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider how it may be paid, and to report.

14, 15. The petitions of Thomas Alderne, and others, and of George Lane, junior, of Bristol, representing losses sustained by the Portuguese, to be considered when Council considers matters of that nature.

19. Major Robert Thomson and Capt. John Limmerie to repair forthwith to the fleet in the Downs, and take account of the defects of every ship there, in victuals and in other respects, use their utmost endeavours for speedy supply, and give an account thereof to Council.

20. The report brought in to Council from the Irish and Scotch Committee, with the draft of an Act concerning the trial of murders, robberies, &c. in Ireland, recommitted, those of the long robe of that committee to take care of it. [*I.* 33, *pp.* 82-87.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of the Skinners referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

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2. The petition of Willm. Layton, and others of the company of the Gift, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to confer with Sir Geo. Ayscue as to its allegations, and report.

5. To write the commissioners in Ireland to deliver to Thomas Speed, merchant of Bristol, from such places as they think fit, 200 Irish rebels, to be carried to the Barbadoes for the plantations.

7. The petition of Richard Suffield, master of the President frigate, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider of his fitness to be employed in the service, and of an employment for him, and to report.

8. The paper given in to-day by the Portuguese Ambassador to be translated into English by Mr. Milton, and brought to Council to-morrow.

10. The business appointed for consideration this day postponed to Thursday; the members of Council to come then.

11. To signify to the Lieutenant of the Tower that the liberty of the Tower is granted to Wm. Davenant, prisoner.

12. The charge against Col. Freeman to be considered to-morrow the first business; he and his accusers to be there.

13. The Ordnance Committee to send for some of the East India Company, and confer with them on buying for the State the salt-petre they have received in the last fleet.

14. To order the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes to stay sale of the brimstone taken therein till further order, as it may be of use to the service.

15. Col. Dixwell added to the Ordnance Committee.

16. The Lord General's foot regiment, to the number of 1,200 men, to be continued for six weeks longer; to write to the Army Committee to issue their warrants accordingly.

17. On the Earl of Leven's petition for enlarging the time of his stay in London, liberty given him to remain three months beyond the time formerly granted.

18. The letters from Gen. Blake to Council and to Mr. Coytmor referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report what should be done.

19. The members of Council appointed to go commissioners to Gen. Blake to be dispensed with as to their going on that employment.

20. Order on the petition of Antonio Rodriguez Robles,—for the owners of the annis seeds sold by the Commissioners for Dutch prizes on 28 September,—that it be sent to the said commissioners, who are to observe strictly the rules given them in the selling of prizes, preserving the State's interest, and that of private persons who may make good their claim, and doing no prejudice to the rights of either. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 1-5.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Col. Freeman's business to be considered first thing on Tuesday afternoon.

2. The Commissioners for Dutch Prizes to send to the Mint in the Tower to-night the gold brought up from Plymouth, which was taken in a Dutch bottom by Captain Stoakes, to be secured there till further orders. The Lieutenant of the Tower is to appoint a special guard for it, if need be.

3. To order the said commissioners to send to the Mint from time to time the bullion taken in any Dutch prizes, to remain there till further orders.

4. Six months' salary to be paid to the labourers of the Tower, out of the exigent moneys of Council.

5. The business of prisoners to be considered on Thursday; the Lord General desired to be present.

6. The order of Parliament, referring it to Council to see to the paying the judges' salaries and arrears, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider where the money may be had, and report; Col. Purefoy to take care hereof.

8. The mail of letters stayed at Stilton and sent up to Council to be dismissed.

9. The committee to whom Alderman Fowke's business was referred to consider the objections made at Council on hearing their report, and to meet on Tuesday, in order to report on Thursday; Lord Commissioner Lisle to take care thereof.

10. Note that Council is to be summoned to-morrow at 4 p.m.

11. To write to the Ordnance officers about General Blake's letter to them, and to desire them to despatch him what he has sent for in reference to the James, and also for supplying the other vessels.

12. Mr. Bence, Mr. Holland, and Capts. Rider, Hall, Stephens, and Wilde, and the rest of that committee to meet to-morrow at 8 a.m. in their usual place in Whitehall, whereof they are not to fail, the service of the commonwealth being concerned therein.

13. The papers as to the defects of the fleet with Genl. Blake, sent to Council to-day, referred to Mr. Alexr. Bence, Mr. Holland, &c., who are to examine which of them may be soonest fitted for present service, and the speediest means of supplying them with what they want, as also the whole fleet, and to report to-morrow.

14. Council to sit to-morrow to consider thereof, and for speedy execution of the resolutions they may take, the Navy Commissioners and Ordnance officers are to stay at their offices to-morrow, till they receive Council's directions. [*I. 34, pp. 6-9.*]

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Leopard,
Leghorn Mould.

4. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. Copy of his letter of the $\frac{4}{14}$ inst. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

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Excise Office.

5. William Parker and three others to the Excise Committee. We have contracted with Edw. Sutton, of Kensington, Middlesex, for the excise of all inland commodities, salt, soap, and tobacco pipes excepted, in the county, except for so much thereof as lie within the

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weekly bills of mortality and late lines of communication, for $\frac{3}{4}$ of a year at 1,900*l.*, payable quarterly, and under the usual covenants, except as to the liberty of 60 days after the said term for collecting arrears, the Excise Act then expiring. Noted as agreed to. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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6. Notes by C. Kinnersley, that there were two warrants of the late King, one dated 24 May and the other 4 July 1642, for arms and ammunition, which were delivered and receipts given.

That by the votes of both Houses of 20 May 1642, it was declared that the King, seduced by wicked counsels, intended to make war against his Parliament, and it was therefore resolved that whoever should serve or assist him in those wars were to be declared traitors, and had been so adjudged in two Acts of Parliament, as in 11 Ric. II. and 1 Hen. IV., and ought to suffer as traitors; and if sending arms for 300 men be not assisting, then nothing is.

That by another order of the Lords of 27 May 1642, all sheriffs, justices of peace, &c. were to take care that no arms were carried or sent to York for the use of the King, and they were to make search for the same; and by another order of 11 June 1642, they were also to make search and examine any person for arms or ammunition, as also for horses or other furniture for war, and detain them.

That by an Act of 8 Oct. 1652, it was declared that none should bear any office in the commonwealth, though but for a year or two, as sheriff, mayor, constable, churchwarden, or any other, who had assisted or aided the late King in his wars, but [Mr. Legg] kept and concealed for six months arms for 300 men, and sent them to the King, notwithstanding these orders; and yet he is continued a menial servant to the commonwealth for life, and 300*l.* a year settled upon him. [*Endorsed by Bradshaw, Mr. Kymarsley's note touching Mr. Legg. Orders of Parliament. 1 page.*]

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COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

2, 4. Some of the Navy Victuallers and some of the Navy Committee to attend Council this afternoon.

3. To report to Council that so much of Gen. Blake's letter, referred to this committee, as concerns the widow of Capt. Jas. Coppin, commander of the Heart, slain in the fight with the Dutch, may be referred to the Admiralty Committee.

6. The debate on the order of Parliament for opening the trade to France to be resumed next sitting, and the draft of the Act then read. [*J. 131, pp. 41, 42.*]

Oct. 9.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1, 2. The letters to the Navy Commissioners and Ordnance officers now read approved, and to be signed and sent.

3. Some of the Navy Commissioners and Victuallers to attend Council on Monday, concerning the complaints of several hoymen and pursers, and others employed in carrying to the fleet victuals which have not been taken off.

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings (*cont.*)

4. The business of disposing the fleet in the Downs to service to be considered on Monday. [*I.* 34, *p.* 10.]

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Carisbrooke
Castle.

7. Col. Wm. Sydenham to the Lord President of the Council of State. Fras. Hacker, merchant of London, in his petition, referred to me by the Council of State, claims tin value 150*l.*, lost on the south side of the Isle of Wight, in Oct. 1650. Two years since, the *Ulysses* was wrecked there, and being then Vice-Admiral, I gave directions and all possible assistance for the salvage of all goods beaten on shore, which, after the usual proceedings in the Admiralty Court, were delivered to the several proprietors. Two pieces of tin were delivered to Wm. Newland, merchant of Newport, agent to the petitioner, and a year afterwards, Newland claimed another piece discovered. I enclose proofs that the petitioner has not been prejudiced by me, and that the trouble he has given the Council has not been necessary. [*1 page.*]

Oct. 11.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Edw. Carter, surveyor of works, for 200 loads of oak timber out of Windsor Forest, for public works, referred to Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Neville, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Bond, to confer with him as to the uses he will put it to, and the time when he will use it.

2. To write to Gen. Blake to discharge the Dutch captains with him, and to allow them to return home, unless he knows that the Dutch detain some Englishmen of that quality prisoners; if so, he is to detain them for exchange.

4, 5. The petition of Capt. Benjamin Gifford, Governor of Landguard Fort, and the annexed account of charges for keeping out some small scout vessels, and the account of Lieut.-Col. Salmon, Governor of Hull, for keeping out at sea some small vessels for intelligence, referred to the Admiralty Committee to examine, and to report from what treasury the money can be paid.

7. To write the Army Committee to issue warrants for three months' pay for the soldiers in Jersey and Guernsey, six weeks being in advance, on account of the distance, as it is so long before the money arrives.

8. The petition of Roger Jones, mariner, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

10. Some of the Navy Commissioners and Victuallers to come to Council to-morrow. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 11-13.]

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Leghorn.

8. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. I have despatched a sattie for Porto Longone, laden with 100 barrels of powder, 2,400 shot and bars, 100 sacks of biscuit and other provisions, which safely arrived at Porto F'eraio, within 6 miles of Longone, whence I came yesterday; for I held it convenient to go thither, as well to visit your ships and men in that besieged port, as to recommend their protection to the Governor, who appears to be a gentleman of much honour, being General of the artillery for the King of Naples. He

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told me with much disdain that the Dutch agent here brought 8,000 pistoles to tempt him to betray our ships into their hands, by giving them liberty to fall upon them. I gave him a gold chain, by Capt. Badiley's order, which he accepted gratefully and with much modesty, and I thanked him for his protection of your ships. Capt. Badiley has so repaired his ships that it is hardly discernible that they have been in fight, and most of the wounded men have recovered. Lieut. Stone, after being cured, relapsed through a cold, and died in 24 hours. Each of your great ships wants 100 soldiers, with a captain and officers, which if these ships had had, they might have taken most of the Dutch. [1 page.]

Oct. 11. **9.** Charles Longland to [Rob. Blackborne]. I am glad that the Leghorn. news spread abroad here by the Dutch of their great victories at sea proves not true, as your letter assures me; indeed our sufferings by that nation in these parts is great, and if it should be so at home, it would give them too great occasion of boasting; but the many particular ships taken by General Blake shows the contrary. The printed books too which you sent me, wherein the desires of the Dutch are so handsomely laid open, much oblige me, and I shall never grudge the postage for any good news of my country's welfare. I will, at your commands, send Col. Thomson some Florence wine; within two months it will be ripe, and fit to be in flask. Some of the State ships will be here to serve that occasion, both for yourself and the Commissioners of Customs. [1 page.]

Oct. 11. **10.** Bond of Joshua Fugill, of Cree Church, London, merchant, Whitehall. Lodowick Lloyd, of Lombard Street, stationer, and Fras. Cleathere, of the Barbican, in 500*l.* each, for Fugill's appearance before the Council of State or the Committee for Examinations on summons, and for his good behaviour the next three months. [1 page.]

Oct. 12. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The representation of Capt. Reeve Williams, with the report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, to be considered on Thursday.

3. Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, Viscount Lisle, Lord Chief Justice St. John, Earl of Pembroke, Mr. Scott, Sir H. Vane, Mr. Neville, Col. Martin, Mr. Bond, Col. Purefoy, Sir Wm. Masham, and Mr. Love, appointed commissioners to meet the Portuguese Ambassador, receive what he has to offer, and report.

4. The Army Committee to pay the next three months' pay due to the soldiers of Guernsey and Jersey to Capt. Nathaniel White and Cornet John Brockhurst.

5. The petition of Christopher Napier referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine him, and report the cause of his commitment, together with his examination.

6. The Irish and Scotch Committee to receive from the officers of the army their addresses for supplying the forces in garrisons or elsewhere, and to report from time to time what should be done.

8. Council, being informed of Capt. Brandley's faithfulness and abilities, refer him to the Admiralty Committee, to consider him for the captainship of the outward frigate.

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings (*cont.*)

9. Mr. Thurloe to bring to Council on Thursday the papers in due order which have passed in the transactions with the Danish Ambassadors.

10. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to meet on Thursday at 7 a.m., to prepare an answer to the last paper of mediation given in by the Danish Ambassadors.

11. Council to meet on Thursday by 8 a.m., and the members to be summoned.

12. The appointed Committee of Council to meet with the agent of the Grand Duke of Tuscany on Thursday at 4 p.m., in the usual place in Whitehall, to receive from him what he has to offer, and report.

13. The paper given in by the Portuguese Ambassador at his first audience at Council referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider of an answer, and of the powers and method by which the treaty propounded may be carried on, and to report.

14. The paper given in by the Portuguese Ambassador on 9 Oct. to be translated, and referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

15. The bill of exchange from Mr. Bence at Alicant, for disbursements in taking up some of the guns belonging to the State's ships then commanded by Prince Rupert, sunk on the coast of Spain, to be paid out of the exigent moneys of Council.

16. The members of Council appointed to treat with the Dutch Ambassador also appointed to treat with the Portuguese Ambassador.

17. Liberty given to the Earl of Traquair to go into Scotland for six months, on parole to the Governor of Berwick, and also to the Commander-in-Chief in Scotland, to demean himself peaceably, and to return into England at the end of the six months, or sooner if Council give order. [*I. 34, pp. 14-21.*]

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11. Note of appointments of sundry committees of Council, from 2 Dec. 1651, all duplicates. [*4 pages.*]

Oct. 13.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Committee of Foreign Affairs to consider what should be done by this State, in acknowledgment to the Spanish Ambassador here or otherwise, upon occasion of the justice done by the Governor of Porto Longone to the ships of this State there.

2. The letters of intelligence received this night by Council, concerning the condition of the English ships in the Sound, to be presented to Parliament to-morrow, by the Lord President.

3. An extract of the said intelligence to be sent to Gen. Blake. [*I. 34, pp. 21, 22.*]

Oct. 14.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The paper read in answer to the last presented by the Danish Ambassador to Council, containing a mediation of peace between this commonwealth and that of the United Provinces, to be presented to Parliament.

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2. The three ships now at Harwich to be joined with the rest appointed for the northern guard.

3. The papers containing the proceedings of the treaty between Council and the Ambassadors of Denmark to be presented to Parliament by the Lord President; also those relating to the present differences between this State and the United Provinces.

4. The papers concerning the arrest of one of the Ambassador's servants to be presented to Parliament by the Lord President, as also those sent to Council on Tuesday by the said Ambassadors, and by the Resident of the King of Denmark, for passes.

5. To write to Gen. Blake to let him know, on the representation made by him to Council of the necessity of bringing in some of the great ships, that Council leaves it to him to dispose those he names in such harbour as he thinks most convenient, and to desire him to send such ships as he thinks fit along with them, to take off the victuals in them, and as many of the men as will be necessary for manning the said ships, care being taken that the ships' companies so brought in do not receive their full pay.

6. Sir Oliver Fleming to carry to the Danish Ambassadors Council's answer to their paper concerning the arrest of Mr. Goldsburie.

7. Mr. Thurloe to speak with Alderman Chiverton and Mr. Chandler, concerning their offer for furnishing Eastland commodities of use to the ships.

8. George Hill and Roger Hilton to attend Council to-day, in pursuance of the paper by them delivered to Council.

9. The petition of Stephen Puckle, mariner, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what may be done in answer to his desires in reference to wages and rewards, and to report.

10. That of Henrie Jackson and others referred to the same committee.

11. That of Captain Nathaniel White to the Ordnance Committee.

13. A pass to be granted to the company of the Sancta Maria, taken in the last engagement between the fleets, to go to their own country.

14. The petition of Capt. Sam. Playford referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.

17. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider how Eastland commodities, useful for the shipping of this nation, may, in the present juncture, be procured and brought into the country, and to report.

18. To write to the Mayor of Dover and Governor of Dover Castle, to make the same provision for the maintenance and transport of English seamen taken prisoners that shall come to Dunkirk, as they have been ordered to make at Ostend.

19. To write to the Spanish Ambassador, taking notice of the civilities used towards the men and ships of this nation which lately came to Porto Longone, also of the relief and good usage

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exercised at Dunkirk and Ostend, by the Governors and inhabitants there, towards such of this nation as have been taken prisoners by the Dutch, and released, and have come thither to gain their passage to England, and to desire his Lordship to return the thanks of Council to those Governors.

20. Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Sir Henry Vane, and Mr. Martin appointed a committee to draw up an answer to the last paper of mediation given in by the Danish Ambassadors to Council, with all speed, and the paper drawn and read at Council this day referred to the said committee.

21. The warrant for licence for Lord Traquair to go into Scotland to be prepared, and delivered to Col. Purefoy.

24. Sir Oliver Fleming and Mr. Thurloe to carry to the Danish Ambassadors this night the paper of Council prepared in pursuance of an order of Parliament of this day, and ordered to be sent to them.

25. The petition of Hugh Ramsey and David Galbreth, prisoners in the Tower, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and discharge them on such bond as they think fit. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 28-32.]

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COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Downing to attend this committee when they sit, and Major Salwey to request the General [Deane ?] to dispense with his being in Scotland meantime.

2. John Phelps to attend as clerk to the committee, and Mr. Darley to request the Committee for Plundered Ministers to dispense with his attendance meantime.

3. The committee to meet at 8 a.m. on the days on which Parliament sits.

4. One to be chosen weekly to take the chair.

5. Commissioner Whitelock to take it this week.

6. Downing to give notice to the deputies from Scotland that the committee will meet them in the Lords' House to-morrow, at 8 a.m., when they are requested to attend, and to bring their commissions for perusal.

7. To request Parliament to continue till 1 April the commissions granted to persons in a list enclosed for administration of justice in Scotland, which commissions expire 1 November.

8. Mr. Say to draw up an Act to be offered to Parliament thereon.

9. Mr. Baker, who attended the commissioners in Scotland, to attend this committee, as clerk assistant to Mr. Phelps.

10. Mr. Phelps to give directions for matting the room, and fitting it up that it may be very warm.

11. The surveyor-general to attend the committee to-morrow at 8 a.m. [*I.* 138, *pp.* 3, 4.]

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12. Certificate by the Militia Commissioners for the monthly assessments in co. Stafford, that the arrears of pay due to Jas.

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Plante, for his services as a soldier in the troop of horse under Col. John Watson, from 1 April 1643 to 31 March 1646, amount to 53*l*. [1 *page*.]

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Petworth.

13. Viscount Conway and Kilultagh to ————. Having occasion to send the messenger, your old servant Darby, to Conway Castle, I told him to see you, and bring me knowledge of your health. Our troubles are not yet ended, as the land in Ireland is sequestered, and there are many other uneasinesses in this world, which are good documents, if one have a will and understanding to learn. I am often troubled with gravel, which is almost as bad as the stone, and I grow deaf, which, if it increases, will be very troublesome; for I have not delighted in anything so much as reading and discoursing, and if I lose, my hearing, I lose the one half of the joy of my life, which, if I can bring myself to part with without discontent, I shall be the fitter to make a visit to my father and mother.

Lord Pembroke has sold Ramsbury to Lord Carnarvon. I advised my brother Popham to buy it, although Littlecote be no ill house, yet Ramsbury is much better situated, and I am sorry he has not got it. Your brother told me he was bringing the deer that were at Wellington to Littlecote, wherein I think he does well, as he will thus have the benefit of them. He also tells me that the little river in the garden is better than ever it was for trout. I believe the estate of your brother Edward will return again to your brother Popham. My brother Edward's wife is very sorrowful, and having lost her husband, cares not for the world nor anything that is in it. I shall remain at Petworth for the winter. [1½ *pages*.]

Oct. 15.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Albert Cunningham referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and discharge him, if they see cause.

2. That of Marie, widow of James Coppin, commander of the Heart frigate, with Gen. Blake's letter concerning her, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what may be done for her, and to report.

3. That of William Platt referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to examine him and report what should be done with him.

4. That of Robert Farley to the Committee for Examinations.

6. Order for a warrant for John Jackson to pay to the Navy Treasurer, 15,000*l*., out of moneys in his hands to be paid out on interest and in Council's disposal, which is to be repaid from the first moneys on the sale of delinquents' estates.

8. The condition of Viscount Loftus of Ely to be presented to Parliament by Mr. Martin.

9, 10. The Ordnance Committee to quicken those who have contracted for furnishing ammunition to the stores, in the delivery of the remaining portions of their contracts; also to consider how to provide a further supply of ammunition.

11. The Earl of Eglinton, prisoner in Berwick, to have the liberty of that town, on his former security to the Governor there.

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12. To write to the Governor of Berwick to allow him this liberty, unless he find him a dangerous person, in which case he is to delay execution of this order till he has further acquainted Council.

13. The petition of Dorothy Virgo referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine her upon such intelligence as she can inform, and to reward her with any sum not exceeding 5*l.* Alderman Pennington to recommend her to the Lord Mayor, to dispose her into some hospital.

14. The paper sent by Council to the Danish Ambassadors, and their answer, to be presented to Parliament by the Lord President.

16. Bryan Cockayne, of Rushton, co. Northampton, to be brought before Council, to answer matters objected to him.

17, 18. Council to sit to-morrow at 4 p.m., and Major Thomson and Capt. Limmerie to attend.

19. The petition of Tyge Coldewin to the Danish Ambassadors referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to give order as they see cause. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 32-36.]

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3. Sir Geo. Ayscue to attend this committee on Wednesday next at 8 a.m.

4. Mr. Violet's business to be considered next Friday.

5. Mr. Neville to report to Council the draft of the Act for opening trade to France. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 42, 43.]

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COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. The deputies who are at the door called in, and acquainted with the order of Parliament appointing this committee to confer with them.

2. The declaration of Parliament, in order to the uniting of Scotland into one commonwealth with England, read.

3. The commission by which the deputies were empowered to attend the committee read by one of them, Sir Alex. Gibson, of Dury.

4. The deputies acquaint the committee that they are all present except Judge Swinton and George Blair of Garvoch, absent through sickness.

5. The committee withdraw, and resolve that their clerk, Clement Baker, — Downing, and Rich. Ward, peruse the commissions of the deputies chosen by the shires and boroughs of Scotland to meet at Edinburgh, in pursuance of the declaration of Parliament for the union of the kingdoms, and the commissions of the present deputies. Also to inquire what shires and boroughs in Scotland have sent deputies to Edinburgh; what deputies have subscribed to the union; how the contents of the declaration about sending of deputies has been observed; what shires, boroughs, or deputies have made default, or what other defect they find, and state the facts next sitting. They

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are also to inquire what letters have come from persons in Scotland commissioned to give information in the premises, especially one from Col. Fenwick to the Speaker, which Commissioner Whitelock is to request him to deliver up.

6. Note that Rich. Ward, one of the clerks to the commissioners in Scotland for administration of justice, presented copies of the commissions of the shires and boroughs in Scotland who sent deputies to Edinburgh for the union. Also a petition from the heritors of Aberdeenshire, and a paper of the desires of the deputies that met at Edinburgh.

7. The committee dismissed the deputies till further notice.

8. Mr. Phelps to request the trustees for sale of fee-farm rents to dispense with the attendance of Clement Baker, that he may attend on this committee. [*I.* 138, *pp.* 4-6.]

Oct. 15. **14.** John Bonker to the Navy Commissioners, Tower Hill. We set The Prosperous, sail from Yarmouth roads on 9 Sept., and on the 20th, we anchored two miles below Estenover Castle, and there stayed until the 27th, treating with the King of Denmark and his ministers about the ships we were sent for; but on the 26th, he sent a positive answer that he would secure them. On 30 Sept. there was a great storm, when Capt. Ball's ship went ashore, and it was a great mercy we did not all lose our ships. We that got well off were so frightened that we did not think ourselves secure until we had got into 16 or 18 fathoms of water, 18 leagues off, and a wind having come up on the 2nd inst., which enabled us to go back and take off their men, we set sail, with our 13 or 14 prizes, and arrived here on the 14th inst. As our six months are now nearly expired, we require an order for victualling. Capt. Peacock and two others have taken a Holland man-of-war of 20 guns. [1 *page.*]

Oct. $\frac{15}{26}$. **15.** Capt. Hen. Appleton to Edm. Harvey, Robert Tichborne, Mark Hilsley, and Dan. Taylor, Commissioners of Customs, London. I have taken up here of Charles Longland 3,000 dollars at 63*d.* per dollar, and given three bills of exchange for the amount, one of which will be presented by Geo. Smith, merchant, which I hope you will direct to be paid. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page, damaged.*]

Oct 16. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write to Gen. Blake to appoint vessels to convoy those now at Weymouth, bound for Jersey.

2. The papers from Gen. Blake, concerning the victualling of the fleet, referred to the Navy Commissioners, to consider by conference with the victuallers, how the ships appointed for the winter's guard may be victualled most expeditiously, and the delays and disorders that have been hitherto may be provided against, and to report on Monday. Also to consider how the ships appointed for the Straits, a list whereof is herewith sent, may be fitted most expeditiously, and what provisions are at Portsmouth for that purpose.

3, 4. Council to meet to-morrow at 4 p.m., the particular members desired to be present, and Commissary-General Whalley, and the commander of the guard about town to attend. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 37, 38.]

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Paragon,
Porto Longone.

16. Capt. Rich. Badiley to the Navy Committee. I enclose an account of my disbursements in victualling and careening ships, &c., and the balance shall be placed to the credit of the State in the next account. A good part of the money taken up cost 6s. per dollar, and 25 per cent. between the Levant and this place. I offered the State's allowance to the captain and purser of the Elizabeth, but they would not victual on those terms. I have only drawn upon the treasurer for the produce of 650 dollars in favour of Robert Salmon, mariner, and if I do well, I will give an account of its expending hereafter, as also of what I have received from Mr. Longland.

The Council of State empowers me to seize Hollanders as opportunity offers, and to consult with Charles Longland about taking up some merchant ships; I only wish they had sent over sooner to that effect. Before my going to the Levant, I acquainted you^r what would be our place of rendezvous at our return, and stayed there a month, until the Smyrna ships came up to us, and there I heard that General Blake had taken a dozen Holland men-of-war towards the north; if the State had then sent me commands to seize the Dutch, two rich ships might have been easily obtained, that came here with their convoy from Scanderon and Smyrna, which are now made men-of-war against us. If the order for taking up merchant ships had come to Leghorn only 6 weeks ago, the ships at Leghorn would have been enabled to come to us, and then we had broke through the Dutch, and have been upon our homeward voyage; but now the Flemings have made up their number to 32 men-of-war, and are said to be between this and Genoa, so that our State will be at no easy charge, not only in our maintenance that are blocked up already, but in sending a large fleet into these parts, where the Hollanders go on increasing their strength daily; they hire not only all their own merchantmen that are fit, and command them to deliver their goods, although consigned for Holland, but also some of the shipping of Genoa; and for ships of 300 or 400 tons they pay 2,000 dollars a month, provided they carry 100 men. Yesterday the Flemings brought in a fire-ship, intending to ruin us that way, but the Governor here ordered her away. [2 $\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

Oct. 18. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to meet on Wednesday, to consider how this nation may be supplied with the Eastland commodities necessary for its shipping, and to report.

3. Order, on consideration of the paper from the Danish Ambassadors, for a conference thereupon, and the commissioners will meet them to-morrow at 3 p.m. in the usual place in Whitehall; Fleming to give them notice and attend them.

4. To write to the Mayor of Dover to repay, out of the last 500*l.* assigned him for the charge of wounded men and prisoners, 8*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* disbursed by Wm. Whiting of Canterbury, for maintenance of the Dutch.

5. The petition of Capt. John Lisle referred to the Admiralty

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Committee, to consider his sufferings by wounds received in the late fight with the Dutch, and also of making him captain of one of the State's ships of the winter guard, and to report.

6. The Committee for Examinations to send for the printer and publisher of the "Faithful Scout," and if on examination they see cause, to secure them in the custody of the Serjeant-at-arms, and report.

7. Mr. Corbett to move Parliament to consider the Act prepared for the regulation of printing, Council finding much prejudice done to the commonwealth by unlicensed and scandalous pamphlets.

9. The examinations of the Earl of Worcester and Major Boswell, to be read at Council to-morrow.

10. To write the Navy Committee to pay 14*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.* to the Mayor of Plymouth, the 700*l.* being already paid. [*I.* 34, pp. 38-41.]

Oct. 18.
Portsmouth.

17. Capt. Fras. Willoughby to the Navy Commissioners, Tower Hill. Arriving here, I find most of the shipwrights unruly, because being summoned to be paid, they were disappointed, and notwithstanding the great haste, they utterly refuse to work. As here is money in town, let them be speedily paid, for nothing but that will meet the pressing necessities of their sickly families. The stores are very empty and divers ships so shattered that they want great repairs.

P.S.—I have prevailed with some of the shipwrights to work, on engaging to see them paid this week. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page, *damaged.*]

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Yarmouth
Roads.

18. Capt. Fras. Peacock to the Navy Committee, Whitehall. I have arrived at Yarmouth with the Tiger and 20 prizes, including the Morning Star, a man-of-war. I took them without the loss of a man, but killed 16 of theirs, and wounded 18; the latter I have sent up, as also 120 more in one of the prizes. The crew of the man-of-war were put on shore at Burlington. I appointed three of my squadron to convoy some colliers and others with lead from Tynemouth. The Recovery has sprung a leak, and the Elizabeth has had a mast shot away in an engagement with three Hollanders. I want a bowsprit, sails, and stores of all kinds, and the whole squadron wants revictualling. The Star frigate will not be able to stay out as she leaks; Capt. Ball has gone to London, to report the loss of the Antelope. [*1 page.*]

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19. Order in Parliament that the reports from the Council of State made by Mr. Challoner, on Hen. Robinson's title to the letter office derived from Charles Lord Stanhope, by patent in 15 James; on Sir David Watkins, Benjamin More, and Wm. Jessop's claims to the foreign post office; on Walter Ward's petition; on Thos. Billingsley's claim, and on the proposals for farming the inland and foreign office, be recommitted to the Council of State, to consider and report how the same may be managed, for the best service of the State, and ease of the people. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letter from the Ordnance officers referred to the Admiralty Committee.

2. 300*l.* to be paid from Council moneys to the Excise Commissioners, London, for so much paid by their officer to Major Burton, to be disposed by direction of Lieut.-Gen. Monk, for fortifications at Yarmouth.

3. The report now made of Alderman Fowke's business recommitted, for the better clearing of the objections made on the first report.

4. The Earl of Worcester to have the liberty of the Tower, and liberty under custody to visit his son now sick.

5. The petitions of the merchants trading to Portugal, and of the owners of the Morning Star, and the Three Brothers, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

6. That committee to consider the method of procedure in the treaty with the Portuguese Ambassador.

7. The petition of Richard Shute, merchant of London, and of Judith Witheridge, referred to that committee.

8. The examinations and narrative of Major Boseville to be read to Council on Friday.

9. Mr. Hamden to be discharged from restraint, on security not to act against the State.

10, 11. The petitions of Charlotte le Maire, a French woman, and of Saml. Terrick and Luke Lucie, merchants of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 42-44.]

Oct. 19.

COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. The clerk to enter all orders, commissions, petitions, letters, and writings, laid before the commissioners, in a book, and keep a journal of the commissioners' proceedings.

2. Also to present a statement of fact about the election of the deputies sent to Edinburgh and London, as it lies before this committee.

3. Mr. Scobell presents Col. Fenwick's letter to the Speaker, concerning the deputies sent to London and Westminster, with a list of the latter.

4. Mr. Downing to inform the deputies of some things wherein this committee desires further satisfaction, that they may be prepared to give it the next meeting.

5. Also to request them to meet the committee to-morrow at 3 p.m. [*I.* 138, *pp.* 6, 7.]

Oct. 19.

20. Thomas Bulstrode and three others to the Excise Committee.

Excise Office,
London.

Having, with your approbation, let to farm the excise of cos. Monmouth and Radnor to Capt. Jno. Crowe, at a considerable advance, we have received certain articles from him against Thos. Belchier, justice of the peace, and one of the bailiffs of Monmouth, John Lucas, of the same town, ale seller, and Howell Jones, commonly called Lieut.-Col. Jones, of Rayther-Guise, co. Radnor, that they have so far obstructed Capt. Crowe's proceedings, that the collection

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of the excise in those counties is not only at a stand, but the inhabitants are fomented to future tumults and riots, unless some speedy and exemplary course be taken therein. Let these persons be either ordered to appear before you, or committed to the Serjeant-at-arms, and send a letter to the Lord General, to require the commander of the garrison at Chepstow to afford Capt. Crowe and his officers such assistance of soldiers as may enable him the better to carry on the work of those parts. With note 20 Oct. that they are to be summoned to appear six weeks hence. [1 page.] *Annexing,*

20. I. *Articles exhibited by John Crow, Sub-commissioner of Excise for cos. Monmouth, Radnor, and Brecon, South Wales, against Thomas Belchier, justice of the peace and bailiff, and John Lucas, ale seller, both of Monmouth. On 1 inst. complainant issued a distress warrant for 5l. upon the goods of Lucas, for nonpayment of a fine imposed according to the ordinances of Parliament for the Excise, which warrant was directed to Thos. Higginson and Rich. Ward; they took Edw. Rawson to assist them, and distrained five pewter dishes, value 13s. 4d., which they brought away, after a violent opposition by Lucas. In the evening, Lucas, with a serjeant-at-mace belonging to the Mayor of Monmouth, and four other men armed with pikes and other weapons, came to the Excise Office, and arrested Higginson and Rawson on a writ of trespass for 100l., and took them before Belchier, who committed them to the common prison at Monmouth, which is a most loathsome dungeon, although they tendered security to answer the action, and he was entreated to accept it, both by the Mayor and others; nor would he permit them to stay until they had their cloaks and other accommodations necessary in so sad a place. The next day, upon the entreaty of several well-affected persons, he accepted their bail, and they were released; but as soon as that was done, he permitted Lucas to swear the peace against them, whereupon they were recommitted, until they procured and put in sureties, which with much difficulty they obtained. Belchier has often publicly exhorted the people and the inhabitants, both at Monmouth and Abergavenny, not to pay the excise duty, and that they were fools if they did so, and the whole business has been thereby obstructed. Attested by Thos. Higginson.—Oct. 12, 1652. [2 pages.]*

20. II. *Articles by John Crow against Lieut.-Col. Howell Jones and others. The inhabitants of the hundred of Rayther Guise, co. Radnor, having been summoned on 16 Sept. to pay their excise, Jones came to the town with a company of armed men, and not only forbid the people of the whole hundred to pay excise, but said they were rogues that granted any commission to raise excise in his country. The constable, being then present by virtue of his office, was knocked down, his wife cut over the head, and his daughter's leg cut almost off, and the bailiff was also*

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knocked down and sorely hurt, and the Excise officers forced to fly for their lives.

On 23 Sept., the six Excise officers came to Knighton to collect the excise, but they were assaulted by 3 constables, Rich. Giles, Edw. Bowen, and John Prosser, who having first disarmed them, bade the people fall upon them, and thereupon the whole town rose against them with clubs, bills, weapons, and stones, and threatened they should be served as Lieut.-Col. Jones served them at Rayther, and that though they brought 100 men with them to collect the excise, they should be all beat. The said officers, being in danger of their lives, were forced to fly, and leave their arms behind, two of them being lamed in the tumult, and one of them, Thomas Beddowes, had a mare worth 7l. taken from him, the multitude crying out and swearing they should not go either with horse, arms, or lives, so that the officers had to desert the prosecution. Attested by Joseph Harnedge.—Oct. 12, 1652. [1½ pages.]

Oct. 20. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Bond appointed to the chair.
2. To request Council to authorise this committee to promise security from confiscation on the Navigation Act, or from other restraint, to merchants undertaking to bring in Eastland commodities for supply of the State; also to assure them that Council will in time make good their undertaking, and order their full indemnity.
3. Two Navy Commissioners to attend this committee to-morrow. [I. 131, pp. 43, 44.]

Oct. 20. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write to Gen. Blake to recommend the condition of the English merchants trading into France, as laid down in their petition, and to desire him to furnish them with a convoy.
2. No persons to be chosen officers in any frigate now building till it be launched; this order to be sent to the Admiralty Committee.
3. The letter from the commissioners in Ireland, dated Kilkenny, 19 Sept., referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.
4. Col. Freeman's case to be considered to-morrow.
5. To write to the Commissioners for Prize Goods, to forbear sale of the ship of wheat taken by Capt. Ball, and brought into Hull, till further order; and to give order for bringing her into the Thames.
6. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider what use may be made of her for the service of Ireland, and to report.
7. To write to Gen. Blake the intelligence this night received of the ships coming out of the Low Countries into the Channel.
8. Order,—on the desire of the Danish Ambassadors for release of the Danish ships stayed in the Thames by order of Parliament, and that Council will not credit the report of the detention of English

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ships in the Sound by the King of Denmark,—that the commissioners appointed confer with them to-morrow, and declare that the cause of stay of the Danish ships is the detention of the English ships at Copenhagen, and to demand what security will be given to Parliament for the safe return home of the said ships.

9. The papers between Council and the Danish Ambassadors, with the foregoing resolution, to be presented to Parliament by the Lord President. Also the information of William Cripps, of Hull, lately come from Copenhagen.

10. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to consider how the fleet appointed for the winter guard may be employed.

11. Also what is fit to be done in reference to Sweden.

12. Lord Commissioner Whitelock to acquaint Parliament with the effect of the conference had yesterday between the commissioners of Council and the Danish Ambassadors; also with the paper to Council from the said Ambassadors, and Capt. Ball's journal of proceedings in his voyage to the Sound.

13. The letter from the commissioners in Ireland of 29 Sept. referred to the Admiralty Committee.

14. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to promise to merchants undertaking to bring in Eastland commodities present security from confiscation on the Navigation Act, and to assure them that in due time, Council will move Parliament to make good the said undertaking, and give full indemnity of all persons necessary. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 45-51.]

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COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. The deputies at the door called in, and acquainted with several particulars concerning the deputies that appeared at Edinburgh, and the commission of the present deputies, wherein this committee desires satisfaction.

2. Sir Alex. Gibson delivered a paper answering the same, on consideration whereof, and on further conference, the committee imparted more scruples.

3. The commission of the present deputies not being signed by the residue of the deputies and shires named therein, order that they present a transcript of the proceedings at Edinburgh, on the day they were chosen, to satisfy the committee who were the electors.

4. The deputies dismissed from further attendance.

5. Mr. Say to tender to Parliament to-morrow the draft of a Bill for continuing the judicatories in Scotland, which would determine on 1 Nov.

6. The facts stated in the conference, about the election of the deputies and the other matters in debate, to be drawn up and sent to the deputies, that being agreed to, it may be reported to Parliament.

7. When the clerk has drawn up the statement, Major Salwey is to peruse it, to see whether it agrees with the sense of this committee. [*I.* 138, *pp.* 7, 8.]

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London.

21. Jas. Allestrye to Viscount Conway, Petworth. I have been at Oxford for the last fortnight. I have received the cuts and books, but the carrier would not pay the 45s., pretending he had not received any of you. As for the "Platina delle vite de' Pontefici," you know very well the old edition can never honestly be sold, since there are so many additions to the new one, neither is there anything in it that should provoke gentlemen to buy it, but the lives of these late Popes, which not being in yours, it will be altogether unfit for my sale. Your Lubini Antiquarius is imperfect, as you know, and if I knew of whom it was bought, I would endeavour to get them make it perfect, or change it for some other book, but I have taken notice what leaves it wants, and in my next letters to Lyons, will desire my correspondents there to send them amongst the books to me, unless you can appoint any other course.

There are two maps of the city of Venice, one in 6 large imperial sheets, by Albert Durer, which will cost 12s., and the other in 5 smaller sheets, 8s. The 5th tome of Atlas I expect by the next ship from Ostend.

The arrest is not only taken off our books, but they are all shipped again, and will come with the first convoy.

A French gentleman from Paris has just shown me a letter stating that the chiefest of the King's party in Paris, taking advantage at some discontent between the Duke of Orleans and the Prince of Condé, worked so with the Parisians,—wearied with war and want of trade,—that a great multitude of them ran to the town house, and compelled the magistrates to send 40 of the colonels of the city of Paris, and other persons of quality, to the King at Mant, to beseech him to come to Paris, and they would immediately set open the gates to him, to which he replied, he would when the Duke of Orleans and the Prince of Condé were not there. They rejoined that they would drive them out if they would not go, but the Prince, seeing how affairs were likely to go, posted away to the Duke of Lorraine and the Archduke, where he now is. The King then sent one of his ordinary guard to the Duke of Orleans, commanding him to go, or else he would come and lie in his house that night; to which the Duke replied he was His Majesty's good subject, and willing to sign anything he commanded; but the King rejoined it was now too late, and commanded him forthwith to depart the city, whereupon he went to Nemours, and the next day the King came most triumphantly, and with all the acclamations of the city, to Paris, and is now in the Louvre. Presently after he commanded the Parliament not to sit any more until they had order from him, and 12 of the principal Parliament men, with the Duke of Beaufort, are banished the court and city, and the King's army has marched towards the Prince's, which is with the Archduke's and the Duke of Lorraine's. The King meanwhile set forth a proclamation promising pardon to all that laid down their arms within three days, with enjoyment of all their estates and places as before the war.

I have sent you Gatakeri Cinnus, which is 4s. 6d., and Ireland's Husbandry, 1s. 6d.; Ammianus Marcellinus Valesii is not at present to be procured. [1½ pages.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The paper concerning the detention of English ships at Copenhagen, now sworn at Council, to be part of the report made to Parliament.

2. The Navy Victuallers to make all speed in getting ready the provisions already declared for, and to account to-morrow to the Committee for Foreign Affairs of the present state of the victuals.

3. To write to Gen. Blake what Council are doing, and have done, for supply of the ships, that they may be serviceable in the business of which Council sent him intelligence on 20 October, and to recommend him to be vigilant in that affair, which is important to the service.

4, 5. The petitions of Eleanor Warren, widow, and of Wm. Brooke, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

6. Order on the petition of Rebecca Waters, that she be left to prosecute her desire in the proper place.

7. The petition of the parishes of Enfield, Edmonton, &c., referred to the Committee for Woods.

8. Council to meet to-morrow at 8 a.m., to perfect the report to Parliament concerning the business of Denmark.

9. To write to Gen. Blake, to acquaint him of the intelligence Council has of the intentions of the Dutch, and to desire him to put the fleet in the best posture he can, for prevention thereof.

10. To write to Capt. Martin, commander of the State's ships at the Land's End, to repair with them to General Blake; the like to the commander of the convoy lately sent to the Sound, and also to such ships as are at Harwich.

11. The books now in James's House to be removed thence to the banquetting house, Whitehall, under care of Lord Commissioner Whitelock, and to be there kept till the library be finished, and the books placed there.

12. Cols. Stapley and Wauton and Mr. Masham added to the Committee for viewing James's House.

13. The paper to the Portuguese Ambassador now read, approved, and to be translated into Latin, and carried to him by Sir Oliver Fleming. [*I.* 34, pp. 52-55.]

Oct. 21. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

2. The Navy Commissioners to give an account to-morrow to this committee, of the condition of the winter guard, as to victuals and other provisions, and an estimate of its charge.

4. Also to give an account to Council what proportions of pitch, tar, and other Eastland commodities are in the navy stores, and an estimate of what should be had, as a standing magazine for a year beforehand.

5. The persons who have contracted with the Navy Commissioners to furnish Eastland commodities, and not performed their contracts, to attend this committee to-morrow. [*I.* 131, pp. 44, 45.]

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Leghorn.

22. Charles Longland to Robert Blackborne, Secretary to the Navy Committee. I perceive by yours of 13 Sept. that the State and committee will consider the sufferings of their ships here, and send relief; if it comes suddenly, it may regain both our nation's credit and the damage sustained by this restraint. I am thankful that Col. Thomson will see me righted in those gross affronts put upon me by Capt. Appleton, which, without reparation and prevention, will make me weary in serving the public.

The Dutch have sent a fire-ship to Porto Longone, of which I advised Capt. Badiley. It is high time some succour came, as the delay gives the Dutch an occasion for plotting mischief. Ten sail of Dutch, whereof 2 are men-of-war, have just come in; these were part of the fleet that Sir Geo. Ayscue would have fought with before Plymouth, amongst whom there were only 26 men-of-war, the rest being merchantmen. The Dutch now number 40 sail at this place and Longone, 25 of which are men-of-war. I will provide the wine, oil, and anchovies you order for Col. Thomson. [1 page.]

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23. Miles Woodshaw to [Viscount Conway]. Dr. Collingdon will send the receipt next week. I went to Sir Theo. Mayerne's gentleman for the things you wrote for, but they had been delivered to Mr. Dodsworth. I have received the two pair of scissors for Jack, and will keep them until his return from Warwickshire with Mr. Conway, to whom I spoke about the 10*l.* I was to take of him, on account of what is due to me, but he thinks most part will have to be paid to Mr. Edlin for use money.

I have taken Lady Slingsby's house, and as I am much straightened for money, I request that you will lend me two suits of hangings, chairs, and stools, until I can get my money in. You can have two upholsterers to appraise them, and if they receive any damage, I will make it good. [1 page.]

Oct. 22.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Note to look out a petition and examinations taken in the Admiralty Court in March last, concerning some loss sustained by some of Lynn from the Dutch.

3. The Admiralty Committee to consider what may be done for speedy fitting for sea the great ships lately brought to Portsmouth, excepting the Sovereign, and to report with all speed.

4. The Committee for Prisoners to sit to consider the businesses referred to them by Council.

5. The petition of M. St. Thomas referred to the Admiralty Committee, who, if they find the allegations true, are to order the discharge of the ship named.

6. That of the Stationers' Company referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

7. That of Saml. Busfield, merchant of London, to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

8. That of Garret Hillgerloe of Bremen, Hendrick Croes of Ham-

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burg, and Claus Moulst of Wismar, to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

9. To write to the Navy Commissioners to pay Capt. Ball the salary due for the time he was in the service.

10. The Admiralty Committee to consider what extra pay he should have, as Commander-in-Chief of the expedition to the Sound.

11. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, with the annexed letter and examinations from the Committee for the Public Revenue in Ulster, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to endeavour the speedy finding of Capt. Fuller, and the others named, to examine them, and to prosecute the discovery of the said combination and abuse.

12. The paper signed by Mr. Speaker to be translated into Latin, and sent to the Danish Ambassador by Sir Oliver Fleming.

13. A copy of the report from the Admiralty Judges, concerning the frigate *St. Anne* of *St. Sebastian*, to be sent to Dr. Walker, who is to attend Council thereon on Monday.

14. Col. Pitscottie, prisoner in the Tower, to be bailed and permitted to go to Scotland, on security not to act prejudicially to the State, and to appear on summons from the Commander-in-Chief there.

15, 16. A public minister to be sent with instructions to the King of Denmark, and Richd. Bradshaw, now resident at Hamburg, to go in the quality of a resident.

17. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare his instructions, and to consider what sum should be allowed him for expenses.

18. To acquaint Bradshaw with this resolution, and to desire him to be in readiness for this service, when the despatch of Council shall come to him.

20. Mr. Bence to give particulars of ammunition desired to be carried in 10 ships named, going to Virginia.

21. The petition of Alex. Bence, concerning the *Hopeful Adventure*, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to speak with Mr. Matthews of Virginia, now in town, concerning the business. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 56-59.]

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COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. The order of Parliament leaving it to this committee to prepare a bill for continuing the commissioners appointed to order and manage affairs in Scotland, to be considered on Tuesday, and Mr. Downing to inform the deputies.

2. The facts about the election of the deputies to be communicated to them by Mr. Downing, that they may answer in writing the defects therein named.

3. Mr. Say to move Parliament to give orders for issuing the assessments in Scotland, the power already given expiring 1 Nov. next. [*I.* 138, *p.* 9.]

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 The Leopard,
 Leghorn Road.

24. Capt. Henry Appleton to the [Navy Committee]. Thanks for remembering our poor seamen who are so needful of clothes; we will distribute the money proportionably amongst our three ships, and give Mr. Longland bills upon you for the clothes, &c. I will advise with him as to what is best for the preservation of our ships, for I see no probability that Capt. Badiley and I should join our squadrons, until you send us a stronger fleet, the Dutch having 26 great ships and one fire-ship. Nine of these keep Capt. Badiley at Porto Longone, seven and one fire-ship here, besides two careening in the Mold, and the rest at sea. The Peregrine of 30 guns, commanded by Capt. Jno. Wood, entered the service yesterday. The Lewis is at Genoa, M[ary], E[lizabeth], and Harry Bonadventure at Naples, commanded by Capt. Robert Swanley. Mr. Longland and myself both wrote them that they might be taken into your service, but they have not returned any answer. Capt. Wadsworth has made his escape from the Dutch aboard of me, and yesterday left for England; he blames Capt. Reaves of the Elizabeth, and Capt. Cox of the Warwick that he was not released, being so much oppressed by the Dutch that he lost his frigate, and his men ran away with his boat. The Dutch use the English they take in the Straits very basely, and force them against their mind, as you will perceive by the enclosed letter from a master mate of the Phoenix to his captain. [$1\frac{1}{2}$ pp.] *Prefixing,*

24. I. *Capt. H. Appleton to the [Navy Committee]. I have received your commissions to take up merchant ships as men-of-war, but they decline to serve without orders from their owners, or money from you to fit them out for sea, and they do not know where to get men. The reported account of the strength of the enemy is not correct, although it is true there are 25 sail. There are good ships in the Venetian service to be had, but we have not your orders, without which they cannot be had, nor discharged from St. Mark's service.— $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{5}{8}$ th September. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]*

Oct. 22. 25. R. B[lackborne, secretary to the Navy Committee] to Charles Longland. Yours of 27 Sept. has been communicated to the Council of State, and though their sending relief may not be so quick as expected, it will be with as much speed as their affairs here will admit. We have lately had an unexpected injury done us by the King of Denmark, who has seized on about 20 of our Eastland merchant ships in his port; 18 men-of-war were sent thither under Capt. Ball to convoy them thence, but were forced to return without them. On his way home however, he took a man-of-war of 15 guns, and 25 busses laden with herrings, which he has brought into Yarmouth.

The enclosed will give you an account of the order of Parliament for the release of Capt. Cardi's ship, according to the desire of the Great Duke. I long to hear of the regaining or destruction of the Phoenix, as it cannot but be a very great eyesore to you and Capt. Badiley, so long as she remains in the Mold. Respects to Capts. Badiley and Appleton. [*Draft, 1 page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Wm. Masham to be Lord President, in absence of Sir Wm. Constable, sick.

2. The Committee for Examinations to examine the complaint of some prisoners, of great fees exacted from them by persons who have solicited their release, to send for such persons, and those who can give testimony against them, and to report.

3, 5, 8. The petitions of Hendrick Croes of Hamburg, of Robert Gale, merchant of London, of Claus Moul't of Wismar, and Daniel Rants of Stralsund in High Dutchland, referred to the Admiralty Committee to report.

4. The draft of an Act for trial of certain rebels in Ireland to be considered to-morrow.

6. The letter from the commissioners of Parliament in Ireland, dated Kilkenny, 14 Oct., with the copy of a commission for a High Court of Justice there, and the draft of an Act for trial of rebels there, sent in from the Irish and Scotch Committee, referred to that committee to report upon.

9. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Macleod and Major Alex. Macleod referred to the Committee for Examinations, to report.

10. To write the Navy Commissioners to certify by Wednesday the state of the winter fleet, with the several alterations, also of the ships thereof appointed to the Straits, and their present stations, and time of readiness for that service; and of the fittest place for their rendezvous.

11. Council to consider on Wednesday the business of sending a fleet to the Straits, and who shall be commander.

12. Mr. Challoner, Love, and Neville to be a committee to receive from Mr. Barrière, and bring to Council, the paper he has to deliver.

13. The letter of Col. Bingham, dated Cornet Castle, 18 Oct., referred to the Ordnance Committee.

14. To answer Elnathan Hannam, surgeon, petitioning for employment at Dover, in curing the sick and wounded, that there is no present occasion for employing him.

15. The petition of the mariners of the ship's company lately under Capt. Wyard in the service to be sent to the Navy Commissioners, to give just order therein.

16. The letter from the Navy Commissioners of 25 Oct. referred to the Admiralty Committee.

17. The draft of the Act for importing wines from France to be considered on Thursday.

18. The paper of M. Barrière delivered to Council referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to prepare an answer and report.

19. Dr. Walker to come to Council on Wednesday.

20. The petition of Sam. Wilson and Thos. Ranham, merchants of London, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to give order therein as far as relates to the import of hemp, pitch, tar, and cordage.

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings (*cont.*)

22. The Committee for Examinations to report what they have done on the reference to them about the person that let Col. Massey escape.

23. Order, on report from that committee of the narrative and examination of Major Humphrey Boseville, that he be committed to the Tower; the Lord President to report his narrative and examination to Parliament.

24. Lord Commissioner Lisle to present to Parliament Council's opinion,—on their reference of the case of Alderman Fowke, and his sufferings in 3 Car.,—that lands in Waltham Forest, co. Essex, worth 500*l.* a year, should be settled on him, and his heirs for ever, according to his own propositions given in to Council. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 60–66.]

Oct. 25.

Order in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs, on the petition of John Freeman, merchant of London, giving him the security authorised by Council's order of 20 October, for importing Eastland commodities, hemp, pitch, tar, masts, &c., useful for shipping. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 46, 47.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Wm. Masham to be * * * * *

2. The paper of the Danish Ambassadors delivered to Council referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.

3. That from the Portuguese Ambassador also referred to that committee, to consider the propositions to be made to him by the commissioners appointed to meet with him, as preliminary to the peace propounded by him, and to report.

4. The letter from the Duke of Vendôme to Parliament, referred to Council by their order, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. The orders of Parliament of this day,—referring to Council the examination of the printing of scandalous pamphlets,—referred to the Committee of Examinations, with power to send for witnesses as to the actors therein, whom, if they see cause, they are to secure till they report the whole matter to Council, which they are to do with speed.

6. To write Capt. Dakins to continue with the Peter, and the ships appointed for the northern guard, in the station to which they were appointed, and to be very careful to give convoy to the coal ships between Newcastle and the Thames.

7–9. Mr. Marshall, chief marshal of the city, to deliver Mr. St. Barr to the Serjeant-at-arms, and to give the charge against him in writing to the Committee for Examinations, who are to examine and bail him if they see cause; also to have power to send for and examine Capt. Hall on the case.

10. In the matter of the charge against Col. Freeman by John Morgan, contained in several articles, Council,—on debate and question whether it had cognizance of the matter of those articles,—passed it in the negative.

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11, 12. The articles against Col. Freeman to be delivered to Mr. Creed, and he discharged from further attendance on Council.

13. Col. Farrington to be bailed on security not under 200*l.*

14. To write to the Army Committee, inclosing the examinations concerning Col. Farrington taken before Council, that they may consider what is just, and do it with speed; and that Council meanwhile has bailed him to answer justice. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 66-70.]

Oct. 26.

COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. On the order of Parliament referring the business of this committee specially to Commissioner Whitelock and Chief Justice St. John, order revoking that of the 14th for a chairman to be chosen weekly, and desiring Whitelock to take the chair, which he did.

2. Order that he and St. John have particular notice of the adjournments of this committee.

3. The deputies who are at the door called in, to offer what they have to say concerning an order of Parliament referring to this committee an Act for continuing the commissions for judicatories in Scotland. The Act being read to them, they tender a paper against it, which the committee decline to receive; on which they withdraw, carrying the paper with them.

4. Order to answer to the said paper, that the ground of this conference with the deputies is the order of Parliament referring the aforesaid Act to this committee, which relates to them as single persons, not as deputies, the judgment of Parliament not being had as yet on their commission.

That therefore this committee cannot receive their paper, and are unsatisfied with it, as not only prejudging the establishment of the judicatories now in being, but the resolution of Parliament manifested by the twice reading of the Bill.

5. The deputies being called in, and this answer given them, are asked if they have any amendments to offer in the Bill, and obtain leave to withdraw and advise.

6. On their return, they decline to offer anything more, since Parliament and this committee look on them as private persons until the validity of their commission is adjudged, and are dismissed.

7. Whitelock to report to Parliament the Act for continuing several judicatories in Scotland for some longer time, with the amendments made by this committee.

8. Also to acquaint Parliament with the expiration of the time limited for issuing assessments in Scotland, and to request directions; all orders relating thereto to be delivered to him. [*I.* 138, *pp.* 9-12.]

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Excise Office.

26. Thomas Bulstrode and two others to the Excise Committee. Thomas Rawsell, *alias* Russell, of Arundel, Sussex, has counterfeited tickets for passing salt, signifying that either the Excise is paid, or that the salt is employed on fishing, whereby the State has been

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deceived of considerable sums. We desire a warrant to the Serjeant-at-arms to take him into custody, and bring him before your committee. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.] *Enclosing,*

26. I. *Deposition of Robert Clarke that James Stoodly, of Weymouth, sold 60 quarters of salt to Thomas Rawsell as for fishery.* [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

26. II. *Deposition of Jno. Rowe, Sub-Commissioner of Excise for co. Dorset, that tickets with his and Wm. Speering's signatures for 50 quarters of salt, are false.* [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

Oct. 27. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition and papers of George Alkinton referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to examine if the facts be as alleged, and if so, to consider out of what treasury the money is to be paid.

2. The Committee for Examinations to send for Gonghen Marshall, servant to the Earl of Crawford, and James Foster, servant to Mr. Mongolaw, prisoners in the Tower, examine them, and discharge them if they see cause.

3. The petition of Col. Andrew Mylne in the Tower referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine him and report.

4. Robert Pilkington, prisoner with the Marshal-General, to be discharged, on passing his engagement not to act prejudicially to the State.

5. The petition of Capt. Richd. Haddock referred to the Admiralty Committee, to inform themselves of his services, and to consider what gratuity should be given him.

6. That of Wm. Hart referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine him and report.

7. To answer the petition of Alex. Greene, of Manchester, that Council leaves it to him to proceed at law against Lord Paisley, for recovering such debts as are owing him, notwithstanding any order of Council.

8. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to appoint in what manner the instructions and despatches to the Resident at Hamburg should be sent him.

9. The paper to Council from the Spanish Ambassador referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to take care that the business therein desired, now under reference to them, be speedily dispatched, and reported to Council.

10. The paper from the Spanish Ambassador to Council, concerning Col. Geraldine, prisoner at Chester, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.

11, 13. Also the petition of merchants trading to Spain, and the paper from Mr. Applebohum.

12. 50*l.* to be paid from Council moneys, to such person as the Committee of Articles shall appoint, in pursuance of an order of Parliament for that purpose.

14. The Ordnance officers to treat forthwith with the powder merchants, to repair the 500 barrels of unserviceable and decayed powder now in the stores, at the most advantageous prices.

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15. Council being informed, by report from the Admiralty Judges, in the case of James de Preaux, lieutenant of the frigate *St. Anne* of Sebastian, that she was taken from him by Capt. Mootham, during the suspension of his letters of marque and reprisal, brought in, appraised, and afterwards put to sea [sale ?] without adjudication, and that sentence was given by the Admiralty Court for her restitution, with tackle, furniture, and all that was in her, notwithstanding which Mootham has not made restitution;—order that Dr. Walker look after the security given by Capt. Mootham and partners, and see that proceedings be had against them, agreeably to right and justice.

16. The petition of the officers and seamen of the *Adventure*, and their complaints against Capt. Wyard, their commander, referred to the Navy Commissioners, to examine into it, to write to the captain if they think fit, and account to Council with all speed. [*I.* 34, *pp.* 70–75.]

Oct. 27. Order in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs that Sir Geo. Ayscue be desired to attend the committee on Friday next. [*I.* 131, *p.* 49.]

Oct. 27. COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. The clerk to state against to-morrow the facts about the commissions of the deputies, noticing those that voiced at the election of the 21 deputies at Edinburgh, and who the 21 are, what deputies that voted signed, or did not sign the commission, and wherein the directions of Parliament, in the declaration on the Union, have not been complied with; what answers the deputies have given about shires or burghs that sent no deputies, or whose deputies did not meet at Edinburgh; also a brief of the declaration of Parliament as to the directions about choice of deputies.

2. The committee to confer on these facts to-morrow at 8 a.m., and meet the deputies at 9, Downing giving them notice.

3. The deputies having given in the names of the deputies of shires present at the election of the 14 deputies, but not those of boroughs, Downing is to desire them to send particulars of all the deputies, with their names, titles, and the places for which they were chosen, and who were present at the election of the 21 deputies sent to Parliament, with the names of the persons so elected, and particulars of their election. [*I.* 138, *pp.* 12, 13.]

Oct. 28. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write Mr. Willoughby at Portsmouth to contract for the hemp and other necessaries brought into Portsmouth by a Hamburg ship, and that no prejudice is to be done to the ship by reason of her coming in so laden, although contrary to the Act for encouragement of navigation.

2. To send to the Navy Commissioners to attend the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow by 7 a.m., on matters relating to the fleet.

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3. The two last letters from Gen. Blake to Council, with the lists enclosed, and the letter from the Navy Commissioners of 27 Oct., referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to confer with the Navy Commissioners thereon, and on how the fleet may be speedily put into a posture of doing service.

4. The letter from Capt. Peacock referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. The House to be moved to consider the present state of naval affairs, Council being of opinion that they deserve a speedy regulation.

6, 7. Some person to be forthwith sent to Sweden, as Resident from the Commonwealth, and the Committee for Foreign Affairs to prepare instructions for him.

9. The paper from the Portuguese Ambassador referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to hasten the preparation of what was referred to them, in order to entering into a treaty with him, and report.

10. The paper last sent to Council from Monsr. Applebohum referred to the said Committee.

11. To send to the Admiralty Judges for an account of what has been done in that court, concerning the gold taken in two ships from Guinea.

12. The warrants granted to Mr. Sass, Mews, Bonnell, Boeve, and others, for importing goods out of the Netherlands by way of Ostend, to be revoked, and this signified to the Commissioners of Customs.

13. The petition of Capt. Charles Hay and Major Jno. Hume, referred to the Committee for Prisoners. [*I. 35, pp. 1-3.*]

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1. A scheme of the shires and burghs of Scotland, and who assented at Dalkeith, and who at Edinburgh, and who voted at the election of deputies, with an abstract of the whole proceeding in the elections, read.

2. Also a draft of the fact on the commission of the deputies, who are called in, and it is read to them, and delivered to them to advise among themselves, when they withdraw.

3. Order that this committee meet on Tuesday, to consider the Bill for incorporating Scotland with England into one commonwealth.

4. The deputies requesting re-admission are called in, offer a clause for insertion into the narrative of the fact, which is inserted, deliver in a list of the burghs of Scotland, with the names of the deputies that appeared at Edinburgh, agree to the narrative, with their amendments, and are dismissed.

5. Lord Whitelock to report to Parliament the matter of fact upon the deputies' commissions, with the amendments.

6. Matter of fact. There are in Scotland, 30 shires, and 1 stewarty. Of these 28 assented to the Union at Dalkeith, which was accepted

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by the commissioners there. Of the 28 shires, 20 only sent deputies to Edinburgh, who subscribed to the Union. Of those 20, the deputies of 18 shires, and one only of the 19th, Forfarshire, voiced at the election of the 21 deputies sent to Parliament, so that nine shires less assented at Edinburgh than at Dalkeith. Of these 19, only 15 signed the commissions of the deputies, viz., such of the deputies of 14 shires as were not chosen to be of the 21, 10 of them being so chosen, so that one deputy of 5 shires is wanting, and 14 shires only joined in the commission, being 14 less than assented at Dalkeith.

7. To this the deputies reply: That four of the said shires are represented, one deputy from each being here, and their colleagues having signed, and the 5th, Sutherlandshire, was represented by one deputy fully empowered, who subscribed the tender, and voted at the election, so that 19 shires elected the deputies, beside those of Orkney, who came a day too late, and Inverness, Perth, and Banff who elected deputies, of which one was present, but debarred from acting because the commission was for two. Aberdeen elected deputies who did not come, but divers heritors of the shire petitioned for the Union, so that 24 shires assented, and by declaration of Parliament, warrant was given to the deputies present, by vote of the majority, to elect 14 deputies to represent the shires.

8. They excuse the absence of the deputies at Edinburgh, because those of Orkney and Shetland were detained by storms. Lord Bannamoon, a deputy of Forfarshire, was bed-fast through sickness, the Earl of Annandale from Perthshire, and one of the deputies of Inverness were also sick, Viscount Fren draught from Banff was too much engaged to come. Elgin and Nearn, being mean and far remote, were excused sending more than one deputy. They know not the cause of absence of the other deputies.

9. Statement [on the part of the committee] that there are 58 chief burghs in Scotland, of which 44 assented to the Union at Dalkeith, but only 37 at Edinburgh; that of these only 34 voted; that only deputies of 25 burghs signed the commission of the 21 deputies, 6 of them being chosen of the number.

10. The deputies reply: That one deputy was absent from sickness; that those of several places named were absent from engagements in herring fisheries; some were excused from the poverty of the burghs; the absence of some they cannot explain.

11. Analysis of the above statements relating to the said shires and burghs.

12. Table of the 30 shires, showing which assented to the Union at Edinburgh and at Dalkeith, which voted and signed the commission, &c., giving the names of the electing deputies, and of the deputies sent.

13. Similar table of the 58 burghs of Scotland. [*I.* 138, pp. 13-25.]

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1. To write Capt. Johnson, commander of the *Convert*, to take care to stay with the provision ships in the Downs for the others which were appointed to be of the convoy of those vessels to the

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fleet, and if the wind continues easterly, to sail with them, and convoy them to Stokes Bay.

2. Mr. Thurloe to prepare a letter to the Resident of Hamburg, giving him notice that he may expect a messenger from the Council of State, in relation to his journey to Denmark.

3. To write Jno. Hildesly to certify what timber has been felled by Col. Joyce or any others, out of what forest, and for what purpose.

4. To write the wardens of the several forests of this nation, not to suffer any timber to be felled, upon any pretence whatever, without special order from Parliament or Council.

5, 6. Jno. Mordant to be committed to the Tower, for sending a challenge to Brian Cockayne, and Brian Cockayne for accepting it.

8. The petition of Lady Marie Cockayne, and the information by Geo. Hill, to be reported to the House by Mr. Martin, that they may be made acquainted with the challenge sent to Cockayne from Jno. Mordant.

9. Hen. Tyrrell to be set at liberty, on bond in 500*l.*, with two sureties in 300*l.* each, to be of good behaviour, not to give any provocation or affront to Lord Montague, and to appear before Council at the end of 3 months.

10. The Navy Commissioners and Navy Victuallers to attend Council to-morrow by 9 a.m., and copies of Mr. Willoughby's letter from Portsmouth to be sent to both.

11. The latter part of Capt. Hatsell's letter from Plymouth to be sent to General Blake.

12, 14, 15, 22. The petitions of Bryan Fletcher, of Penelope Thomson, widow, of Syvert Goodman and Paul Paulson Bauman, and of Temperance Newcome, widow, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

13. That of Capt. Robt. Johnson to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

16, 19, 23. The petitions of Isaac le Gay, merchant, of Jaques la Govenor, and of Rob. Hammon, merchant of London, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

17. The petition and propositions of Thos. Paschall referred to the Mint Committee; Mr. Corbett, Burrell, and Dixwell added to that committee, and Corbett to take care of this business.

18. The petition of Hans Jansen, of Dantzic, referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to confer with him as to buying the commodities on board his ship, and contract with him if he will sell them, and acquaint him with the resolutions of Council concerning his ship.

20. The petition of John Pell referred to the Lord General, Chancellor of Oxford, and Lord Chief Justice St. John, Chancellor of Cambridge, and to consider what may be done for the petitioner to encourage him to reside in England.

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24. The quarter's wages due to Hen. Shadwell, as door-keeper to the Committee of Parliament for Whitehall, at 12*l.* a year, to be paid out of the exigent money of Council. [*I.* 35, *pp.* 4-6.]

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COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Geo. Ayscue to attend this committee on Wednesday next.

2. Capt. Compton to carry Council's despatch to Rich. Bradshaw at Hamburg, in relation to his employment at Hamburg. [*I.* 131, *p.* 49.]

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27. Capt. Hen. Appleton to the Commissioners of Customs. As I have taken up of Charles Longland 4,000 dollars at 5*s.* 3*d.* each, amounting to 1,050*l.*, for furnishing the Leopard, Bonadventure, and Constant Warwick with provisions, and given him three bills payable to Geo. Smith, I desire you to cause the same to paid when due. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

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The Leopard,
Leghorn Mould.

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1. To answer to the petition of many of the merchants of Great Yarmouth, co. Norfolk, that Council intends to send a sufficient fleet to the Straits, with all convenient speed.

2. The Navy Commissioners and the Commissioners of Trinity House to consider how the collier ships may be made useful for the service, and what directions may be given therein, as also what has been done in this matter in former times, and to certify on Friday.

3. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to make their report to Council on Wednesday next, as to sending a Resident to Sweden.

4-6. Mr. Love added to the committee to treat with the Portuguese Ambassador, which is to give him a meeting on Tuesday, at 4 p.m.; Fleming to give him notice and attend him, and notice to be given to the committee to meet him.

7. The St. Olavus and the Sta. Maria, Danish ships, to be released to the use of the Danish Ambassador, provided they be cleared or all merchant goods, and a warrant to be issued to the Customs' officers accordingly.

8. The petition of Robt. Robinson referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider of his fitness to command the vessel he desires.

9. The Morning Star, a Dutch prize lately taken by Capt. Peacock, to be named the Plover.

10. The petition of Jno. Picknell, mariner, setting forth his losses by the Portuguese, to be considered with like cases.

11. Note to look out General Blake's commission.

12. Mr. Masham added to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

13. Order that the ships in and near the ports named in a list now read be fully victualled, and otherwise completely fitted to sea with all expedition, for part of the winter's guard, and as they are ready, be sent to Gen. Blake without loss of time. Also that the

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captains be ordered to attend their several charges, to correspond with the Navy Commissioners and Victuallers for supplying them with what they want, and to give an account to Council of their present condition, and in what time they will be ready.

14. The rest of the ships not contained in the said list, and now abroad, as well the State's ships as merchantmen with whom there is no certain contract made, but have been victualled by the State, whether they be or be not of the winter guard, to be victualled by the hoys now in the Downs and Dover, and otherwise, that they may be continued abroad till other ships can be sent to sea in their stead.

15. That as any of the ships appointed for the winter guard now in port, and ordered to be fitted to sea, be sent forth, General Blake is to send in such other of the ships appointed for the winter guard, now remaining abroad, as he shall judge most for the service, which ships being sent in, are to be fitted forth again with all expedition, with provisions for the whole winter.

16. For supplying with victuals the ships appointed to be kept out until those of the winter guard can be ready, as also the prizes ordered forth for the winter guard, in lieu of some of the merchant ships, the proportion of 4,000 men's victuals for six months, from 1 Nov. next, is hereby declared for, and the victuallers are to provide the same in such ports as the Navy Commissioners shall appoint.

17. These orders to be sent to the Navy Commissioners, who are to take care that they be speedily and effectually executed; to which purpose they are to correspond with Gen. Blake, the Navy Victuallers, and the several captains, and to understand from them the state of the ships, and so demean themselves that no time may be lost, the good and safety of this commonwealth being so much concerned.

18. Lieut.-Col. Macleod and Major Macleod to be released as others, upon the same condition, and the Committee for Examinations to take their bail accordingly. [*I. 35, pp. 7-10.*]

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Portsmouth.

28. Capt. Fras. Willoughby to the Navy Commissioners. The Portsmouth frigate has come to the rest of the ships at Portsmouth. Let the Council of State know how clamorous the seamen are for their money, and that they will not go to sea unless they are paid. Send down the stores formerly ordered. A ship of [Hamburg] with deals has just come in, which will recruit the stores here. We are putting the great ships into ordinary, but as they ride so far from the town, it will be well to increase their men. The ships cannot go to sea for want of victuals, and the delay discourages commanders and men. I am beside myself with worry; send me a list of the hired ships. With note to Capt. Peacock to buy the provisions for the ships at Ipswich, as it is impossible to send supplies from London in time. [*2¼ pages, damaged.*]

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2. Mr. Jackson to attend the Irish and Scotch Committee tomorrow, at 7 a.m.

3. To write the Navy Commissioners, enclosing Capt. Willoughby's

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letter from Portsmouth, concerning the Hamburg ship brought in, and desire them to set a reasonable price on his commodities, to be delivered merchantable, and to make out his bills, to be paid by ready money.

4. To write General Blake to order all the ships in the service to make stay of all ships and other vessels which they meet with belonging to the King or people of Denmark, and to send them to the first convenient port, free from embezzlement, to be there kept until further order by Parliament or Council.

5. To write the Navy Commissioners that the great ships now at Portsmouth, except the Sovereign, are to be again fitted out to sea, and to desire them to consider how they may be done with most expedition, and by what time they may be ready, and to certify.

6. A copy of Capt. Bonner's letter to be sent to the Commissioners for Prize Goods.

7. The petition of Sir Jas. Foulis, of Colintown, Scotland, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to bail him if they see cause, or report.

8. That of Owen Lloyd referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9. That of Major Alex. Sterling and Capt. Rouge Mackenye, as also of Jno. Bulnevis, Lieut. Malcolm Read, and Lieut. Jno. Stewart, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine them, and take their bail if they see cause.

10. That committee to examine the business concerning the contriving, printing, and publishing the "Faithful Scout," and send for those who have had any hand in it; also for Geo. Wharton, the supposed author of an almanac containing something prejudicial to the commonwealth, and examine him thereon, and secure any of the above parties, if they see cause, until they have reported the whole matter to Council, and received their resolution.

11. The appointed committee to meet the Portuguese Ambassador on Tuesday at 4 p.m., and deliver him the paper of demands agreed to by Council, and treat with him thereon, as well at this meeting as at any other, according as they shall find it necessary, and report the whole to Council.

12. The said paper to be translated into Latin, to be delivered to him.

13. To write him that Council cannot give way to his desire as to admitting the persons mentioned in his letter to come to the audience with him, in the quality he desires, Council not understanding, by anything which has yet been produced by him, that those persons have any public character.

14. The information against Capt. Millard referred to the Admiralty Committee.

15. That committee to consider how the small vessel taken by the Falmouth frigate, in company with the Dutch ship taken coming from Brazil, [shall be disposed of].

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16, 17. Mr. Hastings to attend the Committee for Examinations to-morrow by 7 a.m., for examination on matters objected against him, and the committee to sit then.

18. The petition of Edm. Custis, merchant, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider what should be done for his relief.

19. The letter and estimate from the Navy Commissioners, with Mr. Willoughby's letter from Portsmouth, to be sent to Sir Hen. Vane, to use on Thursday morning next, when he shall acquaint Parliament with the condition of the naval business. [*I. 35, pp. 10-15.*]

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Leghorn.

29. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. I have shown your instructions as to convoy to Capt. Appleton, will send them to Capt. Badiley, and will confer with both which way may be most advantageous to your ships. I think no kind of motion will be good for either squadron, their numbers being so inferior, but the *Peregrine* has entered the service, the *Lewis* will do the same at Genoa, and others may be got from Venice, if men are not wanting.

The Dutch, that were but 14 sail, have nearly doubled, so that if we should pick up what we hope for, three or four more ships would not enable your ships to go to sea against so many. The Dutch lately came away from before Porto Longone, whereby we were in hopes our ships might have an opportunity to come thence, but they have since returned, and lie again before that port; they brought a fire-ship with them, which the Governor of Longone commanded thence.

Although the Dutch have many ships, they are but ill manned; every one has 30 soldiers, who they confess are the safety of their ships, as they dare not trust their common seamen. If you took the same course, and put soldiers into all our ships, they would be of far greater strength, and you would have an advance of seamen for merchants' occasions. I have bought some fish at Genoa for all your ships, and hope some more will soon come in, to victual them for six months, for flesh is very scarce and dear. [*1½ pages.*]

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The *Leopard*,
Leghorn.

30. Captain Hen. Appleton to the Navy Committee. Upon the death of Capt. Witheridge, I placed Capt. Cox in the *Bonadventure*, but finding his carriage intolerably proud,—never owning me in anything he did, but daily acting to the prejudice of this port, and having also, without my order, placed his purser in the frigate,—I ordered him, Cox, to quit the ship and return to the *Constant Warwick*, but he replied that he would not stir; thereupon I sent for him, and acquainted him that I could not any longer endure his contempt of authority. I gave Lieut. Lyme a commission to be commander until further order, and directed Cox to return to Porto Longone, but he said he would stay in despite of me, and so will force me to keep him a prisoner on board, until I bring him to give me a writing to carry himself better for the future. He has done several things for which he must be responsible, and of which, for

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quietness' sake, I have not as yet advised you. I shall give him leave to depart, and so long as he shall be your real servant, I shall be his faithful friend.

Capt. Cox, in presence of all the men in the Bonadventure, made a speech so as to raise a mutiny, and endeavoured to procure the company to solicit him to stay with them as their commander, but both officers and men were more civil. I have since been on board, and required the company to give respect to Lieut. Lyme, which they willingly embraced, and I hope Cox will return aboard the Warwick without further trouble, though he has abused me to the whole company. [2 pages.]

Nov. 2. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Thos. Day, carpenter, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

2. That of Joachim Doncke, from Lubec, to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

3. The book published by Mr. Culpepper referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to send for and examine him thereon, or any other persons who have had any hand in its contriving, printing, or publishing, and secure them if they see cause.

4. The letters and papers which have been sent or shall be sent to Council from the Resident at Hamburg, concerning some disobedience to the orders of Council made in reference to the English there, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. The Admiralty Committee to consider as to speedily dispatching a sufficient fleet to the Straits, to convoy the merchant ships thither, and relieve the ships of war in those parts.

6. To signify to Mr. Bradshaw, in the next letter, that it is not Council's intention, by sending him to Denmark, to remove him from his employment at Hamburg, but that he is to return thither, as soon as he has done the business with the King of Denmark.

7, 8. The petitions of John Hool, and of Ralph Slee mariner, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

9. Order on the report from the Admiralty Committee—containing a report from the Admiralty Judges, in the case of John Bathurst, desiring Council's favour in releasing the sugars he claims, being under seizure in the Admiralty, on suspicion of being Portuguese goods,—that the said committee confer with the Admiralty Judges concerning that particular, and know from them on what grounds they conceive Council may give order for release of the sugars, and report the whole matter.

10. The letter from Capt. Thos. Penrose to Mr. Coytmor, mentioning the taking of certain ships pretending to be Hamburgers, but supposed to be Dutch, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to confer with Dr. Walker and some merchants of London, concerning the discovery of pretences of this nature, and the preventing of them for the future, and report what should be done.

11, 12. Dr. Walker, Maurice Thompson, Capt. Ryder, and Samuel Wilson, to attend that committee to-morrow, at 8 a.m.

13. To write Capt. Hosier, of the Magdalen, to convoy two ships

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of Yarmouth and the Thomason, Supply, and Hopewell, of Hull, with provisions for the State, to Yarmouth and Hull.

14. Order on the report from the Ordnance Committee concerning the repair of Dover Castle, that 500*l.* be paid out of the exigent money of Council to Lieut. Kelsey, Governor, 200*l.* now and 300*l.* in 3 months.

15. The desire of Mons. Barrière referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to make the report on that business tomorrow.

16. The petition and papers of Henrie de la March referred to the said Committee, to consider how he may be put in a way of proceeding in his business according to justice, and report.

17. Hen. Hastings to attend the Committee for Examinations, from day to day, until this day week, and all persons whatsoever required to permit him to do so, and to return to his habitation without molestation or hindrance, on any pretence whatever. [*I.* 35, *pp.* 16–19.]

Nov. 2. COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. Several orders of Parliament, including two on confiscation of estates in Scotland, read.

2. Order on reading the Bill for the Union, that it be transcribed without the preamble (which is postponed), and given to the deputies at the next meeting, as a ground of conference.

3. Order on a Parliament order of this day, that Commissioner Lisle and Major Salwey prepare a Bill, giving the names of persons in Scotland whose estates are to be confiscated, and the rest pardoned, and report it to this committee.

4. The clerk to attend Lisle with all the papers needful for his perusal in drawing this Bill. [*I.* 138, *p.* 26.]

Nov. 2. **31.** Thomas Bulstrode and three others to the Excise Committee. Excise Office. The farm of the excise for the city and county of Chester, formerly let with approbation of this committee to Jas. Smith, of Nantwich, expiring 25 December next, we have proposals from Smith for renewing it for $\frac{3}{4}$ of a year more, and he having offered 1,000*l.*, being an advance of 108*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a quarter, we have contracted with him for the farm rent of all exciseable commodities, salt, soap, hats, and tobacco pipes excepted, under the usual covenants, except for the 60 days usually given after the expiration of the farm, for collecting arrears. We enclose the contract for your allowance. Noted as agreed to. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Nov. 2. **32.** H. H.— to Lady Molineux. I never stood so much in need of a pardon as the impudence in venturing on the enclosed, on so short warning, has reduced me to.

'Twas 10 o'clock last night before my thoughts were fired with an ambition of this nature, and I could not rest till I had arrived at what you see. I need not have told you this, for if you have the

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patience to read it, you will discern it to be the unadvised production of a few minutes. But since all the deliberation in the world can never furnish me with sacrifices suitable to your merits and my devotion, let your acceptance give life, if not to the lines, to their author, who not only begs your own pardon, but even your intercession for that of your noble lord. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.] *Enclosing,*

32. 1. *An epithalamium on the happy marriage of Lady Frances Seymour and Lord Molineux, privately solemnised at Essex House.—October 28, 1652.*

1.

*Now when the royal blood is voted down,
And 'tis thought dangerous to be near a crown,
When those alliances true nobles knit
Threaten the commonwealth as if 'twould split,
When Seymour does with Molineux entwine,
Two of the greatest names unite and join,
'Twas wisely done to debar common eyes
From violating the solemnities ;
'Twas wisely done to hedge those glories in
Which they who see irreverently sin.*

2.

*'Twas well it was not heard at Westminster,
The bans had surely been forbidden there ;
But 'tis too late now ; the conjunction's past,
And its most happy influence shall last.
Was it not hence that Lilly did foresee
Such peril to the State ? O ! no, for he
Converses only with a lower sphere
Sees no such glories as we mention here :
His stars are governed and obscured by these,
For if his be stars, these are deities.*

3.

*Let us erect an altar then, and pay
Such offerings as become us, and the day :
They must not be wishes of happiness,
For you, great pair, already do possess,
Nay are so much, so true essential bliss,
That 'tis by you we come to know what 'tis.
And when hereafter we wish any two
Happy to th' height, must wish them such as you.
But for ourselves, since you're above't, we may
Wish, and although not for, yet to you pray.*

4.

*True honour, noble love, are drawing on,
And but for your protection, would be gone.
Therefore vouchsafe to bless this mortal state
(Though higher glories do your change await),*

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*Till it be grown in fashion to be good,
Then leave us some examples of your blood,
Who may, while they to noblest things aspire,
Confess their native glorious active fire,
Kindled from Molineux' and Seymour's breast,
Two names the greatest, and of both the best.*
[2 pages.]

Nov. 3. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The letter to the King of Denmark now read, to be translated into Latin, and signed by the Speaker; the Lord President to offer it to him.

2. Order to be given to the Governor of Windsor Castle to send Jas. Wemys, late General of the artillery of Scotland, to the Marshal-General of the army, at Chelsea College, that he may have his liberty on bail for six weeks, for recovery of his health.

3. To write the Commissioners for Dutch Prize Goods to send down one or two trusty persons.

4. Order on report from the Commissioners for Examinations, in the case of Major Sterling, Lieut. Jno. Balnevis, Capt. Rorie Mackenny, Lieut. Malcolm Rede, and Lieut. Jno. Stuart, referring it to the said committee to take their bail.

5. The Admiralty Committee to consider how the ships hereafter built for the coal trade between London and Newcastle may be so built that, on occasion, they may be serviceable as men-of-war.

6-8. The appointed committee to meet the Portuguese Ambassador on Saturday at 9 a.m., Fleming giving him notice, and to receive what he has to offer, and confer with him thereon; also, if they find it necessary, to acquaint him that Council has sent to the Admiralty Judges for an account, in relation to the goods mentioned in his paper delivered on 9 Oct., and has ordered that no further proceedings should be had thereon, until further order from Council. Notice to be given to the committee of this meeting.

9. Sir Arthur Hesilrige and Col. Wauton to speak with Col. Thomson to-morrow, concerning the business mentioned in the petition of Capt. Wm. Billers, the service being very much concerned therein, and to report to Council to-morrow what they have done.

10. To write General Blake that Council have been informed of several great miscarriages committed by Capt. Neale and his ship's company, and to desire him to order Capt. Neale to come to him with his ship, and then dismiss him and his company, and put some other fit person upon her as captain, and also to new man her, and order Capt. Neale to come up to Council, to answer matters objected against him.

11. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, concerning a commission for a High Court of Justice in Ireland, to be read to-morrow. [I. 35, pp. 20-24.]

[Nov. 3.] 33. Petition of many thousand clothiers and woollen manufacturers to the Council of State, to consider their petition and reasons, as

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also a Bill for redress of their grievances, occasioned by the forestallers, ingrossers, and transporters of wool.

Having long groaned under an intolerable burden, through the ingrossers and transporters of wool, and fullers' earth, petitioned Parliament in 1646 for redress; the petition was read and referred to a committee, at which Baron Thorpe took the chair, and where the counsel for those complained against were heard at each meeting, for more than a year, when the committee agreed upon a report to Parliament, but it was never heard.

Petitioners understanding that Parliament had referred matters of trade to the Council of State, presented a petition to them, which was referred to Sir Wm. Masham to report to the House, but on account of business there, it could not be heard, and Parliament having erected a Council of Trade, they presented a petition to them, who heard both sides and ordered some of their members in a committee to draw up and state petitioners' desires, but their time of sitting having expired, and matters of trade being committed to the Council of State, petitioners have now presented this petition to them. [1 page, 21 signatures.] *Annexing,*

33. i. *The clothiers' reasons against ingrossing and transporting wool, and fullers' earth. Their answer to the assertion that they desire a monopoly or are against free trade, and their reasons against the pretence of ingrossers sorting wool for the manufacturers being beneficial to the poor tradesman.* [3½ sheets.]

[Nov. 3.] **34.** Petition of the clothiers and other woollen manufacturers to the Committee of Parliament for Trade and Foreign Affairs, that all ingrossers of wool may be put down by Act of Parliament, and none be permitted to buy wool but those who convert it into some manufacture, except such fellmongers as buy it upon the skin, and sell it to the clothiers, or others that alter the property of it. Also that the like care may be taken against the unlawful washing, winding, and branding wool, and that all transportation of wool and fullers' earth may be prevented by a strict law, to which end petitioners beg to present a Bill which has been examined and approved of by learned counsel.

Wool of English growth is the staple commodity of this nation, and the most fit to be improved upon by manufactures, in which are employed the greater part of the poor. The manufacturers buy and use all the wool of this nation, in their several trades, and can sort it best for themselves, and bring goods better and at less cost to the market and the merchant. [1 page.]

[Nov. 3.] **35.** Arguments by the fellmongers to the Committee of the Council of State for Trade, showing that the buying and selling of wool within England and Wales is not only a part of their trade, but also necessary to be continued for the common good. [1 sheet.]

[Nov. 3.] **36.** Petition of the fellmongers in co. Oxford to the Council for Trade, that their trade may be secured to them, for the good of poor

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clothiers, growers, and fellmongers, and that they may continue to purchase wool, otherwise it will tend to the ruin of many thousand poor families. Have served their time, and been brought up to the trade of buying and selling sheep skins and wool, one being as incident to their trade as the other,—which has never been denied except in the little time of the staplers' patent,—but they have time out of mind been used to the buying of wool, wherein they have judgment and understanding to buy up, divide, and convey into each county such as the respective trades call for, to the ease and benefit of many poor clothiers, and to the support of many poor families, both fellmongers and growers, who buy the wool in small parcels, and are supplied with money to carry on their business, which if deprived of, they will be utterly undone. [1 page, with original signatures.]

[Nov. 3.] **37.** Petition of the fellmongers of co. Bucks and parts adjacent to the Committee of the Council of State for Trade, that their ancient privileges may be restored, as they tend to the good of many poor who otherwise would be ruined, should the trade of wool buying be monopolised by a few rich clothiers, and an inconsiderable company of staplers.

Petitioners have served their time in buying sheep skins and wool, and neither they nor their forefathers nor masters were ever denied the right of buying and selling wool. For the last 60 years, they have bought fleeces as well as skins, and thus thousands of families have been preserved, as well as the growers, who are poor tenants, and whom petitioners supply with money to pay their rent, as also poor fellmongers who are not able to have above 60 pounds of wool, but they are forced to sell it to trade again; and there are many poor clothiers in other counties to whom petitioners send wool upon credit, who otherwise could not subsist, having no money to buy, much less to spend, until they find where it is to be sold. [1 sheet, numerously signed.]

[Nov. 3.] **38–40.** Petition of the Earl of Westmoreland, and other land-owners in co. Northampton, to the Committee of the Council of State for Trade, for time to present their objections to the endeavours of certain so-called clothworkers to monopolise the trade of buying wool, the staple commodity of the commonwealth, and to hinder that freedom therein which, from time out of mind, has been used in buying and selling thereof.

This would be a great disadvantage to many who live by buying and selling wool, and also to the wool growers, who raise most of their rents upon their wool, but if the buyers were few, they would combine, and only buy at their own times and prices. [3 Copies, one sheet each, with numerous original signatures.]

[Nov. 3.] **41.** Petition of the inhabitants of Romney Marsh and the places adjacent in Kent to the Committee of the Council of State for Trade, that the selling of wool may be a free trade, as formerly, and that care may be taken to prevent its being exported.

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Their sole subsistence depends upon breeding cattle and selling wool, which has always been a free trade, and is not limited to particular persons ; but lately some, under colour of doing service, would engross all the trade to themselves, to the great prejudice of the State, and the ruin of the petitioners, and many thousands beside. [1 sheet, numerous signatures.]

[Nov. 3.] **42, 43.** Defence of the Mayor, Constables, and Society of the Merchants of the Staple of England, to the Report of the Committee for Trade in London, concerning the disadvantage to the commonwealth by continuing the said Society of Staplers, the transportation of wool being now forbidden, *e. g.*—

They are an ancient society, were incorporated in the reign of Edward III., and have continued ever since, Alderman Kenrick being the present Mayor. They have had many special privileges granted them, and a constant allowed trade to buy and sell wools in England and Wales, though not to ship them.

The staplers from the first were both merchants and artists, as merchants to buy and transport, and as artists to sever and sort wools, and persons employed to wind and pack up wools were and still are or ought to be sworn before the Mayor of the Staple.

The charters of 3 Eliz. and 15 Jas. were chiefly declarations of their former privileges, save that they were formerly incorporated as the Merchants of the Staple of Calais ; there they were incorporated as the Mayor, Constables, and Society of the Merchants of the Staple of England.

As to the opinion of the said committee that the staplers are not necessary, but disadvantageous, as being the principal cause of the dearth of wool, and consequently of cloth, they deny that they are destructive to the clothing and woollen trade, or the cause of any of those evil effects, but are a necessary party both to the wool grower and clothier, and have a legal right to their trade, having been brought up as apprentices to it, and it being their means of livelihood, and therefore they pray that they may enjoy their trade, so confirmed to them by Acts of Parliament and the charters before alluded to. [1½ sheets, closely written.]

Nov. 3. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. To report to Council that the four ships taken by Capt. Penrose should be brought into the Thames, with all the papers and writings taken aboard them, and referred to examination and process in the Admiralty Court.

2. Note to send to Gen. Blake for the letter of the States General lately taken by him.

3. Nathan Wright, Mr. Baker, and other Spanish merchants to attend this committee to-morrow at 8 a.m., when it is to meet again.

4. The desires of the clothiers and woollen manufacturers referred to the Sub-Committee for Trade, before whom the whole business of the clothing now is. [I. 131, p. 50.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The list of the last summer and winter's guard, and estimate of the charge, presented by the Navy Commissioners, with the letter of General Blake from Stokes Bay, and the list of ships enclosed, to be presented to the House by Sir Hen. Vane.

2. The late orders of Council and the Admiralty Committee, directing what security shall be given by the gunners of ships or others, upon their receiving gunners' stores abroad, suspended until further order.

3. The St. John of Lubec, stayed at Dover on pretence of being a Danish ship, to be released, and this to be signified to the persons who have her in custody.

4. The Admiralty Judges to certify to-morrow what proceedings have been had in their court, upon certain goods pretended to belong to the Portuguese and taken in Dutch ships, and the proceedings suspended until further order.

6. The order of Parliament referring the disposal of the posts and that business to the Council of State, and all other orders of Parliament concerning that matter, to be considered on Wednesday next, with the petition of Mr. Hill, and any other that shall be offered.

7. To write Col. Stapley, acknowledging his letter as to the running on shore of a Dutch vessel on the coast of Sussex, and his care in preserving the same to the use of the commonwealth, and that some person will be sent from the Committee for sale of Dutch prizes, to take care of the ship.

8. The said Commissioners to be informed of the Dutch ship run ashore at Brighton, and desired to send some person to take charge of the ship and goods.

9. The petition of the President and Governor of the Corporation for the poor of the city of London referred to the Admiralty Committee, to confer with them as to the value of the vessels desired by them, and report.

10. The petition of the Company of Merchant Adventurers referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider that and all other papers formerly delivered, concerning that business.

11. The order of Parliament as to the state of the treasuries referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to confer with Mr. Allein, the Commissioners for Prize Goods, and Mr. Jackson, and give an account to Council, that a report may be made to the House thereupon next Tuesday; the said committee are to meet on Saturday at 8 a.m. on this business, and Aldermen Allein and Dethick, Col. Thompson, Mr. Blackwell, and Mr. Jackson to attend.

12. The letter from John Barker, Jno. Cole, and ——— Russell, recommended to the Navy Committee.

13. The petition of Rich. Pight, clerk of the irons belonging to the Mint, recommended to the Revenue Committee.

14. Rich. Fanshaw to have the liberty formerly granted to him enlarged for 6 months, his security having been renewed.

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15. The petition of Eliz. Wetton, widow, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

16. The proposals of Edw. Rowland, goldsmith, concerning farthings, referred to the Mint Committee, to confer with him, and report their opinion; Sir Jas. Harrington to take care hereof.

17. The letter to Lord Bradshaw, from Saml. Kersh, surgeon of the Falcon, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to use for the advantage of the service.

18. The petition of the Governor, deputy, assistants, and fellowship of Merchant Adventurers, on behalf of Alderman Gore, and the case presented therewith, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

19. Col. Wauton to report to the House the proclamation against priests and Jesuits.

20. The Lord General to give order for removing from James's House the inferior officers of Col. Ingoldsby's regiment and their families, quartered there.

21. The Irish and Scotch Committee to appoint a fit proportion of match, powder, and bullet for the use of the Lord General's regiment for the present, and to consider how they may be speedily furnished with beds, and how supplied for the future with ammunition, and have some of their muskets changed for snaphances.

22. Sir Jas. Harrington to make his report from the Mint Committee this day week.

23. The letter from the Netherlands, mentioning an order given from the States General to the captains of their ships of war to convoy all Hamburg ships, to be sent to Dr. Walker.

24. Sir Oliver Fleming to acquaint the Portuguese Ambassador with the information given to Council, as to the resort of English people to his house to hear mass.

25. The petitions of Eliz. Marten and Thomasin Poole, widows, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what may be done for their relief.

26. Order on this day's report from the Committee for Examinations, that they take the petitioner's bail.

27. Order on the report concerning Mr. Hastings, that such of his writings as were lately seized by warrant of Council, and which contain nothing of public concern, be restored to him.

28. The petition of Capt. Reeve Williams referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to confer with the Admiralty Judges thereon.

29. That of Peter Williams referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to examine the petitioner.

30. That of Rich. Alford to the Admiralty Committee.

31. That of Capt. Hen. Packe to the said Committee, to consider of his fitness for the command desired by him.

32. That of Thos. Alexander, Jno. Horn and others, to the said committee, to consider what may be done for their relief. [*I.* 35, pp. 20-32.]

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COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. The deputies at the door called in, and acquainted with the orders of Parliament concerning confiscations.
2. The Bill for the Union, without the preamble, read to them; they beg a copy, which is refused, but the committee will read it as often as they please, that they may take notes; this is done, and they withdraw to confer.
3. Order to repeat this answer, in case they again press for a copy of the Bill.
4. They are re-admitted, and propound 3 queries,—
 - (i.) Whether as they are admitted to treat, it is as trustees.
 - (ii.) To have a sight of the Bill concerning confiscations, and be heard upon it.
 - (iii.) Whether the commissioners communicate the Union Bill to them only for debate, or to involve their consents thereon.
5. The replies are,—
 - (i.) That they are admitted as trustees by Parliament.
 - (ii.) That when the Bill for confiscations and general pardon is prepared, the committee will confer with them thereon, and that it may probably be a clause in the Bill for Union.
 - (iii.) They are referred to the orders and declaration of Parliament, appointing them to be treated with as deputies.
6. Further conference on the Union Bill appointed to be held on Tuesday at 2 p.m., on which the deputies withdraw.
7. The committee to meet at 9 a.m. to prepare for the conference, and notice of both meetings to be sent to those not present. [*I.* 138, *pp.* 27, 28.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To write Capt. Hatsell to acquaint the Mayors of Falmouth and Plymouth with the miscarriage of the persons he mentions, that examinations may be taken before them on oath, which he is to send up to Council, so that the parties may be proceeded against.
2. The Ordnance Committee to contract for some chase pieces for frigates, they being much wanted.
3. To acquaint the Admiralty Judges with the miscarriages of several private men-of-war, in exercising cruelties upon such as they take, which is much to the dishonour of this nation, and to desire them to take good security of all such persons as have letters for private men-of-war, by taking as security inhabitants, and not the captain and master, as usually.
- 5, 9. The petitions of James Stainer, merchant of London, and of Sarah Maple, referred to the Admiralty Committee.
10. Mr. Crompton and Mr. Bradley, two of the deputies to the Serjeant-at-arms, to carry the despatch to the Resident at Hamburg.
11. Some of the captains of the ships in the Downs to be written to, to transport them to Hamburg the first opportunity.

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12. To write Mr. Bradshaw of their coming, and that he may carry them with him to Denmark if he sees cause, and if he makes use of them, supply them with money, and return the charge thereof to Council.

13. The money for defraying their charges to be advanced them on account, from the exigent money of Council.

14. The petition of Gratian de Perenant referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

15. That committee to sit to-morrow at 8 a.m., and the Navy Commissioners to attend them. [*I. 35, pp. 32-38.*]

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2. The petition of Edm. Custis, merchant, to be sent to the Admiralty Judges, who are to report to Council how the business stands in the Admiralty Court.

3. To report on Council, on the petition of Sam. Busfield, merchant, that the penalty of the Navigation Act should be suspended as to the goods named, till Parliament give order thereon.

5. To report to Council that Col. Diego Geraldine, prisoner at Chester, should be released, on parole to the Governor of Chester to appear within 14 days at the Council of State; that a letter should be written to the Governor of Chester, and the Ambassador of Spain informed of what is done herein.

7. Mr. Thurloe to buy for Council's use Peter Heylin's Cosmography, in 4 parts.

8. Mr. Thurloe to draw up 2 papers,—on Council's reference as to what should be done on the justice done to the State's ships in Porto Longone—and bring them in to this committee, one to be sent to the Ambassador of Spain here in town, and the other to the Governor of Porto Longone.

9. The Admiralty Judges to certify to this committee the case in their court against 2 ships pretending to belong to Sweden, taken coming from Portugal laden with salt; also against 2 others bound for France, pretended to be Swedish. [*I. 131, pp. 51-54.*]

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44. Capt. Rich. Badiley to the Navy Committee. I received yours, with the order to take in charge the ships that formerly related to Capt. Appleton, as also an order to him and his subordinates to conform to my directions, which they promise to observe. I shall use my utmost endeavour for the accomplishment of the trust reposed in me.

Being advised from Leghorn that the enemies' men-of-war were gone to the westward, and only 6 sail left in the road, and also that the commanders of the ships in this place were at difference, I got leave from the General of Porto Longone to land, and plant some of our ordnance, for better security of the English ships against 10 of the enemies' men-of-war which lay at the entrance of that port; and

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otherwise took the best care I could for the safety of the whole. I then embarked for this place, and on arriving, found so many of the enemies' ships of war had come in again as made them 13 sail, besides as many merchantmen in the Mould and road, which disproportion between the enemies' strength and our own has diverted me in my intentions of taking passage back, with the Leopard and Bonadventure, and the merchant ship Peregrine, lately taken into the service, either for the port of Longone, or port of Feraio, that our ships of war might be near together. But although, by report, there was a time when a conjunction between the English ships in this place and them at the Island of Lilboa was feasible, that time being past, it seems now almost impossible, the enemies' ships of war being increased to 30 sail between those islands and this place, whereof two are going for Zante, and two others for Smyrna, with ships under convoy.

I long to hear that the ships designed for our succour are upon the way, for the longer it is delayed the worse it is likely to be. It seems the enemies' mouths water after the great estate on our merchant ships, and letters from Amsterdam say 15 of those men-of-war which are come out with Tromp are to come and join with these, who give out their State will outvie us, and make their number always two to one. The arm of flesh and numbers is what most of them look to, but I hope God will learn them another lesson ere long.

Since my coming hither, Mr. Longland, myself, and the other commanders have considered what is most necessary to be done to accomplish our trust; for what is done therein I refer to Mr. Longland's relation. Since the ships of the navy here have only been victualled from day to day, care is taken to put two months' victuals on board, that they may be ready for service.

As to the displacing of Capt. Cox from the Bonadventure by Capt. Appleton, after 40 or 50 days, he has been re-established. I cannot interpret his pretended fault to any other cause than his zeal to do the State service, in regaining the Phoenix by a stratagem, and that beyond the range of the Grand Duke's ordnance. I suppose it could not be accounted such an affront to the Great Duke and his port as to incur his displeasure, but rather he would have commended the diligence of the English to come by their own again, although in such a way. [$1\frac{1}{2}$ pages.]

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Leghorn.

45. Capt. Rich. Badiley to Mr. Blackburn. Thanks for sympathising with your friends at such a distance, and praising God by whom this squadron was miraculously preserved in our engagement with the Dutch. He has many times been pleased to do great things by small means, in our late war with the royalists, yet I believe there was never more of God and less of man apparent in any disputes with the enemy. After this ship had been engaged with all the Dutch fleet single-handed for almost half a day, they, on the night of 28 Aug., strove to get from us, except the one that surprised the Phoenix, and towed away with their boats; and the mariners of

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our ship, being then called together, individually promised that if the enemy had any stomach to meddle with us next morning, they would stand by me to their death. But when the time came, our mainmast broke down, the Flemings following afar off, to see what we would do, having, as they have confessed, no intention to meddle with us again; yet the mariners' resolutions were changed, and one and all would have left the ship and fled away on the frigates; and to such a height was this their humour that although, after a speech I made amongst them, 20 or 30 held up their hands to stand by me, no sooner did I turn from them than some of the commanders of the merchant ships told me I strove in vain to keep the ship; that those men who held up their hands had changed their minds, that there were none to stand by me, and that I had better resolve to give up all, and before this ship was fired, theirs should be either burnt or sunk.

To this I replied, "now is God's time to work like Himself," and so it was; although the sun did not stand still, yet the wind suddenly died, and it fell stark calm, so that the enemy could not come near us all day, and the men could not for shame but rally again to their business, their distemper being caused chiefly by this; 30 of the Phoenix's men ran away, with their boat, and having lost many men, I thought good to entertain them here; but those wicked fellows,—as if it had not been enough by their cowardice to lose so good a frigate,—raised a report among our men what giants the Flemings were, and how they would give no quarter if we stood out any longer, and so caused that lowness of spirits in them; but some of them will be trussed up, if ever God sends us home. Finally, it is worth observation that the Almighty saved the English ships at Porto Longone, whether the men would or not.

Those who sit at the stern take well their servant's endeavours in this dispute, which is an encouragement, although it was but my duty. The oldest of those west countrymen you recommended to me was slain outright, and the other was wounded, but almost recovered. [$1\frac{1}{2}$ pages.]

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The Leopard,
Leghorn Mould.

46. Capt. Hen. Appleton to [the Navy Committee.] Capt. Badiley, on his arrival here on the 12th inst. from Porto Longone, delivered me your order of 17 Sept., to receive instructions from him, and I have obeyed with readiness, and will send my accounts with speed, having leisure now. You will find I have not abused your trust.

I told you in my last what passed between Capt. Cox and myself, and find now that he had some pretence for what he did; knowing I should not long be his commander, he thought he was not obliged to own me; whilst I, little thinking so soon to lose that power, resolved to make him do it. I hope Capt. Badiley will prevail upon the merchant ships, which neither I nor Mr. Longland could, so that we may join, and endeavour, with God's assistance, to sail homewards, to which I always was and am extremely ready; for as nothing made me undertake your service but the great affection I

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bear to my nation, so all the undervaluing I can receive, with other disadvantages I have met with, shall neither make me repent nor neglect the same. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

Nov. 6. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. To signify to the Navy Commissioners that such of the ships as are come in to be fitted out for the winter guard should have six or eight months of their pay, as the Navy Committee shall direct.

2. To write Mr. Willoughby at Portsmouth that money is coming down for paying off the ships there, and that he is to thoroughly examine into the mutiny which occurred in those ships, take the examinations in writing, and certify them to Council.

3. The frigates now launched to be called the Kentish, Sussex, Essex, and Hampshire frigates. [*I. 35, p. 39.*]

Nov. 6. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on the petition and papers of the Pinmakers' Company, —that they having a petition depending before Parliament for regulating their company, which they fear will be long before it can be considered, on account of other weighty affairs, and therefore they desire Council would, in the interim, issue a warrant to all justices, &c., to assist them—to report to Council that such a warrant should not be granted, the business being before Parliament.

5. The Admiralty Judges to examine the losses of John Evans by the Portuguese, and certify their amount, on due proof in that court. [*I. 131, pp. 54–56.*]

Nov. 6. Portsmouth. **47.** Capt. Fras. Willoughby to the Navy Commissioners. The General having received an order from the Council of State to send into this harbour all the Danish ships he meets with, has sent in one laden with deals. I desire the Council's pleasure about her, as well as about the pitch and tar which came in before; we have great need of them; pray second my letter to Council thereon. The caulkers you mention have arrived, and I have sent to Portsmouth, Gosport, and the Isle of Wight for cordage, but can only hear of two tons, and we are so peeled by daily supplying the fleet, that if we are not speedy supplied by you, I know not what we shall do. [*Damaged, 1 page.*]

[Nov. 8.] **48, 49.** Petition of the clothiers of Essex in the new drapery to the Committee of the Council of State for Trade. Five years since, petitioners presented their grievances, and after several disputes with the opposite party, the propositions made to Parliament for relief of the petitioners and others of the trade were ordered to be sent to the several circuits, and were remitted to the judges, to report to the House the sense of the respective grand juries. That report being made, the House referred the petition to a committee, to draw up conclusions thereon, and to report, which was also done, and the

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same were committed to Serjeant Thorpe to report thereon in 1647. The last report has not yet been made, and on account thereof, the grievances formerly complained of have not only continued, but increased, and thousands of clothiers with their wives and families have been utterly ruined. They request—

1. That the export of wool, now secretly practised, may be made felony.

2. That all jobbers and broggers, who by engrossing wools forestal the market, may be suppressed.

3. That no fellmonger that uses the trade of wool upon the skin may be permitted to buy and sell wools, as they thereby forestal the market, engross the trade, and deceitfully mix divers sorts, which is destructive to the manufacturers.

4. That the traders in the new drapery may be established as a trade, and none be permitted to intrude, except they have served a seven years' apprenticeship.

5. That all clipped money may be called in and recoined, as the abuse therein is great, by such as buy the light money, and force it upon the public again, whereby many of the poor are forced to lose 2*d.* or 3*d.* in the 1*s.*, when they have not bread to eat.

6. That the alnage, being only used to exact money from the petitioners, and for no benefit, may be abolished. [2 *Copies, both numerously signed.*]

[Nov. 8.] **50.** Another copy of the preceding, suggesting as means of redress—

1. That merchants may have convoys to foreign parts.

2. That the export of wool, yarn, and fullers' earth may be restrained; and all false winding of wools punished.

3. That the multitude of jobbers and broggers, who gain between the growers and clothiers 2*s.* or 1*s.* a tod, and mix wools injuriously to the trade may be suppressed, and the abuses of fellmongers punished.

4. That none may use the said manufacture who have not served a 7 years' apprenticeship, according to the statutes for the old drapery.

5. That the alnage, if continued, may be regulated, and moneys not unjustly extorted. Also that particular towns and persons may distinguish their manufactures by cloth marks or seals, the counterfeiting of which should be prohibited. [1 *page.*]

[Nov. 8.] **51.** Petition of the clothiers of Coggeshall, Essex, to the Council for Trade, to expedite the prayer of their general petition, as the ingrossers of wool are now as active as ever in buying the same as soon as it is shorn, or before it is off the sheep's back. Also to grant power to petitioners to elect officers amongst themselves, for regulating the making of manufactures in their town, and to have a seal with a cock on it, to distinguish their make, but not to prohibit other towns or places from making the like sort, they having also their particular seal, or from enjoying the same seal, they observing

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the same rule and government with petitioners. [1 page, Copy, 20 signatures.]

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52. Petition of clothiers at Coggeshall, co. Essex, to the Council of State. Many thousands of poor people are employed in the making of Coggeshall bayes, which have hitherto been exported to the Straits, but of late this has been wholly prevented, by Holland having turned against us; and unless strong convoys are granted, the merchants will not adventure, whereby the petitioners for the last six months have had no sale, and by not being able to proceed with their trade, the poor are likely to starve. The charge of collection at Coggeshall exceeds any other place, every 20*l.* a year paying 5*l.* yearly to the poor. In their ardent affection to the Parliament, they in 1642 lent great sums of money upon the public faith, and by joining in bonds for that purpose, beyond their ability, they have been unable to pay their debts, and the 10 years limited for repayment having expired, they are necessitated to represent their sad condition, and ask for speedy relief, viz. :—

1. That the merchants for trade may have all encouragement, know what nations are friends, and not have their estates suddenly surprised and seized, as in Portugal, Holland, and Denmark, by which hazards they have been necessitated to abandon merchandising, and to purchase lands.

2. That they may have sufficient convoys to the Straits and other countries.

3. That they may be speedily repaid the 6,000*l.*, which they have lent on the public faith, before they are wholly undone, they having set out forces to assist Parliament far beyond their abilities. [1 sheet, 71 signatures.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Ralph Allen, merchant of London, and others referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

2. That of Ellen Lindsay, on behalf of Thos. Lindsay, clerk, a Scotchman, prisoner in the Tower, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to bail him if they see cause.

3. The Admiralty Committee to name the ports wherein the 4,000 men's victuals last declared for, for 6 March, are to be provided, and report to-morrow afternoon.

4. To write the Navy Committee that Council having declared for 1,000 men's victuals more, for six weeks for the winter guard, they are to contract for the same.

5. Order on the petition of Ambrose and Hen. Smith and others, that they are to be satisfied for their labour in taking up some great marble stones lately cast away in a Dutch bottom near Brighthelmstone, as also for any others they shall hereafter recover.

6. The petition of John Lord Grandison referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to examine him and report.

7-9. The petitions of Liddah Adams, of Wm. Clayborne, and of Jonathan Blackwell, and others referred to the Admiralty Committee.

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10, 11. The Admiralty Judges to attend the Committee for Foreign Affairs on Wednesday, by 8 a.m., about the silver lately taken by Capt. Penrose; the committee to acquaint the judges with what they have received concerning this business, and to desire them to examine it, and acquaint Council with the state thereof.

12. The said committee to prepare an answer to the letter of the Spanish Ambassador read to Council.

13. James Hobbes to be boatswain of the —, and this to be signified to Capt. Chapman, her commander.

14. The Admiralty Committee to consider how the English seamen taken by the Dutch in the Mediterranean Sea or elsewhere, and detained, may have their liberty, and report with speed.

15. So much of Mr. Longland's letter from Leghorn as relates to furnishing gunpowder referred to the Ordnance Committee.

16. To write Gen. Blake the desire of some English merchants for a convoy to Flanders, and to request that the ships he appoints to go thither to fetch home those there may convoy the merchant ships to Flanders.

17. The letters from Capt. Appleton and Mr. Longland referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

18. The petition of Capt. Wm. Penn referred to the Admiralty Committee, to take care that Capt. Wm. Purefoy may repair to London, to finish his account with Capt. Penn.

19. The petition of the clothiers of Essex referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

20. That committee to hasten their report as to sending a squadron to the Straits.

22. To add to the letter to General Blake, that he is to order the ships which he shall appoint for the convoy to Flanders to make inquiry for such English seamen as have been taken prisoners by the Dutch, and are in those parts, and to bring them home.

23, 24. The treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall to attend the Irish and Scotch Committee to-morrow at 8 a.m., and bring a state of their treasury, and the trustees for sale of delinquents' estates to attend.

25. Sir Hen. Vane to report to the House a state of the several treasuries of this nation, as represented to Council.

26. Power to be given to the Committee for Examinations to send for the Earl of Worcester, and receive what he has to propound, he having intimated that he had something to offer of public concernment.

27. The letter from the Mayor of Plymouth, with the book entitled *Advice from Heaven*, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

28. The appointed commissioners to meet with Signor Amerigo Salvetti, Resident from the Great Duke of Tuscany, on Wednesday next at 4 p.m., receive what he has to propound, and report; Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice hereof, and bring him to the audience, and notice to be also given to the commissioners.

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29. The Committee for Examinations to give order to Mr. Dugard to print 400 copies of a book translated out of Dutch into English at the charge of the State, and deliver them to the clerk of Council.

31. The letter of Col. Bingham, from Castle Cornet, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

32. Mr. Carter having given in an estimate of the defects of James's House, and a report having been made thereon to Council, he is to proceed with the necessary repairs.

33. Mr. Dugard to bring to the clerk of Council, for the members' use, 200 copies of the translation of *Mare Clausum*.

34. The Committee for Examinations to consider of a fit reward to be given to the person who translated *Mare Clausum* out of Latin into English.

35. To write Capt. Browne, commander of the *Hercules* at Portsmouth, to hasten with his ship to General Blake, and observe his orders.

36. The petition of the Antelope's company referred to the Admiralty Committee.

37. The letter of Robert Gooch from Yarmouth, referred to the Admiralty Judges.

39. That of Capt. Hatsel from Plymouth to the Admiralty Committee.

40. That of the commissioners in Ireland, dated from Kilkenny, 21 October, to the Irish and Scotch Committee. [*I. 34, pp. 31-49.*]

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53. Robert Longe to Capt. John Pearce, commander of the *Providence*. Pray pass by my offence, and as we have lived in love these three years past, so let us continue as long as life lasts. [$\frac{1}{4}$ page.]

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54, 55. Order in Parliament that 12,000*l.*, part of the 14,446*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.* in the hands of the treasurers upon the first Act [for sale of delinquents' estates], be forthwith issued by them for the use of the Navy, by warrant from the Navy Committee, which warrant with the receipts shall be a sufficient discharge. [*2 Copies, $\frac{1}{2}$ page each.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. So much of the petition of Don Melchior d' Arangusen as is proper for the cognizance of Council referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

2. The biscuit now shipped at Plymouth, and formerly designed for Waterford, appointed for Limerick.

4. To answer to the petition of Jno. Besbeeck that Council leaves him to proceed in the business mentioned according to law.

5. The commission lately granted to Capt. Guilson, to be commander of the *Speaker* frigate, withdrawn, and he is to pursue General Blake's directions concerning that ship.

6. Major Martin to confer with the Admiralty Committee concern-

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ing the state of the ships lately belonging to Sir Geo. Ayscue's fleet.

7. The *Fairfax*, *Loyalty*, and *Hannibal* to hasten to General Blake, and a letter to be sent to the commanders, to hasten them away.

8. The petition of the biscuit bakers referred to the Navy Commissioners.

9. The letter and papers from the Navy Victuallers referred to the Admiralty Committee, to confer with them thereon, and consider what is fit to be done.

10. The petition of Major Geo. Symmer and Capt. Robt. Johnston referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine, and if they see cause, discharge them on bail, or otherwise report.

11. The paper last delivered to the commissioners by the Portuguese Ambassador referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider of an answer thereto, confer with the English merchants trading to Portugal concerning the losses they have sustained there, and consider what is fit to be insisted upon on their behalf, and hasten a report to Council concerning the whole business.

12. Note for Mr. Kilvert to attend Mr. Thurloe to-morrow morning.

14. The petition of Jas. Stocall and Phil. de Carteret referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

15, 16. Those of Capt. Edw. Curtis, commander of the *Guinea* frigate, and of the wives of the captives at Tripoli and Algiers, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

17. The order of Parliament, referring the paper concerning Weavers' Hall Bills to Council, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to send for the persons concerned in the bills, and confer with them.

18. The report concerning Sir Wm. Hart to be respited for a fortnight, and a letter to be written to Col. James, to enclose to him his examination, and to certify what he knows of him.

19. The Committee for Prize Goods to attend the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow, and give them an account of the condition of the ships lately brought in, as to their leakiness, as also of the condition of the fruit and wines on board, that necessary orders may be given, which the said committee are authorised to do, for prevention of inconvenience.

20. Order upon the report from the Committee for Foreign Affairs in the case of Samuel Busfield, that Council concur in their opinion.

21. Hen. Hastings to be discharged from the restraint lately laid upon him by warrant of Council. [*I.* 35, pp. 50-53.]

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1. The petition of Rich. Ward to be considered at a convenient season.

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2. The deputies are called in, the debate resumed, and the Union Bill read to them.

3. They propound, on the first paragraph, that the incorporation clause may run in the same words as in the declaration concerning the settlement of Scotland, viz. :—

That Scotland be incorporated into and made one commonwealth with England, that there may be a joint union, joint arms unblazoned that may signify the common interest of both entire, and one common name. Debate thereon.

4. On the second paragraph, they propound that the number of Scotch members of Parliament and the time of their election, be inserted in the Bill. Debate thereon.

5. The conference to be resumed on Thursday; deputies withdraw. [*I.* 138, *pp.* 29–30.]

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2. Thomas Harrison, minister of St. Dunstan's-in-the-East, London, to bring to Council the commission lately granted by Chas. Stuart, eldest son of the late King, to Wm. Davenant, to have command in some English plantations in America.

3. To write Capt. Becke to send up to London the ship taken by him, and to put such persons aboard of her as may preserve her and her lading from embezzlement, until delivered into the keeping of the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes.

4. Notice to be given thereof to the said Commissioners, desiring them to appoint fit persons to take charge of her and the goods.

5. Mr. Thurloe to prepare an answer to the Grand Duke of Tuscany, in pursuance of the order of Parliament.

6. An extract of the intelligence from Holland to be sent to General Blake.

7. The paper from the Navy Victuallers, as to the delivery of proportions of victuals in several ports, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

8. Mr. Cooke, minister of Drayton, Shropshire, to be discharged on his own security, and the Committee for Examinations to take it.

9. The letter from Leon d' Aisma referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

10. The petition of Reymer Baggert to be sent to the Commissioners of Customs, to certify the matter of fact mentioned therein.

11, 13, 14. The petitions of Claes Alderson, gunner, of Wm. Newman, mariner, and also of Hester Cordwell, widow, for relief, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

12. That of Rich. White, for command of one of the State's ships, referred to the said committee, who are to ascertain his fitness, and consider of some command for him.

15. The petition of Col. Alex. Forbes, taken at Worcester, and since kept prisoner, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

16. To write the Mayor of Dover to speak to the master of the packet boat between that place and Flanders, to take on board all such English seamen as come thither to pass into England,—as well those who have left the service of the Dutch, in obedience to the

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Aet, as those taken prisoners by the Dutch and released, who repair to Dunkirk for passage to England,—and to relieve such of them as shall want it upon their landing, and place the sum to account, and to signify to the master of the packet boat that he shall have, for every person he shall so bring over, the same rate as for other passengers.

17. The petition of Geo. Bissett and Wm. Legate referred to the Committee for Examinations.

18. That of Lord Poincy, French Commander General of the Mericque Islands, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

19. The order of Parliament referring it to Council to bring in an estimate of the charge of the army and fleet for the next year, with their several incident charges, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, who are to confer with the Army Committee, and prepare the estimates.

20. The Committee for Foreign Affairs and the Admiralty Committee to consider speedily what should be done for hastening the squadron to the Straits.

21. Also to prepare a paper to be delivered by the commissioners to the Spanish Ambassador, at the conference on Friday next, wherein it is to be insisted that satisfaction may be given concerning the murder of Mr. Ascham in Spain, by doing justice upon the murderers.

22. The appointed commissioners to meet the Spanish Ambassador on Friday at 4 p.m., and deliver to him some papers from Council; Fleming to give him notice, &c.

23. The letter from the Navy Commissioners, as to erecting a house in Deptford yard for Christopher Pett, master shipwright there, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to cause a survey to be taken of the charge of the work, and on return thereof, to consider what should be done. [*I.* 35, *pp.* 54-59.]

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Order in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs, that the Collectors for Prize Goods give an account next Friday of the net proceeds of all ships and goods taken from the Portuguese and sold, as also of such as remain unsold. [*I.* 131, *p.* 57.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Frost to pay out of the exigent money of Council, to such persons as the Committee for Examinations shall appoint, such sums as they shall send for, not exceeding 20*l.*, for carrying on a service of importance.

2. Order on the petition of Benjamin Proud,—stating that in his absence, Andrew Wilcocks, his apprentice, received several sums of money of his, and was gone aboard some ship to avoid being seized,—that licence be given him to search all ships for his apprentice, and on finding him, the captain or master of the ship is to deliver him up.

4. Order on the petition of Jno. and Edw. Bushell, merchants—that the ships' companies of some vessels set forth by them as private

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men-of-war may be free from impress—that a warrant be given accordingly, provided none of the men employed in the ships be in the pay of the commonwealth, or have enlisted in any of the State's ships.

5. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Jno. Rede referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to cause the account mentioned to be perused, to see what is due to him, and to report out of what treasury the money may be paid.

7. The petition of Major Fras. Hay referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine him as to the reason of his going to Scotland, or what else they think fit.

8. The petition of Thomas Ford of Exeter, and Rich. Ford of London, merchants, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9, 10. The choice of a Commander-in-Chief for the ships going to the Straits to be considered to-morrow; also the sending for Major-General Deane to come to these parts.

11. The report to Council by Sir James Harrington from the Mint Committee to be made this day week.

12. The letters from the commissioners and officers in Ireland referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to receive from Sir Hardress Waller, Col. Lawrence, and Dr. Carteret what they have further to offer, and to report what should be done.

13. The petition of Thos. Watson, and other merchants of Berwick-upon-Tweed, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to take care of the business therein mentioned, and give order as is desired.

14. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to examine the business of the Dutch ship lately cast away at Brighthelmstone, co. Sussex, as to the goods taken out of her, and by whom, and to consider how to regain them for the commonwealth.

15. The Committee for Woods to consider what proportion of wood is fit to be cut in Windsor Forest, for the use of the Council Chamber, and to report.

16. The business of discovering mines, formerly referred to a committee appointed for that purpose, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

17. Council having ordered that 20*l.* should be paid to a person who is to make a discovery on behalf of the State, of a design carried on by some malignants in the West, such sum is to be first delivered to the Committee for Examinations and Discoveries, to be disposed of for the benefit of the person so employed.

18. Declaration,—on report from the Committee for Examinations of a letter signed by Jno. Williams, and sent privately to some of the members of Council, pretending some miscarriage of trust of Mr. Rowe, Secretary to the Irish and Scotch Committee—that there appears nothing of unfaithfulness or miscarriage in the said Mr. Rowe, and that the allegations are false and scandalous. [*I.* 35, pp. 60-64.]

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1. Conference with the deputies on the 1st and 2nd paragraphs of the Bill continued.

2. The debate adjourned till to-morrow, 8 a.m. [*L. 138, p. 30.*]

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The Paragon,
Porto Longone.

56. Capt. Rich. Badiley to [the Navy Committee]. On my departure from Leghorn, I affirmed Charles Longland's bills of exchange upon you for 4,000 dollars, which with the other 10,000 make 14,000; enclosed is his account of its expenditure, which I will digest into form at my leisure. I have not presumed to make use of the State's money to my advantage, nor shall dare to do so. I was a debtor 103 dollars on the balance of my last account current, and since then I have drawn a bill of exchange for 600 dollars, and have received 3,926 dollars, all disbursed at this place in carpenters, ironwork, building forecastles to the Elizabeth and Paragon, careening, victualing, &c., of all which I will send an account.

Having returned to my charge here, I found seven of the enemy's men-of-war riding before the port, and seven or eight more are plying at sea, so that there is no likelihood of our effecting a conjunction with the ships at Leghorn, until additional strength comes out of England. [$1\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

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Excise Office,
London.

57. William Parker and three others to the Excise Committee. Having let to farm the excise of cos. Glamorgan, Carmarthen, Pembroke, and Cardigan to Griffith Bowen and Robt. Williams, for one year at 270*l.*, expiring 25 Dec. next, we have now contracted with Capt. Jno. Wood for the excise of all native inland commodities, salt, soap, hats, and tobacco pipes excepted, for $\frac{3}{4}$ year commencing 25 Dec. next, at the rent of 330*l.*, 60*l.* more than was given before for the whole year. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page.]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Note that Mr. Hartlib, who lately attended the Council of Trade, to deliver to the clerk of Council such papers as he has, in reference to the tanners and skimmers of London.

2. The petition of Saml. Hartlib referred to Lords Commissioners Whitlock and Lisle to consider what should be given him for encouragement in his public undertakings.

3. Order on the petition of Major Humphrey Boseville, that liberty be granted him for two months, on security to render himself prisoner to the Lieutenant of the Tower at the expiration thereof, or sooner if required.

4. Order to be given to the officers of the port at Plymouth to stay all Danish ships, and particularly that lately come in, laden with deals, and to order the freighter of the ship to detain the money due for freight, until further order.

5, 13, 22. The petitions of Thos. Twiddie, of Pat. Craigingelt, and of Thos. Gordon prisoner in Chelsea College, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and discharge them, if they see cause.

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6, 27. Those of Jno. Helmes, citizen of London, and of Marie Searle referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

7, 8. Those of Doucibell Arnold, and of Sarah Noddes, widows, to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what should be done for their relief.

9-11. The paper to the Portuguese Ambassador read to be translated into Latin, and sent to him on Monday, and Sir Oliver Fleming to give him notice that some members of Council will bring it to him; the members to be Alderman Pennington, Mr. Burrell, Mr. Neville, Mr. Martin, and Col. Morley.

12. The letter of Jno. Tooker from Barnstaple referred to the Admiralty Committee.

14. To write General Blake the resolution of Council for sending 20 ships to the Straits, and to furnish him with a list of their names, and that it is not the intention of Council (by taking them) to disable him from waiting upon the service in those parts, as they doubt not their place will be supplied by the coming out of others appointed for the winter guard. That they thought fit before they came to any positive resolution, to acquaint him therewith, so that if he had anything to offer, it might be considered; and if he conceives any other ships more fit for this service, in lieu of any now nominated, and which may be speedily fitted, he is to return the list so altered, and order the ships to go to Stokes Bay, to be there fitted out for this service, by 1st Dec.; he is to send the convoy to Flanders, which is also to convoy some ships hence, now ready to go.

15. The state of the navy to be considered next Wednesday, and the nominating a commander of the squadron designed for the Straits.

16. To write Mr. Willoughby at Portsmouth, that order has been given to the Navy Commissioners to contract with the master of the Danish ship for the goods which she brought in, and to suspend payment until further order; also that the ships at Portsmouth are to be victualled, as far as that port will afford, and the rest they are to expect in the Downs.

17. The Admiralty Committee to consider the procuring exchanges for such English seamen as have been taken prisoners by the Dutch, and are still detained in the Straits or elsewhere, and to report to Council with all speed.

18. The Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker to attend the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow by 8 a.m., to give an account of proceedings in that court, on the Samson and St. Salvador.

19. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to sit to-morrow at 8 a.m. and Council at 10, and summonses to be issued accordingly.

20. The petitions of Jno. Baldwin and Geo. Porter referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine the business of the arrest made in the Tower on Mr. Porter, examine him, and report next Monday.

21. Lieut.-Col. Mill, a Scotchman, prisoner in the Tower, to be discharged.

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23. Order on the report from the Committee for Examinations concerning Lord Grandison, that he be dismissed on such security as he can procure, on the usual conditions.

24. The Admiralty and Navy Committees to meet next Tuesday, to settle the providing of victuals for 4,000 men for the winter guard.

25. To acquaint the Navy Commissioners with what is alleged by Capt. Reynolds, concerning the defects in his vessel at Tilbury Hope, and to desire them to give order for search of her, and if they find her to be as alleged, to order her speedy repairing.

26. The Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes to dispatch trusty persons to Tilbury Hope, to take charge of the three ships brought in there by Capt. Reynolds, which pretend to be Ham-burghers, and to direct them to be very careful that no bulk be broken, and that all things belonging to them be preserved from embezzlement, until further order.

28. The petition of Hen. Symbal, messenger, referred to Mr. Thurloe, who is to examine the extraordinary charge which he alleges he has been at, in riding post journeys in the service of Council, and allow him for them as he shall see cause.

29. The petition of Gideon Carne referred to the Admiralty Committee.

30. That of Wm. Francklyn, warder of the Tower, for payment of disbursements in keeping Lieut.-Col. Reinking, formerly prisoner with him, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine what allowance has been made to him or the lieutenant, for keeping Reinking.

31. The petition of Robert Yeomans and Co. referred to the Admiralty Committee, to consider what salvage should be paid by them for the rescuing of their ship.

32, 33. The petitions of Capt. Geo. Maxwell and of Jno. Hume referred to the Committee for Examinations.

34. The petition of the Earl of Eglinton and Lord Montgomery, his son, referred to the said committee, to consider what has been done by Council concerning them, and what should be further done. A late letter to the Governor of Berwick, and his answer concerning these persons, to be sent to the said committee.

35. The petition of Jno. Durie, minister, referred to Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle, to report.

36. That of Josias Ladd and others to the Navy Commissioners, to report.

37. To write the commander of the Entrance, and Capts. Houlding and Thorogood, to repair with their ships to General Blake forthwith.

38. The commissioners appointed to meet the Spanish Ambassador to deliver him this day the 35 articles agreed on by Council to be given to him, and acquaint him with what they have done concerning the ships he lately wrote about.

39. The Commissioners of Dutch Prize Goods to take care that none of the plate and goods remaining aboard the *Samson* of

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Lubec and St. Salvador of Hamburg, be unladen or removed out of the ships, until Council shall give order therein, and that there be no embezzlement meantime.

40. The plate and goods that have been already removed out of the said ships to be preserved in safety, without embezzlement or disposal, until Council shall give order therein, and the papers delivered to Council by the Spanish Ambassador referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to speak with the Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker thereon to-morrow at 8 a.m., and present their opinion, at 10 a.m., what should be further done, on the representation of the said Ambassador.

41. Council,—having considered the condition of the islands of Jersey and Guernsey, and several grants and patents from the late kings, licensing the export thither of a quantity of wool, leather, and other commodities, customs' free, and divers petitions presented for licences to export part of the limited proportion,—is of opinion that, for settling that affair in a more clear and regular way of execution than at present, Parliament should be moved to declare that corn of all kinds, malt, biscuit, bread, beer, or any other victuals except butter, may be exported to Jersey and Guernsey, free from customs or stint, as was lately declared in the case of Ireland, on good security being given at the custom houses by the exporters, to return a certificate from the Governor or chief magistrate in the said islands, that the same is delivered and disposed of there, for the use of the inhabitants or forces in the said islands only.

Likewise that the House should declare that 1,000 tods of wool, 400 dickers of leather, and 60 firkins of butter be allowed to be yearly exported to Jersey, and a less quantity for Guernsey, customs' free; and of other wares and commodities, such proportions as the Commissioners of Customs find reasonable and give license for.

And that if the House approve this, the patents granted by the late King in these particulars may be nulled and vacated.

42. The Commissioners for Dutch Prize Goods to attend the Committee for Foreign Affairs to-morrow at 8 a.m., and give an account of their proceedings on the Samson of Lubec, and St. Salvador of Hamburg. [*I. 35, pp. 65-75.*]

Nov. 12. Order in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs, that the proposals for furnishing Eastland commodities by some ports of the Duke of Holstein be considered on Wednesday. [*I. 131, p. 58.*]

Nov. 12. The Committee of Parliament appointed to confer with the deputies of Scotland continue the conference on the matters debated yesterday, and adjourn to Tuesday the 16th. [*I. 138, p. 30.*]

Nov. 12. **58.** Robert Longe to Capt. John Pearce, of the Providence. My answer to your desire is, that I will not prejudice you either in your

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good name or person for the time to come, and if you will send a boat to shore, I will come on board to my charge. [$\frac{1}{2}$ page.]

Nov. 13. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to review the paper given in to Council from the Spanish Ambassador, concerning the Samson and St. Salvador, and prepare an answer; also to confer with the Admiralty Judges, or such others as they think fit, concerning the matter of fact in taking and bringing in the said ships.

2. Copies of the papers given in last night by the Spanish Ambassador to Council to be sent to the Admiralty Judges.

3. The petition of Rich. Arnold, merchant, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

4. The representation made by the Spanish Ambassador last night to Council, offering security that neither the plate nor any of the lading on board the Samson and Salvador shall suffer detriment by remaining aboard, as also the other papers from him, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to consider such security, and proceed in that and the whole affair according to law and justice. [*I.* 35, pp. 76-77.]

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Kensington.

59. Anne Conway to Edward Conway, at Ragley. You must impute it to the negligence of the carrier that you had no letter last week, as I sent one with the news books to the gravel pits, before I received yours by Darby. Excuse my being now so short, as you intend being here suddenly. Your shirts are bought, and being made. I think you have done well to free yourself from a business of that trouble and perplexity which the reconciliation of those parties you mention must needs prove, to any that shall undertake it. Present my duty to my lady, your mother, and my service to my Lady Vere and my sisters. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

Nov. 15. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 16. The petitions of Capt. Rich. Ingle, of Jno. Figg, gunner, of Roger Corbett, mariner, of Stephen Buzart, of Edmond Edgar, shipwright of Yarmouth, of Judah Witheridge, of the merchants of Great Yarmouth, and of the merchants of London, adventurers in the Fens, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

5. Mr. Thurloe to consider of a fit reward to be given to Mr. Durie, for translating into French the book written by Mr. Milton, in answer to that of the late King, entitled his Meditations.

7. The petition of the widow and heirs of Giles Silvester referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

10. Those of David Foulis and Hen. Spurway referred to the said committee, who are to consider both at the same time, as they relate to the same matter.

14. That of Ralph Slec referred to the Committee for Examinations.

15. That of the Lieutenant of the Tower, desiring beds for his soldiers, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

17. The Marshal-General to bring in a list to Council by Thursday,

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of all the prisoners he has in his custody, whether in Chelsea College or elsewhere, with the time of their commitment, and the cause.

18. The petition of Patrick Gurdon, Major Collen, McKenrie, &c., and Jas. Sayer, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine the petitioners, and dispose of them according to the directions given in cases of a like nature.

19. The appointed commissioners to meet the Portuguese Ambassador at 4 p.m. to-morrow, at Whitehall, according to his desire, and Fleming to signify the same to him.

22. The Irish and Scotch Committee to consider where 4,000*l.* may be had for paying off all moneys ordered by Council to be paid out of their contingencies, and due to several persons employed by Council, and to report on Wednesday.

23. The letter of Robert Vessey referred to the Admiralty Committee.

24. That Committee to consider of going in hand with the building of as many of the 30 frigates ordered as may be, and to confer with the Navy Committee as to an advance of money for that service.

25. The 25,000*l.* lent to the Navy Committee by Council, (to be repaid out of the first money arising by the sale of the lands of the 30 delinquents,) to be applied towards the building of the new frigates, and the Admiralty Committee to be acquainted therewith.

26. To write the Navy Commissioners that of the great ships now at Portsmouth, only the Andrew is to be put forth to sea, but that all the rest should be put into a state to be soon ready for service.

27. The letters of Mr. Longland and Capt. Appleton read this day to be considered next Wednesday.

28. The Committee for Examinations to send for the Scotch ministers, now prisoners in the Tower, examine them, and if they think fit, discharge them on reasonable security, or report.

29. Council—having considered the order of Parliament as to building 30 new frigates, and conferred with the master shipwright and others, touching the rates they are to be of, the places of building, and the charge,—find that the charge of building, victualling, and setting them forth to sea for six months, will be 300,000*l.*, to be paid one-fourth in hand, and the rest at three and three months; Col. Wauton to represent this to the House, that a certain way may be assigned for furnishing the money as it shall grow due.

30. Col. Wauton to remind the House to provide for the pay of the mariners, and other pressing occasions of the navy. [*L. 35, pp. 77-82.*]

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Leghorn.

60. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. Capt. Badiley arrived at Leghorn this week from Porto Longone very seasonably, as some discontent had possessed Capt. Appleton against Capt. Cox, insomuch that after 50 days' command of the Bonadventure, he

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would have put him out in disgrace, and sent him back to the Warwick, had not Capt. Badiley prevented. I doubt not Capt. Cox will much advance your service. The squadron at Leghorn has been put into better order by Capt. Badiley. I received your instructions to acquaint all the captains of convoys not to disturb this port of the Grand Duke, but suppose you do not intend this restraint should extend to any other ships but those that are now here, or that may come in the like capacity hereafter; for if the fleet we expect for these ships' redemption should have their hands bound, and not have liberty to fall upon them in this road, or any other, I conceive it no breach of friendship to the Grand Duke or this port, that your own ships of war should raise the siege of this port, and make way for the coming forth of your ships, which this Prince is not able to do. I am writing to Venice for the Northumberland and Freeman to enter your service, if they can be procured. [$1\frac{1}{4}$ page.]

Nov. 15. **61.** Statement by Fras. Rous. I have known Major Rous from a child, and that he has always been employed at sea. He was with his father, who was both a soldier and a preacher, in the Isle of Providence, where his father died, and since then he has served Parliament in the late wars, and borne office. He is valiant and expert both in land and sea employments, and faithful to Parliament, and of his abilities for a command I would have given personal testimony, but am hindered by infirmity. If I thought him unable, I would not recommend him, notwithstanding his name or relationship, as there have been some of that name for whom I would neither write nor speak a syllable. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

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2. The petition of Reynold Jenkins, prisoner at Cardiff, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to confer with Col. Jones thereon.

3. Order on the petition of William Spittlehouse, appointed door-keeper of the door in the orchard leading into Channel Row, that the committee for Whitehall be conferred with concerning the keeping of that door, and that Spittlehouse be confirmed in the keeping of the orchard, according to the order of Council of 11 March last.

4. Capt. Peacock to be considered for a command, when another frigate is ready.

5. The petition of Wm. Ross, Robert Scott, Duncan Menzis, Capt. Hen. Shaw, Alex. Forbes, Thos. Twiddie, Alex. Strathan, Gilbert Campbell, and Wm. Stuart referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and dispose of them according to former directions.

6. The Admiralty Committee to consider whether the Assistance is fit to go to the Straits, in lieu of the Dragon.

7. 100 marks to be paid to Caspar Johnson, in token of Council's good acceptance of what he has written on behalf of the commonwealth, and a pass to foreign parts to be granted him.

8. The letter of Capt. Dakins referred to the Admiralty Committee.

9. The Lord General, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, and Lord Chief Justice St. John to be a committee to consider of a fit en-

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couragement to be given to Mr. Pell, for remaining in England to read lectures on mathematics ; also to consider of something to be done for him, in consideration of the time he has stayed in England, and from places in foreign parts to which he has been invited, out of good affection to his native country, and to report on the whole matter with speed.

10. The petition of Thos. Penrose and others referred to the Admiralty Committee.

11. That of Capt. Jno. Bartlett to the Committee for Examinations.

12. To write the Navy Commissioners to contract for the pitch and tar and deal boards lately brought to Portsmouth.

13. The letter of Col. Willoughby from Portsmouth referred to the Admiralty Committee.

15. The petition of Nath. Markes, merchant, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to prepare a letter to the commissioners in Ireland, as to releasing his estate there, and report.

16. The proposals by way of report from the committee for wood and timber referred back to them, to consider which of them they think should be adopted, for the preservation of timber.

17. Order upon the case touching the arrest of George Porter in the Tower liberty, while a prisoner of the Serjeant-at-arms by order of the Council, that he be discharged, and all further restraint concerning the same taken off, and he re-delivered to the Serjeant-at-arms ; the bailiff of the Tower liberty, his officers, and all parties concerned to conform to this order.

18. Capt. Brandley to have a commission as commander of the sternmost frigate now building at Deptford Dock. [*I.* 35, *pp.* 83-87.]

Nov. 16. COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

1. On debate on the Bill of Union, the deputies renew their request about ascertaining the number of the members of Parliament for Scotland.

2. They acquaint the committee of the exigency of the country for want of money, having only royals and cross dollars, which are generally counterfeit, and beg that this may be represented to Parliament, that some expedient may be taken for their relief. They withdraw.

3. The committee to meet in the afternoon to consider their desires.

4. Rich. Ward's petition referred to the Commissioners for administration of Justice in Scotland, to whom his case properly belongs.

5. Whitelock to report to Parliament the request of the deputies about the election of Scotch members.

6. Mr. Scott and Col. Fenwick to report their complaint of want of money.

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7. The committee to meet on Thursday, to consider a Bill drawn up by Commissioner Lisle, for ascertaining whose estates shall be confiscated in Scotland, and who pardoned. [*I.* 138, *pp.* 31–33.]

Nov. 16. **62.** Thomas Bulstrode and three others to the Excise Committee. The term of the farm of the excise of co. Salop expiring 25 Dec. next, we have again contracted with Rich. Smith, Edm. Pierce, and Bold Boughey, the present farmers, for $\frac{3}{4}$ of a year for the excise of all inland commodities, salt, soap, hats, and tobacco pipes excepted, at 1,800*l.*, an advance of 125*l.* per quarter. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

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4. The business of the winter guard to be considered on Friday.

5. To report to Council that the petition of Alex. Bence and others concerning the Hopeful should be referred to the Admiralty Judges to report to Council.

6. Col. Morley to move Council to appoint a day for hearing the draft of the Act for opening trade to some ports in France, now depending before them, on a report of this committee.

9. Order on the petitions of Thomas and Rich. Ford and Capt. Rob. Johnson, that Thurloe look over the orders of Parliament empowering Council to dispense with the penalties of the Navigation Act in some cases, make an extract of what the powers are, and in what cases, and report the same, with the petitions, to Council.

10. The paper from the Committee of Advice to be considered on Friday, and the committee to attend. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 59–61.]

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1. The Admiralty Committee to present to Council a list of the ships appointed to guard the northern coast.

2. To write the Ordnance officers to hasten aboard the Kentish frigate, now launched, and the other frigates as they are launched, the guns and gunners' stores necessary, so that no delay may be given to the service through want of them.

3. The committee appointed to speak with the trustees for sale of the King's goods to be a committee to confer with the trustees for sale of Deans' and Chapters' lands concerning the houses in Windsor Castle belonging to the late Dean and Chapter, so that they may not be disposed of to the prejudice of the castle or garrison.

4. Wallingford Castle to be demolished, and the works effectually slighted, and the doing thereof committed to Major Evelyn, Edw. Jennings, of Long Wittenham, co. Berks, and Jno. Rusden, who are hereby empowered to put it in execution. For defraying the charge, they are to sell the huts, magazine house, drawbridges, and whatever else was built there by the late King's party, while they possessed that garrison; if any money is left after defraying the charge of demolishing, it is to be disposed of amongst such of the poor thereabouts as had any wrong done them by the King's party from that garrison.

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5. Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Holland, Mr. Neville, and Mr. Martin to be a committee to examine the account of Major Evelyn, and make him fit allowances for his charges about the castle.

6. Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Mr. Holland, Col. Purefoy, and Mr. Neville to confer with the trustees for sale of the late King's goods, as to their proceedings against the executor of Patrick Young, for books belonging to the library at James's House, which were found in his custody, and to desire them to forbear proceedings until further order, as the books belong to the library, which is reserved by Act of Parliament, and was committed to the care of the Council of State.

7. The consideration of a commander for the Straits to be taken up to-morrow.

8. The paper sent to Council from the Portuguese Ambassador referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, who are to consider how the treaty with him may be speedily concluded, and in order thereto, to confer with the merchants concerning the satisfaction they desire for damages sustained by the Portuguese; also to consider the account of prizes taken from the Portuguese, lately brought to Council from the Collectors for Prize Goods; the merchants trading to Portugal and the Collectors for Prize Goods to attend the said committee on Friday.

9. Mr. Martin, and the rest of the committee appointed, to consider the letter from the Duke of Vendôme, to prepare an answer, and bring it to Council on Friday.

10. The petition of Alex. Turner, deputy to the Serjeant-at-arms, referred to the Committee for Examinations.

11, 14. Those of Christian Santen, merchant of London, and of John Harris, merchant, to the Admiralty Committee.

12. The petition of Jas. Forbes, Capt. Thos. Meldrum, Gilbert Grierson, and Alex. Crux, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and dispose of them according to former directions.

13. That of Ralph Slee and Edw. Postit referred to the said committee, to consider what should be done with them.

15. To write General Blake that Council have resolved to send the 20 ships mentioned in his list to the Straits, and that he is to give directions for fitting them out, and see that those that remain here are put in a proper state for service.

16. To write the Navy Commissioners Council's resolve to send 20 ships to the Straits, and that they are to use their best endeavours to get them ready, and supplied with four months' beer and six months' other provisions, and to speak with the Navy Victuallers and the owners concerning them and the merchant ships, and to have them all ready to sail from Stokes Bay by 1 Dec.

17. The Admiralty Committee to give effectual directions concerning the fitting forth of the squadron for the Straits.

18, 20. The petitions of Jno. Arthur, of Weymouth, and of Elizabeth Taylour, widow, and others, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

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- Nov. 17. 21. Also the petition of Capt. Stevens, — Temm, and — Noke for license to send a ship to the East Indies, and that of the East India Company against such license ; to hear both parties, and report.
 22. That of Alex. Bence and others, concerning the Hopeful Adventure, referred to the Admiralty Judges. [*I.* 35, pp. 87-91.]

Nov. 18. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, as to the estimate of the charge of the land forces and the navy, and the present debate thereupon, to be resumed on Monday.

2. The business of the Mint deferred until to-morrow.

3. The information concerning some Hamburg ships referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider and report.

4. The list of 14 ships lately brought into the Downs to be considered to-morrow, after the Committee for Foreign Affairs have made their report upon the information.

5, 8, 10, 11. The petitions of Thos. Day, shipwright, of Jno. Penny, of Ralph Barlow, and of the owners and freighters of the John and Isaac of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee. [*Also Vol. XXV., No. 63.*]

6, 7. Those of Laurence Chambers, merchant of London, and of Col. Thos. Ellice, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

9. That of Lady Marie Cockayne referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to send for Mr. Cockayne and Mr. Mor-dant, as also Mr. Walsh, one of the seconds in the intended duel between them ; examine them on the whole matter, and report.

12. The petition of Jas. White, Capt. Robt. Stuart and others, Chas. Hay, Col. Graham, Col. Wm. Keeth, Capt. Maky and Lieut. St. Clare, Major Jno. Humes, Col. St. Clare, Lieut. Clarke, Lieut. Wall, Col. Geo. Keeth, Col. Campbell, and Lieut. Dundas, all referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and dispose of them according to former directions, unless they see cause to the contrary.

13. Capt. Peacock appointed commander of the squadron of ships going to the Straits.

14. Capt. Badiley appointed Commander-in-Chief of the fleet of English ships in the Straits, when they shall be joined there, as well of those which shall be carried thither under Capt. Peacock, as of those which are there already.

15. Order on the report from the Committee for Examinations,—in the case of Capt. Robert Waldron and Thos. Fisher, concerning a jewel and pearl necklace,—that the jewel in the hands of Capt. Bishop be delivered to Capt. Waldron, and the necklace in possession of Col. Sexby be brought to the said committee, and that then Col. Sexby's charges, while employed at Dover and other ports in searching packets, be considered. [*I.* 35, p. 92-94.]

Nov. 19. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The business of the Mint to be reported to Council by Sir Jas. Harrington, next Wednesday.

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2. The Marshal-General to bring in a list of all the prisoners in his custody, at Chelsea College or elsewhere, and to insert the cause and time of their commitment.

3. Major Jno. Harling, prisoner at Coventry, to be permitted to come to London, on parole to the Mayor of Coventry, to appear before Council within 6 days after his dismissal from thence, and to attend them until dismissed.

5. Major Evelyn to make sale of the biscuit and salt remaining in his hands, belonging to the garrison of Wallingford Castle, and dispose of the proceeds therefrom, and from the sale of the materials and fortifications of Wallingford Castle, and of the houses erected therein by the late King's party, as also of the money in his hands advanced by the Army Committee for buying provisions for that castle, towards the demolishing of the castle and fortifications; and to charge it to his account, which he is to bring to the committee appointed for that purpose.

6. David Jenkins to be removed from Wallingford Castle to Windsor Castle, by Major Evelyn, the present Governor there.

8. The petition of Major Erasmus Purling referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to consider what should be done, and meantime his going over to Jersey is to be suspended.

9-11. The paper now read, in answer to that delivered to Council from the Portuguese Ambassador, to be translated into Latin, and delivered to the Ambassador on Monday at 9 a.m. by the appointed commissioners; Fleming to give him notice and attend him.

13. The petition of Major Robt. Cobbett referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

14. To answer the petition of Richard Chambers, late Sheriff and Alderman of London, that Council have no power to grant what he desires.

15. The petition of the Earl of Worcester, prisoner in the Tower, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to consider what should be done, and report what papers they have received from him.

16. To answer to the petition of Capt. Nicholas Read,—for examination of some reports which have been raised of him, that the calumny cast upon him may be removed—that there is nothing before Council to his prejudice.

17. The letter from the Navy Commissioners referred to the Admiralty Committee.

18. Order on the petition of John Lord Sinclair, late prisoner in the Tower,—for enlargement of the liberty of the city, granted to him for a month for recovery of his health—that 2 months' longer time be given him, he with his sureties renewing their bond.

19. The letter of Fras. Bethun from Chester referred to the Ordnance Committee.

20. To answer the petition of Anne Washwhite that Council have no power to grant relief in such cases.

21. The petition of Jno. Symonton and others, Andrew Authinleck and Jno. Robertson, Geo. Montgomery and Jno. Innis, and Wm.

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and Lodowick Drummond, Scotch prisoners, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to dispose of them according to former directions.

22. The letter of Capt. Pearce, from aboard the Providence, near Cape Clear, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

23. The petitions and account of Hen. Sefton to the Committee for Examinations.

24, 28. The petitions of Michael Dortridge and of Thos. Gilbert and the owners of the Cullen referred to the Admiralty Committee.

25. Order on report from the Committee for Examinations—that the Scotch prisoners dismissed from hence on bail should also give bail on their arrival in Scotland, for their appearance and good behaviour,—that the bonds of sureties here for such prisoners shall, on sufficient testimony from Scotland that the prisoners have given such security there, be delivered up, if they desire it.

26. The account for Parliament of the disbursements for the service to be hastened, and made ready to give in 1 Dec. next.

27. The Irish and Scotch Committee to provide bedding for the 200 soldiers that keep guard in the Tower, so that the charge thereof does not exceed 80*l.*, and the Ordnance officers to deliver to the Lieutenant of the Tower 6 barrels of powder, with bullet and a double proportion of match, for the use of the guards there. [*I.* 35, *pp.* 95-99.]

Nov. 19. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

2. The paper from the Committee of Advice, appointed to be read to day, postponed to Wednesday, and the committee to attend.

3. The Collectors for Prize Goods to review their account of the net proceeds of Portugal goods, and make a strict search whether it be complete and perfect.

4. Order to report to Council, on the petition of Gratian de Perenant, that on his giving in the cargo of the St. Stephen of St. Jean de Luz, on oath, and swearing to the truth of the petition, a protection should be granted, to free her from being taken prize by men-of-war or privateers.

7. The petition mentioned by Mr. Bohun to be brought to Mr. Thurloe, who is to peruse it, state the fact, and report. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 63, 64.]

Nov. 19. **64.** Capt. Hen. Appleton to [the Navy Committee]. The *The Leopard*, Phoenix frigate and another of the Dutch men-of-war have brought in the *Samuel Bonadventure*, Mr. Piles, master, with 200 pieces of lead, and laden with fish from Newfoundland, and have distributed the men amongst their ships, but the surgeon and one man, whose legs are broken, they sent to me.

The Two Brothers arrived at Naples with fish. We are trying to regain the Phoenix. There are 8 Dutch men-of-war at Porto Longone, and 9 in Leghorn Road. Mr. Longland, with a notary, is going aboard

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the Sampson, Mary, and Levant Merchant, to protest against them if they do not discharge their goods, and enter the service. [1 *page*.]

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Order in the Committee for Trade and Foreign Affairs, that the committee sit again this day to consider the business of the clothiers, who are to bring in such additions to and alterations in the draft of the Act now read as, considering the several papers now read, and the debate had, may render the business more passable. [*I.* 131, *p.* 65.]

Nov. 22.

COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Wm. Constable to be President of the Council, during the time of the sitting of this Council.

2. Sir Gilbert Pickering to move the House to order some allowance to Thomas Cooke, whilst kept in restraint in the Tower.

3. Also to report to the House that there are several persons committed to the Tower and other prisons by Parliament and Council, who have not wherewith to maintain themselves, and to move the House to make allowance for their subsistence during imprisonment.

5. Mr. Thurloe to draw up a letter to the Duke of Vendôme from Council, according to the substance of a paper brought in from the committee appointed for that business.

6. The Committee for Examinations to examine Col. Geraldine, late prisoner at Chester, and now come up to Council, and report his examination, and what they think fit to be done.

7. The letter informing Lord Commissioner Whitelock of the arrival of a small French vessel in the Thames referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

9. To write the Sheriff of county Gloucester, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Wade, Col. Barrow, Jeremiah Buck, and Hen. Rudge, concerning the spoil made in the Forest of Dean, by cutting down timber to a considerable value, and to desire them to examine the business, and discover the actors, and transmit the examinations to Council; also to secure the timber that has been felled, for the use of the State.

10. The propositions given in to the Council from Col. Barrow, for preserving wood and timber, referred to the Committee for Woods.

11. The estimate of the account of the public charge to be considered next Wednesday.

12. The Committee for Foreign Affairs to confer with the Admiralty Judges concerning the three ships lately brought in, and 17 more since, all of which pretend to be Hamburgers.

13. The Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker to attend that committee on Wednesday, by 8 a.m.

14. The letter from Venice referred to that committee.

15. So much of the letter from Gen. Blake as relates to men and victuals referred to the Admiralty Committee.

16. The Committee for Examinations to send for Andrew Kerr, prisoner in the Tower, and examine him.

17. The petition of Saml. Moyer, Gilbert Keate, Capt. Thos. Ewen,

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and other owners of the Marmaduke, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

18. The letter from Leith referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

19. The petition of Hen. Mason, commander of the Fortune fire-ship, referred to the Admiralty Committee. [*I.* 35, *pp.* 100-104.]

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4. To report to Council that the books and papers mentioned in the petition of the workmen skimmers, which are in the hands of Sam. Hartlib, lately employed by the Committee for Trade, should be brought into this committee.

5. The business of the winter guard to be considered on Wednesday.

6. The petition of Joachimi Douke to be sent to the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes, who are to certify on the case of the ship named, if they have anything before them, and what has been done on its seizure.

7. Lord Bradshaw and three others to consider the letters and papers from the Resident at Hamburg, as to the disobedience and disorders of some persons there, to state the matter of fact, and report.

8. Order on the petition of Hen. de la March—desiring Council to appoint some persons to do him justice in a case at law depending in Jersey—to report to Council this Committee's opinion that Council can do nothing till Parliament has given orders for the administration of justice in that island.

11. Lord Bradshaw to speak with the Admiralty Judges and Dr. Walker about Longland's letter, and if needful, to appoint them a time to come to Council or this committee thereon.

13. Order on reading Longland's letter from Leghorn, to suggest to Council whether, for the reasons therein mentioned, they will not send some land soldiers aboard the ships of war now fitting forth for the Straits.

14. The clause in Capt. Appleton's letter, touching the English ships in the Venetian service, to be considered on Friday, and the Act for calling home English mariners from foreign service to be then produced.

15. The petitions of Stocall and Carteret, and their proposals for establishing a court of justice in Jersey, referred to the counsel-at-law on this committee, to report.

16. The business of the mines referred to Mr. Scott, and the other members of this committee who are on the Committee for Mines, to consider and report.

17. Mr. Pelling, searcher at Gravesend, to come to this committee on Wednesday, and Mr. Thurloe to speak with him on what is alleged against him in John Helmes' petition, and acquaint the committee with the state of the business complained of.

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21. The petition of Don Melchior d'Arangusen to be considered on Friday.

22. The petitions of Spurway and Foulis referred to the sub-committee on the complaints of disorders in Hamburg.

24. To request Council to write to Maj.-Gen. Deane, to inquire into the proposals made to Council for furnishing masts from Scotland, and report what he finds, and his opinion of the forcibleness of it.

25. The petition of John Arthur, of Weymouth, to be considered on Friday.

27. The letter from Leon de Aisma, on the privileges of the inhabitants of the Stilyard, referred to the counsel-at-law of this committee. [*I.* 131, *pp.* 66-73.]

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65. Capt. Hen. Appleton to [the Navy Committee]. In our design on the Phoenix, the Lord showed himself, as in all our undertakings, giving it us back, though for a while a cloud hung over us. It was agreed that Capt. Cox should have 80 men out of our ship, to be sent in three boats, one whereof he commanded with 14 men; another my Lieutenant Young, with 33 men, and the third, Lieut. Lynn of the Bonadventure, with 33 more. After their departure from our ships, in the dark, the two lieutenants lost sight of Capt. Cox, and returned twice aboard our ship, which spent the greater part of the night, so I commanded them to return without further loss of time to their former order, which they cheerfully did, and met Capt. Cox also returning, when they immediately went on their design with much courage, and the Lord showed himself in that victory, to whom be all the glory. At the appearing of the morning stars, they entered and possessed the frigate in a short time, so that I hope there is little or no loss on our side. They cut the cables, set sail, and away, at whose motion two men-of-war slipped or cut their cables, and made sail after them, but to little purpose, they being too nimble for them; one of their commanders was aboard the Phoenix, ending their Andrew's feast with Van Tromp, who escaped out of the cabin port, but received a great wound by one of our men, who told him, with the blow, it was for wearing our colours under his stern. I hear he swam on board the Butter Pot, and is now there in the road. One of these ships, named Red Hair, has returned from the chase; being a heavy sailer, she remained much astern of the others, so there follows the frigate belonging to the imprisoned captain, which I hope to hear has scaped as well as her commander.

A Flemish merchant ship bound for Smyrna, and very richly laden, may be overtaken, as she left this road not above 12 hours before the surprisal of the Phoenix. I found the surgeon Van Tromp sent me very useful in this business, and sent him aboard with fresh provisions for his imprisoned master. Mr. Piles, who was there, with 14 of his men, returned in a short time, with advice that there were not above 40 Flemings aboard, who in general were distempered, which makes me imagine there was great facility of our men's

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obtaining possession. We advised Capt. Cox to go for Porto Longone if the wind favoured, otherwise for Naples; but the wind was contrary for both places. [$2\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

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1. The petition of Col. David Ross to be laid aside.

2. That of Robert Hammon, merchant of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

3, 4. Those of Thos. Cockerill of Hull, Seth Haly, and Wm. Garrat, of Lynn, and of Rich. Hinksman and others, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. That of the mariners of the Reformation referred to the Navy Commissioners, to examine such of the company as come to them and the captain, concerning the business mentioned.

6. The depositions given in by Sir Jno. Dryden and Mr. Harvey, as to a miscarriage in co. Northampton, referred to the Committee for Examinations, who are to prepare a letter to the justices of that county on this business, and bring the draft to Council with speed.

7. The report from that committee concerning Col. Geraldine recommitted for further examination, and to be reported on Friday.

8. The draft of a letter to the Duke of Vendosme to be presented to the House by Mr. Martin.

9. The paper from the Portuguese Ambassador to Council, with such other papers as have passed between them concerning the treaty now in hand, to be reported to the House by Sir Hen. Vane.

10. The draft of a letter now read to the Duke of Tuscany approved, and to be sent to the Speaker for his signature, and then sent to the said Duke.

11. 280*l.* to be allowed from Council money to Mr. Dizney, for disbursements for intelligence and discoveries by Council's direction, and the Irish, and Scotch Committee to confer with Mr. Allein about charging that money, and bring in a warrant therefor.

12. John Thomson, draper, to appear before the Committee for Examinations, to be examined on what is informed against him.

13. The representation of Clement Oxenbridge, both in relation to himself and the paying of Dutch prisoners 6*d.* a day, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.

14. Also his letter and affidavits concerning the Samson, for delivery to the Admiralty Judges to-morrow morning, when they attend that committee according to former order of Council.

15. Col. Marten to report to the House that Council,—having in pursuance of their order, considered the Duke of Vendosme's letter, and the matter of fact of the taking of the ships therein mentioned,—find that General Blake being with the fleet in the Narrow, on 5 Sept. last, after some hours' chase, part of his fleet took some French men-of-war, the King's own ships, going, as the commander said, with other ships to the relief of Dunkirk, and think that the letter already prepared should be sent in their name to the Duke, in answer to his.

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16. Order on the petition of Hen. Sefton, relating to debts contracted in the service of the State, and to indemnity, that it does not appertain to Council, but to the Indemnity Commissioners appointed by Parliament, to whom the petitioner is left to make his address. [*I. 35, pp. 105-109.*]

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66. Note that Parliament has nominated the following persons to be of the Council of State for the year ensuing, viz., Lieut. Gen. Cromwell, Lord Commissioner Whitelock, Lord Chief Justices St. John and Rolle, Sir Hen. Vane, Sir Arth. Hesilrigge, Thos. Scott, Herbert Morley, Dennis Bond, Wm. Purefoy, John Bradshaw, John Gurdon, Lord Commissioner Lisle, Valentine Wauton, Sir Jas. Harrington, Nich. Love, Sir Wm. Masham, Thos. Challoner, Robert Wallop, Sir Gilbert Pickering, Sir Peter Wentworth, Robert Goodwin, Fras. Allein, Col. Thomson, Walter Strickland, Sir Hen. Mildmay, Major-General Skippon, Lord Grey of Groby, Col. Algernon Sidney, Attorney-General Prideaux, Sir John Trevor, Col. Norton, Thos. Lister, Col. Ingoldsby, Sir Jno. Bouchier, Earl of Salisbury, Wm. Cawley, Sir Wm. Brereton, John Feilder, Wm. Say, and Major-General Harrison. [*1 page. Endorsed by Sec. Nicholas.*]

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3. The account of Mr. Carter, for his disbursements in the repair of the public houses (except Whitehall), referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

4. The petition of Gilbert Adderley, marshal in Coventry, referred to the Committee for Prisoners, to report with speed.

5. Order on the examinations taken by the Committee for Examinations in the case of Major Cobbett, that Council do not find any ill dealing in his furnishing the soldiers' clothes for Ireland.

6. To write the commanders of the Fairifax and Swan to fall down to Gen. Blake in the Downs, and receive his orders.

7. The Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes to take care of nine vessels, pretending to be Hamburgers, brought into the Thames by Capt. Robt. Sanders of the Assurance, to put trusty persons aboard them that bulk may not be broken, and to take care that proceedings be had in the Admiralty Court against the ships.

8. To write the Navy Commissioners to send in the Assurance frigate, and supply her defects, and speedily fit her for service, and to that end, to order her captain to bring her in to such place as they think fit.

9. The petition of Hendrick Martens, master of the Hope of Hamburg, referred to the Admiralty Judges, who are to proceed with the ship according to law and justice.

10, 11. The carrying of inland letters and of foreign letters to be managed by such only as Parliament, or any authorised from them, shall appoint.

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12. The Committee for Irish and Scotch Affairs, in pursuance of the order of Parliament and votes of Council, to consider how these offices may be managed, meet to-morrow morning thereon, and report with speed.

13. Col. Purefoy, Mr. Bond, Mr. Corbett, and Mr. Carew, to be a committee to examine Mr. Scott's account for intelligence, and report.

14. Audience to be given at Council to the Spanish Ambassador to-morrow at 5 p.m.; Fleming to give him notice, and attend him.

15. Order on the two reports of the auditors of imprests, of the accounts of Nich. Bond, for entertainment of the Danish, Dutch, and Portuguese Ambassadors, amounting to 784*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.*, that Council allow the accounts, and discharge him of that sum accordingly.

18. The charge of the horses of the Portuguese Ambassador, during the time he was entertained by Parliament, to be defrayed out of the exigent money of Council. [*I.* 35, *pp.* 109-112.]

Nov. 24. COMMITTEE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Day's Proceedings.

1. To report to Council that the paper from the Advice Committee, of 8 September 1652, should be referred to the Navy Commissioners, to return their opinion to Council.

3. Mr. Oxenbridge and the Commissioners for Prize Goods to acquaint Dr. Walker with the probability named by Oxenbridge in his letter to Council that some Holland ships are freed as being Hamburgers, and Walker to acquaint Council with the state thereof. [*I.* 131, *p.* 74.]

Nov. 25. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Note that the final resolutions of Parliament, upon the treaty between Parliament and John Guimaraes, are to be put into Sir Hen. Vane's report.

2. The Lord General to be desired to order some foot forces to march to Dover, Sandown, and Deal, to be ready to go on board the ships when ordered by Gen. Blake.

3. To write General Blake to give order for such men to go on board as he shall think fit.

4. The letter from Hamburg, concerning the business of Hólstein, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. The two letters from General Blake to be reported to the House, and they informed that as Blake's commission determines on 4 December, their pleasure is desired thereon.

6. The letter from the Navy Commissioners to Council to be reported to the House by Col. Wauton, as also the former order of Council.

7. Mr. Scott to report to the House the intelligence read this day to Council.

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8-10. The paper given in by the Spanish Ambassador referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to consider an answer, and report it to Council to-morrow; also to confer with the Admiralty Judges, Dr. Walker, and the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes thereon, who are to attend them to-morrow by 7 a.m., Walker bringing with him the papers which he received from the committee, and the committee to report on the whole to-morrow.

11. The information concerning priests and Jesuits referred to the Committee for Examinations.

12. The letter of Mr. Appletree from Oxford, informing Council of a robbery committed in that county, under pretence of a warrant from Council for searching a house for Col. Massey, referred to the said committee, who are to take a further account of that business, and prepare a warrant for searching for and apprehending the robbers.

13. — Chester, late prisoner at Deal, and now brought up to Council, referred to the said committee, to examine him, and report.

14. That committee to examine witnesses in the case of Mr. Cockayne and Mr. Mordant, and send for any person who can give testimony therein.

15. Mr. Cockayne, prisoner in the Tower, to be discharged, Council being satisfied, on the report from the said committee, with his acknowledgment of his offence against the law, by accepting a challenge to fight a duel, and his submitting himself to Council.

16. The letter of Lieut.-Col. Hunkin, from the Sorlings, with his petition and representation, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

17. Major Edw. Broughton to have his liberty on bail extended for two months longer. [*I. 35, pp. 113-116.*]

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67. Order in the Committee for Irish Affairs,—on the reference to them by Council on 24 Nov. of the business of the Post Office,—that it be proposed to those treated with concerning the inland post, that the rates shall not exceed, for single letters, to Ireland, *6d.*, to Scotland, *4d.*, to remote parts of England and Wales, *3d.*, and within 100 miles of London, *2d.*, and so proportionably for double letters.

That all public packets on extraordinary dispatches, letters of members of Parliament and Council of State, secretaries, clerks, or officers employed in public service under them, or their committees, or in any other service of public concernment, shall be carried free, and all incident charges for carrying and conveyance of letters through England and into Ireland and Scotland be defrayed by the persons who shall engage in this office.

That none shall be employed as postmasters but such as have manifested their good affection to the Parliament and commonwealth, and respect shall be had to those that are at present employed, to have the refusal of the employ, and that the committee will sit again to-morrow and Monday on this business. [*1 page; with several earlier orders relating thereto prefixed, all duplicates.*]

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COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENT TO CONFER WITH DEPUTIES FROM SCOTLAND. Day's Proceedings.

2. Order that—as for the better discharge of their trust, they should know the state of affairs in Scotland, and the practice and deportment of the people,—Mr. Scott request Major-Gen. Deane to correspond with him, and send him advices, which Scott is to communicate to the committee.

3. Order on Major Salwey's reporting the draft of the Bill for general pardon of the people of Scotland, and concerning confiscations, after debate thereon, that Whitelock peruse it, make such alterations as on this debate he thinks expedient, and report it on Wednesday at 8 a.m.

4. The committee to communicate to the deputies to-morrow the order of Parliament concerning false coins in Scotland, and to have a general conference with them on that business. Notice to be given to them and to the members of the committee, and to the latter of the Wednesday's meeting. [*I.* 138, *p.* 34.]

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Chelsea.

68. Sir Theodore de Mayerne to Viscount Conway. Advice touching treatment for the gravel, and for a sick horse. Receipt for red ink. As to the chances of war, I believe what Juvenal says, "*Nul-lum numerum abest si sit prudentia; nos te, nos facimus, fortuna, Deam, cœloque locamus.*"

I should be glad to be with you, but not to the prejudice of your health. In conversation one must fly all subjects of melancholy. A sick man cannot be gay; we cannot hinder children from growing, nor people from talking, but in these times, one should leave the mouth shut and the ears long and wide. If you have done with my Fiaravanti, please return it, as I want to refer to my marginal notes in it. Tell me how you are. [*French*, 2 *pp.*]

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London.

69. Myles Woodshaw to Viscount Conway. I have a dining room and 5 chambers on the same floor, which are ready to receive any person sent to me by you, and over them very good accommodation for servants. Mr. Baldwin came last Saturday, but as soon as Mrs. Martom knew of his being here, she came and got him to her house. I wish I could have had him, as I could have accommodated him almost as well as they. Mr. Savage has come to London; he is not so willing to oblige you as he was when he went out, but I will do my best endeavour to furnish you against the time. Any of your friends can make use of my house, so that you give me notice of it. [*1 page.*]

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COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. Sir Hen. Vane to present to the House to-morrow the estimate of the charge of the land and sea forces in the service.

2. To answer the petition of Col. Alex. Forbes that his desires are not proper for the cognizance of Council, the business now lying before the commissioners of Parliament in Scotland.

3. The Law Committee to confer with Council and Dr. Walker

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concerning the business of Hen. Shuter, and to put it in a way of effectual prosecution.

4. The letter from the Senate of Hamburg referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

5. The petition of Eliz. Heatlie, widow, referred to the Irish and Scotch Committee.

6. That of Nath. Manton, merchant, to the Admiralty Committee, who are to examine whether his desires be not contrary to any Act of Parliament, and give him license, if they see cause.

7. So much of the Dutch letters as gives the state of the Dutch fleet to be signified to Gen. Blake.

8. The letters of Capts. Daking and Purefoy, from the Humber, to be sent to Blake, and also the order of Parliament appointing him one of the Generals of the fleet for the year to come.

9. The Committee for Examinations to take bail of Mr. Fanshaw and Col. Grevis, for their appearance at Council 20 days after summons given them, at a place to be nominated in their bond.

10. The Admiralty Committee to prepare a commission for Gen. Blake, and bring it to Council next Monday.

11. The Committee for Examinations to take Capt. Bishop's accounts of his disbursements for gaining intelligence.

12. To send Appleboon's letter to be translated.

13, 15. The petitions of Joan London, and of John Freeman and Adam Jennings, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

14. That of Thos. Peers to the Irish and Scotch Committee, to report.

16. That of Sir Thos. Thomson to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and release him on security, if they see cause.

17. The proposals for the apprehension of some priests and Jesuits about town referred to the said committee.

18. Also the petition of Capt. Alex. Baine, Gilbert Moncraft, Lieut.-Col. Geo. Montgomery, James Lord Pasley, Lieut.-Col. Jas. Ogleby, Sir Wm. Keith, and Lieut.-Col. Patrick Johnson. [*I.* 35, *pp.* 116-119.]

Nov. 26. Order of the Council for Irish Affairs, that all public letters outwards, or public ministers' letters inwards, be carried free.

That the persons who will give in propositions for the inland and foreign letters shall present them in parts, one for the inland, another for the foreign, and a third for both jointly, and that this committee will receive such propositions on Monday next. [*Vol.* XXV, *No.* 67, *supra.*]

[Nov. 26.] Statement by Mat. Hale of the case of the postmasters:—Thomas Witherings and Wm. Frizell are, by grant from the late King Charles, foreign postmasters of England for their lives. Frizell, in consideration of 500*l.*, assigns his interest therein to Witherings, who afterwards assigns his interest in the office to Wm. Ellis and Mr. Jessop in trust, and makes his will, leaving issue one son, Thomas, and one

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daughter, Dorothy. By this will he gives all his lands, leases, and personal estate to Thomas, who died at the age of four years.

Query, whether the office is included in such gift, and if not, in whom the interest has been since the death of the testator?—Opinion, it includes the profits of the office.

Query. If in case his son dies before age, he appoints the whole estate to descend to his eldest brother's son William, whether the word descend does not make a fee simple in his eldest brother's son? Opinion,—It is an absolute inheritance in William.

Query, whether an office of trust be devisable, or whether Mr. Witherings having assigned his interest therein to others, had power to devise it?—Opinion, though the office be not devisable, yet being assigned in trust, the profits are devisable. [*Copies, 1½ pages, Vol. XXV., No. 66, supra.*]

[Nov. 26.] **70.** Reasons presented to the Committee for Postmasters, why the office should not be farmed:—

1. What is of public interest, if farmed, often becomes a great public grievance.

2. The postmasters who have served faithfully, and others who run post to Lynn, Yarmouth, &c. must be restrained, and will complain, as they did in 1642 to the late Parliament, which ordered them redress.

3. By farming, the pay of postmasters will be made so inconsiderable that they will grow careless.

4. The expectations of the people, now at this juncture so highly raised to hopes of ease and freedom, will be disappointed when they see new monopolies.

Suggestions for reducing the office into one channel, for easing the people, encouraging the postmasters, and raising money for the public:—

1. To declare it unsafe for private persons to erect post stages without licence.

2. To choose faithful persons on all the roads, and appoint a supervisor on each road.

3. To declare that you have appointed them postmasters, and give power to their controller only to sign labels for speedy conveyance of mails, and give them writs of assistance. Signed by Rob. Girdler and seven others. [*1 page.*]

Nov. 26. COMMITTEE TO CONFER WITH SCOTTISH DEPUTIES. Day's Proceedings.

1. The deputies being called in, Whitelock acquainted them with the report made to Parliament about the proportion of members for Scotland to sit in Parliament, and the time of their sitting, with Parliament's intentions thereon.

2. The Parliament order about false coins in Scotland was read to them, and a conference had thereon, and the deputies heard in what they had to offer for redress thereof; they then withdrew.

3. Several proposals made to the committee about the redress of false coins in Scotland were read and considered.

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4. Order on a petition of the English merchants and other inhabitants of Leith, that it be considered when any application shall be made to this committee concerning Edinburgh. [*I.* 138, *p.* 35.]

Nov. 26. Committee for meeting the Scottish deputies to the Commissioners for forfeited and confiscated estates in Scotland, at Leith. Westminster. By the Parliament order enclosed [of 29 Oct. 1652], you will perceive the reference to us of the petition of [Alexander] Earl of Leven about his estate. For our better execution thereof, we desire you speedily to state the fact about that estate, and its disposition, according to the tenor of the order. [*I.* 138, *p.* 33.]

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1. To inform the Navy Commissioners that Capt. Peacock remains at Harwich for want of a bowsprit, and that Council has ordered him to the Lee Road, where they are to take care he is supplied with what he may want.

2. To write Capt. Peacock to repair to Lee Road for a bowsprit, and bring with him what colliers are there, and also to order the Oak, Gillyflower, and Paul to come with him.

3. To write General Blake acknowledging his letter intimating his intention of going to sea, with which Council is satisfied, and has written for the State's ships at Portsmouth to repair to him immediately.

4. To write Mr. Willoughby at Portsmouth to hasten out the Speaker and other ships there to General Blake, and enclose him a warrant to all captains of ships, to repair forthwith with their ships to Blake. [*I.* 35, *pp.* 119.]

[Nov. 29.] **71.** Petition of Hen. Truelove, mariner of Ipswich, to Council, for the command of a good frigate in this war with the Dutch, being able to bring trusty seamen to man her, and to give security for performance of his trust. Has served as master of Ipswich ships 16 years, but sincerely desires to serve the public. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

Nov. 29. **72.** Reference thereon to the Admiralty Committee. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.* Also *I.* 34, *p.* 122.]

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3. Mr. Love and Mr. Burrell added to the committee appointed to receive Mr. Scott's account.

9. The extract of a letter from Mr. Hayward, clerk of the survey at Chatham, referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs.

10. To write the Navy Commissioners approving of their committal of the two mariners of the Reformation, and to give them power to release them; also to desire them to take the same course with any other refractory persons, and particularly with the chief of those of the Reformation, who still remain refractory, and refuse to go to their ship.

11. The Navy Commissioners to command the company of the Golden Fleece to repair on board, when they receive their money, for which Council has written to the Navy Committee.

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13. The letter of the Navy Commissioners, and their account of the ships appointed for the winter guard, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to give directions for their speedy fitting out.

14. The petition of divers English merchants and others referred to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, to report.

15. To write the Lieutenant of the Tower, recommending Wm. Tasbrough as warder, in the room of the one turned out for Massey's escape.

16. The petition of Thos. How, &c. referred to the Admiralty Judges, who are to use such force as the law allows, to make the parties perform the contract.

18. Lord Commissioner Lisle to present to the House the report of the committee appointed by Council, on an order of Parliament of 30 March 1652, to inquire into the state and condition of the family of Gualter Frost, late secretary to the Council of State. *Annexing,*

- i. *Report of the said committee. He left a widow, four sons, and two daughters; three of the sons are married, and have each a child, and one of the daughters is married, and has a son and four daughters, all living; the other son and daughter are in a marriageable condition, making 15 in all, and his own mother being 100 years old, died six weeks since.*

His estate, according to particulars brought to Council by Gualter Frost, his son, consisted of 2,000l. on the excise, which will not come in for some years; 2,000l. in the East India Company; 1,100l. in the Guinea Company; and 800l. in the Fens, in all 5,900l., of which sum some friends got him by way of trade, since he served the State, 2,500l., so that what he has cleared for 11 years, the time he was employed in the affairs of the State, amounts to 3,400l., and at his death, he did not leave above 20l. to bury him. The family can have no present relief out of the aforesaid sum, and the care for its improvement is taken away by his death.

As commissary of provisions in Ireland in 1642, he incurred a debt on the State's behalf of 4,490l. 2s. 6d. to Robert English and Alex. Finlaw, merchants, which is chargeable upon his executors.

His administratrix is sued in Chancery by Wm. Rouse, and Anne his wife, administrators of Wm. Westerby, for 320l. 14s., debt and damages due to Westerby for freight of the Endeavour of London, and for demurrage, primage, and average, while laden with provisions in 1642, and likewise by one Crowley, for freight of goods carried to the same service.

As there may be other debts contracted by him for the State, of which his relict knows nothing, the committee think Parliament should indemnify his relict, not only

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from these engagements, but from all contracts by him for the use of the State, and make provision for payment of such debts.

- II. *State of the debt owing by Archibald Hamilton, deceased, to Alex. Finlaw and Robert English, for which the executors of the late Gualter Frost stand engaged in a bond for 4,000l., in behalf of the commonwealth. Archibald Hamilton, late of Milburne, near Edinburgh, deceased, according to a contract made in August 1642 with the late Gualter Frost, then commissary of provisions for Ireland, delivered into the custody of Wm. Whittaker, deputy commissary of provisions for the north of Ireland, oatmeal, rye, and peas, value 2,964l. 6s. 6d., and laid out 15l. 16s. for landing and cellarage, and 50l. for demurrage, total 3,030l. 2s. 6d., of which Frost paid 540l., and entered into a bond in 4,000l. to make good the said contract. A warrant was issued by the committee then concerned upon the treasury at Guildhall for the balance, 2,490l. 2s. 6d., but before any part was paid, Parliament commanded all the treasuries at Guildhall to be employed for other uses, notwithstanding any warrants thereupon. The 2,490l. 2s. 6d. having been due since 1642, the single interest to March 1652 amounts to 2,000l., and the whole debt, 4,490l., is called upon by English and Finlaw, and is recoverable from Mr. Frost's executors, but is in right due from the State, for whose use it was contracted, and having been long owing, it is humbly expected by the creditors, who are much impoverished through the want thereof.*
- III. *Order in Parliament that Mr. Frost, commissary for Ireland employed by Parliament, shall have the protection and privilege of Parliament, be free from the arrest laid upon him, and discharged of the meane process.—10 May 1643.*

19, 20, 22. The petitions of several of the commissioners for stating the accounts of the soldiers in Ireland, of Mathew Ryder, and of Lancelot Tollson and Patience Ward, merchants of London, referred to the Admiralty Committee.

21. That of Lieut. Jno. Graham, &c., referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine him, and do therein as in like cases.

24. Robert English, merchant of London, having in Aug. 1651, had two trunks and books seized by the Militia Committee of London, which were brought to the Council of State, and thoroughly examined, and nothing having been found prejudicial to the State, Council have caused such trunks and books to be redelivered to him, and declare that there is nothing before them to render him obnoxious to law. [*I. 35, pp. 120–127.*]

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73. Charles Longland to the Navy Committee. I have taken bills of Cpts. Badiley and Appleton upon you and the Commissioners

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of Customs, payable to Geo. Smith, for the victuals and ammunition supplied to their squadron, which, with my expenses, amount to 383*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* I have freighted six ships at Leghorn, Genoa, and Venice, and hope to get as many more, all of which must have two months' pay, and as this will amount to 1,000*l.* each I shall draw 4,000*l.* or 5,000*l.* upon you next week. [1 *page.*]

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74. Order by Charles Longland to Capt. Gilbert Roope, to fit out his ship the *Mary* with 100 men, and with victuals, arms, and ammunition, to be employed as a man-of-war in the service of the State for 6 months, commencing 14 days after his commission enclosed, at 3*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.* a man monthly. If his company is under 100, the pay will be abated 45*s.* a man, but if he can make up the number to 140, the pay will be no less than 3*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.* As he serves the public, he must look upon the State as his paymasters, except for a month or two's pay which may be anticipated. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

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Report made to Council by Mr. Bond of the committee appointed for taking Mr. Scott's account. We find that he has produced vouchers and acquittances for every payment, and that on the balance he is debtor to the State 22*l.*; but because several agents employed by him, and now sending or sent forth, are in arrears, and are to receive sums due on the issue of their engagements, the whole sum of his account of 2,400*l.* for the last year being paid, it is offered to Council that Scott be discharged of this 22*l.*, and authorised to issue it to agents, as there is most cause, their acquittances given in to the clerk of Council testifying the receipt. [*I.* 35, *p.* 130.]

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Like report of the committee appointed for taking Mr. Frost's account. The total of his receipt for the Council's contingencies for this year is 64,071*l.* 9*s.* 10*d.*, but as the last 4,000*l.* is not actually received, but will be in a few days, the accountant cannot bring his account to an exact balance, or show his acquittances; but upon perusal of the warrants of Council directed to him, we find that when they are paid off, there will be little or no money in his hands; and as he has produced warrants for payment of the rest of the money, and receipts, it is offered that the Lord President sign his discharge for this year, which he may sign, though it be some days after the expiration of this Council, as it will require some time to pay out the last 4,000*l.* when received, and thereupon to balance the account, which we will take care to see performed. [*I.* 35, *p.* 130.]

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1. The Mint Committee to consider the proposition of Col. Downes for farthing tokens for the use of Chichester.

3. The Irish and Scotch Committee, in pursuance of an order of Parliament of 2 Jan. 1652, to consider where 200*l.* a year may be charged, to be paid to Wm. Ryley, for his employment in the office of records in the Tower.

4. The petition of Jas. Wemys, late General of the artillery of

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Scotland, referred to the Committee for Examinations, to examine and bail him if they shall see cause.

5. The Lord General to give order that—Cranston, prisoner at Morpeth, be sent in safe custody to Edinburgh.

6. The letters of Mr. Stannier to some of his friends in Flanders, reflecting upon Government, to be reported to the House by Col. Morley.

7. Mr. Stannier to be enjoined to attend the House to-morrow.

8. Order on report from the Committee for Examinations, of the cases of Robt. Douglas, Jas. Hamilton, Mungo Law, Jno. Smith, Andrew Authenlike, and Jno. Robinson, Scotch ministers, prisoners in the Tower, as also of Andrew Kerr, that they be discharged, and have liberty to repair to Scotland, demeaning themselves inoffensively towards this State and Government; warrants to be issued to the Lieutenant of the Tower for their discharge.

9. Order passing and approving the report on Mr. Scott's account.

10. Like order passing the report on Mr. Frost's account. [*I.* 35, pp. 128–131.]

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Phoenix
Naples Road.

75. Capt. Owen Cox to the Navy Commissioners. The Phoenix is arrived with a Dartmouth ship, laden with Newfoundland fish. The men plundering and drinking, at a feast held ashore, gave me an opportunity to man 3 boats, get aboard her, take possession of the steerage, cut the cables, and put to sea; 2 or 3 ships followed and fired, but we had only three men slain, one of whom was lieutenant of the Leopard, and five wounded, while the Dutch had 8 slain and 13 wounded, and some of the latter have since died of their wounds. Their men maintained their gun deck, plying small shot, 2 hours after we were under sail. [*1 page.*]

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76. Petition of John Shipley, master, and the wardens and corporation of the Pinmakers' Company of London, and of the pinmakers of England and Wales, to the Council of State, to recommend their sad condition to Parliament, which, for the preservation of trade, constituted a committee to examine and report on all grievances occasioned by evil-disposed persons who, from the distractions of the times, took occasion to do things destructive to the commonwealth.

On the publication thereof, petitioners, with many other trades, addressed the said committee, when all the objections and oppositions against petitioners were cleared, and the report of the committee transmitted to Parliament, but nothing has since been done for their relief. Understanding that power was given to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, petitioners addressed them, but cannot obtain any answer, nor can they be satisfied by their counsel that such committee is the proper one for the settlement of inland trade. [*1 page. See 6 Nov., p. 481, supra.*] *Annexing,*

76. 1. *Petition of the pinmakers to Parliament for confirmation of their charter; that the statute of 5 Eliz. cap. 7., against the importation of foreign pins, may be revived; and that power may be given to the company to search for and seize them.*

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The pinmakers' art has been anciently used, and is of great consequence, many thousands being employed therein. In 10 Eliz. the pinmakers were incorporated with the wireworkers and girdlers, but for want of knowing governors, the company then consisting of merchants, mercers, silkmen, &c., the artizans suffered exceedingly; for remedy thereof, the pinmakers were incorporated by themselves 3 Jas. I., and the charter confirmed 16 Jas. I.

Divers evil disposed persons left the jurisdiction, and made deceitful wares, and vended them out of the survey of the company, and a great quantity of foreign pins were imported and sold here, contrary to the Act, whereby the manufacture was almost lost, and the native artizans were ready to perish for want of employment, and the haberdashers and shopkeepers made a prey of them, by reason of their poverty, refusing to buy their pins but at their own price, which being so low, the pinmakers could not subsist.

For redress the late King, by his charter, 11 Charles, enlarged their jurisdiction to all England and Wales, and gave them power to make ordinances for the better governing their art,—which, being made with all care for the public good, were perused by the Lord Keeper, Treasurer, and Chief Justice of the Upper bench, and ratified under their hands and seals, according to the statute of 19 Henry VII.,—whereby the company were granted a seal to seal all papers of pins made here, so as to prevent the making of bad pins, and power given them to seize foreign pins. Notwithstanding this, the haberdashers and shopkeepers still connive at foreign trade, and by that and other indirect means (through the want of a confirmation of their charter by Parliament,) the commonwealth is daily cozened, and many thousands ready to perish. [1½ pages.]

Nov. **77.** Inventory of furniture, linen, &c. belonging to Capt. John Pearce, and acknowledgment by John Perrington that he has in his possession the said effects, and that he is engaged to deliver them up to such person as the captain shall appoint. [2¼ pages.] *An-*
nexing,

77. I., II. *Acknowledgments by Geo. Upsum that he is indebted to Capt. John Pearce 3l. 12s. 3d., and by William Perrier that he is indebted 1l., both sums payable on demand.—12 November 1652. [½ page each.]*

LETTERS and PAPERS relating to the NAVY.

Date.	From	To	Subject.	Refer- ences.
1651. Nov. 27	Abra. Woofe, clerk of the cheque.	—	Muste paper of the Fortune of Yarmouth, from 21 Feb. last	Vol. XVII. 110
Dec. 5	Admiralty Com.	—	Order that the Navy Commissioners attend on Monday, to confer about building two or three small nimble vessels, to ply amongst the flats and sands.	111
" 9	Robert Coytmor	Navy Com ^{rs}	To consider a letter from a gentleman residing at Malden in Surrey, complaining of damage to his property by men carting away timber by a horse way.	112
" 13	Capt. Rich. Badley, <i>Paragon, Downs.</i>	[Mr. Black borne.]	Is just sailing. Sends a letter to his wife; has written the Navy Committee	113
" 15	Admiralty Com.	—	Order that the Navy Commissioners allow timber for making three butts at Woolwich, for trial of ordnance by Gen. Blake and the Ordnance officers, and pay the workmen for making them.	114
" 16	Council of State	Navy Com ^{rs}	To order the Fellowship to be converted into a careeing hulk for the yards at Deptford and Woolwich, and to fit out the Greyhound for sea. [<i>Also L. 97, p. 26.</i>]	115
" 22	James Clarke	—	Contract for hire of the Concord of Yarmouth, 100 tons, for six months, at 150 <i>l.</i> a month	116
" 23	Robert Coytmor	John Hol- land.	Asks whether the Comrs. have given order for building the three small frigates, and if so, to whom, and whether out of the State's timber.	117
" 27	Col. Robert Blake, <i>Whitehall.</i>	"	To give order for paying off the <i>Tynlove</i> frigate at Portsmouth, and to fit her out for the summer guard.	118
1651?	John Simon	—	Note of Dantzic and Queensbury oars to be delivered at Deptford	119
"	Thos. King	—	Receipt for tallow from the Speaker, and request by Gen. Rich. Deane for payment if approved	120
"	Rich. Fearmes and Hen. Figgott.	Navy Com ^{rs}	Survey of provisions, some of which are unfit for use	121
"	"	"	from the Happy Entrance, biscuit and meat good, but fish bad	122
"	[Giles] Barrow	—	List of 29 ships of the winter and summer guard mustered in the Hope, 1650 and 1651	123
"	Lewis Ayres, clerk of the cheque.	—	Muster of the Robert pink employed between Harwich and Woolwich, April to Nov. 1651	124
1652. Jan. 2	Admiralty Com.	Navy Com ^{rs}	Have received from Gen. Blake the estimate for the summer guard, but want that for the Southern and West India ships, that the Council of State may present it to Parliament.	Vol. XXVII. 1
" 4	Thos. Wilkes, <i>Elizabeth prize, Holkham Bay.</i>	"	Has taken a Jersey man-of-war and two vessels of Leith and Boston, and delivered them to the Prize Commissioners at Yarmouth. Wants victuals.	2
" 5	John Owen	—	Bill for candles at 6 <i>s.</i> per dozen pound for the Speaker frigate, 22 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> ; with receipt of candles, and two letters ordering them, 19 and 27 Jan. 1651.	3-5

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	Refer- ences.
1652. Jan. 6	Col. Rob. Blake, <i>Whitehall.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	To victual the Cignet for 80, her service as convoy for Hull being important for trade -	Vol. XXVII. 6
" 10	Thos. Horth - Ordnance officers -	" Ordnance Com.	Contract for hire of the James of London, 347 tons, for eight months, at 317 <i>l.</i> a month - Samuel Lawes has been employed in the Ordnance Office in proving and oiling swords 20 days; his furber's salary was settled at 30 <i>l.</i> per annum; he has had 20 <i>l.</i> from the Council of State; his continuance in office is needless.	7 8
" 13	Col. Rob. Blake, <i>Whitehall.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Wants an order for 70 men for the Weymouth pink, the clerk of the check at Deptford refusing to enter more than 60.	9
" 14	Council of State -	"	If the Lady frigate and Golden Sun were victualled, as alleged, by Fras. Holt and Hugh Salis- bury, their accounts are to be allowed. [<i>Also I. 97, p. 64.</i>]	10
" 15	Col. Blake, <i>White- hall.</i>	"	Asks victuals for the Elizabeth, which conveys victualling crafts; also an account of victuals on the new contract at Harwich and Yarmouth.	11
" 21	Col. Rob. Blake, <i>Whitehall.</i>	"	To order the tallowing, calking, and victualling at Deptford of the Galliot hoy, that she may continue about Guernsey and Jersey; also payment of part wages, lest the men prove refrac- tory for want of clothes.	12
" "	" "	"	For payment of the wages of John Beale, boatswain of the Elizabeth frigate, stopped without cause; with letter from the captain, Jonas Reeve, to Blake, on his behalf, 12 Dec. 1651.	13, 14
" "	" "	"	Commends the petition of Abraham Hyatt and Wm. Kelly, discharged mariners, who have long served on the Swiftsure.	15
" 22	Thos. Gill, <i>Crookham Pitt.</i>	Customs' Comrs.	Complaint and depositions against John Pinne, for preventing by violence the search of his vessel, which was exporting money.	16, 17
" 26	John Woolvres -	"	Contract for the Mayflower of Sandwich, 100 tons, 6 guns, for six months, at 150 <i>l.</i> a month.	18
Feb. 3	Council of State -	Navy Com ^{rs}	To hire the Rebecca ketch as a man-of-war for six months. [<i>Also I. 97, p. 109.</i>] -	19
" "	" "	"	To order the building of two 20-oar shallops, and the repairing and fitting out of the Falcon, Sovereign, and Speaker for the summer guard. [<i>Also I. 97, p. 111.</i>]	20
" 4	Col. Rob. Blake, <i>Whitehall.</i>	"	Wants the Eagle, which has been long out, refitting at Deptford. The State should be eased of the charge of the Sun flyboat, taken prize by the Swiftsure in Ireland, and employed for 12 months on account of the army there.	21
" "	" "	"	Recommends — Fuller as clerk of the check in one of the ships taken up for convoy to New- foundland.	22
" 10	" "	"	Capt. Moulton is paying off the Lion prize. Is content that David Rogers take the place of Heyward, boatswain in the Unicorn, suspended for embezzlement.	23
" 19	" "	"	To hasten the fitting out of the Foresight at Woolwich, and the Nonsuch, Pelican, and Star -	24
" 21	Ordnance officers -	"	To certify when the frigate building at Ratcliff by Mr. Pett will be ready for her guns -	25

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	Refer- ences.
1652. Feb. 23	Admiralty Com. -	Navy Comrs ^s	To order a review of the defects of the Vanguard, Peter Pett, master shipwright at Deptford, conceiving the present proceedings in her repair much to her prejudice.	Vol. XXVII. 26
"	Jno. Hosier -	"	Contract for the Magdalen of London as a man-of-war, 194 tons, 20 guns, for six months, at 255 <i>l.</i> a month.	27
"	Capt. Robert Land- Col. Robt. Blake, <i>Whitehall.</i>	"	" Seven Brothers of London, 300 tons, 26 guns, for six months, at 310 <i>l.</i> a month -	28
"	Council of State -	"	To order six days' extra victuals for the Lily frigate at the Hope, as she is going with a convoy to Osend.	29
"	"	"	To give order to Mr. Tippetts, master shipwright at Portsmouth, to proceed with the building of a careening hulk for that port, 96 ft. by 38.	30
Mar. 1	Thomas Smith -	"	Contract for hire of the Crescent of London, 326 tons, 28 guns, as a man-of-war for six months at 345 <i>l.</i> per month.	31
"	William Bullock and Rich. Grumwell.	"	" Richard and Mary of Bristol, 240 tons, for six months, at 255 <i>l.</i> per month.	32
"	Admiralty Com. -	"	To resurvey the Concord of Yarmouth hired for the service, and if it is found that she can carry 17 guns instead of 10, to supply her accordingly, as petitioned by the merchants of Lynn and Yarmouth.	33
"	"	"	To pay off the crew of the Convert frigate, hired for the service and lately arrived at Portsmouth from Ireland. To add 10 more men each to the Recovery and Concord at Portsmouth.	34
"	Capt. John Crampe	"	Contract for the hire of the George Bonaventure as a private man-of-war, 239 tons, 20 guns, for six months, at 285 <i>l.</i> a month.	35
"	Thomas Smith -	"	" Lucie of London as a private man-of-war, 164 tons, 20 guns, for six months, at 330 <i>l.</i> a month.	36
"	Robert Wyard -	"	" Adventure of London as a private man-of-war, 257 tons, 24 guns, for six months, at 300 <i>l.</i> a month.	37
"	Capt. Thos. Jones -	"	" Ann and Joyce of London as a private man-of-war, 388 tons, 32 guns, for six months, at 350 <i>l.</i> a month.	38
"	Capt. Doughty Wor- mell.	"	" Merchant frigate as a private man-of-war, 200 tons, 24 guns, for six months, at 260 <i>l.</i> a month.	39
"	Gen. Robt. Blake, <i>Whitehall.</i>	"	To contract with John Price for the hire of the Rebecca ketch for Scotland, to supply the place of White's hoy, cast away.	40
"	Council of State -	"	When the Speaker is launched out of Woolwich dock, the Swiftsure is to be repaired, if fit. [<i>Also I. 97, p. 173.</i>]	41
"	"	"	The Sun prize at Portsmouth, lately employed on the coast of Ireland, is to be fitted for one of the summer guard. [<i>Also I. 97, p. 114.</i>]	42
"	Gen. Robt. Blake, <i>Whitehall.</i>	"	To bestow the usual gratuity upon Capt. Cadman, who rendered good service at the taking of Jersey, and complains that it is denied him.	43

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	Refer- ences.
1652. Mar. 5	Gen. Robt. Blake, <i>Whitehall.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	To order the victuallers to supply the <i>Lily</i> with extra victuals, as she is detained with her convoy by an easterly wind.	Vol. XXVII. 44
" "	" "	"	To give order for paying the crew of the <i>Elizabeth</i> frigate, now at Gravesend, but coming to Deptford, having been out six months, and for her refitting.	45
" 6	" "	"	To order 28 days' victuals for 80 men to be sent to the <i>Greyhound</i> in the <i>Hope</i> , she going as a convoy with some vessels bound for <i>Morlaix</i> .	46
" 8	William Fenn, <i>Lynn</i>	Col. Wauton	Account of brass ordnance at <i>Lynn</i> ready to be shipped for <i>London</i>	-
" 11	Adm. Com.	Navy Com ^{rs}	To hasten forth the <i>Ruby</i> , <i>Diamond</i> , <i>James</i> , and <i>Marigold</i> , and the three frigates that came in from the South, and also all the rest of the summer guard.	47, 48 49
" 12	John Sherwin	"	Contract for hire of the <i>Richard</i> and <i>Benjamin</i> , 300 tons, 26 guns, as a private man-of-war, for six months, at 310 <i>l.</i> per month.	50
" 15	Gen. Blake, <i>Chatham</i>	"	To order 10 supernumerary men to be added to the <i>Recovery</i> , <i>Concord</i> , and <i>Sun</i> prize, with provisions for them. <i>Capt. Stoakes</i> to be reimbursed for money expended in sails and rigging for his squadron. The <i>Briar</i> frigate, just come into <i>Portsmouth</i> very leaky, to be paid off and repaired.	51
" 18	Denis Bond, <i>Whitehall.</i>	"	Recommends <i>Henry Maybor</i> as prickmaster or clerk of the check in one of the merchant ships	52
" 20	Capt. Jas. Odey, <i>Mary ketch.</i>	-	Account for victuals received and issued since 15 Nov. 1651, certified by <i>Rob. Manley</i> and <i>Thos. Wilson</i> .	53
" 23	Col. Barkstead	-	Account of brass and iron ordnance and other stores in <i>Ludlow</i> , <i>Denbigh</i> , and <i>Chester</i> castles, and in <i>Stafford</i> and <i>Carnarvon</i> .	54
" 24	Robt. Coytmor	John Hol- land.	<i>Mr. Bond</i> again recommends <i>Henry Maybor</i> for a prickmaster's place in one of the ships about being taken up.	55
" 25	Gen. Robt. Blake, <i>Downs.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Returns a list of ships in the <i>Downs</i> and of those expected. Has ordered their commanders to take on board their extra men, and desires victuals for them at <i>Dover</i> .	56, 57
" 26	Capt. Robert Clarke, <i>Bristol.</i>	"	The ordnance and other habiliments of war for the <i>Reserve</i> are shipped into the lighters, but foul weather has prevented getting them on board. When that is done, will ply to <i>Portsmouth</i> .	58
" "	Gen. Robt. Blake, <i>Downs.</i>	"	To order payment of 4 <i>l.</i> to <i>Nicholas Wheatstone</i> , postmaster of <i>Deal</i> , for making fires for a year upon the beach, to give notice to the ships when any packet arrives.	59
" 28	" "	"	Will continue the <i>Entrance</i> and the four frigates with <i>Capt. Penn</i> abroad for two months longer, and has caused victuals to be ready at <i>Dover</i> . Has sent the <i>Victory</i> into <i>Lee Road</i> , and the <i>Nightingale</i> and <i>Nonsuch</i> ketch to the coast of <i>Suffolk</i> , to press men, being very short. Desires they will hasten away the <i>Sapphire</i> and others in the river.	60
Apr. 1	Council of State	"	To order the fitting out the <i>Fortune</i> lately taken by <i>Capt. Peacock</i> , as one of the summer guard. Damaged.	61

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	Refer- ences.
1652. Apr. 1	Gen. Robt. Blake, <i>Downs.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Will represent the condition of the Fairfax, Centurion, and Adventure as soon as he can. Damaged.	Vol. XXVII. 62
" 2	Council of State	"	To order the Navy Victuallers to provide only for 8,000 men instead of 10,000 formerly ordered -	63
" 5	Gen. Robt. Blake, <i>Downs.</i>	"	To order the refitting and victualling the Mary floeboat for six months, as she must be hastened back to Scotland; also to make allowance to Capt. Younger, her commander, late of the Convent- time. Damaged.	64
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, <i>Plymouth.</i>	"	The Marmaduke and Sampson have sailed from Plymouth to Portsmouth, with 100 barrels of powder and some shot from Vendennis Castle. The Fortune, being mended and victualled, will sail for Ireland, and the Lily is taking in her stores. Begs leave of absence to come to town on urgent private affairs.	65
" 7	Capt. Jno. Limbrey [Jun.,] and Anth.	—	Contract for hire of the Reformation of London, 444 tons, 36 guns, as a private man-of-war for six months, at 400 <i>l.</i> per month.	66
" 8	Peter Pett and Jonas Shish.	Navy Com ^{rs}	To order 52 Danzic oars for the two shallops building at Deptford and Horseydown - -	67
" 9	Council of State	"	Approve their contract with Peter Pett for building the frigates at Deptford, one of the dimensions of the Sapphire and another of the Diamond. Damaged.	68
" "	Capt. Henry Toope	"	Contract for the hire of Giles of London, 281 tons, 30 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 330 <i>l.</i> a month.	69
" 12	Capt. Jno. Sherwin	"	" Richard and Benjamin, 308 tons, 30 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 330 <i>l.</i> a month.	70
" "	John Whitworth	"	" Convert of Liverpool, 180 tons, 20 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 250 <i>l.</i>	71
" "	Capt. Jarvis Russell	"	" Katherine of London, 270 tons, 24 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 290 <i>l.</i>	72
" "	Capt. Zach. Browne	"	" Hercules of London, 480 tons, 34 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 410 <i>l.</i>	73
" "	Capt. John Cole	"	" John of London, 400 tons, 34 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 375 <i>l.</i> a month.	74
" "	Capt. Geo. Swanley	"	" Providence of London, 275 tons, 24 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 290 <i>l.</i>	75
" "	Capt. Jno. Jefferson	"	" Thomas and William, 444 tons, 36 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 400 <i>l.</i>	76
" "	Capt. Eustace Smith	"	" Richard and Martha, 500 tons, 40 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 490 <i>l.</i>	77
" "	Capt. Jno. Limbrey [sen.]	"	" Loyalty, 440 tons, 34 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 400 <i>l.</i> a month.	78

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1652. Apr. 12	Capt. Jno. Barker	Navy Com ^{rs}	Contract for the Prosperous of London, 600 tons, 44 guns, as a man-of-war for six months, at 565 <i>l.</i> a month.	Vol. XXVII. 79
"	Council of State	"	To contract for two ketches to serve on the coast of Scotland, under Major-Gen. Deane. [Damaged	80
"	Admiralty Com.	"	To order a survey of the galliot hoy at Portsmouth, by Capt. Moulton and Mr. Tippetts, and her fitting out.	81
"	Robt. Coytmor	"	To certify whether the Francis was bilged by neglect of the agents of the Collectors for Prize Goods; also to return the names of the two fire-ships at Portsmouth, that warrants may be issued for the appointment of their officers.	82
"	Council of State	"	To order the press-masters to discontinue pressing men out of outward-bound ships, the masters and owners having petitioned that the shipping is thereby endangered by the enemy at sea.	83
"	Admiralty Com.	"	To certify whether Wm. Young, late commander of the Tenth Whelp, has received his wages, and if not, what is due.	84
May 1	J. B. -	Mr. Smith	To pay off the remainder of the 1,200 <i>l.</i> due to Mr. Gaywood by warrant of 19 April last -	85
" 3	Rich. Alford	Navy Com ^{rs}	Contract for the hire of the Golden Dove, 251 tons, 24 guns, as a private man-of-war for six months, at 265 <i>l.</i> a month.	86
" 5	Gen. Robt. Blake, <i>Doctrs.</i>	"	To send provisions for the Southern fleet by the President frigate to Plymouth. To hasten the ketch to sea to check pickeroons on the coast, and to consider the demands of the carpenter of the Triumph for stores, &c. Damaged.	87
" 7	Commissioners for removing Obstruc- tions in the Sale of Lands, Worcester House.	"	To certify by whose warrant certain trees have been marked and felled for the use of the navy by Jas. Hogg, navy surveyor, at Beamond Hall, co. Herts, purchased by Col. Goffe and the officers and soldiers of his regiment. Damaged.	88
" 19	Robt. Coytmor	"	To attend the Admiralty Committee this afternoon on business of great importance. Damaged -	89
" "	" "	"	On behalf of Hen. Paekes, master of a small vessel, whose men have been pressed. -	90
" "	Major Bourne	"	Was in command of the Andrew to the date of his commission as Rear Admiral, viz., from 13 March to 19 May 1652. Damaged.	91
" "	Council of State	"	To certify as to the expediency of keeping the mariners on ships in the river on board wages -	92
" "	"	"	Have ordered the victuallers to distribute the victualing of the 1,000 men to be added to the 7,000 amongst the ports of London, Dover, and Portsmouth, in such proportions as the General of the fleet shall appoint.	93
" 20	Saml. Hewitt	-	Account of stores delivered to the carpenter of the Foresight, on her going to sea -	94
" 22	Robt. Coytmor	Navy Com ^{rs}	To certify whether they approve of Capt. Hadtock, junr., as master of the Resolution, which Peter Pitt reports now rigged and fitted, and taking in her victuals. To press and send 300 or 400 watermen to Chatham.	95
" "	Council of State	"	To survey all the provisions in the stores, and if found insufficient, to contract for a further supply	96

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1652. May 22	Council of State	Navy Com ^{rs}	To contract for two ketches to be employed off the Land's End, to warn English ships homeward-bound of the Dutch fleet, so that they may put into Plymouth.	Vol. XXVII. 97
" 23	"	"	To hasten down the gunners' and boatswains' stores for furnishing the fleet under General Blake	98
" 24	"	"	To order the hastening the Golden Dove and Convert, taken on for the summer guard, to sea	99
" 25	"	"	To order the fitting out the Old Warwick or Margold, as convoy to ships with provisions for Scotland.	100
" 26	Capt. Ant. Earning and Thos. Starling.	—	Certify the service of Step. Pearce as pilot of the Reformation, from the Downs to Harwich and back, 8-26 May.	101
" "	Council of State	Navy Com ^{rs}	To provide two fire-ships for General Blake, as the Dutch much rely upon their skill in that way of execution; also to impress the five merchant ships they refer to, and hasten the fitting out of the others.	102
" 27	—	—	Account of gunner's stores received on the Old Warwick frigate	103
" 29	Adm. Com.	Navy Com ^{rs}	Ask a list of the ships hired by them as private men-of-war, with their burthen, number of guns, and names of commanders.	104
" 31	Gen. Robt. Blake, <i>Downs.</i>	"	Recommends Joseph Titum as clerk of the check, in any of the merchant ships fitting out for the service.	105
" "	Council of State	"	To take off the restraint laid upon the Recovery, Dover Merchant, Angel, Mayflower, and St. Lucas, merchant ships in the Thames, and allow them to proceed on their voyage, the Council of State being satisfied with what their masters offer in their petitions.	106
June 1	Thomas Rivers	Navy Com ^{rs}	Account of carpenter's stores supplied to the Warwick	Vol. XXVIII. 1
" "	Robert Coytner	—	To report what merchant ship in the Thames is most ready for a voyage to Holland and back for the service.	2
" "	Council of State	"	To supply seamen required by Gen. Blake for manning the fleet	3
" "	Robert Coytner	"	To report what ship is ready in the Thames to carry Mynheer Nieupoort, one of the Dutch Ambassadors here, to Holland.	4
" 2	"	"	To stay the Old President in the Hope or Leo Road, that she may carry the Dutch Ambassador to Holland, Council being much troubled that there is not a ship ready.	5
" "	Richard Hart, Lan- rence Steele, and Geo. Cooper.	—	Contracts for timber in Clarendon Park, co. Wilts, value 6,096 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 1 <i>½d.</i> and 2,853 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> 9 <i>d.</i>	6, 7
" 4	Col. Christ. Whitecot	—	Account by John Harrison, gunner and storekeeper, of powder and shot remaining in store at the garrison of Windsor.	8
" "	Lieut. Saml. Larke and Robert Dohell, storekeeper.	—	Account of powder and shot in Plymouth Fort, the Island, and Mount Batten	9

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1652. June 4	Jos. Drake, store-keeper.	—	Account of powder and shot in the magazine of Kingston-upon-Hull and Southsea Castle -	Vol. XXVIII. 10, 11
" 5	Council of State	Navy Com ^{rs}	To take up four more ships and fit them as fire-ships; the Ordnance officers will supply materials. Also to give order for fitting out the Marmaduke, brought into Plymouth from Prince Rupert's fleet.	12
" 6	William Burton, <i>Yarmouth</i> .	"	To direct the Navy Treasurer to pay his bills of exchange in favour of Jacob Boeve and Hen. Church; also to give order as to buying 40 cwt. of hemp from France, of which he has the "nay-say," and as to taking up ships as victuallers.	13
" 7	William Morley	—	Account of powder and shot in the garrison of Arundel, co. Sussex	14
" [June 7]	G. Crompton	C.O.S.	" " in Tilbury Fort, with 20 barrels received from the Tower	15
" "	Phil. Jones	—	" " ordnance, powder, shot, &c. in the garrison at Cardiff	16
" "	Lieut.-Col. Geo. Joyce, governor.	—	" " powder, shot, &c. in the castle at Portland	17
" 8	Council of State	Navy Com ^{rs}	To report what guns, &c. are required by the merchant ships hired for the service	18
" 9	Robert Coytmor	"	To certify the names and condition of all the merchant ships hired	19
" 10	Council of State	Com ^r Peter Pett.	Send a warrant for Severne to be master of the Resolution, which is to go to the Downs to the General, who can put in another if he pleases.	20
" "	Capt. Jno. Taylor, <i>Chatham</i> .	Navy Com ^{rs}	Recommends John Littlejohn for employment	21
" "	—	—	Account of powder, shot, &c. in Carisbrook, Corves, and Yarmouth Castles, and Sandham Fort, Isle of Wight.	22
" 11	— <i>Plymouth</i>	—	Appraisal of the Marmaduke, certified 24 May 1854	23
" 12	Thomas Birch	—	Account of powder and shot in the castle at Liverpool	24
" "	Thos. Day, bricklayer	—	Bill received for repairing the range and furnace on the Fairfax	25
" 16	Hen. Condell	—	Account of boatswain's stores received and expended on board the James Admiral, between 7 May and 16 June.	26
" 17	Council of State	Navy Com ^{rs}	To give order for victualling three Dutch men-of-war that are being fitted out by General Blake, as also those on the coast of Scotland.	27
" "	John Owen, steward	—	Account of the crew of the Monseneit, and of the provisions received and expended from 6 May to 17 June 1652.	28, 29
" "	John Mildmay	—	Account of the provisions on board the Nonsuch frigate victualled at London for 160 men	30
" "	William Pickering	—	Inventory of carpenter's stores on board the Nonsuch on her going to sea, 22 April, and of those spent since.	31
" 18	Richard Hodges, gunner.	—	Account of stores received and remaining on board the Fairfax, from 20 October 1650 to 18 June 1652.	32

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1652. June 21	Robert Coytmor	Navy Com ^{rs}	Sends a list of the Scotch guard. Desires them to furnish Gen. Deane with a ketch; also to order the victualling of the ships on the Scotch coast at Hull, where there is enough for 1,000 men, and those about Dumbarton, the Frith, and Ayr, at Chester or Ireland, Liverpool being visited with the sickness.	Vol. XXVIII. 33
"	General Robt. Blake, <i>Dover Road.</i>	"	To order the revictualling of the Eagle frigate, sent with a convoy to the Thames	34
"	Jno. Falkener	—	Account of guns and gunners' stores on board the Anthony Bonaventure, with certificates of Chris. Pett, Jonas Shish, Thos. Scott, and Rich. Tyler, in relation thereto, 1, 9, and 17 March 1653.	35-37
"	[Sir ?] Chas. Coote, <i>Edlimate.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Capt. Cobbam has delivered the provisions at Galway. As he has rendered good service in reducing the enemies' holds there, recommends him for employment in some other ship or frigate.	38
"	Council of State	"	To see that the merchant ships in the river taken up for service are sufficiently manned, and hastened to Sir Geo. Ayscue in the Downs; the commanders of the Vanguard, Success, and Pelican, have received orders to hasten thither. Also to attend the Ordnance Committee as to supplying guns.	39
"	"	"	To give order for victualling the Sovereign and furnishing her with stores, that she may be hastened to the fleet.	40
"	"	"	To contract with Alderman Gore and Mr. Harrington for 50 tons of Riga hemp, which they offer at 10s. per cwt. less than the market price. Send an order to enable them to import hemp for the service, in fulfilment of their contract.	41
"	Capt. Anth. Young, <i>Worcester.</i>	"	To sign a ticket for the wages of William Holland as gunner of the President, from 3 July 1651 to 3 Jan. 1652, when he was put on shore at Portsmouth by Capt. Moulton, for falling out with the boatswain, but is now yeoman of ber powder room.	42
[June] " "	John Rockwell Council of State	Navy Com ^{rs}	Account of stores left in the Triumph by Thos. Jacobs, 3 June, and of what is since expended the river taken up for the service.	43 44
"	Thomas Newberry	"	Account of iron shot and stores at Portsmouth, brought from Southampton	45
"	Adm. Com.	"	To certify whether it will be convenient to allow the Little President 90 men instead of 80, and the Blyer 70 instead of 60, they being appointed for the summer guard.	46
"	Council of State	"	To issue a warrant to Capt. Stephen Rose, appointed to command the Convert at Hull lately taken from the Dutch, to impress men, and to order the victuallers at Hull to victual her for four months.	47
"	"	"	To return a list of the Dutch men-of-war lately taken, what guns and men they can carry, and where they are.	48
"	Robert Coytmor	"	To order the clerk of the check to enter 60 men, engaged by Capt. Nixon, on board the Antelope	49
"	John Tippetts, Eras. Lucas, and William Beard, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	"	Have surveyed the galliot hoy, which is more fit to transport timber than to be employed as a man-of-war.	50

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1652. July 14	Capt. Robt. Clarke, <i>Ausate.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Has delivered the artillery at Galway, revictualled for six weeks, and intends plying along the Irish coast to suppress pirates. The Providence, Expedition, and Sun have been tallowed and supplied with necessaries, and John Chudleigh has drawn three bills, amounting to 63 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> , which he desires may be paid.	Vol. XXVIII. 51
" 17	Council of State -	"	To send the names of three persons, that the Council of State may select one as master of the Sovereign.	52
" 20	Robt. Coytmoor -	"	To attend the Admiralty Committee about a report touching two orders from the Council of State	53
" "	Council of State -	"	To send a list of the number of men to be put on board the ships fitting out; 20 volunteers, able seamen, are to be taken on board the Sovereign for her greater security, one half of whom are to receive masters' and the other half mates' pay, and Capt. Read will command her.	54
" 21	" -	"	To give order for fitting out the Peter of Rotterdam and the Golden Lion of Middleburg, Dutch prizes, for the service. Have desired the Navy Committee to contract with the victuallers for supplying 829 men for six months.	55
" 30	-	-	Account of carpenter's stores wanted for the Resolution - - - - -	56
Aug. 3	Gilbert Keate, John Crowder, & Co.	-	Depositions of several persons on their claim to the Marmaduke, which was taken by Prince Rupert off Alicaut, on her voyage from Russia to Leghorn, 1 Nov. 1650, but was freed by her company and brought to Plymouth, where she now is.	57
" 5	Council of State -	Navy Com ^{rs}	To order the fitting out the Peter, Golden Lion, Oak, Hound, Advantage, Fortune, Marmaduke, and Falmouth as men-of-war; have directed the Collectors for Prize Goods to deliver them up, with all their guns, tackle, &c.	58
" 9	Nath. Andrewes and Thos. Alderne, vic- tuallers.	"	Ask insertion in their contract of warrants to take up ships and vessels, and to demand help in carrying provisions to Hull, Boston, Yarmouth, Harwich, Ipswich, Dover, and London, for 12,000 men for 28 days, which they are to supply at 8 <i>sd.</i> per man per day, to be paid in six months after delivery. With exceptions to the proposed contract.	59, 60
" 12	Council of State -	"	To appoint press-masters to attend at the Trinity House on Saturday, to choose and impress 800 men for the Sovereign and Antelope, as the committee of the Trinity House have orders to summon all mariners by beat of drum to appear at that time.	61
" "	" -	"	If the petition of the wife of the surgeon of the Nightingale be true, advance her 5 <i>l.</i> on account of her husband's wages.	62
" 13	Robert Coytmoor -	"	To see that two mariners, sent up as prisoners by Capt. Read of the Sovereign, are secured and punished.	63
" 19	Council of State -	"	Send a letter from the Mayor of Lynn, with a list of the seamen impressed there, of whom they are to dispose as they have need. Capt. Read of the Sovereign must be supplied with oatmeal, sugar, and spices for the sick.	64
" "	" -	"	Enclose an order to the Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes, to deliver provisions mentioned; ask when the ships last appointed will be ready to sail.	65

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1652.				Vol. XXXVIII.
Aug. 20	Council of State	Navy Comrs	To take up 8 or 10 boats to attend the Sovereign, so as to prevent her being fired	66
" 25	Capt. Robert Moulton, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	"	Sends certificate of the survey of the <i>Clare</i> galliot hoy, and estimate of the charge of refitting her, either for a man-of-war or to carry timber. Desires order as to some ground for a rope-yard at Portsmouth. Six ships have arrived at Portsmouth to wash, tallow, and revictual, for reinforcing Sir Geo. Ayscue's fleet.	67
" 30	Jno. Thurloe	"	Sends an order of Council for procuring seamen for the fleet in the Downs at 20s. per head, in lieu of press and conduct money.	68, 69
" 31	Thomas Paulson, <i>Yarmouth.</i>	"	Has lain in Yarmouth Roads since the 22nd, expecting orders by the Lion; when she arrives, will sail towards the Eastland. The Colonel has taken 30 of our men, but we have pressed fresh ones.	70
Sept. 2	Council of State	"	To appoint 130 men to the Peter prize, commanded by Capt. Wm. Parctoy	71
" 3	Navy Comrs.	Adm. Com.	Mr. Cole and Major Bull have provided for the relief of the sick and wounded at the Isle of Wight	72
" "	Geo. Jones, <i>Plymouth</i>	Navy Comrs	Sends accounts for supplies to ships at Plymouth; desires payment to John Moore and Thos. Jones, his brother.	73
" "	Council of State	"	They are not to pay the soldiers employed in ships, as that will be done by the Treasurers-at-war, but to see that they are supplied with hammocks, clothes, &c. Also to send the names of two boatswains for the frigates building at Deptford, and to supply timber from Windsor Forest for finishing them.	74
" 4	Capt. Peter Motham, <i>Star Whitepool</i>	"	Has arrived from Hull at Whitepool, where the rest of the northern squadron are waiting the arrival of Capt. Peacock, their present admiral.	75
" "	Capt. Robert Moulton, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	"	The six ships sent into Portsmouth by Gen. Blake to revictual, &c. have sailed to Sir Geo. Ayscue, but very badly manned, as many of the crew have run towards London. The building of the great frigate progresses, but it wants deals and masts, as also a painter. Asks orders as to the <i>Clare</i> galliot hoy, and the ground for a ropewalk.	76
" 5	Fras. Allen, <i>Hull</i>	"	Begs payment to Francis Watson of his account of 15 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> for washing, tallowing, and revictualing his ship, ordered to attend the squadron under Capt. Peacock.	77
" 6	Capt. Nich. Read, <i>Sovereign</i> , <i>cap. Dungeness.</i>	"	Recommends Thos. Stratton, master of a ketch that brought cables from Chatham for the Sovereign, for additional allowance, for following him from the Lee Road to Dungeness.	78
" 7	Peter Pett, <i>Chatham</i>	"	Asks an order for provisions demanded by the storekeeper at Chatham; also that 50 mariners may be impressed for the <i>Fairfax</i> and <i>Happy Entrance</i> .	79
" "	Capt. Pestle, <i>Satisfaction</i> , <i>Leith Road.</i>	"	The Major-General having ordered the Satisfaction to keep out until next summer, and to go to Newcastle to be graved, desires a supply of stores, and six months' pay.	80
" "	Capt. John Soaman, <i>Fox</i> , <i>Plymouth Sound.</i>	"	Has arrived with the ordnance from Chester for the Tower, but the inhabitants would not send teams to draw down those from Liverpool Castle to the water-side, the sickness being so lately in the town. Met Sir Geo. Ayscue and his fleet, and is kept to go with him.	81

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1652. Sept. 8	Council of State	Navy Com ^{rs}	To treat with others than the victuallers on better terms for victualling 8,000 men for the winter guard; send a list of the ports where the 3,000 men's victuals are to be provided. Their letter concerning money will be reported to Parliament, and that concerning the Fairfax, Centurion, considered. With note of the ports.	Vol. XXVIII. 82, 83
"	Geo. Pley, <i>Weymouth.</i>	"	For payment of 10 <i>l.</i> to Thos. Weaver, for disbursements for sending out two scout boats from Weymouth.	84
"	John Franckland, <i>Yarmouth.</i>	"	Arrived with 21 sail, 15 of which were left at Wells, and six brought to Yarmouth; were chased several times by Flemings and Hollanders, but escaped after spending some shot. Is bound for Harwich to wash and tallow, and wait further orders.	85, 86
"	Capt. Robert Moulton, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	"	Will send the survey of the Dutch ships lately taken and brought into Portsmouth and Cowes. Thanks for their promising to move the Council of State respecting the galliot hoy, and the ground for the ropeyard. Blackledge has arrived with provisions from Deptford, but left the masts at Dover, which Coleclike could bring if ordered.	87
"	-	-	List and note of merchant ships to be taken up for the winter guard, with their captains and number of men and guns.	88, 89
"	Robert Coytmor	Navy Com ^{rs}	To certify what sum will be requisite for paying off the State and merchant ships now in the service.	90
"	Commissioners for Dutch Prizes.	"	For repayment of 4 <i>l.</i> paid for piloting the Seven Brothers, as convoy to eight prizes sent to London.	91
"	Peter Pet, <i>Chatham</i>	"	To sign the warrant for impressing men for the Fairfax and Happy Entrance	92
"	Geo. Price and Thos. Corbett, <i>London.</i>	"	For a convoy to their ships outward and homeward bound, the North Seas being infested with Dutch men-of-war.	93
"	Roger Grainger, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	"	For the same privileges and allowances as his predecessor, as boatswain of Portsmouth Dock-yard.	94
"	Robert Coytmor	"	To attend the Admiralty Committee, to confer as to building 30 frigates lately ordered, and as to the petition of the surgeons.	95
"	"	"	To send an estimate of the whole charge of the fleet that is to be paid off by order of Council.	96
"	Commissioners for Dutch Prizes.	"	For an account of the guns and ammunition received out of the Dutch prizes, at Chatham or elsewhere.	97
"	Council of State	"	To survey all Dutch and French ships taken prize, and certify how many can be fitted out as men-of-war for the winter guard, in lieu of some of the merchant ships ordered.	98
"	Thos. Green	"	To hasten down the furnaces, guns, &c. for the Hoand and Fortune, and not to pass the bill of exchange for provisions out of the prizes there, as they have not been delivered according to contract. Is in great want of men and money.	99

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1652. Sept. 16	Capt. Robert Wyard, <i>Harwich.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Was ordered by Capt. Ball to stay in Yarmouth Roads for some vessels in Yarmouth Haven, but they could not get out through contrary winds. Intends to tallow and re-victual at Harwich. Asks a letter of credit for his impress money.	Vol. XXVIII. 100
"	William Burton, <i>Yarmouth.</i>	Smith & Thomson.	Neither the Bunch of Blackberries, the Hope, nor the Star of Rotterdam, are fit to be converted into men-of-war.	101
"	Capt. Edw. Barrett, <i>Lilly.</i>	J. Holland	Has been ordered by Gen. Blake to take charge of the Hunter, a French frigate, and shift his company of 50 men, but as she carries 24 pieces of ordnance, wants more men, and an order for victualling.	102
"	Capt. Robert Wyard, <i>Ipswich.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Has received their order for re-victualling his ship, and sent up Mr. Franklin for two months' impress.	103
"	Capt. Robert Clarke, <i>Reserve, Dublin Bay.</i>	"	Landed the Commander-in-Chief at Passage with the rest of the officers; also the 49,000 <i>l.</i> The General went for Kilkenny. Desires some stores may be sent for the ships on the Irish coast.	104
"	Council of State	"	To order the repair of the Swiftsure, and the fitting out of the Fairfax, Entrance, Centurion, and Adventure, as part of the winter guard.	105
"	John Green, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	"	Two of his family died last week, and his master this morning. The Worcester, Laurel, Sapphire, and the three Dutch prizes, Princess Maria, Arms of Holland, and Dolphin, have come in to be refitted; the Fox has brought in some brass guns from Chester for the Tower; as she is to be paid off and fitted for the winter guard, the storekeeper of the ordnance here will take charge of them.	106
"	Capt. Nich. Read, <i>Sovereign, Downs.</i>	"	Particulars of his voyage with the fleet under General Blake from the Dowas to France and back. The two snacks and shallop ordered to attend the Sovereign have neglected their duty, and left the Downs.	107
"	Rich. Field, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	Rob. Thompson.	Details of embuzement on board the Dutch prize Dolphin. Begg to be exchanged to some other frigate.	108
"	William Neale, <i>Plymouth.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	The 100 <i>l.</i> received of Mr. Jennings at Falmouth not sufficing to supply the Falmouth frigate, was furnished with the rest by Anthony Skinner; has given him a bill for 111 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> Desires they will pay it.	109
"	Samuel Windis, <i>Chester.</i>	"	Capt. Legard, of the Nicodemus, has arrived, and having been out nearly two years, is in great want.	110
"	Capt. John Taylor, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	"	As no progress has been made towards his dispatch, being prevented by the rains, and the spring tide being lost, thinks his ship should now be careened, if Mr. Tippets thinks fit.	111
"	Council of State	"	To contract for the re-hire for three months of the Elizabeth ketch, employed in conveying provision ships from the coast of Essex and Suffolk to the Thames.	112
"	"	"	To contract with the owners of the merchant ships now in the service for their hire to the end of October, as also for any needed for the winter guard. To see that the wants of the fleet in the Downs are supplied with speed.	113

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1652.				Vol. XXVIII.
Sept. 27	Robert Coytmore	R. Hutchin- son, Navy Com ^{rs}	To send a list of the widows whose husbands served in the John, lately paid off.	114
"	Richard Newberry, <i>Swan, Dover Pier.</i>		Was bringing up his ship to Chatham, but the Flemings approaching so near the Downs, prepared to go to the General there, was prevented by foul weather, and will now bring up his ship to her place. With Order of Council, 21 Sept., to bring the Swan to Chatham; and certificate, 22 Aug., that Susan Ball entertained Edw. Crouch, carpenter of the Swan, when he fell sick on 10 Aug. 1652	115-117
"	Thomas Bartram	"	Certificate that there is not hemp in the storehouse at Woolwich to make the ropes ordered	118
"	Jonathan Hide, <i>Dover.</i>	"	The Hound frigate is nearly fitted, and as soon as she receives her sails, guns, and stores will be ready to sail. Seamen are very scarce, and unless ordered from the ships coming in, she will be weakly manned.	119
"	Capt. Rich. Badiley, <i>Leghorn.</i>	—	Sends copy of an agreement between Charles Longland, agent at Leghorn, and John Wood, for the hire of the Peregrine for the service for six months.	120
"	Capt. Nich. Read and three other officers, <i>Sovereign.</i>	—	Depositions of John Thomas and others as to complaints made against Capt. Thos. Taylor, master gunner, for want of powder, when engaged with the Dutch fleet.	121-23
"	Roger Marten, <i>Diamond, Catwater.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	To pay 58 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> to Anthony Skinner, for provisions supplied to him; also to send down cables, sails, and masts.	124
"	Capt. Fras. Tainell, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	Rob. Quaitmore	For an order to Mr. Tippets to supply him with caulkers and carpenters for refitting the Francis, hired for service; also for payment of arrears due on his contract with Capt. Moulton.	125
"	Geo. Dickens, <i>Advice, Hoveley Bay.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	For a supply of anchors and cables, having lost those he had on the Goodwin, while looking after the Dutch fleet in the Downs.	126
"	Rich. Dermott, <i>Westchester.</i>	"	Sends muster books; the Lucy, Nicodemus, and Primrose, have all arrived from Ayr, and the Nicodemus has returned thither, with more provisions. Details of ships. The victualer has been constrained to pay the seamen in harbour their short allowance, on account of their tumultuous carriage.	127
"	John Green, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	"	Repairs of ships. The Fortune fire-ship has arrived at Spithead from Plymouth	128
"	John Bowen	"	Receipt of 5 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> on an order of Gen. Rob. Blake of 20 Sept., for expenses in attending a Flemish captain, sent by Tromp to the Council of State.	129
"	Council of State	"	To order the repair at Harwich of the Advice frigate, damaged in a storm while engaged by Gen. Blake in gaining intelligence.	130
Oct. 1	Capt. Thos. Wilkes, <i>Elizabeth prize, Dover.</i>	"	For directions as to paying off or re-victualing his ship, having been ordered into Dover by the General who is off the North Foreland. The Dutch fleet have run away in terror.	131
"	Capt. Hen. Hatsell and Geo. Strelley, <i>Plymouth.</i>	"	For an order for unloading cordage, &c. in the Marie of Plymouth	132

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1652. Oct. 2	John Green, <i>Ports- mouth.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	The Sapphire, Laurel, and Worcester, and the three Flemish ships, will be careened and ready for sea next week.	Vol. XXVIII. 133
"	John Tippetts, <i>Ports- mouth.</i>	"	To like effect. Note of stores required, as there will be much business this winter. Wants an order to purchase some deals just arrived.	134
"	Capt. John Pearce, <i>Providence, Cork Harbour.</i>	"	Has put in, being damaged in a storm, and wanting clothes and provisions. Details of ships. There are only two or three pickeroons on the Irish coast, but they cannot be taken without assistance.	135
"	Capt. Phil. Holland, <i>Cignet, Downs.</i>	"	Wants a cable, having lost his in a storm, and a boat, oars, and mizen-mast, lost in an engagement with the Dutch.	136
"	John Taylor, <i>Chat- ham.</i>	"	Account of survey of ships. Wants timber and other necessaries	137
"	Giles Barrow, <i>Gravesend.</i>	"	Has been on board all the ships in the Hope. When Capt. Bodily comes up as ordered, there will be only the Peter, Charles, and Richard and Benjamin. Sends a note of what they can carry.	138
"	Capt. G. W. Dakins, <i>Advice, before Harwich.</i>	"	Will haul on shore to-morrow to clean and take in three months' provisions. Capt. Wiets has lent him a cable.	139
"	John Bonner, <i>Ply- mouth.</i>	"	Wants cables, ammunition, &c. for the Marmaduke, ordered to ply westward	140
"	Capt. John Sherwin, <i>Primrose, Liver- pool.</i>	"	Wants pay, clothes, and necessaries for his sick and naked men, being kept out by an order of the Council of State, on account of a company of barking whelps that mind their prey more than the welfare of their dam; hopes he may not hang like Mahomet's tomb, or between hope and despair, for want.	141, 142
"	Robert Coytumor	J. Holland	Asks what course has been taken for supplying the Satisfaction and Falcon, and other vessels on the Scotch coast, with stores, that they may answer Gen. Deane's desires.	143
"	Capt. Rob. Clark, <i>Reserve, Waterford Bay.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Having spent his fore topmast, has put into Waterford to mend it, and will get a new one at Kinsale. Hears the Tenth Whelp and Expedition have had new mainmasts, &c., and hopes that bills drawn on the Navy Treasurer will be paid.	144
"	Wm. Purefoy, <i>Peter, The Hope.</i>	Mr. Barrow	Note of provisions that he can receive on board. With note by Giles Barrow of what the Charles, and Richard and Benjamin, can stow.	145
"	Robt. Thomson,	Navy Com ^{rs}	Has gone down to see the defects of the fleet, and endeavour their supply, but there are no pro- visions in the stores. The Sovereign wants a mainyard, and the Vanguard a cable.	146
"	John Greene, <i>Ports- mouth.</i>	"	All the ships fitting out have been washed and tallowed, and are off the ground, and the Sapphire and Laurel are taking in victuals. The General has sent to the captains to hasten to the Downs, but the Dutch prizes will take some time longer. The master shipwright has taken off all the men building the new frigate to assist in fitting out the others. Has paid off the Fox, and will proceed with the Worcester and dockyard.	147

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1652. Oct. 9	John Tippetts, <i>Portsmouth</i> .	Navy Com ^{rs}	The six ships in harbour have been graved, and are fitting out, and the work on the three frigates performed. The three Dutch prizes have been allowed 390 men, viz.: Princess Maria, 150; Holland Arms, 120; and the Dolphin, 120. Wants men from London, also a press warrant, and stores, as none are to be had but for ready money.	Vol. XXVIII 148
"	Thomas Marriott, <i>Bristol</i> .	"	Wants an order to re-victual there, as it is not to be done at Kinsale or Cork, where he was ordered to go by General Fleetwood and Capt. Clarke.	149
"	St. John Steventon -	"	Sends accounts of Eastwood and others for timber, &c. delivered into the stores. Wants an order to put the three Dutch prizes into petty warrant.	150
"	Saml. Betts, <i>the Falmouth</i> .	"	Has captured a Flushing man-of-war and her prize, laden with sugar and Brazil wood, and brought them into Falmouth. Has served the State as a master in Sir Geo. Ayscough's fleet for two years, and been in the service for five years; desires the command of the said frigate.	151
"	Ordnance officers -	"	Ask a list of the ships appointed for the winter guard, that they may make timely provision -	152
"	Geo. Strelley, <i>Plymouth</i> .	"	The Mary hoy, with the provisions, has not arrived. Has furnished the Marmaduke with cables, cordage, mainmast, and sails; she wants powder, which he could supply at 5 <i>l.</i> per barrel. Has sent up a bill for 200 <i>l.</i> on account of the Marmaduke. The Falmouth frigate has taken a Dutch man-of-war of six guns, and her prize, a Portuguese.	153
"	Thos. Greene, <i>Dover</i>	"	The Hound and the Oak have left Dover for the Downs; sends up their muster books. Will hasten to the Fortune. The Advantage has come in to be refitted, as also the Dutch prizes formerly employed as men-of-war. Desires money by the wagons who come twice a week, and will bring it for 3 <i>s.</i> the 100 <i>l.</i> insured.	154
"	James Puttifford -	-	Master of the Rebecca ketch, from 20 Mar. to 14 Oct. 1652. Total wages due, 178 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 5 <i>d.</i>	155
"	Peter Pett, <i>Chatham</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Will send two boys with cordage for the fleet in the Downs forthwith, but the masts and yards will not be ready for some days. The Entrance will soon be ready; the Fairfax is waiting for her victuals, which the victualers ought to send down.	156
"	Rich. Langford, <i>Burlington</i> .	And. Ball	Wants an order for victualing if kept out, being appointed to the Elizabeth, to secure the trade of the North coast.	157
"	Thos. Paule, <i>Burlington Bay</i> .	Navy Com ^{rs}	Has arrived from the Eastland. The King of Denmark detained the ships, and the Antelope went ashore on a bay near the Holmes at Yealand, and was lost. Has taken a Dutch dogger boat of 50 tons, called Peter Green.	158
"	Capt. Phil. Holland, <i>Cygnets, Downs</i> .	J. Smith	Asks a cable, having lost his in a storm before he engaged with the Dutch fleet. The General has sailed westward with the fleet.	159
"	Fras. Barham, <i>Hambur</i> .	Navy Com ^{rs}	Has arrived with nine dogger boats, one of which belongs to Holland, and has 10.5 barrels of cod and ling. Supposes they have heard of the loss of the Antelope, as ill news goes fast.	160
"	Thos. Sandford, <i>Humbermouth</i> .		Capt. Sandford and Coll had an engagement with three Holland men-of-war, but were stopped by the night.	

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1662. Oct. 17	Rich. Johnson, <i>Com- vert.</i>	NavyCom ^{rs}	The vessels with the gunners stores for the fleet having arrived at Tilbury Hope, I shall convoy them and the other vessels laden with provisions to the fleet.	Vol. XXVIII, 161
"	Hen. Maber, <i>Fort- smouth.</i>	—	As the George Bonaventure is ordered to Portsmouth to fit for the winter guard, sends up his muster books to be compared with those of Mr. Kemmer, his predecessor.	162
"	Thos. Adams, <i>Paul, Humber, near Hull.</i>	R. Coytmor	Asks an order to re-victual, being ordered by Capt. Peacock to convoy some ships thence to Lon- don.	163
"	Saml. Windis, <i>Ches- ter.</i>	NavyCom ^{rs}	Certificates of the services of Corporal Wm. Jellit and Lancelet Bold, minister, omitted when the muster was taken.	164
"	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, <i>Plymouth.</i>	R. Thom- son.	Major-Gen. Desborow is willing to land the provisions out of the hoy. The Hunter frigate requires a sheet cable therefrom. She has brought in a ship from France with salt, brandy, wine, and two horses which they pretend belong to the Prince of Conde. The service much requires one of you here.	165
"	Capt. John Taylor, <i>Chatham.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Has surveyed the Mermaid, and finds she may be dispatched at once; but if she is to have a deck built, will require a warrant. The provisions desired have not been supplied, and there is a great want of plank and deals.	166
"	Rich. Hill	R. Thom- son.	Begs an interview for Capt. Nich. Lucas, commander of the Society frigate at Deptford	167
"	Robt. Coytmor	Navy Com ^{rs}	The petition of the mariners of the Adventure against Capt. Wyard was recommended to them by the Council of State, and the Admiralty Committee has transferred their letter and the papers to the Council of State.	168
"	Arthur Hawkes, <i>Mayor of Harwich,</i> and four others.	—	Certify that although Capt. Wyard offered to pay the mariners of the Adventure two months of their arrears, and enter into a bond for the remainder, they deserted the ship, and thus occa- sioned her long stay in the harbour.	169
"	Capt. Fras. Willough- by, <i>Fortsmouth.</i>	R. Thom- son.	Repairs of ships. The Dutch prizes cannot go forth for want of provisions. The room at the yard will not hold the stores of ships in harbour, and thus the State must suffer.	170
"	Thos. White, <i>Dover</i>	"	Account of weight of lead at Sandwich, for which he has drawn a bill	171
"	Phineas Pett	Navy Com ^{rs}	Measurement of the Rebecca ketch	172
"	John Hammon	Adm. Com.	Petition for a master gunner's place in one of the ships now building; served on board the Ruth under Capt. Edw. Thompson, and in the fleet under Sir Geo. Ayscote, against Scilly, Barbadoes, Holland, &c., with certificate of Capt. Thompson and seven others on his behalf.	173, 174
"	William Redgacke - Geo. Strelley, <i>Fly- mouth.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs} "	Contract for the Katherine of London, 140 tons, 20 guns, for six months, at 225 <i>l.</i> a month Survey of the Duchesse of Rochelle, the Gift of God, and the Hunter of St. Malo. The Rot- terdam may be fitted out at little charge. Is taking ashore the cables and other stores out of the Mary hoy. Has drawn a bill for 220 <i>l.</i>	175 176

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Oct. 26.	Chas. Walleby	R. Thom- son.	Capt Sherwin has sailed for Dublin as convoy to several merchantmen, and will ply in the Channel. There are no cables to be bought that will suit his ship. The Truelove and Nicodemus are expected in, and will want re-victualling; Saml. Windis, purser of the Primrose, will undertake it, if ordered, at 7 ¹ / ₂ d. a day.	177
"	Thos. Adams, <i>Paul, Humber near Hull.</i>	NavyCom ^{rs}	Will take on board as much victuals as he can stow, and sail with such ships as are ready for London. Will wait for orders at Yarmouth or Harwich, where he expects to meet Capt. Peacock.	178
"	Saml. Windis, <i>Ches-ter.</i>	"	To send down a cable by a waggon coming up from Chester with cheese. Emanuel Smith, Lancelot Bold, minister, and Corporal Jellit, served faithfully, but were not mustered.	179
"	Job Throckmorton	"	Contract for the Fleece of London, 600 tons, 44 guns, for six months, at 565 ⁷ / ₈ d. a month.	180
"	Robert Coytmor	J. Holland	To enter Mr. Slaney as a prickmaster in one of the merchant ships, and Mr. Bulstrode in the ship he was purser of.	181
"	Jonathan Hide, <i>Stokes Bay.</i>	NavyCom ^{rs}	For a chain pump and sails for the Hound frigate in the Downs. Has brought in to Stokes Bay a Hamburgher of 20 guns, laden with several commodities. Wants sails.	182
"	Capt. Robert Wyard, <i>Harwich.</i>	"	Is waiting for a wind to sail to the Yarmouth Roads, as are Captains Clinton and Smith. The mariners from London not having come down, counts them as runaways.	183
"	Eras. Conyers, <i>Mid-^{le} Temple.</i>	Mr. Smith	Commends a poor kinsman, a minister's son, for a place in the present expedition.	184
"	Dutch prize officers	NavyCom ^{rs}	To order a view whether the Encresing Moon, lying at Newcastle at great charge, is fit for ser-vice; ask whether they may take possession of the six Dutch prizes in the river.	185
"	John Browne, <i>Chat-^{ham}.</i>	"	Wants tar for the stores.	186
"	Peter Pett, <i>Chatham</i>	"	Has given order for fitting out all the ships at Chatham. The Fairfax and Swan are waiting for victuals. There are three hoys laden with cordage for the Downs; will not send them until the fleet arrives, as there is only the Henrietta to convoy them.	187
"	Capt. Eras. Wil- loughby, <i>Port-^{smouth}.</i>	"	The General has gone to sea in the Laurel with 20 sail more. The fleet at Portsmouth wants victuals. A prize has been brought in, with 600 barrels of tar and 300 of pitch; as there is much need of them in the stores, desires an order for their purchase. Is paying off ships and hastening the winter guard.	188
"	Capt. John Pearce, <i>Providence, Cape Clear.</i>	"	Wants of his ship; has met with a Plymouth ship from the West Indies, with 250 tons of goods, sugar, indigo, ginger, &c., which he will take to Kinsale or Cork. The Reserve has gone to Kinsale for provisions. The Expedition, Hector, Sun, and Whelp are about Galway and Limerick.	189
"	Wm. Tatnell, <i>Dover</i>	"	For some old ordnance as ballast for his ship [the Fortune], also an order for entry of his surgeon	190
"	Capt. John Gould- ing, <i>Dover.</i>	"	For an order to Thos. Greene to supply necessaries required for fitting out the Waterhound frigate, taken from the Dutch.	191

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1652. Oct. 29	John Edwin, <i>Tilbury Hope</i> .	Navy Com ^{rs}	For a bower cable, and boat with five or six oars. Is ready to sail	Vol. XXVIII. 192
"	Thos. Adams, Paul, <i>Hull</i> .	"	Has victualled for three months. There are 12 or 13 ships at Hull laden with lead, which he and Capts. Langford and Allen are to convey to London. Will wait for orders at Harwich.	193
"	Geo. Strelley and four others, <i>Plymouth</i> .	"	Sends surveys of the Duchess of Rochelle and the Gift of God of Havre de Grace, two French prizes. The Marmaduke has taken six prizes from Malaga, all pretending to be Harwichers.	194-96
"	John Hayward, <i>Gillyflower, Harwich</i> .	"	Has arrived at Harwich from the Sound; wants victuals, sails, and stores	197
"	Capt. Fras. Allen, <i>Hull</i> .	"	Came to the Humber to stop a leak; is to convey the Hull ships to London, and then return to Capt. Peacock in Yarmouth Roads. Took two doggers with fish, and delivered them to prize-master at Hull. As his ship is very much worn, desires an English built frigate.	198
"	Capt. Barth. Yate, <i>Falcon fly-boat, Hull</i>	"	Asks whether they will pay at London the money he may disburse in fitting out and victualling his ship for six months, as ordered by General Deane; is to sail to Newcastle for timber for the citadel at Inverness.	199
"	Capt. Joseph Jordan, <i>Fetican, Spithead</i> .	"	Having lost his masts, was ordered to Portsmouth by the General, and is bringing in a pink seized by one of our frigates; met three fly-boats with wine, sugar, &c. from Hamburg, France, and Holland, and detained them undifurther order. Wants repairs.	200
"	Barth. Yate, <i>Hull</i>	"	For allowance for a pilot from Hull to Lynn and back. Sent the sea book of the Falcon a month since, and will send up the tickets of the men who were taken from him for other ships. When victualled, will sail to Newcastle and discharge 12 or 14 men and get better ones, and will then not trouble them with any more tickets this winter.	201
"	Gen. Rob. Blake	"	Bills and receipts for minor expenses connected with the navy from 6 August to 16 October 1652	202-206
"		Hugh Powell, deputy treasurer of the fleet.	Orders for payments of small sums for the expenses of men and ships, from 10 May to 20 October 1652, some with the bills prefixed, and all receipted.	207
Nov. 1	Capt. Rich. Langford, <i>Hull</i> .	Navy Com ^{rs}	Is detained with 12 or 13 ships by foul weather. Wants orders whether to continue in the present service or come home, and if the former, an order to re-victual.	Vol. XXIX. 1
"	Capt. Thos. Adams, <i>Hull</i> .	"	Is still stayed for a wind, but will sail the first opportunity with the ships laden with lead for London, and touch at Yarmouth or Harwich for orders.	2
"	Capt. Doughty Wormal, <i>Merchant Adventure, Harwich</i> .	"	Saw all the Iceland fleet safely to North Yarmouth, where were vessels laden with timber for London, but they could not get out through the foul weather. When victualled, will sail for London. There are eight sail here in the service.	3

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1652. Nov. 2	Thos. Greene	Navy Com ^{rs}	The prize officers will deliver the oil after appraisalment. Wants 200 <i>l.</i> sent down to Dover by John Edwards, the town post, to pay for work in fitting out the Dutch prizes. Asks that his bills drawn on them may be paid. The Fortaue is waiting for her guns.	Vol. XXIX. 4
"	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, <i>Plymouth.</i>	R. Thomson	Mr. Strelley is fitting out the two French men-of-war at Plymouth. The Gift requires a forecastle. The Old President wants tallowing. There are ugly things committed here and at Falmouth by private men-of-war, to the dishonour of our nation, and the prejudice of those in amity with us.	5
"	Barth. Yate, <i>Falcon,</i> <i>Hull.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Will set men to work on his fly-boat, and will require the money for fitting her at Newcastle. Will send account of her stores.	6
"	Geo. Strelley, <i>Ply-</i> <i>mouth.</i>	"	Is getting the French vessels ready for sea; wants some officers hastened down, and orders as to the guns and stores. Has charged a bill upon them for fitting out the <i>Marmaduke</i> . The Old President has come in, and must tallow, being ordered as convoy for Ireland.	7
"	Peter Pett, <i>Chatham</i>	"	The <i>Fairfax</i> is taking in her victuals, and will be ready for sea in eight days, if men can be found, and her sails and beer sent down, and the Swan and five others will be got ready as early as possible, but the <i>Little Elizabeth</i> is unfit for service this winter. Encloses the master shipwright's demand for timber and masts. Asks the price of tow and hemp, deep sea lines, and marines.	8
"	Capt. Robert Clarke, <i>Reserve, Kinsale</i> <i>Harbour.</i>	"	Has victualled for two months. The Expedition, Hector, Tenth Wheel, and Sun are on the west side of the Irish coast, between Cape Clear and Enisbovin, a small island which the enemy holds. Our ships have regained a West Indian and others that were taken, but are too heavy for their small frigates. The Providence is in bad condition. John Chudleigh, shipwright, has supplied all the ships with materials, or they could not have subsisted. Has drawn a bill for 155 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> therefor.	9
"	Giles Barrow, <i>Graves-</i> <i>end.</i>	"	Sent a man into the Hope and to all the shipping near with their order. Capt. Edwin has sailed with the Oak. Capt. Hosier is bound as a convoy for Hull, Capt. Limbrey is victualing, and the Happy Entrance wants men.	10
"	Rich. Dermott, <i>Liver-</i> <i>pool water.</i>	"	Sends up the muster books of the Nicodemus and Truelove; the former is bound to London, with guns from the garrisons, and the latter with provisions and merchant ships to Dublin; 23 men are wanting in the Truelove.	11
"	Capt. John Gouilding, <i>Dover.</i>	"	Mr. Greene has surveyed the Waterhound; begs they will hasten down her necessaries, and also change her name, as the General has ordered her to be set forth with all speed.	12
"	Capt. Philip Hol- land, <i>Cignet, Downs.</i>	"	For an order to Mr. Tearne for 30 or 40 seamen; also for a supply of cables and sails, being ap- pointed to secure the fishery.	13
"	Barth. Yate, <i>Falcon</i> <i>flyboat, Hull.</i>	Gen. Deane.	Will try to sail on Saturday, and convoy a vessel with cheese to Dundee. Wants cables, anchors, sails, and powder, as also money to fit up his ship.	14

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1652. Nov. 4	Phineas Pett, <i>Chatham</i> .	J. Turner	To insert Peter Browne and Thos. Bilton in the certificate for conduct money from Scarborough, the same as the rest received who were sent down by Capt. Lawson.	Vol. XXIX. 15
" 5	Capt. Hen. Southwood, <i>Greyhound</i> , <i>Harwich</i> .	NavyCom ^s	For a supply of cables, sails, &c. to be sent to him in the Downs - - -	16
" "	Jonathan Randall, <i>Liverpool</i> .	"	Sends his muster book, not being there when Mr. Dermott attended to muster his ship, the <i>Nicodemus</i> , and others.	17
" "	Thos. Lewis, <i>Deal</i> -	J. Turner	For a warrant from the Navy Commissioners for a boatswain's place for — Cogswell - - -	18
" "	Geo. Strelley, <i>Plymouth</i> .	NavyCom ^s	Will hasten the fitting out of all ships that come in, and appraise the two now setting forth; wants stores, and orders as to the arms on their stern; also a warrant for Barth. Cook as boatswain of the <i>Gift</i> .	19
" 6	Capt. Rich. Grumwell, <i>Richard and Mary, Bristol</i>	"	On warrant from Lieut.-General Fleetwood, Command-in-Chief of Ireland, has brought over the Major-General of Ireland, Colonel Clarke and Lawrence, and Dr. Carteret, with many other officers. Shall put to sea with the first opportunity, according to his first instructions.	20
" "	Thos. Shewell, <i>Bristol</i> .	"	Survey of the <i>Fortune of Flushing</i> ; she will carry 34 guns, and her fitting out will cost 400 <i>l.</i> - - -	21
" "	W. Purefoy, <i>Peter, Shields</i> .	"	The <i>Convert</i> , <i>Adam and Eve</i> , <i>Briar</i> , and <i>Paragon</i> have arrived. Wants an order for girdling his ship.	22
" "	Phineas Pett, <i>Chatham</i> .	J. Turner	Has entered 197 men on the <i>Fairfax</i> , 11 on the <i>Mermaid</i> , and 33 on the <i>Swan</i> - - -	23
" 9	Peter Pett, <i>Chatham</i> .	NavyCom ^s	Has taken up a vessel for transporting the 50 tons of hemp out of the stores, but as there will be only 100 tons left, will require a fresh supply, as also some tar.	24
" "	Capt. Thos. Greene -	"	Asks that 80 <i>l.</i> , the amount of his four bills to the postmaster at Dover, may be remitted. The <i>Fortune</i> will sail to-day.	25
" "	Major-Gen. Deane, <i>Dalkeith</i> .	Sir H. Vane, jun.	For six months' pay for the <i>Satisfaction</i> , and three months' for the <i>Falcon</i> fly-boat. Capts. <i>Haddock</i> and <i>Knox</i> came in yesterday, with several ships in convoy; shall dispatch <i>Haddock</i> with several ships for London.	26
" "	Capt. Thos. Penrose, <i>Nonsuch, The Hope</i>	NavyCom ^s	Has brought the four plate prizes he took into the <i>Thames</i> ; asks an order for docking and re-victualing his frigate. With certificate of her six officers as to her condition and wants.	27, 28
" 10	Rich. Langford, <i>Elizabeth and Ann of London, Harwich</i> .	"	Was one of the squadron for the north trade under Capt. <i>Peacock</i> , and while conveying some ships from the <i>Sound</i> , was forced into <i>Harwich</i> . The owners of his ship have contracted for her to serve six months longer; having but eight or nine days' provisions, shall be compelled to re-victual here.	29
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, <i>Portsmouth</i> .	"	Thanks for stores received; is in a sad condition for want of cordage and masts. Has ordered a survey of the great ships.	30

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	Refer- ences.
1652.				Vol. XXIX.
Nov. 10	Thos. Paulson, Ips- wich.	NavyCom ^{rs}	Has arrived safely at Harwich, and his commander has gone to London. They delivered up their prize with fish at Yarmouth.	31
"	John Tatnell, Dover	"	For payment of bills for refitting shallops, amounting to 46 <i>l.</i> ; also for an order to keep car- penters and caulkers to their duty, as the merchants offer them 6 <i>d.</i> a day more than the State allows.	32
"	Edm. Chapman, En- trance, Hopt.	"	For an order to the press-master to impress for him 30 men out of the ships to be paid off, being ready except for men.	33
"	Capt. Fras. Allen, Recovery, Harwich.	"	Sends certificate of the defects in his ship; desires order for her speedy repair and re-victualling, having to go to the General with the rest of the squadron.	34
"	Wm. Leigant, Ches- ter.	"	For payment of a bill of exchange for 1 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> , to Alderman John Jonsou of Chester, for cord- age for his frigate.	35
"	John Whitworth, Convent, Chester.	J. Holland	For advice whether to petition the Commissioners for money to pay off his men, and whether his ship will be required for further service after the eight months.	36
"	Dutch prize officers	NavyCom ^{rs}	To send a person to survey the <i>Saneta Maria</i> at Blackwall, the <i>Morning Star</i> at Deptford, and the <i>Fortune of Flushing</i> at Bristol, and to certify whether they are fit for the service.	37
"	Jas. Webe - -	- -	Account of money expended in impressing 26 men at Yarmouth, Harwich, and Ipswich, and re- ceived of Capt. Jno. Hayward and Capt. Hen. Penn. Total 5 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i>	38
"	Geo Stralley, Ply- mouth.	NavyCom ^{rs}	Sends names of persons fit for officers, &c. on the Gift, Duchess, and James - - -	39
"	Phineas Pctt, Chat- ham.	J. Turner	Note of men entered on board the <i>Fairfax</i> , <i>Swan</i> , <i>Mermaid</i> , <i>Mary prize</i> , and <i>Amity</i> , fitting for sea	40
"	John Mildmay -	- -	Certificate of the damage done to the <i>Vanguard</i> in the late engagement - - -	41
"	Phineas Pctt, Chat- ham.	J. Turner	For an order whether to pay conduct money to the men who come down to the <i>Mermaid</i> , com- manded by Capt. Stayner. Many volunteers come here, but refuse to serve unless they may have conduct money.	42
"	Capt. John Taylor, Chatham.	NavyCom ^{rs}	For a supply of timber and other stores - - -	43
"	"	"	List of six ships now ready to serve in the squadron for the Straits. The <i>Rainbow</i> can soon be got ready. Wants long plank.	44
"	Capt. Fras. Willough- by, Portsmouth.	"	For an order to unlash the pitch and tar out of the Hamburg prize. Recommends young Mr. Leverland for employment.	45
"	John Sherwin, Prim- rose, Dublin Bay.	"	Has taken a ketch of 3 guns and 27 men, which came from Brest. The captain, Rich. Green, is the first captain that ever had a commission from Charles Stuart; it is from the titular Duke of York. Hopes to have another prize ere long, hearing of two more to the southward. Is bound with 24 sail to several ports, and wants stores and cables; his provisions will be expended in three weeks, when he expects to be at Liverpool.	46

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1652. Nov. 19	Rich. Langford, <i>Elizabeth</i> , <i>and Ann, Harwich.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	For payment of four to five months' arrears of wages due to his men in the last voyage -	Vol. XXIX. 47
"	Thos. Smith, <i>Wanted.</i>	J. Turner	Wrote to the General and Mr. Willoughby, concerning the order as to the Straits' fleet -	48
"	Geo. Strelley, <i>Phylomath.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Proceedings in setting forth the Gift and Duchess. Guns wanted. Those sold from the Marmaduke might be repurchased for <i>6l.</i> profit. Asks employ for Capt. Blagg, who would bring men. Advises a magazine of stores there.	49
"	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, <i>Portsmouth.</i>	"	Has received their list of the ships ordered for the Straits. Has only the Portsmouth, Ruby, and Hercules to get ready, and the latter, with the Foresight and Dolphin, have now gone to Spithead. Will observe their order as to the pitch, tar, &c. in the Hamburgier.	50
"	Edw. Penfold -	"	Certificate of cordage delivered and to be delivered into the stores by Davy Davison. Mr. Wood will deliver no more for want of money.	51
"	Rich. Stayner -	"	For an order to replenish the surgeon's chest of the Mermaid frigate, as she will be ready to sail next week.	52
"	William Tatnell, <i>Fortune, Downs.</i>	"	For a boat, chain pump, and sails. Left Dover on the 19th -	53
"	Geo. Dewy -	Mr. Smith	Was recommended to the Navy Commissioners by Lord Commissioner Lisle, Jno. Dove, Nich. Love, and Mr. Coyntnor for a purser's place, and has attended 14 months. Can buy victuals for the navy at more reasonable rates, and at 10 per cent. less than they have them at Portsmouth. His nephew, Jas. Dewy, is secretary to Lord Commissioner Lisle.	54
"	Thos. Scott -	Navy Com ^{rs}	There is great scarcity of seamen, and the Concord lost a fair wind for want of them. The Raven is at Deptford. The Welcome is to be brought on shore at Woolwich, where there is much work. Is going to meet Christ. Pett at Blackwall, to survey the St. Mary. There are now 16 ships here [Chatham], so can bring in no more. Wants a piece of ground for a smith's forge. The Nightingale has all her provisions on board, but the boatswain is sick.	55
"	Barth. Yates, <i>Falcon Fly-boat, Shields.</i>	"	For an order for 100 <i>l.</i> towards alterations and repairs on his ship; also for cables, anchors, and sails.	56
"	William Crispin, <i>The Hope.</i>	J. Turner	Mustered Capt. Lawson's men on the Fairfax, and found more landsmen and boys than upon any of the State's ships for the last 10 years; has discharged 18, and signed their tickets. Sent down 180 men to the Fairfax in the Hope, but when they arrived and saw the landsmen, 100 would not go, but went to other ships.	57
"	Peter Pett, <i>Chatham</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Tar, &c. and 100 seamen much wanted. Has contracted with Scoles of Stroud for one ton of tallow, ready money, but he refuses to supply more unless the clerk of the check will make out his bills for what has been served. Wants half a ton of tallow from London.	58
"	Capt. Robert Sanders, <i>Assurance, Lee Road.</i>	"	Has brought his ship into the river for repairs. Has nine sail under his charge, which pretended for Hamburg, but which the General did not think fit to leave in the Downs; shall bring them up above the blockhouses next tide.	59

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Date.	From	To	Subject	Refer- ences.
1652. Nov. 22	Capt. Jno. Sherwin, <i>Frimrose, Passage.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Took Green, a pirate, with 3 guns and 27 men. Has lost his maintopmast, and his bowsprit is cracked; if his cables could speak, they would inform more. Dares not venture to sea without help. Hopes to be in Liverpool in three weeks.	Vol. XXIX. 60
"	Capt. Anth. Young, <i>Worcester, Downs.</i>	"	Wants 20 or 30 men. Took in some masts at Portsmouth, but they are too small, and as he is going there to rendezvous, will put them on shore again. Is setting sail with five others to ply at sea for two or three days, and if he misses the General, will follow him to Stokes Bay. Damaged.	61]
"	Geo. Strelley, <i>Ply- mouth.</i>	"	For orders as to disposing of the old masts of the Gift and Dutchess, and procuring muskets and other arms. Men are deterred from coming to work from fear of being impressed. Begs that a bill of exchange for 200 <i>l.</i> on the Navy Treasurer may be paid, and that the list of officers presented by him may be appointed, as it would facilitate the work in hand, and encourage the seamen.	62]
"	Capt. Hen. Collins - Capt. Fras. Wil- <i>loughby, Ports- mouth.</i>	" J. Turner	Contract for the Malaga Merchant, 364 tons and 32 guns, for six months, at 370 <i>l.</i> a month - Asks the price of train oil and tallow - - - - -	63] 64]
"	"	Navy Com ^{rs}	Is unloading the pitch, tar, hemp, and deals from the <i>Hamburgher</i> . Will send a bill of particulars. Mr. Goodfellow and Mr. Portman refuse to pay any bills under 20 <i>l.</i> for stores, on account of the hazard in carrying them to London, and will not meddle with any above 20 <i>l.</i> on account of the trouble and charge in getting them signed and passed. Men would rather sell to any than to the State. Can buy cordage for 28 <i>s.</i> and 32 <i>s.</i> per cwt., but has no ready money. Wants masts for the great ships, and three or four suits of sails; the ships for the southward will need more than the stores can supply. The <i>Foresight</i> and <i>Dolphin</i> have sailed for the Downs. Has paid the <i>Speaker</i> in the road for 6 months, and is paying the <i>Ruby</i> and <i>Portsmouth</i> .	65]
"	Christ. Pett, <i>Wool- wich.</i>	"	For an order whether to sheathe the <i>Welcome</i> ; the stores need furnishing with timber for the works on the <i>Swiftsure</i> ; wants a warrant for making a floating stage, as the one sent from Deptford is wanted back again.	66
"	Peter Pett, <i>Chatham</i>	"	Particulars of the <i>Mermaid</i> and eight other ships. Seamen are much wanted. None to be had here.	67
"	Henry Robinson, <i>London.</i>	Mr. Smith	Recommends Edgar, a shipbuilder of Yarmouth, known to Col. Walton; he will undertake the business upon easier terms than others.	68
"	Capt. Fras. Peacock, <i>Tyger, Harwich water.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	His ship has been tallowed and taken in two months' victuals, and will sail to Tilbury Hope or Gravesend for anchors, cables, and sails.	69
"	Robert Coytmore	Mr. Turner	Asks whether any money was paid for the hire of the <i>Grace, Nich. Lee</i> of Bristol, commander, employed on the Irish coast in 1642.	70

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	Refer- ences.
1652. Nov. 26	Thos. Greene	Navy Com ^{rs}	Certifies that Mr. Starling carried cordage and cables from Chatham to the Triumph and six other ships named.	Vol. XXIX. 71
"	Phineas Pett, <i>Chat- ham.</i>	J. Turner	Account of the men entered on board the <i>Merrmaid</i> , <i>Amity</i> , <i>Mary</i> prize, and <i>Assistance</i> . Wants an imprest of 20 <i>l.</i> for their conduct money.	72
"	Wm. Redgacke, <i>Katherine, South Foreland.</i>	Navy Com ^{rs}	Found the General with the whole fleet in the Downs; spied a fleet of Hollanders, supposed to be 300 sail; received orders from the General to ride about the South Foreland to discover them, but has not as yet done so.	73
"	Ordnance officers	"	Not to pass the accounts of the captains of the <i>Dove</i> and the <i>Convert</i> of Liverpool, until they return the same quantity of gunners' stores as were delivered to them at Portsmouth, for which they stand engaged.	74
"	Henry Ferret, <i>Samuel, Downs.</i>	[J. Turner]	Wants an officer with a warrant to bring him to London, to give evidence as to the embezzlement of 17 barrels of powder from the ship in the Downs. Can prove many embezzlements of officers in the fleet, but is kept close, being suspected of wishing to discover their doings.	75
"	Capt. Nich. Lucas	Navy Com ^{rs}	Contract for the Society of London, 312 tons, 30 guns, for six months, at 345 <i>l.</i> a month.	76
"	Thos. Greene, <i>Dover</i>	"	Has distributed the stores from <i>Deptford</i> and <i>Chatham</i> amongst the fleet. The <i>Fortune</i> and <i>Waterhound</i> have sailed. General Blake is now in engagement with the <i>Holland</i> fleet of 117 men-of-war, our fleet being 46, small and great. The dispute is very hot, in regard of the odds, but we have the weather gage of them. The <i>Speaker</i> has brought in a very rich prize.	77
"	Geo. Strelley, <i>Ply- mouth.</i>	J. Turner	Asks the appointment of persons named as officers to the ships fitting out; wants powder and ordnance stores. The <i>Success</i> and <i>Falmouth</i> are under sail, and the latter brought in a prize laden with wine, vinegar, &c. The <i>Marmaduke</i> and <i>Little President</i> have gone as convoys to Ireland. The <i>Lily</i> is in port, unloading. Pitch has risen from 20 <i>s.</i> per cwt. to 24 <i>s.</i> ; tar from 35 <i>s.</i> per barrel to 40 <i>s.</i> , and cordage from 36 <i>s.</i> per cwt. to 40 <i>s.</i> The <i>Datch</i> pink brought in some time since might be made useful at a small charge.	78

ORDERS of the NAVY COMMITTEE.

Date.	To	Subject.	Refer- ences.
1651. Nov. 11	Navy Comrs.	To contract for the hire of two ketches with 25 or 30 men each for four months, as convoys for vessels to Essex and Suffolk.	Vol. XVII. 125
"	"	To continue the Mayflower as a convoy between Sandwich and Dover, for six weeks from the expiration of the former contract.	126
"	"	To order the victuallers to supply the ships bound for the Straits with two months' beef and pork, and to agree with the pursers for supplying in the Straits what cannot be carried hence.	127
Dec. 4	"	To order the victualling of the Love of London, now in the Hope, for 14 days, she being appointed a convoy for Ostend.	128
"	9	Like order for 14 days longer	129
"	16	To make out a bill to Drew Sparrow, Secretary to the Generals of the fleet, for himself and those that assisted him, for their entertainment up to this date, according to order of Parliament.	130
"	17	To estimate the charge of the eight ships appointed for the Straits, with the Mermaid, 1,390 men, and also of 26 other ships to be set forth for convoys for the ensuing year, with 2,640 men, making in all 4,030 men, to be continued for 12 months.	131
1652. Jan. 5	"	To make out a bill for the freight of the Blessing of Stroud, except 14 days, which are to be respited	Vol. XXX. 111
"	6	To examine the petition annexed of Capt. Charles Saltonstall of the John, for payment of the wages due to his company.	112
"	15	To order the clerk of the check at Chatham to enter Robert Sewell into pay as storekeeper, in place of Geo. Warburton dismissed.	113
"	"	To order the clerk of the check to enter all foremen and quartermen, and common shipwrights from 29 Sept. last, at an increased pay of 1 <i>d.</i> a day, making 2 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> a day.	114
"	20	To contract for a vessel of 14 guns, as a convoy for the Sussex coast	115
"	22	To contract for six ships, two of 100 men each, for the Newfoundland fishery, two for the Iceland fishery, of 90 and 80 men, and two for the North Sea fishery of 80 men each, and to agree as to the victualling; also to keep out the Love six months longer	116
Feb. 4	"	To contract for three ships, two of 60 or 70 men each, to be employed as convoys for six or nine months, between London and Newcastle, and one of 100 men, for Bilboa.	117
"	"	To consider the petitions annexed of Wm. Norman, of Redriff, and Elizabeth, widow of Jas. Borrett, purser of the James, for payment of wages and arrears while on board the Great James, of which they are defrauded by Thos. Horth.	118-120
"	10	For Joseph Peit, master shipwright at Chatham, not to be discharged from his employment; made on the report of Col. Fielder of the proceedings of the committee who went to Chatham, and examined the witnesses on the articles exhibited against him.	121

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Date.	To	Subject.	Refer- ences.
1652.			Vol. XXX.
Feb. 10	—	Like orders on behalf of Capt. Phineas Pett, clerk of the check; Rich. Holborne, master mast-maker; Wm. Thomson, master caulker; and Thos. Coleport, boatswain of Chatham.	121-124
"	—	Cols. Thomson and Fielder, and Mr. Aldworth, to report to the Council of State the above votes and resolution touching the navy officers at Chatham.	125
"	Navy Comrs.	To make out bills to John Davies, clerk of the instores for the Navy at Deptford, for payment of his salary of 78 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> a year.	126
"	"	To send copy of the contract for the hire of the Merchant Adventure - - - - -	127
Mar. 3	"	To contract with Capt. Humpbreds for hire of the Friendship for six months, as a convoy for the coast of Sussex.	128
"	"	To contract for three ships of 100 men each, to be employed as convoys - - - - -	129
"	"	To contract for the hire of the Mary ketch of Colchester for six months - - - - -	130
April 6	"	To make provision of victuals at London and Chatham for 1,000 men, besides those already declared - - - - -	131
"	"	To attend the Navy Committee on Friday to confer about the Fortune - - - - -	132
"	"	To contract for the hire of the ship at Portsmouth belonging to Mr. Alford and Capt. Tope, if fit for service.	133
"	"	To hasten the tallowing and victualing of the Worcester and Mermaid at Portsmouth, and supplying them with deals for spare decks.	134
May 20	"	To contract with the Navy Victuallers for 1,000 men at 8½ <i>d.</i> a day, beside the 7,000 and the 1,000 formerly ordered.	135
"	"	To make out bills to Thos. Scott, master attendant at Chatham, for 6 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> a year, as an augmentation to his salary of 83 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> , as recommended by the Committee of Merchants for regulating the Navy and Customs.	136
"	"	To make out a bill to Capt. Nicholls, commander of the George, employed by Sir Geo. Ayscue in transporting victuals to Barbadoes, for freight and mariners' wages.	137
"	"	To contract with the Navy Victuallers for victuals for 2,000 men more, at 9 <i>d.</i> a day, but as pork cannot be provided at this season, beef is to be allowed instead.	138
"	"	To make out a bill to Wm. Finney, late purser of the Lion, for 137 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> 5 <i>d.</i> due to him on his account, but delayed because he has not passed his accounts, which were mislaid by Mr. Clarke, accountant to the late victuallers.	139
July 23	"	To make out a bill for nine months' wages extra, from 25 Dec. last to 29 Sept. next, to Michael Marsh, postmaster of Southwark, Sam. Woodley, of Sittingbourne, Kent, and the other postmasters on the Dover Road, their duties being now very heavy, and horses and horse meat more chargeable.	140
"	"	To order the clerk of the check at Chatham to enter Wm. Adderley as minister to the navy there, in place of Mr. Gravey, and allow him 100 <i>l.</i> a year, the minister's groats received by Mr. Gravey being accounted as part thereof; and if the latter fall short, to make up the difference to 100 <i>l.</i>	141

WARRANTS OF THE COUNCIL OF STATE (C.O.S.), GENERALS OF THE FLEET, &c.

Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1651.				I. 111. Vol. XVIII.
Nov. 1	Rich. Deane	Navy Comrs.	To enter Paul Seamer boatswain of the Paradox, in place of — Crampton, removed	— 46
" 3	"	"	To enter George Fridmore, purser of the Hector	— 47
" "	C.O.S.	License	For Jno. Favne to transport 100 dozen pairs of shoes to Barbadoes, if that place shall be reduced to obedience.	3
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver Commissary Phipps three close waggons	3
" 6	"	Pass	For Maynie Trott to France with John Weston, his servant, and a horse not exceeding the value of 6 <i>l</i> .	8
" 7	"	"	For Jno. Finch and two servants, but no horses, beyond seas	8
" "	"	"	For Rowland Bellaysse and Wm. Gravemor, his servant, to travel into foreign parts.	8
" "	"	"	For Anne Quarles beyond seas	— 27
" 8	"	Admiralty Judges	To give Miles Cason, of the Seafower, a letter for a private man-of-war	—
" 10	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Thos. Kirkland as boatswain, John Wilmot purser, Rich. Cunrey gunner, and Chas. Taylor carpenter, in the frigate building by Peter Pett in his own yard at Ratcliff.	17
" "	"	"	To enter Wm. Bradshaw master, Wm. Comfort boatswain, and Geo. Palmer carpenter in the first of the frigates building by Peter Pett, master shipwright at Deptford.	—
" "	"	"	To enter Nich. Wylde's boatswain, Wm. Addis purser, Peter Wright carpenter, and David Powell cook, in the second of the said frigates.	—
" "	"	"	To enter John Fransome boatswain, Kendrick Stephentoun purser, and Hen. Broomhead cook, in the ship building by Chris. Pett at Woolwich.	—
" "	"	"	To enter Wm. Ellis boatswain, Wm. Clement carpenter, and Wm. Midgley cook, in the Crown fly-boat prize.	—
" "	"	"	To enter Roger Taring boatswain of the Greyhound	—
" "	"	"	John Cardiss gunner of the Marigold	— 65
" "	"	"	John Mathewes purser, John Cox gunner, and Wm. Russell carpenter of the Peacock <i>alias</i> Falcon prize.	— 66
" "	"	"	To enter Alex. Court gunner, and Geo. Best carpenter of the Satisfaction	— 67-69
" 14	"	Pass	For John Evasos beyond seas	— 70, 71
" "	"	"	To fit the Satisfaction for one of the winter guard on the coast of Scotland	— 27
" 17	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Thos. Walesby, late cook of the Greyhound, cook of the Gillyflower, on his petition.	— 72
" "	"	"		— 73

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.	
				I. 24.	I. 111. Vol. XVIII.
1651. Nov. 17	C.O.S.	Keeper of the Gatehouse.	To receive Hen. Boswell, committed for treason in invading England under Charles Stuart.	36	—
" 18	"	Pass	For William and Hen. Muschamp and two servants beyond seas	39	28
" 19	"	"	For Nich. Walgrave beyond seas	—	27
" 21	"	"	For Toby Rustill	—	27
" 22	"	License	For carrying the corpse of Mrs. Bond, wife of Dennis Bond, into Dorsetshire to be buried, without molestation on the way.	49	—
" 25	"	Adm. Judges	To give a privateer's commission to John Allen, commander of the James	54	—
" 26	"	—	To apprehend Capt. John Ball, in any port of the commonwealth	61	—
" 27	"	Pass	For Wm. Keith a Scot, to Holland	62	28
" 28	"	Navy Comrs.	To furnish Thos. Spurling with six weeks' victuals for his ship lying in the King's Road.	67	—
" "	"	Treasurers-at-war	To issue the first 100,000 <i>l.</i> of the 200,000 <i>l.</i> charged by Parliament on the sale of delinquents' estates, in equal portions, for pay of fines in Ireland, and supply of the stores, and the other 100,000 <i>l.</i> on warrants from Council.	—	74
Dec. 1	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver 300 barrels of powder, 20 tons of match, and 15 tons of bullet to Commissary Dobbins, for Leinster and Ulster.	I. 66. 3	—
" 3	"	Keeper of Northampton prison.	To release Moses James, if only restrained by warrant of Council	13	—
" 4	"	Pass	For Thos. Homes beyond seas	—	27
" "	"	"	For John Browne	—	27
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	For Wm. Denton and Jno. Hooper to transport 200 dozen pairs of shoes to Mevis, on security to carry them thither.	21	—
" 5	"	Serjeant Dendy	To apprehend Mr. Bunce and Williams for being engaged in Charles Stuart's invasion, and to search for their papers, and bring all before Council.	25	—
" "	"	Clement Kinnersley.	To deliver to Wm. Legg, wardrobe keeper, all the carpets and wardrobe stuff in his custody.	25	—
" "	"	Navy Comrs.	To give order for the building of three small vessels, to ply amongst the sands and flats to prevent piracies.	27	75
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Major Hen. Hazard and Jno. Fennell to transport 600 cwt. of biscuit to Ireland from Bristol or Milford Haven, the time of shipping by a former warrant having lapsed.	26	—
" 6	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver one ton of match to Lieut.-Col. Kelsey, Governor of Dover	27	—
" "	"	Pass	For Hen. Knox to France	—	27
" 8	"	Wm. Smithsby, wardrobe keeper at Hampton Court	To deliver to Wm. Legg the five pieces of arras hangings of Joshua, the nine pieces of tapestry of Vulcan and Venus, and 12 of the best carpets.	40	—

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	I. 66. 49	I. 111, Vol. XVIII.	References.
1651. Dec. 8	C.O.S.	Wm. Thomas, keeper of the wardrobe at Windsor.	To deliver to Legg five pieces of hangings of Triumphs, six pieces of David, Nathan, Abigail and Solomon, seven of the Siege of Jerusalem, and five of Astryges and Goddesses.	40	—	—
"	"	Dr. Parker	To deliver to him six pieces of Hannibal and Scipio	40	—	—
"	"	Ordnance officers	To receive the arms and ammunition saved by Col. Berkstead's waggon-master	43	—	—
"	"	Col. Berkstead	To deliver certain arms and ammunition specified to the Ordnance officers	45, 46	—	—
"	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver to Thos. Newberry or Commissary Wm. Dobbins 2 great mortar pieces and their carriages, shells, powder, match, &c., for the service of Jersey.	46	—	—
"	"	Pass	For Capt. David Lyon, Lieut. Wm. Lyon, and Cornet Alex. Lyon to foreign parts, on security not to return into the State's dominions.	51	—	—
"	"	Keeper of Newgate	To set Col. Ralph Ashton at liberty, if only detained on warrant of Council	64	—	—
"	"	Pass	For George Bray to go beyond the seas	69	—	—
"	"	Keeper of the Gatehouse.	To receive Hen. Rainsford for treason in corresponding with the enemy	77	—	—
"	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver a close waggon to Commissary Phipps, for the commissioners going to Scotland.	82	—	—
"	"	Mr. Browne, house-keeper.	To clear out some rooms in Somerset House for reception of the body of the late Lord Deputy of Ireland.	83	—	—
"	"	Serj. Dendy	To set John Ryce at liberty, if detained only on Council's warrant	83	—	—
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit the public minister of Sweden to land his horses and goods	88	—	—
"	"	Governor of Wallingford.	To deliver all the military stores there to Commissary Jno. Phipps to be brought to the Tower, except 20 barrels of powder, 2 tons of match, $\frac{1}{2}$ a ton of musket shot, and 20 rounds of shot for each piece of ordnance there.	92	—	—
"	"	Com. Jno. Phipps	To receive the above and bring them to the Tower	93	—	—
"	"	Serj. Dendy	To set Fras. Rainsford at liberty, if only detained on warrant of Council	93	—	—
"	"	Pass	For Wm. Powell to come to England, rendering himself to Council within 10 days of his arrival	108	—	—
"	"	To the officers concerned at Rochester.	To permit Thos. Reeves and Jno. Swann, stayed by them on pretence of a Council warrant, to come from Rochester to London with some hawks.	102	—	—
"	"	Wm. Legg	To deliver to Sir Wm. Constable the nine pieces of Venus and Cupid tapestry	102	—	—
"	"	Pass	For Alex. Clowney, his servant, and Robt. Drummond, to Holland	89	28	—
"	"	"	For Bend Barber, wife, two children, and servant, beyond seas	—	28	—
"	"	Lieutenant of the Tower.	To permit Daniel Bolton to go at large, if only detained on Council's warrant	115	—	—

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1651.				I. 66.
Dec. 24	C.O.S.	License - - - Commanders - in - Chief of Chester and Stafford, Admiralty Judges	For Rich. Spencer to remain in France twelve instead of six months To deliver each to Chas. Walley of Chester 300 fixed muskets, bandoleers, and pikes for Ireland.	I. 111. Vol. XVIII. 116 - - 121 - -
"	"	Ordnance officers	To give letters of marque for a private man-of-war to Jno. Ladd, master of the Advice, bound for Guinea.	117 } 121 } 123 }
"	"	Serjt. Dendy	To receive some ordnance, &c. sent to Hull on the demolition of Nottingham Castle, and brought from Hull by Capt. Swanley.	122 - -
"	"	"	To apprehend Lady Stanhope, wife of Heer Heinleert, lately come from Holland to carry on designs to the prejudice of the peace, and seize all her papers.	122 - -
"	"	"	To apprehend the wife of Alderman Jas. Bunce, lately come from the Low Con- tries to continue traitorous correspondence, and seize her papers.	122 - -
"	"	Pass - - -	For Col. Wm. Bortwicke to go to Sweden, on giving bond for 1,000 <i>l.</i> for good con- duct, and not to return to the dominions of the State.	105 - -
"	"	Warden of the Fleet	To set Wm. Powell at liberty, if only detained on Council's warrant	126 - -
"	"	Pass - - -	For Edw. Harwood to Holland	130 - -
"	"	Robt. Purser	To redeliver to Capt. Jno. Ladd the money and goods taken from him	134 - -
"	"	Pass - - -	For Capt. Wm. Davison to Scotland, on his petition	139 - -
"	"	License - - -	To Major Andrew Carr to go to the North of Scotland, and Capt. Jas. Keith to the South, on parole, for five months, to obtain relief for the Scotch prisoners in Chelsea College, rendering themselves to Capt. Lambert on their arrival.	140 } 140 }
"	"	Capt. Alsop, Mar- shal General.	To permit them to go to Scotland on this business	140 - -
1652.				28 - -
Jan. 1	"	Pass - - -	For Thos. Scott and servant beyond seas	157 - -
"	"	Customs' officers, Dover, Rye, and Hastings.	To permit Mark Bayley of Hastings and other fishermen to sell 20 tons of French wine, which they took in a Hamburg ship cast away on the sands at Sussex, pay- ing excise and customs.	157 - -
"	"	Col. Jno. Fitz- james.	To attend Council daily upon some informations against him	161 - -
"	"	Pass - - -	For Walter Ross beyond seas	165 - -
"	"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	To restore the Golden Eagle to her owners, according to sentence of the Admiralty Court, they paying all the State's charges in fitting and repairing her.	170 - -
"	"	Governor of Wind- sor Castle.	To deliv-er 442 bolsteads with bed cords, 728 mats, 296 beds, 339 bolsters, 611 blan- kets, and 530 rugs to Majors Wiggan and Allen, for the Lord General and Col. Ingoldsby's regiments.	170 - -
"	"	Serjt. Dendy	To set at liberty Sarah, wife of James Bunce, late alderman of London, and Jas. Bunce, her son, if only detained on warrant of Council, they having given security for good conduct.	162 } 170 }

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1652.				I. 66.
Jan. 6	C.O.S.	Pass	For Thos. Williams, servant to Dr. Chambers, to Holland	I. 111. Vol. XVIII. 28
" 8	"	"	For Hen. Howard, beyond seas, with two servants	28
" "	"	"	For Thos. Howard	28
" "	"	Serj. Dendy	To set at liberty Hen. Goldsmith, he having given security for good conduct	180
" "	"	Pass	For Lady Anne Lake, widow, two men and two maid servants, to France	167
" "	"	Warden of the Fleet	To set Thomas Freeman at liberty, if only in restraint on his commitment warrant	180
" "	"	Serj. Dendy	" Hen. Goldsmith	180
" 9	"	Pass	For Thos. Eddowes to go beyond sea	184
" "	"	"	For John Young and servants to foreign parts	184
" "	"	Quartermaster Wm. Cooper.	To sail with his part of Capt. Bagnall's troop of horse from Minehead to Ireland, as soon as possible, taking provisions for horse and men.	190
" "	"	Serj. Dendy	To set Thos. Windham at liberty, if committed only on Council's warrant	190
" "	"	Comrs. and officers of Customs.	" Lady Kath. Stanhope	190
" "	"	Pass	To permit Anth. Webster of London, ironmonger, to transport 2,000 refuse staves for lances not fit for pikes, to Barbary.	191
" 12	"	"	For Rob. Villiers, and servants, and necessities to Flanders	203
" "	"	Comrs. and officers of Customs of Dover, Rye, and Hastings.	For Rob. Cheeke, beyond seas	—
" 13	"	"	To permit Rich. Bate and Rich. Kennet, of Lydd, to sell five tuns of French wine cast ashore from a wreck, they paying customs.	203
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Bernard Cordus, master of the Nicholas of Lubec, bound for St. Lucar, but obliged to put in at Qumborough, where his goods were seized by them, to sell his cargo of deals, &c., worth 100 <i>l</i> .	202
" 14	"	Lieut. of the Tower and Mayor and Sheriffs of London, &c.	To search for and apprehend Lieut.-Gen. Middleton, and break open all locks and bolts to find him.	210
" "	"	Lieut. of the Tower	To apprehend Grissell, wife of Lieut.-Gen. Middleton, and bring her before Council for aiding his escape.	210
" "	"	Keeper of Newgate	To receive — Pate and keep him in safe custody, for aiding Lieut.-Gen. Middleton to escape from the Tower.	211
" 16	"	Lieut. of the Tower	To receive Major-Gen. O'Neale and keep him close prisoner, for being in arms against Parliament.	216
" "	"	Keeper of the Gate-house.	To receive Col. MacDonell, and keep him close prisoner, "	217
" "	"	Warden of the Fleet	To release Thomas Sampson, if only committed on Council's warrant	217
" "	"	Pass	For Wm. Dove beyond seas	28

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1652. Jan. 19	C.O.S.	Keeper of the Gate-house.	To release Edw. Aldham, prisoner	I. 66. 223
"	"	License	To Geo. Taylor, of Arundel, co. Sussex, to buy 1,000 quarters of wheat for the army in Ireland.	—
"	"	Capt. Jas. Peacock, commander of the <i>Tiger</i> .	To receive John Midwood on board, and transport him and some books and papers to Scotland.	—
"	"	Keeper of the Gate-house.	To receive Lieut.-Col. Montgomery and Major Ennis, and keep them close prisoners for being in arms against Parliament, and breaking from prison.	—
"	"	Joseph Dobbins, master of the <i>Peter</i> of London.	To sail with clothes, rice, ammunition, 2,096 Bibles, &c., for the army in Ireland, for Dublin, Waterford, and Carrickfergus.	—
"	"	Customs' officers	To permit the <i>Peter</i> of London to pass free of customs	—
"	"	Navy Comrs.	To see that certain ships mentioned in a list (not given) are fitted out as men-of-war for the summer guard.	228 228
"	"	Ordnance officers	To furnish the said ships with guns and other necessaries	—
"	"	Capt. Jas. Peacock of the <i>Tiger</i> .	To receive 80,000 <i>l.</i> on board, and deliver it to the Treasurers-at-war at Leith	—
"	"	License	For Geo. Taylor, of Arundel, to buy 1,000 qrs. of wheat in Sussex for the army in Ireland.	—
"	"	Pass	For John Edwards to foreign parts	—
20	"	Serjt. Edw. Dendy	To apprehend Nich. Greenway, alias Fras. Freeman, and bring him before Council	231 241
21	"	Warden of the Fleet.	To discharge Thos. Lysons, late Mayor of Worcester	—
"	"	"	To discharge Jas. Bridges, late Sheriff of Worcester	—
"	"	"	For John Lollyer to France	240 246
"	"	"	For the Earl of Roxburgh beyond seas, on engagement under his hand and seal to do nothing prejudicial to the State.	—
"	"	"	To apprehend Sir Edward, alias Edw. Norton, Bart., and bring him before Council	—
26	"	Serjt. Edw. Dendy	To collect 84 brass and 544 iron guns in the garrisons at 28 places named, and bring them to the Tower.	259 } 260 }
"	"	"	To receive such guns on board their ships, and deliver them at the Tower	—
"	"	Captains, &c. of ships.	To deliver a brass demi-cannon of 5,000 lbs. sent to him from the Tower by Lieut.-Col. Froud, commander for the late King, to Thos. Newbury.	—
"	"	John Butler, of Exeter.	For David Lion to Scotland	261
"	"	Pass		—
"	"	"		28

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1652.				I. 66. Vol. XVIII.
Jan. 26	C.O.S.	Commanders of garrisons in the western parts.	To deliver all their brass and iron ordnance to Thos. Newbury, that they may be brought to the Tower for service at sea.	—
" 27	"	Serjt. Edw. Dendy	To repair to the house of Wm. Dugard, printer, and seize certain books entitled "Catechesis Ecclesiarum Poloniæ et Lithuanie," and require him to attend Council.	—
" "	"	Keeper of York Castle.	To discharge the 84 Scotch soldiers taken at Worcester, and permit them to return to Scotland.	—
" 30	"	Pass	For David Cunningham beyond seas	—
" 31	"	Serjeant Dendy	To search for and apprehend Sir George Muskott, a Scot, servant to the late King of Scots, come from Sweden, and lurking at Greenwich, and bring him and his papers before Council.	28
Feb. 3	"	Pass	For Col. Burges, late Governor for the King of Scots of Castle Cornet, Guernsey, according to the articles of surrender, he giving security for good behaviour.	—
"	"	Navy Victuallers	To set up a crane upon Tower Wharf adjoining Dr. Trigg's house, for putting provisions on board ships.	295 } 298 } 302 }
"	"	William Elsey of Kingston-upon-Thames.	To attend Council to answer a charge preferred against him by Geo. Garth, of Mordon, Surrey.	—
" 4	Gen. Blake	Geo. Garth Navy Comrs.	To attend Council on the same matter To enter Wm. Russell as carpenter, Jno. Mathewes as purser, Jno. Cox as gunner Thos. Perkins as boatswain, and Ralph Clarke as cook of the Drake, when built.	—
" "	C.O.S.	Pass	For Peter du Vignan, commander of Le Plaisir de Brouage, to go with his ship to France, returning within three months.	305
" 5	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver 200 pikes, 250 fire-arms, and 700 collars of bandoleers to Major Allen and Capt. Elatson, for the Lord General's and Col. Ingoldsby's regiments.	—
" 9	"	Pass	For Hen. Compton beyond seas	311
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver 200 barrels of powder, with match and bullet, to Commissary John Phipps, for the army in Scotland.	314
" "	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Wm. Cane gunner of the Resolution, in the room of Thos. Jemson, appointed to the Andrew, one of the summer guard.	—
" 10	Gen. Blake	"	To enter Robt. Robinson, late of the Increase, as boatswain, and Jno. Williams as gunner in the Falcon.	—
" "	C.O.S.	Admiralty Judges	To issue commissions to Clere Talbot, D.C.L., to be Judge of the Vice-Admiralty in Suffolk, Edw. Shipley, public notary, to be registrar, and Rich. Mason to be marshal, under Wm. Heveningham, Vice-Admiral there.	318 } 319 }
" "	"	"	"	81, 82

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1652				
Feb. 12	C.O.S.	Pass	For transportation of the body of Peter Spiering, Lord of Silverchrone, late agent from the Queen of Sweden, his train and household stuff.	I. 111. Vol. XVIII.
"	"	Customs' officers	To permit the deceased's family to ship and sail without molestation	339
"	"	Serjeant Dendy	To apprehend Major Thos. Knowles, and bring him before Council	334
"	"	Couns. of Customs	To permit the Andrew of Rye, with provisions for the forces in Jersey, to pass customs free.	338
"	"	"	To permit all provisions required by Chas. Walley or Col. Duckenfield for the Isle of Man to pass customs free.	339
"	Gen. Blake	Navy Comrs.	To enter John Vane as cook of the Falcon frigate	344
"	C.O.S.	Ordnance officers	To deliver arms, match, bullet, &c. specified to Commissary Wm. Dobbins for Ireland.	345
"	"	Serjt. Edw. Dendy	To release Thos. Windham if only committed on Council warrant	345
"	"	"	To apprehend Thos. Knowles and bring him before Council	84
"	"	Warden of the Fleet	To release Rich. Joyner if only committed on Council warrant	84
"	"	Navy Comrs.	To victual and furnish stores for the Advice frigate at Deptford for two weeks, she being appointed to go as convoy to Holland with the body of Lord Spiering.	347
"	"	Ordnance officers	To furnish the said frigate with gunners' stores	353
"	"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	To deliver 55 tons of rice, completing an order in Parliament for 70 tons, to Commissary Wm. Dobbins for the army in Ireland, and return a letter of Council about the 15 tons formerly delivered, to be cancelled, Parliament freeing Council from payment.	351 354
"	"	Couns. of Customs	To permit Denis Gauden to ship 200 tons of Cheshire cheese at Chester and Liverpool for the army in Ireland, customs free.	352
"	"	Pass	For Capt. Bulmer beyond seas	333
"	"	Couns. of Customs	To permit Dennis Gauden to transport 1,100 quarters of wheat for Ireland, and 700 more of wheat from Portsmouth or Southampton, for Dublin.	356
"	"	Pass	For William Lambert and Eliz. Broeke to foreign parts	358
"	"	"	For Rich. Tooley to foreign parts, upon satisfying Mr. Frost as to his object	358
"	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver stores mentioned to Capt. Wm. Burrell, for Mersey Island	364
"	"	Couns. of Customs, &c.	To take notice that Council have released John Rookes from the penalty and forfeiture of his goods, and that he is to land the same on paying customs.	365
"	"	"	Like orders for Christ. Nicolson, merchant of Newcastle, for goods shipped from Rotterdam, aboard the Trial of Newcastle; Arnold Beake, Peter Mathewes, and William Moore; Edw. Worgar; James Clerke; the merchants of York, Kingston-upon-Hull, and Leeds, trading to the Low Countries; John Freeman, merchant of London; John Kaynes and John Yong; John Ramsey and Robert Allau; Bernard Ellers; Rich. Boone; and [Rob.] Richbell.	359 360 365

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1652. Feb. 19	C.O.S.	Captains and commanders of ships	To permit the Adventure of Southampton, freighted by Peter Legay and Wm. Stanley, to proceed on her voyage to the Caribbee Islands, and return without molestation.	I. 66. 366
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Hen. St. John of London, merchant, to transport 1,500 birding pieces, on security to deliver them at Barbary.	—
"	"	"	Hen. Dunster, merchant of London, to transport 1,000 " " "	—
"	"	Ordnance officers	To supply the Diamond frigate, and any other ships in harbour intended for the summer guard, with guns and gunners' stores for six months.	—
"	Gen. Blake	Navy Comrs.	To enter Fras. Bourbank gunner of the Bryer	—
" 20	C.O.S.	Pass	For Wm. Stafford to France	368
" 23	"	"	For Wm. Stafford to France	29
" 25	"	"	For Elizabeth, wife of Gervase Hollis, and her two servants, to France	29 (2)
"	"	Ordnance officers	To permit the owners of the Barbadoes Merchant, built by Hen. Johnson, of Deptford, to purchase 20 pieces of iron ordnance, on security for non-alienation.	—
"	"	Serjt. Edw. Dendy	To apprehend John Lewis and — Games, receivers for cos. Carnarthen and Brecknock, and bring them before Council to answer for their neglect and misdemeanours.	—
" 26	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver to Commissary John Phipps, for supply of the stores in Scotland, 500 snaphance muskets, 1,900 matchlock muskets, 2,000 pairs of bandoleers, 2,500 shovels, 2,800 spades, 1,100 pickaxes, and 2,000 long pikes.	—
"	"	William Molins	To deliver to Commissary Jno. Phipps the farmers' tools and medicaments for horses, which he was ordered to provide for Scotland.	—
" 27	"	Pass	For Jas. Allestree beyond seas	—
"	"	Customs' officers	To permit Capt. Heu. Hatsell to transport 300 qrs. of wheat, 300 qrs. of peas, and 300 qrs. of malt, from Plymouth to Ireland.	29
Mar. 1	"	Admiralty Judges and Judge Advocate.	To draw letters patent, appointing Col. Geo. Fenwick Vice-Admiral for co. Durham, with power to nominate the officers under him (except the judge, registrar, and marshal).	—
" 3	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Thos. Cox to land his goods on payment of customs, Council having taken off the confiscation.	—
"	"	"	For George Price, merchant, to land his ship and goods	365
"	"	Pass	For Lord Gerard and other persons mentioned in his petition to travel to foreign parts	365
"	"	"	For Patrick Vas, a Scotchman, to Scotland, he engaging to repair to the Commander-in-Chief on his arrival.	406
"	"	"	To permit Armiger Warner to ship 1,000 qrs. of wheat and 20 tons of oatmeal from Southampton and Portsmouth for the army in Ireland, customs' free, and a quantity of malt to complete the lading.	408 } 413 }
"	"	Customs' officers at Portsmouth and Southampton.		410

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1652. Mar. 3	C.O.S.	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Denis Gauden to ship from Chester and Liverpool 500 qrs. of wheat and 250 tons of oatmeal on the Prosperous, for Ireland.	I. 66. 409
" 4	"	Col. Rob. Blake	Commission to command the Parliament fleet for nine months, with the usual powers	413
" "	"	Pass	For — Lewis beyond sea	413
" "	"	"	For Pat. Done beyond seas	29
" "	"	"	For Henry and Jane Cheney and John Cooper, beyond seas	29
" 8	"	"	For Edw. Lewis beyond seas	29
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Capt. Robt. Moulton to ship a quantity of wheat, salt, and deals from Portsmouth to Ireland.	426
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs and Excise.	To permit Rich. Bradshaw, agent, returning to Hamburg, to ship all his goods customs free.	430
" 10	"	Pass	For Jas. Allen beyond seas	29
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit the Blessing of London, with ammunition and provisions for Limerick, for the army in Ireland, to sail customs free.	438
" "	"	[Rich. Smith, master of the Blessing of London.]	To fall down with his convoy to Portsmouth, and sail for Limerick	438
" "	"	Customs' officers	To permit Capt. Robt. Moulton to ship provisions for Ireland	436
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver eight culverins and six demi-iron culverins with carriages, for the garrison at Portsmouth, to Col. Nath. Whetham.	438
" "	"	Thos. Newberry, storekeeper, Portsmouth.	To deliver 50 barrels of powder and some match to Col. Sydenham, for the garrison in the Isle of Wight.	438
" "	"	Commander of the Blessing of London.	To fall down to his convoy at Portsmouth, and then sail for Limerick with the provisions on board for Ireland.	438
" 11	"	Serjt. Edw. Dendly	To send to Major Purling to pay Nich. Meadow and Robt. Hide, of Hastings, mariners, the amount due to them of the 63 ^l . ordered to be paid them, and if he will not pay, to bring him up to Council in safe custody.	443
" "	"	License	For the Earl of Northumberland to transport a horse to the Low Countries	439
" "	"	"	For the Lord General to transport a horse to the Low Countries	439
" "	"	Pass	For Jas. Allen beyond seas	29
" 12	"	"	For William, Francis, and John Urquhart, attendants on Sir Thos. Urquhart, to return to Scotland, they doing nothing prejudicial.	451 } 455 }
" "	"	Capt. Jno. Saltonstall, of the Lion.	To receive Rich. Bradshaw, agent to Hamburg, with his family, &c., and carry them to Hamburg.	454
" "	"	Geo. Withers	To deliver the keys of the library at St. James's to Lord Commissioner Whitelock, appointed keeper thereof, as also of the statues and pictures.	454

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1652.				I. 111. Vol. XVIII.
Mar. 12	C.O.S.	Capt. Jas. Coppin, of the Heart.	To convey the Godspeed, and five other ships, of Hull, and the Employment, and three others of Lynn, to their ports.	455
" 13	"	Commanders of ships.	To receive such brass ordnance as the Governor of Hull shall deliver, to be brought to the Tower.	457
15	"	Customs' officers, Yarmouth.	To restore to Thos. Crowder, Wm. Smith, and Danl. Proud, soldiers under Col. Okey, in regard of their poverty and good affection, their vessel which was seized, containing three tuns and three hogsheds of French wine.	462
"	"	Ordnance officers -	To furnish the Sovereign, appointed as one of the summer guard, with guns and gunners' stores.	462
"	"	Customs' officers at Dover.	To restore the Nightingale, and the goods upon her at her capture by Capt. Smith after suspension of letters of marque, to John Peterson, her master.	463
"	"	Customs' officers, London.	To take off the seizure upon the Antelope of London, laden with cheese by Denis Gauden for the army in Scotland, and permit her to sail to Leith customs free.	463 } 469 }
"	"	Pass	For Major Jas. Mercer into Scotland, on the usual terms -	463
"	"	Capt. Alsop, Marshal-General.	To discharge Major Jas. Mercer, upon his parole to surrender to the Commander-in-Chief in Scotland within 21 days after his arrival.	463
"	"	Pass	For Rich. Batten beyond seas -	29
"	"	"	For Jas. Wyand -	29
"	"	"	For August Hankenson -	29
16	"	Ordnance officers -	To deliver arms, ammunition, &c. mentioned to Commissary Wm. Dobbins, for Ireland.	467
"	"	Wm. Molins -	To search in London for brass ordnance belonging to the State, broken up and hidden in private cellars or warehouses, and deliver up the receivers, to be brought before Council.	471
"	"	Justices of peace and other officers.	To permit Timothy Liveing and Fras. Chaplin, employed in Cheshire and Lancashire as agents for shipping cheese and meal for the army in Ireland, to pass to and fro at their pleasure, and afford them entertainment and lodging for their money.	470
"	"	All whom it may concern.	Not to embezzle, spoil, or waste the materials of Holt Castle, co. Denbigh, belonging to John Earl of Bridgewater.	471
" 17	"	Ordnance officers -	To supply the Diamond and Ruby, who have but 34 pieces of ordnance each, with six more.	476
"	"	Capt. Robt. Sparrow and his officers.	To attend the commissioners appointed to inquire into abuses committed by their troop of horse in co. Cambridge.	476
"	"	Ordnance officers -	To deliver 50 grenado shells of 16 inch diameter to Commissary Wm. Dobbins, for Ireland.	477

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1652. Mar. 18	C.O.S.	Pass	For Charles Lord de Spencer, Charles Lord Gerrard, Wm. Spencer, Rob. Errington, and John Ridley, to transport themselves.	I. 66, I. 111, Vol. XVIII. — 30
"	"	"	For Lieut. Archibald Johnston to Holland	481 —
"	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver 50 grenado shells to Commissary Wm. Dobbins for Ireland, making 200 sent.	484 —
"	Gen. Blake	Navy Comrs.	To enter Fras. Bourbank gunner of the Bryer	— 85
"	C.O.S.	Comrs. of Customs	To give order to the Customs' officers to permit Denis Gauden to ship from several ports named 400 tons of oatmeal for Ireland, customs free.	484 } 495 }
"	"	"	To give license to Jno. Harris to transport 500 qrs. of corn, John Georges 2,000 bushels of grain, and Capt. Moulton 1,000 qrs. of wheat, from ports named, to Ireland, for supply of the garrisons, paying customs.	496 —
"	"	All whom it may concern.	To release a small vessel taken upon the Essex coast, which brought letters from Holland for the Ambassadors in London, with her skipper and other Dutchmen aboard.	494 —
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Jas. Lauder, of Chichester, co. SUSSEX, to carry over 1,500 qrs. of malt to Ireland.	502 —
"	"	Pass	For Lieut.-Col. Wind to foreign parts	503 —
"	"	"	For Capt. Mauley beyond sea	503 —
"	"	Serjt. Edw. Dendy	To search for and apprehend Capt. Fras. Murfield, for writing an intercepted letter to Mr. Alexander, subscribed Johnston, intimating that some honest blades had killed the rogue, meaning Dr. Dorislaus.	510 —
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Dennis Gauden to transport 60 qrs. of malt in the Sarah of Londou to Waterford.	513 —
"	"	Rich. Smith, Wm. Gilbert, and Rich. Henaker, masters of the Blessing, Sarah, and Prosperous of London, and Mr. Bassett, master of the — of Sandwich.	To fall down to their convoy in the Downs, and thence sail for Ireland	509 —
"	"	Capt. Jno. Taylor, of the Laurel.	To receive 60,000 <i>l.</i> from the Treasurers-at-war, and deliver it to Geo. Bilron, their deputy at Leith, or at such other port in Scotland as Major-General Deane, commander of the forces there, shall direct.	514 —

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1652. Mar. 26	C.O.S.	Wm. Leman and Jno. Blackwell, jun., Treasurers- at-war.	To send the 60,000 <i>l.</i> named in the preceding order on board the Laurel	I. 66. 514
"	Gen. Blake	Navy Comrs.	To enter Saml. Raven carpenter of the Antelope, building at Woolwich	86
"	C.O.S.	Capt. Jno. Taylor	To convey the Hopewell of London, laden with arms and ammunition for the army in Scotland, to Leith.	516
"	"	Officers of Customs and of the forts at Gravesend.	To allow the said ship to pass	517
"	"	Keeper of the Gate- house.	To receive Fras. Murfield on suspicion of being accessory to the murder of Dr. Dorislans.	521
Apr. 1	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Thos. Meech as out-storekeeper at Chatham, in place of Thos. Whitton	531
"	"	Governor of Wind- sor Castle.	To give Sir Jas. Graham his liberty to come to London for two months for the re- covery of his health, on parole then to render himself true prisoner.	531
"	"	"	For the Lord of Bargany [Abergavenny?] with his servants and horses to Scotland, he surrendering himself to the Parliament commissioners there, on summons.	532
"	"	Lieutenant of the Tower, Warden of the Fleet, Keepers of the Gatehouse and Newgate, Serj. Dendy, and Capt. Alsop.	To send to Council lists of the prisoners in their custody committed by Council of State warrant, or prisoners of war, together with particulars of each prisoner.	532
"	Gen. Blake	Navy Comrs.	To enter Jos. Turvill cook on the Bryer	88
"	C.O.S.	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Thos. Browne, merchant of London, to transport 60 qrs. of beans, 30 qrs. of wheat, 30 qrs. of peas, 60 qrs. of barley, and 20 qrs. of malt to Ireland, on security to transport it to the garrisons, or sell it to persons approved by the commander of the forces.	544
"	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver 10 barrels of powder with match and ball to Major Wiggan, for the two foot regiments acting as guard to the city.	544
"	"	License	For Francis and John Dorrington to carry the corn desired in their petition to Ire- land, on the conditions lately ordered.	550
"	"	"	For John Aylwin to transport 1,200 qrs. of barley to Ireland, on the usual terms	550
"	Gen. Blake	Navy Comrs.	To enter Thos. Browne gunner of the Fortune	89

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1652. Apr. 7	C.O.S.	Comrs. of Customs	To permit the owners of the Ann of London to transport to Limerick 500 qrs. of malt, 100 qrs. of wheat, 50 qrs. of barley, and 20 qrs. of peas, on payment of customs, and security to dispose of it to the garrisons, or to persons approved by the Commander-in-Chief.	I. 66. 560
"	"	Comrs. of Customs and officers at Hull.	To permit the Navy Victuallers to transport from Hull to Ireland 1,000 qrs. of malt on like terms.	I. 111. 561
"	Gen. Blake	Navy Comrs.	To enter Nich. Barnes purser of the Paradox	90
"	C.O.S.	"	To enter Rob. Bromwell boatswain, Wm. Coppin purser, Wm. Jones carpenter, and Dennis Fowler cook, on the Fortune prize.	91-94
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To discharge the four bales of yarn belonging to Jas. Boeve, merchant of London, and seized for being brought in Dutch vessels, they having been shipped at Hamburg, before notice of the Act for encouragement of Navigation.	573
"	"	"	To discharge one dry fatt of loaf sugar and two rundlets of indigo, shipped from Holland in a Dutch vessel on account of Thos. Cheshire, on like grounds.	574
"	"	Thos. Morley and Saml. Truelove, masters of the Jonathan and Abigail, and Adventure of London.	To fall down to their convoy in the Downs, and thence sail to Limerick.	567
"	"	Customs' officers	To permit the said ships to sail to Limerick, with provisions for the army in Ireland, customs free.	567
"	"	Keeper of Suffolk gaol.	To keep Capt. Wm. Flinton, a pirate taken by Capt. Peacock, in safe custody for felony and burglary, in robbing Mr. May's house at Baudsey, co. Suffolk, and carrying him prisoner to Dunkirk.	572
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit William Ridgeway, Ralph Venn, Wm. Burton, and Wm. Thomson to export 1,000 birding pieces to Barbary, on security not to carry them elsewhere.	575
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To dispense with the confiscation of 10 lasts of tar, belonging to William Greene, citizen of London, shipped before notice of the Navigation Act.	574
"	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Peter Knott cook of the Fortune frigate	96
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Denis Gauden to transport 200 tons of cheese customs free from Hull, at request of Major-Gen. Deane, for the army in Scotland.	590
"	"	Capt. Jno. White	Commission to take command of the George fire-ship, and observe orders by the Council or Generals of the fleet.	587

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Apr. 13	C.O.S.	Capt. Jno. Seward	Commission to take command of the Monserat similar to the preceding	I. 66.
"	"	Adm. Judges	To issue a commission for Edm. Earl of Mulgrave, to be continued Vice-Admiral of Yorkshire, Rich. Etherington judge, Chas. Fairfax registrar, and Matthew Wilson marshal of the Vice-Admiralty.	587
"	"	Pass	For Wm. Armorer to Holland	29
" 14	"	"	For Ruth Granger and her two servants with necessaries, to foreign parts, carrying with her nothing prejudicial.	29
"	"	"	For John Vavasour, gentleman, to foreign parts	580
"	"	"	For Wm. Armorer and his wife and family to Holland	581
"	"	Couns. of Customs	To permit Denis Gauden to transport to Limerick 600 qrs. of malt, on payment of customs.	587
"	"	Couns. officers at Southampton.	To permit David Roehford, of Limerick, to transport thither such corn as he shall laden in the Unity of London.	587
"	"	Pass	For Sir Wm. Parsons and Fras. Boyle to foreign parts	588
"	"	Capt. Jno. Sherwin, of the Primrose.	To have his vessel victualled and fitted, and sail to Lombash, Dumbarton Frith, and observe the orders of Major-Gen. Deane.	592
"	"	Couns. of Customs	To permit Wm. Kiffin, merchant of London, to unlade the goods in the Thomas of London, viz. wine, train oils, whale fins, tobacco, spices, and copper, they being laden before notice of the Act of Navigation.	593
"	"	"	To permit Jas. Lauder of Chichester, to transport 1,500 qrs. of malt from any port in Sussex to Ireland, paying customs.	593
" 15	"	Pass	For a person to come from foreign parts, whose name is to be concealed, on desire of Mr. Scott.	597
"	"	"	For Dr. Jas. Rutherford, daughter, and maid, to Holland	597
"	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver to Commissary W. Dobbins, for Orkney in Scotland, 20 pieces of iron ordnance with their equipage, and 60 shots round for each piece.	598 } 608 }
"	"	Col. Whichcot, Governor of Windsor Castle.	To permit Col. Jno. Chisholme to come to London on parole, giving security to surrender to the Marshal-General at the end of two months.	598
" 16	"	Couns. officers, Dover.	To permit Rob. Hammon, merchant of London, to transport 3,000 qrs. corn to Ireland, on the usual security.	602
"	"	Pass	For the Earl of Wigton, with 16 servants, strangers, to foreign parts, and the money, goods, and apparel taken from them to be restored.	599
"	"	Serjt. Edw. Dundy	To apprehend Rich. Braham, lately called Sir Rich. Braham, of New Windsor, bring him before Council, and search for his papers and writings.	601
"	"	"	To apprehend Peter De la Fontaine in London	601
"	"	"	" Wm. Coventry and search for his letters and papers	601
"	"	"		97

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Apr. 17	Gen. Rob. Blake.	Navy Couns.	To enter Michael Ballard purser of the Bryer, in place of Rob. Pinek, discharged for dishonesty.	—
"	C.O.S.	Ordnance officers -	To deliver ordnance, carriages, and ammunition to Commissary Dobbins for the service of Ireland.	—
"	"	Pass "	For John Vavasour beyond seas	29
"	"	Customs' officers, Chester.	To permit Denis Gauden to transport 200 tons of cheese from Chester to Limerick -	—
"	"	Customs' officers, London.	" " 30 tons from London -	—
"	"	Ordnance officers -	To deliver to Commissary Wm. Dobbins for Ireland, carriages for three guns for the artillery train there.	—
"	"	Protection from impress.	For the Providence of Newcastle, she being employed to bring salt from the Tyne to London, and having had three men impressed from her, in her last voyage.	—
"	"	Sir Arth. Hesilrige, Governor of Newcastle and Tynewmouth.	To deliver to Lieut.-Col. Jno. Mason, out of the magazine at Newcastle or Tynewmouth, muskets, bandoleers, and pikes, not exceeding 1,000, for arming 500 more soldiers to be added to Col. Fairfax's regiment ordered for Scotland.	623
"	"	Couns. of Customs	To permit the Ann pink of London, laden with biscuit for the army in Ireland, to sail for Limerick free of customs.	619
"	"	Hugh Jones, master of the Anne pink.	To fall down to his convoy in the Downs, and sail for Limerick -	619
"	"	Joshua Drake, storekeeper at Hull.	To deliver to Col. Wm. Mitchell, muskets, bandoleers, and pikes, not exceeding 1,000, for arming 500 men to be added to the 700 of Major-Gen. Deane's regiment of foot, which is to march forthwith to Scotland.	619
"	"	Navy Couns.	To enter Phil. Spooner cook in the George fire-ship	—
"	"	Ordnance officers -	To furnish 10 barrels of powder with match proportionably for the garrison of Lynn	623
"	"	Capt. Robert Moulton of the Saphire, Gabriel Saunders, of the Weymouth pink, and the commanders in the Downs.	To convoy the John, Sarah, Joseph, and William to Ostead, and bring back such vessels as they find there requiring convoy.	622
"	"	Pass	Capt. Rob. Pritchard and servant to foreign parts -	—

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1652. Apr. 22	C.O.S.	Keeper of the prison, Ipswich.	To discharge Mich. Trevay, a Fleming taken by Capt. Peacock, and carried to Ipswich.	I. 66. 625
" 23	"	Ordnance officers -	To deliver 1,000 pikets and 500 muskets with bandoleers to Commissary Dobbins, to be sent to Bristol, and from thence to Ireland for arming Col. Clerke's regiment, and other recruits.	—
" 26	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Jas. Goffe, merchant of London, to unship and dispose of a case of dressed hides, two bags of elks' hair, a pack of goats' skins, and a case of white wax, shipped before notice of the Act of Navigation.	—
" "	"	License -	Like order for Maurice Thompson of London, for 30 bags of gum-lack -	636
" "	"	" -	For Gilbert Crane to transport 20 barrels of powder, five tons of lead and small shot, and 1,000 cwt. of match to New England.	635
" "	"	Danl. Baker -	Commission to command the Prosperous ketch of Quinboro, and after she is victualled and fitted as a man-of-war, to convey the William and John of Feversham to Dumbarton Frith, and follow the orders of Major-Gen. Deane.	—
" "	"	Danl. Potter, messenger to the Council of State.	To go to the masters of the Jonathan and Abigail, Adventure, and Ann pink of Bristol, and order them to sail to their convoy in the Downs, and bring an account of their departure from thence.	638
" 27	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Chas. Walley to transport to Ayr in Scotland, for the army, 800 cwt. of biscuit, and Denis Gauden 50 tons of Cheshire cheese from Chester and Liverpool free of customs.	640 } 646 }
" 28	"	Navy Comrs. -	To enter Hen. Avis as boatswain of the new hulk at Portsmouth -	643
" 29	"	Customs' Comrs. -	To permit Hum. Hull to transport 900 qrs. of wheat, malt, and barley to Ireland -	650
" "	"	Ordnance officers -	To issue sufficient powder and bullet for proving the 500 snaphance fowling pieces for Scotland, contracted for by the Irish and Scotch Committee, with Edw. Burrows and four others.	650
" 30	"	Navy Comrs. -	To appoint Wm. Bond of Deptford carpenter of the Fortune fire-ship -	646
" "	"	Pass -	For John Boughton to Holland -	653
May 3	"	Navy Committee -	To appoint Stephen Smith gunner of the Fortune fire-ship -	I. 67. 1
" "	"	Ordnance officers -	To deliver 24 halberets to Col. Ino. Clerke for his regiment, and 24 to Lieut.-Col. Cobbett for the Lord Deputy's regiment, appointed for Ireland.	1, 11
" 4	"	Pass -	For Abraham Wild, a Frenchman, to France -	5
" "	"	" -	For John Ganner, wife and child, to Flanders -	29
" 5	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit the Hopetul of London, with provisions for the army in the Orkney Islands, to pass customs free.	29 6, 12

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May 5	C.O.S.	Edm. York, of the Hopetul.	To fall down to his convoy, and sail for Orkney - - - - -	12
" 6	"	Ordnance officers -	To furnish the Fortune fire-ship with guns and gunners' stores - - - - -	13
" "	"	Pass -	For Thos. Bawrice and Rich. Gibson beyond seas - - - - -	14
" "	"	Ordnance officers -	To change seven guns belonging to the Fortune frigate, taken by Capt. Peacock, and furnish her with stores.	18
" "	Col. Blake, Downs.	Navy Comrs. -	To enter Thos. Arkinstall, boatswain of the Amity, as boatswain of the Fairfax -	102
" 10	C.O.S.	Ordnance officers -	To remove the brass guns on board the Swiftsure, Foresight, and Laurel, to the Sovereign and Resolution, and put iron ones in their place.	32, 33
" "	"	Navy Committee -	To issue a commission for Capt. Vestis Smith to be commander of the Richard and Martha merchant ship, to be employed for the State.	25
" "	"	Ordnance officers -	To furnish two shallops, lately built at Deptford and Horsett Down, to be speedily put to sea, with guns and gunners' stores.	32
" "	"	Navy Comrs. -	To enter Edw. Alford as boatswain of the Fortune fire-ship - - - - -	29
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Thos. A cabley, Thos. Durant, and other merchants of Plymouth, to transport 500 qrs. of grain to Ireland.	29
" "	"	"	To permit Jas. Studley, of Weymouth, to transport 60 tons of malt, 40 tons of barley, 20 tons of wheat, 10 tons of peas, and 30 tuns of beer, to Ireland.	30
" "	"	"	To permit Rich. Manning, of Chichester, to transport 1,500 qrs. of malt and 100 qrs. of wheat, to Ireland.	30
" "	"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	To deliver to the Ordnance officers for the use of the State's ships all the brass and iron guns in their custody.	30
" "	"	Ordnance officers -	To supply the Andrew with four more guns, with carriages and gunner's stores -	31
" "	"	"	To deliver 10 barrels of powder to Capt. Robert Moulton for the garrison at Guernsey.	31
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	To ballast the Merlin galley with broken guns and unserviceable shot - - - - -	31
" "	"	"	To permit Denis Gauden to ship 60 tons of Suffolk cheese and 400 firkins of butter free of customs from London and Yarmouth, for the army in Scotland.	33, 37
" 11	"	Sheriff of Yorkshire and keeper of York Castle.	To discharge seven boys named, prisoners in York Castle, in exchange for John Carran, mate of the Why Not I of Ipswich, who with five men more and a boy were taken prisoners to Dunkirk.	37
" 12	"	Thos. Marriott, of the Discovery.	To receive 25,000 <i>l.</i> on board, for pay of the forces in Ireland, and deliver it at Waterford.	42
" "	"	Eras. Bethune -	To collect all the brass ordnance in 23 garrisons named, and ship them for the Tower, receiving 100 <i>l.</i> impress, 3 <i>l.</i> a week for service, and incident charges.	48

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1652. May 13	C.O.S.	Commanders of garrisons in the North-west.	To deliver to Fras. Bethune all the brass and iron ordnance and pieces of metal in their custody.	I. 67. 47
"	"	Captains, &c. of ships.	To receive the same on board, and bring them up to the Tower	—
" 14	"	Pass	For Maymie Trot and servant to foreign parts	—
" "	"	Customs' Comrs.	To permit Geo. Scutt, of Poole, to transport 100 qrs. of wheat and 200 qrs. of malt to Ireland upon the usual terms.	—
" "	"	Customs' officers, Chichester and Plymouth.	To permit Nich. Exton, mayor of Chichester, to transport 1,500 qrs. of malt, 500 of wheat, and 100 of peas for Ireland.	56, 61
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver 40 pair of traces for waggon horses to Commissary Jno. Phipps, for Lieut.-Gen. Monk, or certify Council if there be not enough in the stores.	—
" "	"	Major Thos. Sanders.	To receive 496 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>½d.</i> of Col. Clerke at Plymouth, and give him a receipt	—
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Capt. Jno. Whitworth to transport 40 tons of cheese from Chester and Liverpool to Carliford, for the forces in Ulster, free of customs.	60
" "	"	"	To permit Jno. Masters, of Chichester, to transport 1,000 qrs. of malt to Ireland free of customs.	—
" "	"	"	To permit Wm. Stampen, of Chichester, to transport 100 qrs. of malt to Ireland free of customs.	61
" "	"	"	To allow the Tiger of Yarmouth, laden with biscuit and cheese for the army in Scotland, to pass free of customs.	62
" 17	"	"	To fall down to his convoy, and sail for Inverness	—
" "	"	Wm. Michelson, of the Tiger.	To permit Joseph Baker, of Plymouth, to transport 100 qrs. of wheat, 600 of oats, and 100 of malt, for the garrisons in Ireland and for sale there, on the usual security, paying customs.	67
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Walter Vine, of Loo, Cornwall, to transport 2,000 bushels of wheat, barley, and malt to Ireland, on the usual security.	67
" 18	"	Pass	For Orlando Gee and Simon Stone to Holland	30
" "	"	Customs' officers	To deliver to Geo. Stonehouse to foreign parts	—
" 19	"	Pass	To deliver to Nich. Bond the public plate required for the entertainment to the Danish Ambassador.	71
" "	"	Mr. Legg	Commission to be Vice-Admiral of the fleet in the summer's expedition under General Blake, and captain of the Triumph.	83
" "	"	Capt. Wm. Penn	Commission to be Rear-Admiral in the same expedition under General Blake, and captain of the Andrew.	—
" "	"	Capt. Nehemiah Bourne.		85
" "	"	"		86

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May 20	C.O.S.	Navy Comrs.	To enter Edw. Alford boatswain of the Fortune fire-ship	I. 67.
" 21	"	5 Postmasters between Southwark and Dover, and 7 between Charing Cross and Portsmouth.	To have always ready a requisite number of horses to hasten all the dispatches they receive from Parliament or Council of State; with power to press horses if needful.	107 } 108 }
" "	"	Navy Comrs.	To add 20 supernumeraries to the Old Warwick	104
" "	"	" and Customs' officers, Sussex.	To permit Elis Good, of Chichester, to transport 600 qrs. of wheat and 600 qrs. of malt to Ireland, on the usual terms.	108
" "	"	Capt. Joseph Jordan, of the Pelican.	To hasten to General Blake in the Downs, and observe his orders	104
" "	"	Capt. Anth. Earn- ing, of the Re- formation.		
" "	"	Capt. Wm. Launt, of the Tiger.	To give order for rigging, fitting out, and victualling the Vanguard for this summer's service.	96 } 105 }
" "	"	Navy Comrs.		
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To furnish the Marigold with additional guns, carriages, and stores	105
" "	"	Capt. Rob. Clerke, of the Drake.	To tow the Richard and Martha two miles from Woolwich	105
" "	"	Messengers of Council.	To go to the Tiger, Pelican, Reformation, and Giles, at Harwich or Yarmouth, and hasten them to General Blake in the Downs, and see them set sail.	106
" "	"	Navy Comrs.	To furnish the Marigold and the Mary fly-boat with 120 men each, and to press what are wanting, that the ships may hasten in the Downs.	106
" "	"	Customs' officers	To permit Geo. Scutt, of Poole, to transport 100 qrs. of wheat and 200 qrs. of malt to Ireland on the usual terms.	113
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver 500 arms to Lieut.-Col. Mill, for Col. Ingoldsby's regiment, to be returned when the regiment is reduced, and also seven drums.	116
" "	"	" "	To deliver 200 firelocks and 10 drums to Majors Jno. Wigan and Fras. Allen, for the said regiment, on like terms.	112
" "	"	Customs' Comrs. and officers of Sussex.	To permit Thos. Austen, of Chichester, to transport 800 qrs. of malt and 100 qrs. of wheat to Ireland on the usual terms.	114
" "	"	" "	To permit Nich. Rickman to transport 600 qrs. of malt and barley to Ireland on the usual terms.	114

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May 22	C.O.S.	Commander of — ship.	To convoy to Tibury Hope a ship laden with 500 barrels of powder, which is to be brought by Major Tolhurst from Newcastle to London.	115
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit a ship and pinnace belonging to the Danish Ambassadors to come up the river, to unlade their goods.	116
" 23	"	Edw. Osboldston	To hasten the ships in the Thames to the Downs, and give an account of what remain, and the cause of their stay.	119
" 24	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit the Marygold, Capt. Hum. Felsted, commander, with 1,500 ewt. of biscuit and 100 firkins of butter, to sail to Ayr in Scotland, customs free	131
"	"	[Navy Comrs.]	To enter Nich. How boatswain of the Success	121
"	"	Capt. Haddock	Commission to be commander of the Resolution	121
" 25	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver 500 recruit arms and bandoleers to Lieut.-Col. Worsley, for the Lord General's regiment, and 350 bandoleers to Col. Mill for Col. Ingoldsby's regiment, to be returned when the service is over.	139
" 26	"	Pass	For Fras. Barton, Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, beyond seas	147
"	"	Keeper of the Gatehouse.	To receive Nath. Markes and Christ. Napier, on suspicion of treason, for counterfeiting and uttering base coin, there to remain till delivered by due course of law.	143
" 27	"	Pass	For Wm. Rose to foreign parts, on showing what his occasions are	146
"	"	"	For John Whitecott to foreign parts	146
"	"	Matthew Fleming, of the Henry.		152
"	"	Jarvis Coachman, of the Endymion.		
"	"	Robert Browne, of the Swallow.		
"	"	Laurence Browning, of the Jonas.		
"	"	Geo. Chappell, of the Peter and Jane.		
"	"	Edw. Grey, of the Mathew and John.		
"	"	Daniel Gates, of the Daniel.		
"	"	Thos. Awdley, of the Philip.		
"	"	Toby Browne, of the Mary.		
"	"	Wm. Fudge, of the Robert & Richard.		
"	"		To sail to General Blake in the Downs, and observe his directions	155

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May 27	C.O.S.	Customs' officers -	To permit Haggai Barker, merchant of Dover, to transport 100 qrs. of wheat and 200 of meal to Ireland, on the usual terms.	114 }
" 28	"	Keeper of the Gate-house.	To receive Jno. Quick, Robert Ladd, Joshua Fugill, George Daniell, and — Bayley, for forging debentures.	147 }
" 29	"	Pass - - -	For Rowland Owen beyond seas - - - - -	30
" "	"	Navy Comrs. -	To enter Edw. Haberdine cook of the Success - - - - -	107
" "	"	Col. Crompton, Governor of Tilbury Fort, and Lieutenant Col. Kelsey, Governor of Dover Castle.	To search for and apprehend Abraham Granger, Nich. Greenway, Jno. Stephens, and Jno. Philpot, said to be fled to Gravesend or Dover to avoid justice, for counterfeiting public faith bills and debentures, and to seize all their trunks, books, and papers.	168 } 180 }
" "	"	Ordnance officers -	To repair on board the Resolution and take charge thereof as master - - - - -	170
" 30	"	Pass - - -	To furnish the Vanguard and Lady Ketch with gunns and gunners' stores - - - - -	170
" 31	"	Col. Whichcott, Governor of Windsor Castle.	For [Mynheer Nieupport], Dutch Ambassador Extraordinary and servants to Holland - - - - -	171
" "	"	Licence - - -	To deliver 150 of the 200 barrels of powder he has in store to the Ordnance officers - - - - -	176
" "	"	Navy Victuallers -	For the Lord General to send a couple of pad nags and a couple of hounds to France.	175
" "	"	Postmasters between London and Dover.	To victual the whole of the fleet to the 1st of October, except Sir George Aysene's squadron and Capt. Penn's, lately come home from the South.	175
" "	"	Captains of ships, press-masters, &c.	To expedite the letters and packets to the Navy Victuallers as to victualling the fleet - - - - -	177
" "	"	Major Murrford, Governor of Southampton.	To permit Rich. Pankes, master of the Blessing hoy, to pass and repass with powder to London.	177
" "	"	Thos. Newberry, Storekeeper, Portsmouth.	To deliver the powder, ordnance, and ammunition in the magazine there to Thos. Newberry.	176
" "	"	Comms. of Customs	To receive the above and transmit them to Portsmouth - - - - -	176
June 1	"	"	To permit Thos. Tutty to transport 1,000 qrs. of malt and 50 qrs. of wheat to Ireland, upon the usual terms.	199
" "	"	"	" Joseph Briday to transport 800 qrs. of malt and 200 qrs. of wheat to Ireland upon the usual terms.	199

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June 1	C.O.S.	Pass	For Alex. Burkley, prisoner at Chester, to foreign parts, on taking the engagement and passing his parole not to return without leave, nor do anything against the commonwealth.	179
"	"	Officers of ports	For Sir Saml. Luke to foreign parts, in the usual manner	180
"	"	"	To search for and apprehend Major-Gen. Dalryell, age between 50 and 60, lately escaped from the Tower; with his description.	184
2	"	Pass	For Wm. Harford to foreign parts, in the usual manner	179
"	"	Hen. Southwood, commander of the Greyhound.	To receive Myneer Niepoort, councillor and treasurer-general of Holland and West Friezland, and his retinue on board, and carry them to Holland, or on board a Dutch ship, if one be met with and he desire it.	190
3	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit John Robinson, Edw. Wood, and Luke Wilding, merchants of London, to transport to Barbadoes 40 draught horses for the sugar works there, they paying customs.	199
4	"	Governor or Store-keeper of New-castle.	To restore to Wm. Craford 19 guns taken from the Goodwill of Ipswich, of which he was master, for the garrison at Newcastle.	204
5	"	Pass	For the Earl of Nottingham to foreign parts	203
"	"	Ordnance officers	To send 20 barrels of powder to Tilbury Fort	210
"	"	Pass	For Anna Hall beyond seas	218
7	"	"	For Abraham Jacob and one servant beyond seas	30
"	"	"	For Thos. Chester to foreign parts, on his petition	216
"	"	"	For Ann Shephard	216
"	"	"	For Anna Barnby beyond seas	30
"	"	Governor of Den-high Castle.	To deliver 300 muskets to Chas. Walley or Capt. Jno. Whitworth of Chester, for arming soldiers for Ireland, according to directions from Council.	223
"	"	Governor of Staf-ford.	To deliver 400 muskets, 300 pikes, and 350 collars of bandoleers for like purpose	223
"	"	Governor of Chester	" 100 muskets for like purpose	223
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit the St. Tooley of the Dramm, Norway, to sail to Norway without inter-ruption, notwithstanding the general embargo.	224
"	"	Ordnance officers	To furnish Capt. Farley with 10 barrels of powder, 10 cwt. of shot, and match pro-portionably, for the garrison at Rye.	224
8	"	Pass	For Wm. Butler, manner, to sail with the Desire to Virginia	228
"	"	Mr. Legg	To deliver out the necessary plate for the entertainment to the Ambassador Extra-ordinary from the United Provinces.	232
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit the St. John of Gottenburg to return to Sweden	228
"	"	"	To permit the Patience of Margate, laden by Mr. Gauden with butter and cheese for Dundee on the State's account, to pass free of customs.	233
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1652. June 10	C.O.S.	Navy Comrs. and press officers.	To allow Capt. John Clarke's ship, employed for the service of Ireland, 15 men, free of impress.	I. 28. 67
" 11	"	Comrs. of Customs, officers of ports, &c.	To permit the Matthew and John, and John and Lawrence to go for Newfoundland	"
" "	"	Customs' Comrs.	To permit the Susanna, Mathias, Jonas, Lion, and Emanuel to return to Norway	"
" "	"	"	To permit John Poval, now at Dover, to bring his hawks to London, paying custom	"
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To furnish to the merchant ships taken into the service the iron guns and gunners' stores which are needful, and not supplied by the Navy Commissioners.	"
" "	"	License	For Thos. Hendra and John Sporr to carry 250 quarters of barley to Ireland	"
" "	"	Pass	For John Spencer to foreign parts, with three servants, but without horses	"
" 12	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Nath. Manton, merchant, to send a small ship of 60 tons to Bilbao with 5 men and a boy, the embargo notwithstanding.	" 31
" "	"	"	To permit the Supply and the Dolphin of Hull to have 10 men in each ship, free of impress, for carrying their ships to Hull.	"
" 14	"	"	To permit the Crab and Butshot of Horne, Corver of Edam, Gerechtigheit of Stavoren, and Dolphin of Amsterdam to return to their country, the embargo notwithstanding.	"
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To provide and send to the fleet necessaries named in a list	" 6
" "	Col. Blake	Navy Comrs.	To enter Anthony Porter purser of the Amity frigate	"
" 17	C.O.S.	Ordnance officers	To send all necessary stores to three Dutch men-of-war lately taken by the fleet	" 21
" "	"	"	To send to the fleet in the Downs hammered iron shot, to be distributed amongst them proportionably, by order of the General of the fleet.	" 22
" "	"	Navy Comrs.	To permit Edw. Leppington, master of the Thomas and Mary of Scarborough, to have six men free from impress, to carry his ship home.	" 24
" "	"	"	To allow 90 men each to the Martin, Merlin, and Drake, and to issue press warrants to their commanders.	"
" "	"	Customs' Comrs.	To permit the public minister of Sweden to embark in some fit ship, not Dutch, in order to his return.	" 26
" "	"	Commanders of ships.	To permit him to proceed without molestation	" 26
" 18	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Godfrey Reader as gunner of the frigate building in merchant Johnson's yard at Deptford.	"
" "	"	License	For the Hope, Patience, Fortune, and Hope of Quinborough, freighted by English merchants, to return, the embargo notwithstanding.	" 29
" "	"	"	For the Hope and Love of Hamburg and Orange Tree of Bremen to return	" 29
" "	"	"	For the Unicorn, Norse Lion, and Spes to pass	" 29

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June 21	C.O.S	Pass	For Lord Castleton, on his petition	L. 111.
" 22	"	"	For Anne Meredith, widow, beyond seas	33
" "	"	"	For Sir Wm. Godolphin and servants to foreign parts	36
" "	"	"	For Hen. Mounifort to travel to foreign parts	38
" "	Col. Blake,	"	To enter Edward Place gunner of the Adventure frigate	111
" "	<i>Resolution,</i>			
" "	<i>Dover Road.</i>			
" 24	C.O.S.	[Navy Comrs. and press-masters.]	To allow Stephen Diplake, master of the Benjamin of Newhaven, three men free of impress, to carry his vessel to Sussex.	41
" 25	"	Pass	For Jas. Jewkes to foreign parts	42
" 28	"	"	For Sir Wm. Godolphin, John Collier, and Rich. Smith to France	30
" "	"	"	For Lady Morgan, wife of Walter Strickland, to go to the Low Countries in the ship with the wife of Hen. Scape, one of the Extraordinary Ambassadors of the United Provinces.	50
" "	"	License	For Wm. Key, master of the Providence, to keep six men on his vessel, free of impress	53
" "	"	Pass	For John Shrimpton, beyond seas	53
" 30	"	"	For Lady Stanhope, her daughter, four men, and four maids, to foreign parts	58
" "	"	"	For Wm. Dowthwaite beyond seas	31
July 1	"	"	For Dan. Wybraus beyond seas	31
" 2	"	Navy Comrs., &c.	To permit Rich. Bryant of the London merchant, to have 16 men and a boy free from impress.	70
" "	"	License	John Scotson of the Patience, to have 16 men and a boy	70
" "	"	"	For Jas. True of Poole, mariner, to transport 300 qrs. of barley and malt to Ireland, upon the usual terms.	72
" "	"	"	For Robt. Pelham to transport 2,000 bushels of wheat, barley, and malt	74
" "	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Jas. Remon and Edw. Burton of Jersey to transport to that place 200 tods of wool, 16 dickers of leather, and 60 doz. calves' skins.	75
" "	"	License	For Jno. Sass and Jno. Mews, merchants of London, to bring to England from Holland, by way of Flanders, several parcels of linen which they bought there last winter.	77
" 5	"	Pass	For Butler Kinkid to foreign parts, Mr. Thurloe being satisfied concerning him	79
" "	"	"	For Philip Carteret to Jersey	83
" "	"	"	For several persons taken aboard the Dutch ship brought to Bristol to return to their own countries.	84
" 6	"	[Navy Comrs. and press-officers.]	To permit John Maundry, John Chesel, Jos. Goodlad, and John Davies, boymen of Lee, to keep aboard two men and a boy each, free from impress.	85
" "	"	Pass	For Thos. Freke and John Weekes, his servant, to France	31
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"	"	"	Rob. Phipps, of the Robert of London, to carry five "	93
"	"	"	Jos. Ward, of the Paramour of London, to carry forty "	94
"	"	"	" the mariners of the Amity, taken up for the service, to go to Newcastle free from impress.	I. 80. 2
"	"	"	To apprehend George Cranmore, and bring him before Council	112
"	"	Serjeant Dendy	For John Digby, Claude Lorraine, and Jas. O'Bryan to France	31
"	"	Pass	For Rob. Skyrgyl beyond seas	31
"	"	"	To allow Thos. Tookie to take up a small parcel of double refined sugars, and to discharge the confiscation laid on them by the Act for encouraging navigation.	13
"	"	Customs' Comrs.	To take charge of her in the absence of Capt. Harrison and his lieutenant	24
"	"	Master of the Vanguard.	To grant commission for a private man-of-war to Capt. Wm. Hatterley, commander of the Elizabeth, bound for Barbadoes.	24
"	"	Admiralty Judges	For Edw. Hastings to foreign parts, with three servants	26
"	"	Pass	Commissions to be captain, lieutenant, and purser of the Convert	25
"	"	Lieut. Step. Rose, Wm. Field, and Wm. Beckingham.		
"	"	License	For Step. Hill and Thos. Mason to import from Holland 5 cwt. of camphor, for the service of the State.	27
"	"	"	For Edw. Manning to bring from Rotterdam, by Ostend, 7 fatts of battery and one of iron wire, free of confiscation.	27
"	"	"	For Wm. Bottomley, master of the Pelican of Lynn, to keep four men on board free from impress.	31
"	"	"	For Mrs. Fras. Creighton, beyond seas. [I. 29, p. 72.]	31
"	"	Pass	For Col. Chris. Mayo and servants to Ireland	31
"	"	"	For Jno. Adrian, Jonathan Frickman, and David Ogchar, juur., merchants, to import linen cloth from Holland by way of Flanders; the suspension of the Act for Navigation to be taken off.	41
"	"	License		
"	"	"	For Edw. Hastings to France	31
"	"	Pass	For Sollomandis Landes beyond seas	31
"	"	"	For Alex. Marshall to foreign parts	41
"	"	"	Commission to command the Vanguard	43
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1652.	C.O.S.	License	For Jno. Herault, of Jersey, to transport thither out of England, custom free, 120 tods of wool, six dickers of tanned leather, six dozen calve-skins, six pieces of kerseys, six pieces of broadcloth, and 10 <i>l.</i> worth of mercery ware, on security that they are for the people of Jersey.	I. 30.	I. 111.	Vol. XVIII.
"	"	Customs' Comrs.	To permit Thos. Pope to remove from — Terry's hoy some sugar, wine, trunks, chest, and bedding.	47	47	—
"	"	[Navy Comrs., &c.]	To permit Rich. Newell, of the Richard of Lyme, and Wm. Cogan, of the Heart of Lyme, to keep their men aboard free from impress.	48	—	—
"	"	Protection	For Hen. Green and Fras. Friend, watermen, from impress	49	—	—
"	"	—Rabnet	Commission to be master of the Sovereign	50	—	—
"	"	[Navy Comrs.]	To enter Wm. Buckland as master, Wm. Fyler gunner, Maurice Cooper carpenter, John Hawes purser, and — and —, boatswain and cook of the Convent at Hall.	52	—	113-115
"	"	Protection	For Wm. Russell, master of the Peppercorn of Newhaven, Sussex, and four men, from impress.	53	—	—
" 20	"	Pass	For Alex. Barkley, beyond seas	—	31	—
" 21	"	Thos. Stevens	Commission to be lieutenant of the Sovereign under Capt. Read	63	—	—
" 22	"	[Navy Comrs.]	To enter Wm. Beekingham purser of the Peter of Rotterdam	63	—	—
"	"	"	William Hawkins as purser of the Marmaduke	—	—	116
"	"	"	Michael Andrewes as purser, and Roger Roberts as gunner, in the Fal-mouth prize.	—	—	117, 118
"	"	"	William Beekingham as purser, Robert Cawley as boatswain, Giles Manning as cook, Thos. Crowley as carpenter, and Thos. Vering as gunner in the Hound prize.	—	—	119-123
"	"	"	Walter Flaunders as purser, Roger Greene as master carpenter, and Hen. Richards as gunner in the Peter prize.	—	—	124-126
"	"	"	Christ. Cooper as purser, John Golding as boatswain, and Samuel Smith, as gunner in the Advantage, fitting at Dover.	—	—	127-129
"	"	"	Edw. Harrington as purser in the Oak prize, fitting at Dover	—	—	130
"	"	"	Wm. Chambers as gunner in the Golden Lion	—	—	131
"	"	"	Edw. Allen as cook, and Thos. Russell as boatswain, in the Peter	87	—	132
" 23	"	Greenland Company	To fit out a small bark, with 12 men, who are to be free from impress	—	—	133
"	"	Capt. Thos. Hewett	Commission to be master of the Sovereign	70	72	—
"	"	Pass	For Col. Wm. Thockmorton and servant to foreign parts	70	—	—
"	"	"	For Sir Rich. Wingfield and two servants to "	71	31	—
"	"	"	"	71	31	—

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July 26	C.O.S.	[Navy Comrs., &c.]	For John Mayne beyond seas	—	31	—
" "	"	"	To permit Peter Baker and Thos. Gates to keep two men and a boy each on their boys, free of impress.	77	—	—
" "	"	"	"	79	—	—
" "	"	"	Wm. Mansell, of the Speed of Weymouth, to keep six men free of impress	79	—	—
" "	"	"	Rich. Mitchell, of the Elizabeth of Weymouth, to keep two men "	—	—	—
" 27	"	Rich. Hill, Sam. Wilson, and Rob. Turpin.	To enter John Figg, gunner of the Swiftsure, as gunner in the Antelope	—	—	134
" "	"	"	Commission to survey, appraise, and dispose of all Dutch prizes brought into any port in England by ships in the service, and of the goods laden therein.	83	—	—
" 28	"	Pass	For Wm. Pimman to foreign parts	87	—	—
" "	"	Admiralty Judges	To issue a commission for a private man-of-war to Geo. Pasfield of the Barbadoes merchant.	89	—	—
" 29	"	Pass	For George Vanhoven to Holland, with necessaries, and thence to Ireland, within six months.	—	31	—
" "	"	"	For Wm. Pimman, and 10 couple of hounds, beyond seas	—	31	—
" 30	"	Admiralty Judges	To grant letters of marque and reprisal against the Dutch to Hen. St. John, merchant of London.	I. 31.	—	—
" "	"	[Serjeant Denny]-	To apprehend John Hunbuden and Rich. Furnival, and bring them before Council	3	22	—
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver 30 pairs of horse harness to General Mouk	4	—	—
Aug. 2	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Samuel Bennet as gunner of the Oak, under Capt. John Edwin	—	—	135
" "	"	Pass	For Owe Brockehuis and Axel Scheestedt with necessaries for foreign parts	7	—	—
" 3	"	[Navy Comrs., &c.]	To permit Abr. Balbery, of the Elizabeth of Weymouth, to keep his company free from impress.	12	—	—
" 4	"	Serjt. Denny	To apprehend Col. Bampffield, and bring him before Council	22	—	136
" "	"	"	Capt. Bexwick for having been in arms against Parliament	22	—	—
" 5	"	[Comrs. of Customs.]	To permit the Ambassadors of Denmark to export thither two horses without molestation.	25	—	—
" "	"	[Navy Comrs., &c.]	To permit Jas. Adcock, of the Hopewell of Lynne, to keep 12 men free from impress.	25	—	—
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To deliver Col. Ingoldsby 400 fire-arms and 400 baudoleers for his 400 recruits	28	—	—
" "	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter John Simms as boatswain and Robert Ingold as cook in the Fortune, under Capt. Wm. Tatnell.	—	—	137, 138
" "	"	Customs' Comrs.	To permit Col. Simon Eaton to transport 900 cwt. of cheese to Limerick, on the usual terms.	25	—	—
" 6	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Edw. Smith as cook of the Advantage prize, under Capt. Beck	—	—	139

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" 10	"	[Navy Comrs.]	To enter Humph. Hutton as purser in the <i>Hound</i> , on resignation of Wm. Beckingham	44
" "	"	Pass	For Chas. Wilmott and two servants beyond seas	32
" "	"	Thos. Scott	Commission to be master of the <i>Sovereign</i>	44
" 11	"	Adm. Judges	To issue a commission for a private man-of-war for William Dale, merchant of Bristol, and company.	46
" 12	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter William Tracey as purser in the <i>Fortune</i>	141
" 13	"	"	To enter Bartholomew Thurlow as boatswain, John Haskins as gunner, and John Wyeat as cook, in the <i>Marmaduke</i> , under Capt. John Bonner.	142-144
" 16	"	[Navy Comrs. and press officers.]	To permit the Ferdinand, Simon Nicolls master, to have her company free of press	61
" 17	"	[Adm. Judges]	To grant a commission for a private man-of-war to Edw. Bushell and others named in his petition.	70
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To issue four barrels of powder for discharge of the Tower guns, on the funeral of the Lieutenant of the Tower.	70
" "	"	— Tyrrell, of Glendon, co. Northampton.	To appear before Council this day fortnight, to answer objections against him	72
" 18	"	Admiralty Judges	To give Mat. Pennoyer letters of marque against the French	82
" "	"	[Customs' Comrs.]	To permit Geo. Chaudler and Godfrey Lee, merchants of London, to import the goods mentioned in their petition by way of Ostend.	82
" 20	"	Pass	For Elizabeth Viscouness Montague and servants to foreign parts	93
" 24	"	Serjt. Dendy	To apprehend Jeffrey Browne, a chief plotter in the late horrid rebellion in Ireland, bring him before Council, and search for and seize his papers.	32
" 26	"	Admiralty Judges	To give letters for a private man-of-war to Capt. Isaac Phillips of the Assistant	I. 32.
" "	"	"	and Lieut.-Col. Yeomans. Lieut.-Col. Hazard, W. Dale, Col. Iron, and Lieut.-Col. Yeomans.	22
" "	"	Pass	For Georgius Comaroni, Nich. Hathazi, and Johannes Somosi, to foreign parts	22
" "	"	"	For Helen Stockwell, widow, beyond seas	23
" "	"	"	For Brian Rogers to foreign parts	32
" "	"	"	For Edw. Waldgrave and two servants to foreign parts	32
" 27	"	Admiralty Judges	For Mrs. Moriah Carey and two servants	24
" "	"	Navy Comrs.	To give letters for a private man-of-war to Edward and Jno. Mole, merchants	27
" "	"	"	To enter Jas. Ansdell as boatswain at Deptford yard	29
" 31	"	"	Wm. Smith as clerk of the ropeyard at Woolwich, void by decease of John Swynock.	146
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"	"	Serjt. Edw. Dendy	To apprehend Mr. Tyrrell and Geo. Porter, and bring them before Council	39	—	—
Sept. 2	"	Pass	For Fitzpaine Fisher to Scotland	—	32	—
"	"	"	For Hannah Havers and Sarah Cobbett to foreign parts	45	—	—
"	"	Admiralty Judges	To grant a commission for a private man-of-war to Ezekiel Major	48	—	—
"	"	[Customs' Comrs]	To allow Matthew Burrowes to keep eight men on board the Concord, free from impress.	48	—	—
"	"	Pass	For Capt. Jno. Bartlett to Ostend	49	—	—
"	"	Admiralty Judges	To grant letters for a private man-of-war to Mathew Pennoyer, on extraordinary security to fulfil the conditions.	50	—	—
"	"	Pass	For the Earl of Roxburgh to go to Scotland on engaging to appear before the Commander-in-Chief there.	51	—	—
"	"	License	For Rich. Fuller, merchant of London, to import certain goods from France in French bottoms, if not contrary to any Act of Parliament.	51	—	—
"	"	Pass	For Gervas Pierrepont and three servants to foreign parts	54	32	—
"	"	"	For Thos. Smith beyond seas	—	32	—
"	"	Admiralty Judges	To grant a commission for a private man-of-war to Jno. Love	57	—	—
"	"	"	"	60	—	—
"	"	"	Hopevell	—	—	—
"	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit Wm. Boeve, merchant of London, to import linen cloth from Holland by way of Ostend, on security to import only his own, and not what he bought before the breach between the two nations.	61	—	—
"	"	"	To permit Allen Knipe and Saml. Canley, merchants, to import goods from France in two French ships, giving the names of the ships, and doing nothing contrary to Acts of Parliament.	64	—	—
"	"	Pass	For Frances wife of Chas. Cotterell and her children and servants to Flanders	67	32	—
"	"	"	For Capt. Robert Pritchard to Flanders	67	32	—
"	"	[Navy Comrs. and press officers.]	To permit Peter Wall, master of the Sampson, bound for Londonderry, to keep 16 men on board free from being impressed.	71	—	—
"	"	Admiralty Judges	To issue a commission for a private man-of-war to Joseph Jackson and Hugh Browne, of Bristol, merchants.	72	—	—
"	"	Pass	For Col. Jno. Fealan to foreign parts	73	—	—
"	"	Wm. Sheldon, clerk of the check at Woolwich.	To enter Phineas Pett, son of Peter Pett, deceased, as assistant master shipwright at Deptford and Woolwich, in place of Capt. Christ. Pett.	—	—	148

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1652. Sept. 13	C.O.S.	Adm. Judges	To adjudge such ships and goods as shall be taken from the Dutch or other enemies by private men-of-war authorised thereto, as good prize, reserving the 10ths thereof for the State.	I. 33. 81
" 20	"	"	To give a letter for a private man-of-war to John Houghton	I. 33. 8
" "	"	"	" " " " Wm. Christian of the Solomon	"
" "	"	Pass	For Jacob Boshuson to his own country	"
" 21	"	Adm. Judges	To give a letter for a private man-of-war to Capt. John Blake of the Accary merchant.	"
" "	"	"	" " " " John Birkes of the Wild Boar of Bristol, provided he carry his full number of guns.	"
" "	"	License	For the Anne of Dieppe to go to Newfoundland for fish, and return without molestation.	"
" 22	"	Adm. Judges	To grant letters for a private man-of-war against the Dutch and French to Capt. Reeve Williams of the Helena frigate.	"
" 24	"	Pass	For Jane Knightley, her child and maid, to Flanders	"
" "	"	"	For Major Adams to Ireland	32
" "	"	Ordnance officers	To send 300 barrels of powder to Portsmouth	32
" "	"	Storekeeper at Portsmouth.	To deliver 200 barrels of powder to Major-Gcn. Desborow, to be carried to Plymouth	36
" "	"	Keeper of the Upper Bench prison.	To receive the Dutch captains now in John King's custody in Whitehall	37
" 25	"	Pass	For Fras. Lovelace beyond seas	"
" "	"	Commissioners for sale of Dutch prizes.	To deliver 30 tons of brimstone to the Navy Commissioners	42
" 27	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Phineas Pett as assistant master shipwright at Deptford and Woolwich, in place of Christ. Pett, made master shipwright there.	149
" 28	"	Comrs. of Customs [Navy Comrs., &c.]	To permit Rob. Ycomans, merchant of Bristol, to transport 40 horse to Barbadoes	48
" "	"	"	To allow the ships of Dirick Swarts of Hamburg, and John Hensen of Ostend, laden with rape seed, to go from Lynn to Ostend.	49
" 29	"	Navy Comrs.	To enter Edw. Hawthorne as purser of the Raubow, in place of Samuel Troughton, deceased.	150
" "	"	Pass	For Derrick Derickson and 15 other Dutchmen named to Holland	33
" "	"	"	For Gerret Jansen and five	33
" 30	"	Adm. Judges	To grant a commission for a private man-of-war to Tobiah Jones of the Thomas and Mary of Yarmouth.	53

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1652, Sept. 30	C.O.S.	Adm. Judges	To grant a commission for a private man-of-war to Rob. Gouch of the John of Yar- mouth.	I. 33. 53
"	"	[Navy Comrs.]	To enter John Robinson, on his petition, gunner on one of the new frigates -	54
"	"	Pass	For Daniel Belvis, merchant stranger, beyond seas -	63
"	"	"	For John Sydenham to foreign parts -	65
"	"	Adm. Judges	To grant a commission for a private man-of-war to Druet le Gros of Jersey -	69
"	"	"	Edw. Nicolls and Capt. Edw. Sanders of the John.	72
"	"	"	"	72
"	"	"	forth a pinnace of four guns.	77
"	"	John Harmon	Commission to be commander of the Arms of Emblick -	86
"	"	[Customs' Comrs.]	To permit Jasar Mainyard of the Francis and Joyce of London to transport 10 horses, and no more, to Barbadoes, for the use of the sugar mills.	87
"	"	Pass	For Peter Jansen and three other Dutchmen to Holland -	I. 34. 1
"	"	"	For Stephen Puckle, merchant, to Ostend -	2
"	"	[Customs' Comrs.]	To permit Thos. Speed, merchant of Bristol, to transport 10 horses in the Wild Boar to Barbadoes, for the plantations there.	3
"	"	"	Capt. Thos. Owen to transport 20 horses -	12
"	"	"	Oliver Williams, citizen of London, to transport 200 dozen shoes to Bar- badoes.	13
"	"	Adm. Judges	To grant a commission for a private man-of-war to John Hill of the John of Yar- mouth.	14
"	"	[Customs' Comrs.]	To permit Peter Barr, French merchant of London, to import to Topsam, co. Devon, French goods not prohibited, free of molestation.	18
"	"	"	To permit Nath. Manton, merchant of London, to bring salt from France in a French bottom to Wexford, and carry thence 1,000 barrels of herrings.	28
"	"	Pass	For Theobald Butler and servant beyond seas -	31
"	"	Ordnance officers	To send 500 barrels of powder to the fleet in the Downs -	31
"	"	"	300 " for supply of the stores at Portsmouth	35
"	"	Pass	For Martin Matersen and three other Dutchmen to Holland -	35
"	"	"	For Hendrick de Younger and six -	34
"	"	"	For Garret Arrasen and six -	34
"	"	"	For Peter Lendensen and three -	34
"	"	"	For Martin Jansen and three -	34
"	"	"	For Wm. Peiters and four -	34
"	"	"	For Warr. Garretson and five -	34

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1652. Oct. 15	C.O.S.	Adm. Judges	To grant a commission for a private man-of-war to the Greyhound, under Peter Wistlake.	I. 67. 33
"	"	[Serjeant Dendy]	To bring up John Mordeo of [Rushon], co. Northampton, in safe custody -	—
" 18	"	Pass	For Peter Barnes to Holland	35
"	"	"	For Cornells, Jacobs and five other Dutchmen to Holland -	35
"	"	"	For Peter Rawlensen and three	35
"	"	"	For Garret To wusen and four	35
"	"	"	For Hendrick Peterson and seven	35
" 19	"	[Customs' Comrs.]	To permit George Clerk, merchant of London, to transport from Ireland to France in a French bottom, 800 barrels of herrings.	44
" 20	"	Pass	For Adrian Abrahamse and four other Dutchmen to Uolland	35
" 23	"	"	For Lady Inchiquin and two servants beyond seas -	36
" 25	"	"	For Dorothy Fleming and a little child to foreign parts -	61
" 28	"	Comrs. of Customs	To permit the Danish Ambassador to export one horse and one mare	I. 35. 2
" 29	"	Serjeant Dendy	To apprehend Pierce Welsh and bring him before Council -	5
Nov. 1	"	"	To set Harry Tyrrell at liberty, if only committed on warrant of Council -	—
" 2	"	Pass	For John and Robt. White and Jno. Furnell to go to Venice	20
" 5	"	Adm. Judges	To grant letters of marque to Rich. Greenleaf, commissioner of the West India merchant.	33
" 6	"	Pass	For Hugh Courtney to Holland -	36
" 10	"	License	For Benjamin Proud to search ships for And. Wilcocks, a runaway apprentice -	60
" 15	Col. Blake	John Randal	To repair on board the Dutch ship Waterhound, and take charge as gunner -	—
"	C.O.S.	Adm. Judges	To give a commission for a private man-of-war to Charles Sanders, of the Charles of London.	77
"	"	"	"	79
"	"	"	Capt. Geo. Pitts, of the John -	—

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Date.	By	To	Subject.	I. 35.	I. 111. Vol. XVIII.	References.
1652. Nov. 16	C.O.S.	Pass	For John Clayton and Dominicus Chaubree beyond seas	—	—	—
"	"	Capt. Brandley	Commission to command the ——— mast frigate now building at Deptford dock	87	—	—
"	Col. Blake	Elias Cowper	To act as boatswain of the Assistance, John Roper being disabled by a hurt in the late engagement.	—	—	153
" 17	C.O.S.	Adm. Judges	To grant a commission for a private man-of-war to Peter Ceely and Alex. Penhilk.	91	—	—
" 19	"	License	For Robt. Cann, merchant of Bristol, to trade with the Rachel, a French vessel, between England and France.	97	—	—
" "	"	Pass	For Major Fras. Hay and two servants, with horses and arms, to Scotland	—	—	—
" 22	"	"	For Manasseh Ben Israel to come from Holland to England	101	—	—
" "	"	[Customs' officers]	To permit Jno. Arthur of Weymouth to import salt, pitch, hemp, and sail cloth from France, in two French bottoms.	101	—	—
" "	"	Pass	For Sir Rob. Stone and two servants to Ostend or Dunkirk, on security with two sureties for good behaviour.	83	36	—
" 23	"	"	For Col. And. Mylne to Scotland	—	36	—
" 29	"	License	For Nath. Tems, merchant of London, to pass with the Dove and 45 men, free of impress, provided none of them belong to the State's ships.	127	—	—

WARRANTS by the COUNCIL of STATE for PAYMENT of MONEY.

Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.
1651. Nov. 6	Treasurers-at-war	Rich. Hatter -	For raising and conducting recruits for Scotland, to be issued by order of Major-Gen. Lambert or Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood.	£ s. d. 1,500 0 0	I. 24. — Vol. XXII. 59, 60
" 7	"	Gaulter Frost -	For the exigencies of the Council of State -	4,261 6 3	61
" 7	"	William Smith	For 1,500 shirts for the forces in Ireland -	225 0 0	62
" 8	"	Katherine Chidley	For 4,000 pairs of stockings for the army in Ireland -	250 0 0	63
" 8	"	Major John Miller	For so much disbursed for coals and straw, and closing the huts of the Scotch prisoners in Tothill Fields.	23 15 10	64
" 9	"	William Sutton and John Jennings.	For provisions for Scotch prisoners in Tothill Fields from 25 Sept. to 22 Oct. 1651.	508 9 9	65
" 11	"	William Allington	For 1,500 shirts for the forces in Ireland -	225 0 0	66
" "	"	John Ord, merchant	On bill of Alderman Hutchinson of Dublin, for so much taken up in Ireland for the forces in Ulster.	1,000 0 0	23 67, 68
" "	"	Fras. Marriott, Theo. Reynolds, and Jenkin Ellis, cordwainers.	For 5,000 pairs of shoes for the army in Scotland -	625 0 0	69
" 12	"	Capt. Robert Sherwood	For self and other officers conducting recruits out of Col. Wanton's regiment to Scotland.	20 0 0	70
" "	"	Capt. Roger Alsop	For disbursements for Scotch prisoners from 14 Oct. to 6 Nov. 1651.	171 15 10½	71
" 14	"	Edward Keeling	On account for wages of the marines that served in the double shallops or flat boats in Scotland.	800 0 0	72
" 15	"	Edw. Kidden and four others.	For 4,791 cwt. of biscuit for the forces in Scotland, in addition to 2,500 <i>l.</i> already received.	1,332 16 0	73
" 18	"	Rich. Thorowgood	For 4,000 shirts for the forces in Ireland -	600 0 0	74
" "	"	Thos. Vincent and Lucas Lucie.	In part for wheat delivered at Leith, for the forces in Scotland.	400 0 0	75
" "	"	Thomas Dunn, of the Blessing of Yarrowmouth.	For freight of 117 tons 7 cwt. of provisions to Leith, for the army in Scotland.	60 12 7	76
" "	"	John Harvey, Thos. Hegue, and Thos. Gracedne.	For 5,000 pairs of stockings for the forces in Scotland -	312 10 0	77
" 20	"	Major John Miller	For disbursements for coals and straw for Scotch prisoners in Tothill Fields; to be advanced.	16 13 8	78

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.
1651. Nov. 22	Treasurers-at-war	Thomas Beale and Geo. Nicholls.	For bread, beer, &c. for Scotch prisoners at Bristol, at 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ each man per day, from 12 October to 15 November, 1651.	£ s. d. 99 8 6	I. 24. — Vol. XXII. 79
"	"	Stephen Thompson	Balance for 916 qrs. and 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels of oats for the forces in Scotland, 650 <i>l.</i> being paid.	49 1 4 $\frac{3}{5}$	80
"	"	Isaac Lyte	For 500 swords with Irish hilts and scabbards, for the service of Ireland.	126 0 0	81
"	"	John Harvey, Thos. Gracedue, and Thos. Hague.	For 3,000 pairs of stockings for foot soldiers in Ireland	187 10 0	82
"	"	Fras. Marriott, Theodore Reynolds, and Jenkin Ellis.	For 4,000 pairs of shoes for the army in Ireland	500 0 0	83
"	"	Richard Downes	For 4,400 cassoaks and 4,400 pairs of breeches for the forces in Ireland, in two payments.	3,245 0 0	84
"	"	Major Robert Cobbett	For 2,600 cassoaks and 2,600 pairs of breeches for the forces in Ireland, in two payments.	1,917 10 0	85
"	"	Alderman Thos. Viner	On bill of Col. Wanton, for so much taken up for a week's pay to part of the 4,000 foot raised in Norfolk.	95 18 0	86, 87
"	"	Col. Whichcot, Governor of Windsor Castle.	For provisions for Scotch prisoners in his custody, from 19 Sept. to 15 Nov. 1651.	17 8 0	88
"	"	Capt. John Whitworth	Balance of 4,51 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> for 411 tons 11 cwt. 2 qrs. of oatmeal, for the forces in Ulster, 500 <i>l.</i> being respited pending certificate of its delivery, or loss at sea.	533 5 0	89
"	"	Walter Cradock	For one month's pay of a troop of 200 horse under Major Gen. Harrison in the north.	803 12 0	90
"	"	Vavasor Powell	For two months' pay of a troop of 100 horse under Major-Gen. Harrison in the north.	907 4 0	91
"	"	Thos. Collins, Marshal at Stafford garrison.	For provisions for Scotch prisoners in the garrison, from 4 Sept. to 28 Oct.	155 3 8	92
"	"	Capt. Roger Alsop, Marshal-General.	For provisions for Scotch prisoners in his custody, from 5 to 26 Nov. 1651.	136 5 8	93

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.		References.	
				£	s. d.	I. 66.	I. 103.
1651. Dec. 3	Treasurers-at-war	Charles Walley	For paying ships carrying forces and provisions for reducing the Isle of Man.	2,500	0 0	—	I. 103. 1
" 4	"	Denis Gauden	For disbursements and victuals for Col. Ralph Cobbett's regiment, sent for Scotland, but remanded to Worcester.	59	15 8½	13	1
" "	"	Capt. Thos. Ingoldshy	For himself and officers for conducting 200 recruits from his regiment to Scotland.	20	0 0	20	2
" 5	Major-Gen. Harrison, Lieutenant of Ordnance.	William Gardner, jun.	For repairing 250 old matchlock muskets brought by him from Scotland, and delivered into the stores.	75	0 0	28	8
" "	"	"	For repairing 200 muskets brought by him from Nottingham, and delivered into the stores.	74	3 4	28	23
" "	"	Oliver Williams	For repairing 242 old matchlock and 195 snaphance muskets brought from Portland, Weymouth, Poole, and Southampton.	142	17 8	28	14
" "	"	Roger Carlisle	For repairing 156 matchlock and 194 snaphance musket brought from Northampton.	130	4 8	28	16
" "	"	Thos. Hall	For 27 great and 20 small forms delivered into the stores.	1	10 10	28	18
" "	"	Jno. Pitt	For travelling field carriages for three cannon and three mortar pieces, with engines to raise the shells into the pieces.	36	10 0	28	13
" "	"	Hen. Thrall	For 100 bolts and swivels for three cannon and two mortar pieces, with like engines.	7	10 0	28	22
" "	"	Ambrose Sanderforth	For 500 pairs of holsters for pistols delivered into the stores.	83	6 8	29	13
" "	"	Thos. Gill	" " " "	83	6 8	29	17
" "	"	Jno. Gace	For 400 shovels and spades	283	6 8	29	25
" "	"	Jno. Pitt	For three standing field carriages for sakers and six for minions, delivered into the stores.	18	15 0	29	26
" "	"	Thos. Bateman	For wheels and extrees for carriages for guns delivered into the stores.	22	7 8	29	5
" "	"	Thos. Hodgkins	For ironwork for gun carriages delivered into the stores.	92	18 0½	29	27
" "	"	Thos. Bateman	For wheels with extrees, and for cannon "	39	5 0	29	28

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.	
1651. Dec. 5	Major-Gen. Harrison	Thos. Hodgkins	For ironwork for extrees and for cannon delivered into the stores.	£ s. d. 165 0 11	I. 66. 30	Vol. XXII. —
"	"	Anth. Hancock	For painting 15 carriages in the Tower stores.	8 11 6	30	—
"	"	Joshua Woolnough	For 80 ells of canvas for the artillery train -	6 6 8	30	—
"	"	Rich. Blissett, sen. and junr.	For 170 horse harness " "	102 0 0	30	—
"	"	Jno. Gace, jun.	For 400 shovels and spades, 12 ordinary and 12 dark lanterns, delivered into the stores.	32 2 0	30	—
"	"	David Davidson	For six coils and 60 fathoms of ropes for the artillery train.	15 0 6½	30	—
"	"	Thos. Harrison and Jno. Munnings.	For 260 horse harness and tools for collar makers.	171 10 0	31	—
"	"	Thos. Bateman	For waggons, tumbrils, and wheelwrights' tools.	301 2 8	31	—
"	"	Jno. Samyne	Balance with 547l. 18s. paid, for 250 barrels of gunpowder delivered into the stores.	577 2 0	31	—
"	"	Thos. Hodgkins	Farmers' tools and ironwork for the artillery train.	159 1 11¾	32	—
"	"	Jno. Pitt	For block carriages and sundries for the artillery train.	47 3 0	33	—
"	"	Jno. Gace, jun.	For 500 double baskets for the army in Scotland.	12 10 0	33	—
"	"	John Pitt	For handcrews, barrows, lead, spades, shovels, nails, &c. for Landguard Fort.	33 3 2½	33	—
"	"	Jos. Woolnough	For 500 ells of canvas and four great and four small forms for the army in Scotland.	39 16 8	33	—
"	"	Robt. Russell	For 10 cwt. of candles, and six boxes to put them in, for the army in Scotland.	31 10 8	33	—
"	"	Danl. Judd	For 12 tons of leaden shot delivered into the stores.	198 0 0	33	—
"	"	"	For 28 tons " " " "	462 0 0	33	—
"	"	Thos. Hodgkins	For 1 cwt. of steel pioneers' tools and smiths' instruments delivered into the stores.	47 4 2½	34	—
"	"	Thos. Hutton	For 30 tons of leaden shot " " "	495 0 0	34	—

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Date.	By.	To.	Object.	Sum.		References.	
				£	s. d.	I. 66.	I. 103.
1651. Dec. 5	Major-Gen. Harrison	Robt. Studd	For 300 arquebusers' breasts, backs, and potts, being full suits of armour, delivered into the stores.	255	0 0	I. 34	I. 103. 19
"	"	"	"	255	0 0	34	24
"	"	Nich. Marshall and three others.	"	2,125	0 0	34	9
"	"	Edw. Barker	"	425	0 0	34	8
"	"	Wm. Gardner	For repairing 663 muskets brought by him from Scotland, and delivered into the stores.	209	14 8	34	20
"	"	Roger Carlisle	For repairing 182 muskets, brought by him from Kent and Norfolk.	62	5 10	34	2
"	"	"	For repairing 406 muskets, brought from Dover and Pendennis.	142	9 10	35	24
"	"	Robt. Cheeke	For 98 grenado shells, delivered into the stores.	521	6 10	35	9
"	"	"	For two iron demi-culverins, and 23 iron saker, drake, and grenado shells.	551	13 7 $\frac{3}{4}$	35	4
"	"	Jno. Browne	Balance with 300/. imprest, for new casting three brass mortar pieces, 18, 16, and 15 inches, and for 300 shells for them.	1,855	10 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	35	3
"	"	Auth. Webster	For 5,000 long pikes delivered into the stores.	875	0 0	35	15
"	"	Jno. Munnings	For 50 horse harness	31	6 0	35	23
"	"	Nich. Marshall and three others.	For 500 arquebusers' armours	425	0 0	35	6
"	"	Thos. Bateman	For four close waggons, with canvas and tarpaulins, delivered into the stores.	58	0 0	35	10
"	"	Roger Carlisle	For 500 new matchlock and 100 snaphance muskets delivered into the stores.	305	0 0	35	4
"	"	Ambrose Sanderforth	For 600 pairs of new holsters for pistols delivered into the stores.	95	0 0	36	11
"	"	Jno. Everett	For 50 pairs of harness	31	4 0	36	12
"	"	Edw. Burrowes	For 1,500 new matchlock and 300 snaphance muskets delivered into the stores.	915	0 0	36	15
"	"	Rich. Blissett, sen. and jun.	For 100 pairs of horse harness and for turning up of 14 drag ropes for waggons.	62	13 6	36	17

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				£	s. d.	I	I. 103.
1651.							Vol. XXXII.
Dec. 9	Gualter Frost -	Capt. Bishop -	For carrying on intelligence for the Committee of Examinations.	—	—	44	—
"	Treasurers-at-war	Major Lewis Audley -	For himself and officers conducting his company into Scotland.	51	9 0	44	97
" 10	Gualter Frost -	Jno. Cliffe -	By order of Parliament, for bringing the news of the taking of Limerick.	100	0 0	47	—
"	John Jackson -	Capt. Hen. Hatsell -	For foundation of a magazine of victuals for the forces in Jersey.	2,000	0 0	49	—
"	Gualter Frost -	Col. Jas. Heane, or Lieut.-Col. Geo. Joyce.	For incidental charges in reducing Jersey, on account.	1,000	0 0	49	—
"	"	Thos. Scott -	For last year's expenses in gaining intelligence	500	0 0	52	—
" 11	Treasurers-at-war	Gualter Frost -	6,000 <i>l.</i> for defraying the emergencies of the Council, and 4,000 <i>l.</i> paying bills of exchange of the commissioners sent to Scotland.	10,000	0 0	57	98
"	"	Robert Yaxley -	For freight of 200 recruits from Col. Berkestead's regiment to Aberdeen, on certificate of delivery.	80	0 0	56	—
"	John Jackson -	Col. Jno. Clerke -	For relief of the widow and children of Lieut. Jno. Evans, slain at Jersey.	100	0 0	56	—
" 12	"	Capt. John Thomas -	A fortnight's pay for himself and officers for conducting 300 recruits to Ireland, out of Col. Phil. Jones's regiment.	23	16 0	63	99
"	"	Capt. Hen. Hatsell -	For services pressing ships and men for reducing Jersey.	40	0 3	62	—
"	Gualter Frost -	Rich. Downes -	For 20 coats for the Marshal-General's men	54	17 7	62	—
" 17	"	John Jones -	For losses and eminent service, reported to Council by the Lord General.	100	0 0	79	—
"	"	John Ely -	For bringing the good news of the gaining of Jersey.	30	0 0	80	—
"	"	Thos. Newberry -	For arrears of salary as Navy storekeeper at Portsmouth.	90	0 0	82	—
"	Treasurers-at-war	Lucas Lucie -	On bill of exchange from Daal. Hutchinson, alderman of Dublin, for corn for the army in Ireland.	1,000	0 0	82	31
"	"	Ant. Tierence -	On like bill for cassocks and breeches for the soldiers in Ireland.	971	5 0	82	32

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.	
				£ s. d.	I. 66. I. 103. Vol. XXII.	
1651.						
Dec. 19	G. Frost	Col. Ashton	To undertake a service of concern	10 0 0	87	—
"	Treasurers-at-war	Commissary Phipps.	For bringing military provisions from Wallingford to the Tower.	20 0 0	91	100
"	"	"	For fitting seven close waggons going with the Commissioners of Parliament to Scotland.	36 7 3	91	101
"	"	Capt. Rich. Smith	For so much disbursed by Col. Mackworth, Governor of Shrewsbury, for provisions for Scotch prisoners and others under his charge.	412 2 2	91	102
"	"	Commissary Wm. Dobbins for Chas. Walley.	For so much disbursed for provisions for Scotch prisoners at Chester.	243 13 9	92	103
"	Gualter Frost	"	For so much disbursed for the court-martial and commissioners at Chester.	91 2 2	92	—
"	"	Posthumus Priestman	To enable him to return into the country, having been detained in town on public business.	10 0 0	97	—
"	"	Inhabitants of Westminster.	For repairing the pest house and churchyard where the Scotch prisoners were kept.	30 0 0	104	—
"	"	Jacob Arnol	On bill of exchange of Col. Heane, for the wages of Arnol's men and loss of his ship at Jersey.	450 0 0	106	—
"	Treasurers-at-war	Denis Gauden	For the freight of ships hired for carrying soldiers to Scotland, and for deals and mats for them on shipboard.	350 10 10	107	104
"	Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers.	Commissary Wm. Dobbins for Chas. Walley.	For freight of oatmeal for Ireland, furnished by Capt. John Whitworth.	500 0 0	107	—
"	Treasurers-at-war	Philip Goldsmith	On bill of Dan. Hutchinson, for so much taken up for pay of the forces in Leinster.	300 0 0	106	—
"	"	Edward Denman	On bill of exchange of Col. R. Venables, &c. for so much taken up for the use of the forces in Ireland.	100 0 0	106	105, 106
"	Edw. Keeling	Jno. Walters	For his relief, being mained while employed as master of the 29th double shallop.	4 0 0	115	—
"	Chas. Walley	Sam. Smallwood	For great pains at the court-martial at Chester, charging a bill of exchange on Council.	20 0 0	119	—

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.		References.		
				£	s. d.	I. 66.	I. 103.	
1651. Dec. 25	Treasurers-at-war	Capt. Wm. Collins	Advanced by the Commissioners for Assessments, co. Worcester, to the Marshal-General, for charges of wounded soldiers and prisoners in Worcestershire.	200	0 0	I. 66. 120	I. 103. —	Vol. XXI. —
"	[Gualter Frost]	Edw. Harwood	For giving information which concerned the public safety.	10	0 0	128	—	—
"	"	John Trotle	Nominee of Col. Bingham, to make good the articles of Cornet Castle, Guernsey.	1,500	0 0	139	—	—
"	"	"	For his own service in the business of Cornet Castle.	50	0 0	139	—	—
"	"	Capt. Richardson	For imprisonment and sufferings in undertaking to deliver up Cornet Castle.	100	0 0	139	—	—
"	"	Thos. Ridghill	For services and losses in Jersey	200	0 0	139	—	—
"	Treasurers-at-war	Col. Thomas Birch	For disbursements for Scotch prisoners, &c.	160	15 2	138	37	107
"	"	Gualter Frost	For the incident charges of the Council of State.	5,000	0 0	139	38	108
"	"	Wm. Bassett	For hay and oats for the army in Scotland, in full of his contracts.	135	10 0	130	37	109
"	John Jackson	Mathew Lock	For 26 weeks' salary and reward for pains as clerk to the Irish and Scotch Committee.	59	0 0	142	40	—
"	"	Jas. Chetwind	"	25	0 0	143	40	—
"	Treasurers-at-war	Commissary Wm. Sutton and Jno. Jennings.	For their salary and disbursements in making provision for Scotch prisoners at Tothill Fields.	244	12 2	143	39	110
"	"	Col. Wm. Beale and Capt. Thos. Alderne.	For 2,089 qrs. 4 bushels of wheat, delivered at Leith for the army in Scotland, 2,450l. being already paid.	2,686	9 6	—	39	111
"	"	Nathaniel Andrewes and Capt. Thos. Alderne.	For freight, demurrage, and other charges upon biscuit delivered in Scotland for the army.	266	17 3	—	38	112
"	John Jackson	Thos. Newherry	For salary of self as fire-master, and assistant, and for disbursements in Jersey.	25	0 0	145	41	—
1652. Jan. 1	Edw. Keeling	Assignees of Capt. Jacob Reynolds.	In part of charges of the double shallops, his account being stated by the Trinity House Committee.	300	0 0	148	44	Vol. XXXI. —

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1652. Jan 1	Edw. Keeling -	Masters of 23 double shallops.	In full for disbursements - - -	£ s. d. 41 7 4	I. 103. 42	Vol. XXXI. —
"	Treasurers-at-war	Robert Westerne	On bill of exchange of Alderman John Pres- ton of Dublin, for pay of the forces in Ireland.	750 0 0	148	1, 2
"	"	Rich. Mead, purser of the Discovery.	For victuals for prisoners brought from Scot- land to Hull and Newcastle.	6 0 0	149	3
"	"	Edw. Keeling -	On account of mariners' wages and other charges of the double shallops for Scot- land.	600 0 0	149	4
" 2	[Gualter Frost]	Fras. Deakins -	For former good service to the State and Council.	20 0 0	154	—
" 5	"	Susan Bowen -	For giving intelligence - - -	10 0 0	159	—
" "	"	Major Harding and Ex- sign Watson.	By order of Parliament, to be equally divided between them.	100 0 0	160	—
" 6	"	Mr. Harrison, embroi- derer.	For making coats for the heralds-at-arms to attend the funeral of the late Lord Deputy of Ireland.	60 0 0	168	—
" "	Lieut.-Col. Geo. Joyce	Jno. Bennet and three others.	In recompense of losses in transporting horses to Jersey, for reducing it.	180 0 0	169	—
" "	Treasurers-at-war	Capt. Roger Alsop. Marshal-General.	For provisions for Scotch prisoners at Chelsea and the Mevs, from 24 Nov. to 16 Dec.	163 6 1½	169	5
" "	John Jackson -	Jane, relict of Capt. Geo. Ensor.	As a gratuity for his conducting recruits for Ireland.	7 10 0	169	46
" 7	Major-Gen. Harrison	Edw. Barker -	For 200 matchlock and 100 snaphance muns- kets and 150 pair of pistols for the stores.	268 15 0	175	—
" "	"	"	For 1,000 arquebustiers' armours for the Armoury office.	800 0 0	175	—
" "	"	Arthur Shaw and Rich. Langley.	For 600 marchlock and 60 snaphance muns- kets delivered into the stores.	329 5 0	175	51
" "	"	Thos. Hodgkins -	For 1,000 pickaxes delivered into the stores	133 6 8	175	46
" "	Treasurers-at-war	Katherine Chadley	For 1,000 pairs of stockings for the army in Ireland.	104 3 4	173	48
" "	"	Fras. Marriott, Jenkin Ellis, and Theodore Reynolds.	For 2,000 pairs of boots for the army in Ire- land.	1,450 0 0	174	50

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1652. Jan. 7	Treasurers-at-war	Thos. Gracedue, John Harvey, and Thomas Hague.	For 4,000 pairs of horsemen's stockings for the army in Ireland.	£ s. d. 416 13 4	I. 66. 173	Vol. XXXI. 8
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Anth. Hancock, painter	For painting in oil, lead colour, 10 travelling gun carriages for the use of the State.	7 14 0	173	—
"	Treasurers-at-war	-	To be sent over to Ireland -	44,000 0 0	174	—
" 8	"	Thos. Davis, assignee of John Phillips.	For conducting 100 recruits from Monmouthshire to Milford Haven, for the army in Ireland.	16 0 0	172	51
"	Gualter Frost	Phil. Starkey [cook]	For entertaining the Ambassadors of the United Provinces.	235 8 9	179	—
"	"	"	For pains in making the said entertainment	20 0 0	179	—
"	"	"	For carriage of goods, and his journey by water from London to Westminster.	4 0 0	179	—
"	"	John Gay	For service as steward at the Ambassadors' entertainment.	20 0 0	180	—
"	"	Thos. Scott	For gaining intelligence -	500 0 0	180	—
" 9	Major-Gen. Harrison	John Browne	For two brass mortar pieces and one piece new cast out of old ordnance and 200 grenade shells.	2,702 13 6	174	49
"	Treasurers-at-war	Robt. Yaxley, of the Mary of Aldborough.	For freight of 200 recruits from Col. Berkstead's regiment to Scotland.	60 0 0	188	9
"	Gualter Frost	Dr. Carteret	For defraying the funeral charges of the late Lord Deputy of Ireland.	400 0 0	189	—
"	Treasurers-at-war	Jno. Wallington	(On bill of exchange of Thos. Bendish, for freight of 300 men to Scotland.	94 6 0	189	10, 11
" 12	"	Thomas Price	For so much taken up by bill of exchange by the Revenue Commissioners in Ulster for the forces.	624 12 0	195	12-14
"	"	John Whitworth	"	400 0 0	195	15, 16
"	"	Christopher Rotheram	"	250 0 0	—	17-19
"	Gualter Frost	Mary Fletcher	For good services by way of discovery -	10 0 0	194	—
" 16	John Jackson	Capt. Hen. Hatsell	For vessels sent to fetch forces from Jersey and Guernsey.	300 0 0	—	54
" 19	Treasurers at-war	Capt. Jas. Peacock	On engagement to deliver the money at Leith, or other head-quarters of the army in Scotland, for pay of the forces.	80,000 0 0	—	56

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1652. Jan. 19	Major-Gen. Harrison -	Thos. Dodson -	For bringing 350 barrels of powder from Wallingford Castle to the Tower.	£ 21 8 0	I. 103. 57
"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Thos. Newcomen -	For loss through the mariners of the James refusing to convoy his bark called the Olive, from the mariners' share of the prizes they brought from Newfoundland.	34 5 1	56
"	Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers.	Capt. Mark Coe -	For tent cloth and materials for 3,000 tents for Ireland.	2,300 0 0	57
"	Treasurers-at-war -	Denis Gauden -	One half for 200 tons of cheese for the army in Ireland.	2,850 0 0	59
"	"	John Banks, assignee of Geo. Taylor.	Towards 1,000 quarters of wheat to go from Portsmouth or the Isle of Wight for the army in Ireland.	1,000 0 0	58
"	Gualter Frost -	Thos. Symons -	For cutting two great seals and materials -	300 0 0	—
"	"	Capt. Edw. Gray -	For service and damages of the Matthew and John in reducing Jersey.	200 0 0	—
"	Treasurers-at-war -	Wm. Fenwick for Jho. Proctor.	For freight of the Mary Ann of Aldborough, carrying provisions to Dundee for the army in Scotland.	117 2 1	58
"	Edw. Keeling .	Sixteen masters of the double shallops.	Disbursements, victuals, and wages, in accounts stated by the Trinity House Committee.	54 1 6	59, 60
"	Wollaston and the Treasurers-at-war.	Sir Wm. Allanson, for Ralph Rymer and others.	For disbursements for Scotch prisoners at York.	368 3 4	60
"	Wollaston and the late Treasurers-at-war.	Denis Gauden -	On account for 2,000 qrs. of wheat for the forces in Ireland.	3,133 6 8	65
"	"	Richard Downes -	For 18,000 yards of broad cloth for the forces in Ireland.	7,900 0 0	64
"	Wollaston and late treasurers.	Lord Chichester -	For so much taken up on bill of exchange by the Revenue Commissioners of Ulster for the forces.	200 0 0	63
"	"	Rich. Gerrard -	For six deputy commissaries for mustering recruits impressed for Ireland.	28 10 0	62
"	Treasurer for ordnance of 16 Feb. 1648 for Ireland.	Arthur Dew -	For 1,000 soldiers' coats for Ireland	491 0 0	65

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1652. Jan. 29	George Hussey, mes- senger of Council.	Nich. Jenkins	For bill of exchange drawn by Timothy Lumm for shipping oats from Hull to Ireland, from moneys received by Hussey for cheese sold at Carlisle.	£ s. d. 24 0 0	I. 103. 62
"	Jno. Jackson	Wm. Bottom and Rich. Mathews.	For examining 33,400 pairs of stockings for Ireland, 30 days' work.	15 0 0	63
"	"	Wm. Penny and Fras. Easterley.	For examining 23,000 shirts, 30 days "	10 0 0	64
"	Goldsmiths' Hall trea- surers.	Eliz. Willoughby, Mau- rice Thompson, and Wm. Pennoyer.	Half of what is due for hire of vessels for the service of Ireland.	150 0 0	61
"	Ald. Thos. Andrews	"	"	150 0 0	61
Feb. 3	[Gualter Frost]	Sir John Borlase	For relief of present necessities	—	—
"	Wollaston and late Treasurers-at-war.	Christ. Page	For freight of the Samuel of London in re- ducing the Isle of Man.	294 —	66
"	"	Abraham White, master of the Prosperous.	For freight whilst employed in reducing Jersey.	393 3 9½	67
"	"	Col. Whichcot, Go- vernor of Windsor Castle.	For allowance of 5s. per week to the general officers of the Scotch prisoners.	40 0 0	68
"	"	Armiger Warner	One third for 1,000 qrs. of wheat for the forces in Ireland, the rest to be paid on certificate of delivery.	566 13 4	67
"	"	Marshall-Gen. Alsop	For provisions for Scotch prisoners in his custody, from 18 Dec. to 9 Jan.	181 9 5	66
"	Gaulter Frost	Lucie Adams	For a debt due to her from Major Gouch	30 0 0	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Thos. Dunkley, Marshal of Windsor Castle.	For provisions for two Scotch prisoners, from 14 Nov. to 9 Jan.	3 7 4	68
4	Late Treasurers-at-war	Wm. Fenwick for Geo. Blowers.	For freight of the Diamond of Aldborough with 88 tons 9 cwt. of provisions to Dundee.	52 19 10	—
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Wm. Smith and six other bargemen.	For freight of provisions for the Ordnance stores.	93 10 6	70
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Capt. Roger Alsop, Marshal-General.	For provisions for Scotch prisoners, from 9 Jan. to 3 Feb.	211 9 10	35
"	"	Dr. Chas. Goldsmith	For his entertainment as physician to the army in Ireland, from 10 Feb.	60 0 0	69
"	"	Dr. Edw. Denham	"	100 0 0	69

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Feb. 4	Gaulter Frost -	Eliz. Alkin -	From exigent moneys of Council -	10 0 0	304
" "	John Jackson -	John Jackson, cutler -	For viewing swords for six days -	1 10 0	304
" 9	Gaulter Frost -	Thos. Newberry -	On account, to enable him to bring the ordnance from the West to the Tower.	100 0 0	311
" 10	John Jackson -	Susanna Holbrooke -	For defraying her and her husband's expenses to Ireland, to attend on sick soldiers.	10 0 0	318
" "	Late Treasurers-at-war	Master and Wardens of Barber Surgeons.	For salaries of seven surgeons at 4s. a day, and 12 mates at 2s. 6d. a day, dressing the Scotch prisoners' wounds, and expense of medicaments.	228 0 0	319
" 11	"	John Snow -	On account of his growing entertainment as tent-maker to the army in Ireland.	20 0 0	324
" "	Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall.	Thos. Laxton and Thos. Hopkinson.	For medicaments and utensils delivered to Commissary Dobbins for Dublin.	244 12 1	323
" "	Late Treasurers-at-war	Denis Gauden -	In part for 500 tons of cheese and 5,000 firkins of butter for the army in Scotland.	7,312 10 0	323
" 13	"	"	In part for 500 tons of oatmeal for the forces in Ireland.	4,920 0 0	336
" "	"	Rob. Moody, of the Robert of Yarmouth.	For freight of provisions to Jersey for the forces there.	379 15 2	336
" "	"	John Barker, of the Abigail of Yarmouth.	"	342 5 5 $\frac{1}{4}$	336
" "	"	Capt. Edw. Grey, of the Mathew and John of London.	"	469 10 11	336
" 16	Gualter Frost -	Isaac Birkenhead -	For supply of his necessities and for good service.	100 0 0	344
" "	"	Col. Reyly -	For his services as an intelligencer in France and with the Duke of Lorraine.	50 0 0	344
" "	Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall.	Wollaston and [late] Treasurers-at-war.	By order of Parliament of 6 Aug., on report from the Irish and Scotch Committee, for pay of 4,000 foot for three months.	83,396 2 6	352
" 17	[Gualter Frost]	Lieut.-Col. Roseworm -	On account, from exigent moneys of Council	30 0 0	347
" "	Late Treasurers-at-war	Amon Bedford, of the Thomas of London.	For freight of provisions to Leith, for the army in Scotland.	43 8 0	352
" "	Jno. Jackson -	Rich Tyler, for Capt. Robt. Moulton.	For buying "denridge" and shipping 3,000 qrs. of wheat from Portsmouth for Ireland.	20 0 0	352

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1652. Feb. 17	Major-Gen. Harrison	John Merry and Peter Smith, labourers.	For gratuity to the 20 labourers in the Tower, being 5 <i>l.</i> each.	100	0 0	353	I. 103. 76
"	John Jackson	"	Incident charges for the service of Ireland, to be paid on Council warrants.	3,000	0 0	353	77
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Wm. Chaplin, of Taunton.	Payment of bill of exchange of John Bond, of Minehead, for recruits for Ireland.	150	0 0	356	78
"	"	Jas. Thurbane for Thos. Paramore and five others.	For damages by running their ships aground at the reducing of Jersey, and for loss of a boat at Guernsey.	110	0 0	363	79
"	"	Militia Committee for Southwark.	For defraying the charges of quartering horses, &c.	100	0 0	364	—
"	Collectors of Prize Goods.	Capt. Edm. Chapman of the Recovery.	From tenths of prizes, for cure of his men wounded in conveying ships to Ireland.	20	0 0	363	79
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Anth. Webster	For 5,000 long pikes delivered into the stores	875	0 0	384	80
"	"	Capt. William Billers	For services as clerk of the deliveries, Ordnance office, in going or sending to Deptford, Chatham, &c. to deliver gunners' stores on the ships of war.	281	10 0	385	80
"	"	William Arthur	For bringing brass ordnance from Basing House to Guildford.	10	0 0	385	82
"	Gaulter Frost	Fayne Fisher	For good service to the commonwealth	50	0 0	386	—
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Clerks in the Ordnance office.	For services, 30 <i>l.</i> to the clerk of ordnance, and 20 <i>l.</i> to each of the rest.	190	0 0	386	81
"	Mayor of Weymouth	Elias Holmes	On bill of exchange drawn on him by Col. Heane, for loss of his vessel in Jersey.	102	0 0	386	—
"	John Jackson	"	Employed in reducing Jersey, for damages in waiting for his money, and charges expended about it.	10	0 0	386	81
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Edw. Keeling for Jno. Hoyer of the Encouragement of Berwick.	For freight of 126 tons 15 cwt. of provisions to Leith, for the army in Scotland.	65	9 9	396	82
"	"	Jno. Wallington for Rob. Macky of the Love's Increase.	For freight of 101 tons 17½ cwt. of provisions to Dundee, for the army in Scotland.	74	7 0	396	83
"	Jno. Jackson	Thos. Wright, gunner	Gratuity for his pains as fire-master at Jersey, and losses in returning thence to London.	10	0 0	394	83

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Feb. 27	[Late] Treasurers-at-war.	Wm. Davenport, marshal at Chester.	For provisions for Scotch and English prisoners there.	484 12 0	I. 103. —
"	"	Thos. Collins, marshal at Stafford.	For provisions for Scotch prisoners in his custody.	72 12 0	—
Mar. 1	Gualter Frost -	Anne Dennie -	For a quarter's rent of Goring House, for quartering soldiers.	25 0 0	—
"	"	Cornet Wilmer -	For money laid out to enable him to serve in Serjt. Denny's troop.	42 15 0	—
" 2	[Late] Treasurers-at-war.	Mr. Banks, assignee of Geo. Taylor, of Arundel.	For 1,000 qrs. of wheat, delivered at Portsmouth, for the forces in Ireland.	800 0 0	84 —
" 3	"	Rich. Orrell, of the Sarah of London.	For freight of 100 tons of provisions to Jersey.	241 6 6	84 —
"	"	Barnabas Houlden, of the Unity of Ipswich.	" of 145 tons "	311 8 1	85 —
"	Gualter Frost -	Jno. Rossy, of Guernsey, goldsmith.	For framing a model of Cornet Castle	10 0 0	408 —
"	"	On bill from the Admiralty Committee.	For expenses of building a 10-oar barge for the use of the State.	71 12 0	409 —
" 4	Jno. Jackson -	Denis Gauden -	For provisions for the service, to be repaid out of the 7,312l. 10s. charged on the late Treasurers-at-war, by warrant of Council of 11 Feb. 1652.	2,500 0 0	85 —
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	-	For supply of the forces in Ireland, to be issued by orders of Council or of the Irish and Scotch Committee.	20,000 0 0	86 —
" 5	"	Messrs. Marriot, Reynolds, and Ellis, Commissary Wm. Dobbins.	For 3,000 pairs of boots for the army in Ireland.	2,175 0 0	87 —
"	Jno. Jackson -	-	For shipping provisions for Ireland, on account.	150 0 0	87 —
"	Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall.	Comrs. of Excise -	On bill of exchange of Jas. Powell, for freight of ships transporting four troops of horse from Milford Haven to Ireland.	515 16 6	86 —

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Mar. 8	Gualter Frost -	Edw. Carter, Surveyor of Works.	In part of 2,850 <i>l.</i> disbursed for repairs, at request of the Whitehall Committee.	2,000	0 0	422	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Thos. Bennet, for Jno. Bond, of Minthead.	For shipping of horse driven into that port for Ireland.	160	0 0	435	88
"	Collectors of Prize Goods.	Susan, relic of Capt. Butler Nodes of the Success.	For maintenance of herself and family, her husband having lost his life in the service.	100	0 0	406	88
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Wm. Fenwick for Geo. Blowers of the Diamond of Aldborough.	For freight of 88 tons 9 cwt. of provisions to Duadec, for the forces in Scotland.	52	9 10	—	89
"	Gualter Frost	Wm. Legg, wardrobe keeper.	For velvet cushions and other necessaries for the State's barge.	25	0 0	442	—
"	"	"	For hire of goods for furnishing Sir Ab. Williams' house for the Dutch Ambassadors.	10	0 0	443	—
"	"	Capt. Bishop	In advance for gaining intelligence, by direction of the Committee for Examinations.	200	0 0	449	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	-	For answering contracts for the service of Ireland, on warrants of Council, to be sent to Ireland.	30,000	0 0	461	89
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Jno. Watson and Wm. Dawston.	For 175 matchlock and 175 snaphance muskets delivered into the stores.	161	17 6	461	91
"	"	Thos. Gill and Ambrose Sanderforth.	For 1,500 pairs of holsters for pistols delivered into the stores.	237	10 0	462	90
"	"	Sundry artificers	For repairing the roof, leads, &c. in the small gun office.	100	0 0	460	90
"	Gualter Frost	Dan. Lisle, agent to the Queen of Sweden.	400 <i>l.</i> for charge of his journey there and back, and 200 <i>l.</i> as his occasions require.	600	0 0	459	—
"	"	Thos. Kitchingman	For his late services	6	0 0	460	—
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Ordnance officers	50 <i>l.</i> each to Geo. Payler, Col. John White, John Falkener, and Capt. Wm. Billers.	200	0 0	468	92
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Saml. Truelove, of the Adventure of London.	For freight of 300 tons of provisions to Jersey, on its reducing.	598	19 0	469	91
"	"	Jno. Swan, of the Ralph of London.	" of 74 tons	313	12 4	469	92

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Mar. 31	[Gualter Frost, jun.] -	Mrs. Frost, relict of Gualter Frost, sen.	For defraying the charges of her husband's funeral.	200 0 0	524 —
April 1	Jno. Jackson -	Edw. Stacey -	For the loss of his vessel, the Margaret of Leamington, in the service of Jersey.	10 0 0	530 98
"	Gualter Frost [jun.] -	Edm. Harrison -	For six coats for the officers-at-arms attending the funeral of the Lord Deputy of Ireland.	160 0 0	531 —
"	George Hussey -	Mrs. Hamilton -	(In account of money due to her from the State.	100 0 0	529 —
"	"	Thos. Sewell -	On bill of exchange of Capt. Jno. Mason, Deputy Governor of Carlisle, for hiring vessels to carry provisions to Ireland.	30 0 0	513 98
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Capt. Jno. Whitworth	Balance for 379 tons, 17 cwt. of oatmeal for the forces in Ireland.	172 8 0	542 100
"	"	Militia Comrs. for Southwark.	Balance of 100 <i>l.</i> due for mounting Col. Gibbons' regiment with 150 horses, on the late Scotch invasion.	49 15 2	544 102
"	Majot.-Gen. Harrison -	George Fisher -	For 100 snaphance carbines and swivels for the stores.	45 0 0	542 99
"	"	Jno. Wallington and Jno. Gace, junr.	For 3,000 shovels and spades and 50 steel spades.	208 15 0	542 102
"	Jno. Jackson -	Thos. Taylor, of Ryde, Isle of Wight.	For hire of two harks employed by him about Jersey.	17 0 0	542 99
"	Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall.	Comrs. of Excise -	On bill of Jas. Powell, for shipping four companies of foot after the battle of Worcester, from Bristol to Ireland.	121 10 9	543 100
"	"	"	On like bill for 20 tons of iron sent for Ireland.	332 16 6	543 101
"	Collectors of Prize Goods.	Rebecca, relict of Capt. Abraham Wheeler.	For her husband's services in the Conventine, on the Irish and Scotch coast.	120 0 0	542 101
"	Gualter Frost -	And. Owen, Geo. Smith, Marsh, and Mooseley.	For their journey to Scotland, to administer justice in the courts, 100 <i>l.</i> each, also paying Mooseley's bill of exchange.	400 0 0	547 —
"	Jno. Jackson -	Col. Barkstead or Lieutenant Col. Biscoe.	For gratuity to Capt. Badley and other officers conducting 80 recruits out of his regiment to Ireland.	8 0 0	553 103

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April 6	Jno. Jackson -	Jas. Gason -	For hire and demurrage of his lighters, carrying provisions to Scotland and Ireland	{ 8 14 2 }	I. 66.	I. 103.
"	Mr. Keeling -	Capt. Reynolds -	For disbursements as commander of the double shallops for Scotland.	{ 9 5 0 }	553	104
"	Jno. Jackson -	Armiger Warner -	On Capt. Moulton's bill of exchange, in full with 20 <i>l</i> . received for Moulton's measuring and shipping wheat from Portsmouth for Ireland.	122 3 11	553	104
"	Major-Gen. Harrison -	John Seagood -	For labour and expenses in going to view the state of Warwick Castle.	31 19 11½	553	103
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Comrs. of the Excise for Jno. Bond, Minehead.	On bill of exchange for payment of quarters and shipping troops for Ireland.	5 0 0	—	104
"	"	Armiger Warner -	For 750 quarters of wheat and 272 bushels of salt delivered at Portsmouth for Ireland, balance 566 <i>l</i> . 13 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> . being paid.	100 0 0	567	106
"	"	John Ord for Alderman Dan. Hutchin- son, Dublin.	For 1,000 shirts, 1,000 pairs of stockings, 6,000 pairs of shoes, and 450 suits of clothes for the forces in Ireland.	729 1 6	565	107
"	Goldsmiths' Hall treat- surs.	Nath. Waters -	For 100 pack saddles with their furniture for Ireland.	1,410 0 0	566	108
"	John Jackson -	Armiger Warner -	For 200 deals shipped at Portsmouth for Ire- land.	75 0 0	567	107
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	John Harvey -	For 1,000 pairs of stockings for the army in Ireland.	8 3 4	565	106
"	Gualter Frost -	Capt. Whitelock -	As a mark of the favour of Parliament -	62 10 0	572	109
"	Major-Gen. Harrison -	Col. Wm. Sydenham -	For the service of the Isle of Wight -	100 0 0	570	—
"	Gualter Frost -	Capt. Alsop, Marshal- General.	For provisions for Scotch prisoners, from 3 Feb. to 1 April.	120 0 0	572	108
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	William Deacon -	For 500 saddles and furniture for the army in Ireland.	400 2 0	572	—
"	"	Denis Gauden -	First moiety for 200 tons of Cheshire cheese for Ireland.	400 0 0	587	111
"	"	Gualter Frost -	For the exigencies of the Council of State -	2,850 0 0	586	110
"	Major-Gen. Harrison -	Surveyor of the works -	For work and materials -	10,000 0 0	587	111
"	"	Commissary John Phipps.	For bringing brass ordnance from Walling- ford Castle to the Tower, and trying to take up ammunition cast away in coming from Wallingford.	908 0 0	583	—
"	"	"	"	20 0 0	585	109

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1652. April 13	Major-Gen. Harrison	John Jackson, cutler	For services in proving swords in the armoury office, Tower.	20	0 0	585	I. 103. 110
"	"	Geo. Browne and Thos. Foley, executors of Jno. Browne, gun-founder.	For 77 pieces of ordnance for the stores	1,500	0 0	585	112
"	[Late] Treasurers-at-war	Rich. Tyler	For stores delivered	370	13 1	598	—
"	"	Capt. John Whitworth	One third for 120 tons of oatmeal for Ireland.	540	0 0	613	113
"	"	Wm. Allington	For 6,000 shirts for the army in Ireland	825	0 0	610	113
"	"	Capt. Jno. Mewes	For 4,000 "	566	13 4	610	127
"	"	Methuseleh Turner	For 2,000 shirts for the army in Ireland	283	6 8	610	115
"	"	Zephaniah Hilton	"	283	6 8	610	115
"	"	Dudley Short	"	283	6 8	610	114
"	"	Humph. Gaywood, Wm. Stoarer, and Nath. Walters.	For 1,500 saddles	1,200	0 0	611	128
"	"	John Warr	On bills of exchange of Jas. Powell, for six tons of horseshoes, 360,000 horseshoe nails, and 10 tons of salt for the army in Ireland.	335	13 8	608	129
"	"	Rich. Downes	For 12,000 yards of broadcloth and 800 cassocks and breeches for the army in Ireland.	5,240	0 0	610	114
"	"	Major Robt. Cobbett	For 200 cassocks and breeches for the army in Ireland.	147	10 0	611	126
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Hen. Gurlston, master of the Happy Entrance.	For bringing brass ordnance from Lynn to the Tower.	11	0 0	605	124
"	"	Joshua Woolnough	For 200 cils of canvas delivered into the stores for Ireland.	14	11 8	605	125
"	"	Thos. Gill and Ambrose Sanderforth.	For 1,500 pairs of holsters for pistols for Ireland.	237	10 0	605	122
"	"	David Davidson	For 10 tons of English fine tow match delivered into the stores in fatts.	190	0 0	606	120

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1652. April 19	Major-Gen. Harrison	Edw. Burrowes, Jno. Silke, jun., and Thos. and Jno. Skinner.	For 600 matchlock and 600 snaphance muskets for Ireland.	£ s. d. 555 0 0	I. 66. 606 I. 103. 117 Vol. XXXI —
"	"	Rich. Giles and three others.	For 225 matchlock and 225 snaphance muskets for Ireland.	208 2 6	120
"	"	Thos. Bateman	For wheels, axletrees, and fore carriages for four guns for the artillery train in Ireland.	28 0 0	121
"	"	Thos. Hodgkins	For iron work for binding the travelling field carriages for the train in Ireland.	84 0 7½	119
"	"	Edw. Burrowes and Jno. Silke, jun.	For 300 snaphance carbines with swivels delivered into the stores.	135 0 0	118
"	"	Mathew Hudson and three others.	For 4,000 collars of bandoleers delivered into the stores.	200 0 0	118
"	"	Anth. Hancock, painter	For stopping, colouring, and painting two great mortar carriages and guns, four carriages for great guns, and two guns.	5 15 4	126
"	"	William Watson	For 500 matchlock and 500 snaphance muskets delivered into the stores.	462 10 0	124
"	"	Jno. Lamley, of the Hopewell.	For bringing guns from Lanleguard Fort, and putting them aboard his ship.	6 10 0	117
"	"	Thos. Dodson	For bringing brass ordnance and ammunition, 46 tons 8 cwt., in his barge from Wallingford to the Tower.	34 15 6	123
"	"	Gabriel Stacey of the Unity of Yarmouth.	For bringing brass ordnance and ammunition, 18 tons 3 cwt., in his barge from Yarmouth to the Tower.	11 0 0	123
"	"	Geo. Browne and Thos. Foley.	For 134 grenade shells of 18 in. diameter, and 60 of 16 in.	1,656 3 0	119
"	John Jackson	John Warr	On bill of exchange of Jas. Powell, for un-lading and re-lading of wheat and deals for Ireland.	11 6 6	128
"	Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall.	"	On like bill for freight and shipping 200 soldiers for Ireland.	72 0 0	127
"	"	"	On like bill for shipping a troop of horse under Capt. Jno. Friend for Ireland.	124 0 10	116
"	Gualter Frost	Rich. Stevens	For arrears as late deputy to the Serjeant-at-arms and for riding as volunteer in Denny's troop.	21 12 6	—

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April 19	Gualter Frost -	Capt. Edw. Grey -	For damages to his ship the Mathew and John of London.	350 0 0	I. 66. 609
"	John Jackson -	Jno. Wallington -	For 200 pickaxes delivered into the stores for Ireland.	23 5 0	129
"	"	Thos. Hodgkins -	For 300 pickaxes " " " "	33 15 0	125
"	Geo. Hussey -	Commissary Wm. Dobbins.	Entertainment for himself as commissary for Scotland, and servants, 192 days from 7 Oct. to 16 April, at 20s. a day.	192 0 0	112
"	Treasurers for Ireland -	John Davis -	For wheat, cheese, muskets, bandoleer col-lars, and swords, delivered at Dublin in 1647 and 1648.	2,354 0 0	121
"	John Jackson -	Nich. Roberts, of Lon-don.	For ironwork and other goods delivered into the stores for Ireland.	486 18 0	116
"	[Gualter Frost]	Lieut. Peter Templeman	For care and charges in bringing a trunk of writings from Col. Heane at Jersey.	50 0 0	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Robert Burgh -	On a bill of exchange of the Revenue Com-missioners in Ulster for so much taken up for the forces.	588 4 0	131
"	Geo. Hussey, messenger	Col. Mat. Alured	For bay delivered into Scotland and other disbursements.	43 3 3	130
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Francis Hacker for Mr. Francis and Mrs. Yeabsley of Ply-mouth.	In part for 4,000 bushels of salt for Ireland -	156 0 0	135
"	"	Matthew Austin	For 220 bags of biscuit delivered into the stores for Ireland.	154 0 0	136
"	"	Jno. Jarvis	For 252 " " "	176 0 0	135
"	"	Ambrose Goodwin	For 200 " " "	140 0 0	138
"	"	Rich. Owsley -	For 119 " " "	83 6 0	138
"	"	Jas. Browne -	For 67 " " "	46 18 0	134
"	"	Rich. Gladman	For 450 " " "	315 0 0	132
"	"	Fras. Todd -	For 500 " " "	350 0 0	136
"	"	Jno. Hawkins -	For 215 " " "	150 10 0	137
"	John Jackson	Lieut.-Col. Biscoe	For freight of 34 recruits out of Col. Berk-stead's regiment for Ireland.	10 10 0	137
"	"	Robt. King, linen draper	For 560 bags of canvas for Ireland -	44 6 8	132

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1652.				£ s. d.	I. 66.	Vol. XXXI.
April 29	John Jackson	Griffith Kent	For 1,000 deal boards for Ireland	47 10 0	648	133
"	"	Commissary Wm. Dobbins.	For sending arms to Bristol and tents to London, on account for the armies in Scotland and Ireland.	40 0 0	648	131
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Geo. Payler	For travelling charges, &c. for self and assistants, in taking surveys of castles, ships, and forts.	286 5 0	649*	134
"	John Jackson	Thos. Laxton	For 13 surgeons' chests and medicaments for the army in Ireland.	181 0 1 } 196 19 0 }	649	133
"	Gualter Frost	Saml. Cooper, assignee of Mr. Hardingham.	For freight of the Thomas of Yarmouth	66 3 3	649	—
" 30	"	Treasurers for maimed soldiers.	For conducting 186 soldiers to Bath to complete their cures.	1,000 0 0	654	—
May 4	"	Wm. Clement and Jno. Young.	For bedding, &c. for the Lord General's and Col. Ingoldshy's regiments of foot.	441 8 8	I. 67. 6	—
" 5	Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall.	Lieut.-Col. Cobbett	For providing colours and drums for the Lord Deputy's regiment of foot, now to march for Ireland.	40 0 0	11	141
"	"	Col. Clerke	For the same for his regiment, and to pay carriage.	60 0 0	11	142
"	John Jackson	Thos. Hopkinson	For medicaments for the army in Ireland	190 15 10	11	142
"	"	"	For medicaments for 12 surgeons' chests for the army in Ireland.	183 6 0	11	142
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Jno. Bancks and Co.	For 1,134 cwt. 3 qrs. 8 lbs. of biscuit for the army in Ireland.	794 7 6	12	141
"	Gualter Frost	Capt. Rich. Nicholls	For bringing the news of the surrender of Barbadoes, on order of Parliament of 23 April.	100 0 0	17	—
" 10	"	Hump. Jones for Col. Jones	For their salary up to 24 June next, as commissioners in Ireland	450 0 0 } 450 0 0 }	26	—
"	"	Thos. Corbett for Miles Corbett		450 0 0 } 228 9 7 }	26	143
"	John Jackson	Jno. Weaver William Osborne	For 10 tons of iron and 20 fagots of steel, delivered to Commissary Wm. Dobbins for the stores for Ireland.			

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1652. May 10	John Jackson	Edw. Wood	For cables, and cordage delivered into the stores for Ireland.	£ s. d. 112 4 5	I. 67. 27	I. 103. 143
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Jno. Smith, Rich. Poulter, and Hen. Bosworth, ordnance clerks.	For their travelling expenses, &c. to Bristol, Chatham, Woolwich, &c. to view ordnance aboard ships.	166 11 0	29	144
" 11	Late Treasurers-at-war	Roger Dudgeon of the Patience of Yarmouth.	For freight of 149½ tons of provisions to Dundee, for the army in Scotland.	95 18 7	37	145
"	Geo. Hussey	Oliver Freeman	For viewing hay shipped from 11 March to 22 April for Scotland, and seeing that the bills of lading were for no more than was shipped.	4 15 0	36	145
" 12	Wm. Leman and Jno. Blackwell, jun., Treasurers-at-war.	Rich. Andrew	Part of the 32,000 <i>l.</i> ordered for pay of the forces in Ireland, to be delivered on board the Discovery and sent to Waterford.	4 10 0	36	144
" 13	Gualter Frost	Mr. Scott	For intelligence, on account	25,000 0 0	42	—
"	"	Charles Waite	For discovering the King of Scots' agents and other enemies.	500 0 0	41	—
" 14	Late Treasurers-at-war	Col. Alured	For cloth, stockings, colours, drums, &c.	200 0 0	46	—
"	"	William Bassett	For 182 loads 16 cwt. of hay delivered at Leith for the army in Scotland.	822 12 0	58	146
"	"	Capt. John Whitworth	For 40 tons of Cheshire cheese for the forces in Ulster.	600 0 0	54	146
"	"	Capt. Fox	For conducting 149 soldiers from the Lord General's and Col. Ingoldsby's foot regiment to Ireland.	14 18 0	55	147
" 18	Gualter Frost	Major Rippon	For arms bought for his troop	220 0 0	54	—
"	"	Mrs. —	For giving intelligence to the armies at Worcester.	100 0 0	73	—
" 19	"	Mr. Legg	For chairs and carpets for the Committee of Parliament at Whitehall.	10 0 0	84	—
" 20	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Moses Hobbs, gaol keeper of co. Hants.	For maintenance of pirates committed to his custody by Col. Whetham, Governor of Portsmouth.	40 0 0	91	147

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				I. 67. 101	I. 103. 148
1652. May 21	Late Treasurers-at-war	For freight of 36 loads of hay to Inverness, for the forces in Scotland.	162 0 0	I. 103. 148	Vol. XXXI. 96
"	"	" 27 loads of hay and 4 trusses to Cromarty "	122 10 0	149	97
"	"	" 32 loads of hay and 2 trusses "	144 4 0	149	98
"	"	" 31 loads of hay and 2 trusses "	139 14 6	148	99
"	"	" 39½ loads of hay to Inverness, "	177 15 0	156	100, 101
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	For 6 cwt. of saltpetre and the casks, de- livered into the stores for Ireland.	32 16 0	100	—
"	"	For 8,000 collars of bandoleers delivered into the stores.	400 0 0	101	—
"	"	For 20 tons English match in fatts "	380 0 0	151	—
"	"	For four carriages, &c. for the train of arti- lery in Ireland.	46 6 11	101 150	—
"	"	For fuses and a great rammer "	18 17 9	101	152
"	"	For 14 standing carriages for Portsmouth garrison.	35 16 0	101 153	—
"	"	For camphor, linseed oil, and other provisions for Ireland.	23 17 8	101	153
"	"	For 100 matchlock and 100 snaphance muskets and pistols for the stores.	157 10 0	101	155
"	"	For twine, copper sheets, nails, thread, &c. for Ireland.	7 18 8	101	154
"	"	For horse medicaments for the army in Scot- land.	41 0 5	101	154
"	"	For wheels and axletrees for 14 carriages for Portsmouth.	39 0 0	101	152
"	"	For 1 ton of leaden shot for Ireland "	13 13 4	101	155
"	"	For his charges and pay as Governor of Guernsey.	300 0 0	101	—

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1652. May 21	John Jackson	Griffin Haward	For 37½ tons of salmon taken from him by the Scots at Coleraine, but retaken by Sir Chas. Coote, and used for the forces.	£ s. d. 600 0 0	102	157	Vol. XXXI. —
"	"	Denis Gauden	In part for 500 tons of Suffolk cheese and 5,000 firkins of butter, for the army in Scotland.	1,000 0 0	102	156	—
"	Gualter Frost	Denis Gauden	Balance in full for 500 tons of Suffolk cheese and 5,000 firkins of butter taken at sea, which was to be transported to Leith for the army in Scotland.	707 18 3½	102	—	—
" 22	"	Lieut.-Col. Jno. Mill	For carriage of the recruits, arms, and ammunition of his regiment.	25 0 0	111	—	—
" 25	Late Treasurers-at-war	Edw. Keeling	For pay of mariners in the double shallops employed on the coast of Scotland.	250 0 0	139	157	102
" 26	Gualter Frost	Mr. Gay	Bill of expenses for bringing in the Dutch and Danish Ambassadors.	59 0 0	143	—	—
" 28	Late Treasurers-at-war	Wm. Bassett	For 134 loads and 7 trusses of hay delivered at Leith for the army in Scotland.	603 15 9	161	159	103
"	"	Rich. Illidge for Christ. Turner of the Francis of Ipswich.	For freight of 40¾ loads and 3 trusses of hay to Inverness, for the army in Scotland.	184 1 0	160	158	104
"	"	Edw. Tench	For 800 sets of tent poles, pins, and mallets for Scotland.	43 6 8	160	158	105
"	"	Wm. Bassett	For 206 loads 24 trusses of hay for the army in Scotland.	413 4 0	160	159	106
June 2	"	Gualter Frost	For the incident charges of the Council of State.	5,000 0 0	198	163	107
"	Gualter Frost	Margaret, widow of Nevill Beck.	For the use of the child he has left behind -	20 0 0	189	—	—
" 3	Late Treasurers-at-war	Zachary Bishop, assignee of Thos. Garner, of the Hopewell of London.	For freight of 117 tons 13 cwt. of arms and ammunition to Leith.	63 14 0	198	164	108
"	"	Wm. Davenport, Marshal at Chester.	For provisions for 68 English and Scotch prisoners in his custody, from 20 Feb. to 28 May.	241 8 0	197	—	—

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1652. June 7	Late Treasurers-at-war	Gilbert Mabbot for Lieut. Walter Clej.	For conducting 20 recruits from Shrewsbury to Dublin.	2 0 0	165	109
"	"	Denis Gauden -	In full with 1,000 <i>l.</i> for 737 cwt. 2 qrs. 5 lbs. of Suffolk cheese, and 700 firkins of butter for the army in Scotland, and lost at sea.	707 18 3½	220	110
"	"	Col. Jno. Berkestead or Capt. Thos. Allein.	For conducting 80 recruits from Berkstead's regiment to Dublin, for service in Ire- land.	8 0 0	221	111
"	"	Capt. Thos. Beale for Ensign Davis and other officers.	For conducting 30 recruits from Bristol to Ireland, at 2 <i>s.</i> a man. Noted as cancelled.	3 0 0	219	168
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Geo. Browne and Thos. Foley.	For grenado shells, 9 inches diameter, at 37 <i>l.</i> per ton.	157 9 11	220	167
"	"	"	For grenado shells, 16 and 18 inches dia- meter, at 42 <i>s.</i> per cwt.	833 2 9	220	167
"	"	Hen. Thrall and Thos. Bostock.	For 400 carbine belts at 7 <i>d.</i> each -	11 13 4	221	166
"	"	Anna Walford	For a flag of 12 breadths and 5 yards long for Mersey island.	2 5 0	221	166
"	[Gualter Frost]	Capt. Robert Alsop, Marshal-General.	For provisions for 158 Scotch prisoners at Cbelsea College and the Mews, from 1 April to 5 May, and of 139 from 5 to 15 May.	289 5 3	221	—
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Nich. Cox	For travelling charges as late messenger to the Ordnance office.	12 6 2	222	167
"	"	Fras. Wortley -	For two small brass guns -	17 0 0	—	168
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Rich. Smith of the Bles- sing of London.	For freight of 183 tons of provisions to Limerick for the forces in Ireland.	300 8 6	233	112
"	"	Joseph Dobbins, of the Peter of London.	For freight of 198 tons of provisions to Wa- terford, Dublin, and Carrickfergus.	300 0 0	233	169
"	Jno. Jackson -	"	"	143 17 0	233	169
"	"	Daniel Judd and Josias Davey.	For 2,200 barrels of English gunpowder -	8,525 0 0	—	198
"	[Gualter Frost]	Wm. Hart -	For repair of the prejudice done by the Scotch prisoners to the artillery ground in Fothill Fields.	30 0 0	I. 23. 79	—

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1652.				£ s. d.		Vol. XXXI.
June 12	[Gualter Frost]	Jas. Bawder -	Employed by Mr. Scott in Jersey -	10 0 0	I. 79	-
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Lieut.-Col. Salmon for other officers.	For conducting 50 recruits from Hull to Ireland.	5 0 0	I. 29.	114
"	"	John Bond, Minehead -	In full with 9 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> in his hands, for shipping impressed men, and part of Capt. Bagnall's troop for Ireland, and sending over some ammunition.	40 10 2	-	115
"	"	Thos. Kidder, assignee of Lieut. Thos. Ward, and other officers.	For conducting 40 recruits from the Isle of Wight to Kinsale.	4 0 0	-	116
"	Jno. Jackson -	Dr. Adam Stryall -	For travelling expenses of himself and family to Ireland, to reside as physician.	30 0 0	-	170
"	"	Dr. Curtis -	"	30 0 0	-	171
"	"	Wm. Penny and Fras. Easterly.	For viewing 16,000 shirts for Ireland	4 10 0	-	171
"	Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall.	John Farrard -	For 945 kettles and 1,000 bayles for Ireland	271 19 6	-	172
"	John Jackson -	Wm. Burton -	For viewing arms, &c. for Ireland, 22½ days	5 12 6	-	173
"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Wm. Cullen of Dover, for Capt. Wm. Daskett.	As compensation for his service as volunteer in an engagement with the Dutch in the Downs, not to include the cure of his leg which was broken.	20 0 0	-	173
"	"	Wm. Cullen for 21 persons named.	For services as volunteers in the said engagement.	66 13 4	-	174
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	John Jackson -	In repayment of the same sum lent by him for payment of gunsmiths, &c. for supply of the stores.	10,000 0 0	-	204
"	"	Major-Gen. Desborow -	50 <i>l.</i> for freight of 95 soldiers from Plymouth, Pendennis, and the Mount to Ireland, and 9 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> for Capt. Farley and the officers who assisted him.	59 10 0	-	176
"	"	Major Nich. Rigby and Edw. Powell.	For conducting 94 soldiers out of the Lord General's and Col. Ingoldstey's regiment to Ireland.	9 8 0	-	175

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1652.				£ s. d.	I. 103. Vol. XXXI.
June 22	Late Treasurers-at-war	Thos. Davids -	For repayment of an advance in Feb. 1650 to Rich. Browne of Pembroke, for transporting 600 foot and 450 horse from Milford Haven to Ireland.	307 0 2	176
"	"	Wm. Leman and John Blackwell, junr.	For pay of the forces in Ireland, according to the warrant of 2 June.	40,000 0 0	—
" 25	[Gualter Frost]	Elizabeth, widow of John Mosse.	For relief of self and children, her husband having lost his life in the service.	50 0 0	—
"	"	Capt. Bishop -	For carrying on intelligence	300 0 0	—
" 28	Late Treasurers-at-war	Denis Gauden -	In part for 2,306 qrs. 4 bushels of wheat for the forces in Ireland.	2,086 18 10	177
"	John Jackson -	Elizabeth, widow of Nich. Brooking, late master of the Satisfaction.	For the loss of her husband in the service of the State.	20 0 0	177
" 29	Gualter Frost -	Wm. Howard and Wm. Gray.	By order of Parliament for service as gallery keepers in St. Margaret's, Westminster.	10 0 0	—
July 1	Major-Gen. Harrison -	Edward Annesley -	For himself 40 <i>l.</i> , and 10 <i>l.</i> apiece for six labourers of the armoury office, as a gratuity for extra services.	100 0 0	183
"	"	George Browne and Thos. Foley.	For 100 iron ordnance weighing 136 tons 19 cwt. 12 lbs.	1,779 12 0	183
"	"	Wm. Dringe -	For lighterage and money disbursed in carrying ordnance from the President, Warrior, and Cignet frigates to Tower wharf.	17 2 0	184
"	"	Geo. Fisher -	For extra labour as deputy storekeeper and furberisher to the small gun office in the Tower.	40 0 0	185
"	"	Henry Seyres -	For 8 tons 10 cwt. fine tow English match	161 10 0	186
"	"	Davy Davison	For two barrels of pitch, two of tar, one of brimstone, 100 skeins of marlin, and 1 cwt. of tow.	10 15 0	186
"	"	Wm. Arthur -	For 81 swords with Irish hilts, 60 ammunition swords, 150 sword belts, 177 hand- leers.	83 1 1	187

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1652. July 1	Major-Gen. Harrison	John Lownes	For his wife Margaret, late wife of Richd. Printon, master of the Blessing, east away in carrying soldiers to Ireland, and her five children.	£ s. d. 50 0 0	I. 103. 187	Vol. XXXL —
"	"	Thos. Hodgkins	For ironwork, eight standing carriages for culverins, and six for demi-culverins, for Portsmouth garrison.	70 19 4	188	—
"	"	Roger Preston	For fetching 150 barrels of powder from Windsor Castle to the Tower.	3 9 4	188	—
"	John Jackson	Matthew Lock	For salary as clerk to the Irish and Scotch Committee, from 24 December 1651 to 23 June 1652.	49 0 0	189	—
"	"	James Chetwind	"	25 0 0	189	—
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Wm. Gardner, junr.	For repairing 510 matchlock and 210 snap-hance muskets brought by him from Scotland.	238 15 0	190	—
"	"	Major Jeremiah Tolhurst.	For repairing 203 matchlock muskets	60 18 0	190	—
"	"	"	For freight and other charges in bringing ordnance, &c. from the northern garrisons to Tilbury Hope.	212 0 2	191	—
"	"	Thos. Hodgkins	For blacksmiths' and farriers' tools supplied for the service of Scotland.	14 9 2	191	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Elizabeth Truelove for her husband, Samuel Truelove of the Adventure of London.	For freight of 270 tons 15 cwt. of provisions to Ireland for the forces there, and for twine to mend biscuit bags.	390 11 7	180	122
"	"	Major Jeremiah Tolhurst.	For shipping 200 soldiers out of Sir Arth. Hesrigge's regiment for Ireland.	26 10 0	181	123
"	"	Lieut.-Col. Kelsey, r Ensign Thos. Hopkins and other officers.	For conducting 19 recruits sent from Dover, to Waterford for Ireland.	1 18 0	192	124, 125
"	"	Geo. Rowell	For making 207 French tents for Scotland, and providing poles, lines, &c.	86 6 2	184	126
"	"	Dudley Short	For 2,309½ ells of Dufran canvas, for making tents for the army in Scotland.	134 14 5	180	127
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Anth. Hancock	For painting 14 standing carriages for Portsmouth garrison.	7 10 0	181	—

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1652. July 1	Major-Gen. Harrison	Jarvis Mitchell	For freight of small pieces and gun bars from Leith to the Tower.	£ s. d. 2 13 0	I. 103. 182
"	"	Thos. Maynard	For employing his barge in carrying 150 barrels of powder from Windsor to London.	4 0 0	182
"	Gualter Frost	Sir Thos. Meredith	To enable him to go over to Ireland	50 0 0	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	—	For provisions for the forces in Ireland, on warrants from Council.	2,500 0 0	192
"	"	Wm. Leman and John Blackwell, junr.	For the pay of the forces in Ireland	40,000 0 0	193
"	Wm. Leman and John Blackwell, junr.	—	" " " to be sent to Bristol, and there shipped in the Discovery or other vessel to Waterford or other port.	40,000 0 0	194
"	Comrs. of Excise	James Storey, of London, haberdasher.	Arrears due to him, above his second moiety for bishops' lands, with interest.	137 7 0	195
"	Collectors of Prize Goods.	John Raven, of Dover	For the use of those who have disbursed moneys or furnished provisions to the wounded English or Dutch prisoners at Dover.	300 0 0	196
"	[G. Frost]	Thos. Stone, servant to Col. Morley.	For expenses in his journey down the river with Col. Thompson, to hasten out the shipping.	11 4 6	—
"	"	Edw. Carter, surveyor	For repairs at St. James's House, Tower Wharf, Barge Houses Lambeth, Tapestry House, Mortlake, Greenwich House, and Hampton Court.	746 1 11	I. 30. 11
"	John Jackson	-	Advance on credit of moneys for sale of delinquents' estates, 8,525 <i>l.</i> thereof to be for powder and saltpetre.	10,000 0 0	196
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	-	To be issued on the warrants of the trustees for sale of lands forfeited for treason, for the payment of salaries of their counsel, surveyors, clerks, &c.	10,000 0 0	197
"	Gualter Frost	Dr. Whistler	For expenses of his journey to the Downs to visit Sir Geo. Ayscue and Capt. Wright, who had been wounded.	30 0 0	—

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1652. July 13	Major - Gen. Harrison.	John Pitt -	For two carriages for mortar pieces and a double block gin.	£ s. d. 28 16 0	I. 103. 198	Vol. XXXI. —
"	"	Roger Carlisle	For repairing and delivering into the stores 150 old snaphance muskets.	61 5 0	199	—
"	"	Thomas Hodgkins	For ironwork and two mortar-piece carriages	118 3 2½	200	—
"	"	Wm. Watson, master gunmaker.	For proving and viewing small guns, &c., at the Tower.	150 0 0	200	—
"	"	Robt. Murden -	For 80 matchlock and 20 snaphance muskets	51 5 0	201	—
"	"	Daniel Judd -	For 8 tons 10 cwt. of English match	161 10 0	201	—
"	"	Alice Shambrooke, widow	For repairing 315 old matchlock and 338 snaphance muskets.	232 10 4	202	—
"	"	Katherine Byworth -	For carriage of ammunition from the Tower stores to Tower wharf, by order of Commissary Phipps.	31 17 2	202	—
"	Collectors of Prize Goods.	Anne, widow of Wm. Chaunt, master of the Tiger.	Fifty pounds a-piece for herself and three children, Wm. Chaunt having been slain in the service.	200 0 0	199	—
" 14	[Gualter Frost]	Lieut.-Col. Salmon	For maintenance of Scotch prisoners at Hull.	34 9 6	—	—
"	"	Nich. Bond -	For services as steward at the entertainment to the Danish Ambassadors and Lord Paw from Holland.	60 0 0	—	—
"	"	Phil. Starkie -	For service as cook at the said entertainment	40 0 0	—	—
"	"	Mr. Gay -	For bill delivered - - -	26 0 0	—	—
"	"	Nich. Bond -	For disbursements in the entertainment to the said Ambassadors.	5 9 4	—	—
" 15	" Gen. Harrison.	Sir Oliver Fleming	For services as Master of the Ceremonies -	300 0 0	—	—
" 18	"	John Jackson -	For repayment of the same sum lent by him for payment of gunsmiths, for ordnance stores.	10,000 0 0	205	—
" 22	Late Treasurers-at-war	Gualter Frost -	For the incident charges of the Council of State.	10,000 0 0	—	128
" 23	Major - Gen. Harrison.	Richd. Morgan	On account for taking up ammunition cast away at Clevee Lock, on its conveyance from Wallingford Castle to the Tower.	20 0 0	—	205
"	[Gualter Frost]	Mrs. Dorcas Mauliverer	For relief of her present necessities, on order of Parliament.	100 0 0	—	—

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				£ s. d.	I. 30. L. 108. Vol. XXXI.	
1652. July 26	Late Treasurers-at-war	Denis Gauden -	For 2,806 qrs. 4 bushels of wheat for the forces in Ireland.	200 0 0	214	129
"	"	Rich. Venner, for the owners of the Anne pink of London Capt. Edw. Fuller	" "	115 12 6	208	130
"	"	Rich. Rogers -	For conducting 75 soldiers out of Col. Pride's regiment to Ireland.	7 10 0	208	131
"	"	Rich. Rogers -	For conducting 80 soldiers out of Col. Bankstead's regiment to Dublin.	8 0 0	214	132
"	Capt. Henry Hatsell -	Major Barrett Lacey -	For his disbursements on disbanding his foot company in Guernsey.	50 0 0	206	—
"	Richd. Hatter -	- - -	To be set apart for ministers appointed to Scotland, out of the 1,500 <i>l.</i> in his hands, for sending recruits to Scotland.	500 0 0	206	—
"	"	Mr. Madder -	For his journey to Scotland, part of the aforesaid 500 <i>l.</i>	50 0 0	209	—
"	"	Mr. Bragg -	" "	50 0 0	209	—
"	"	Sidrach Simpson -	" "	50 0 0	210	—
"	"	Thos. Vincent and Lucas Lacey.	For 948 qrs. of wheat, delivered in Scotland, on account.	240 4 0	211	—
"	John Jackson -	Lieut. John Bolton -	On account of his arrears, being disabled by wounds received in Ireland.	10 0 0	207	—
"	Geo. Hussey -	Rich. Freeman -	As a gratuity for his pains in the shipping of hay to Scotland.	3 0 0	207	—
"	John Jackson -	Capt. Anth. Hungerford -	On account, for his present subsistence, and to enable him to go over to Ireland.	100 0 0	211	—
"	"	Richd. Rogers -	For Richd. Flight and Hugh Moone, two masters of vessels cast away in the service of Jersey.	3 0 0	211	—
"	Geo. Hussey -	Henry Freeman -	For his pains in overseeing the shipping of hay to Scotland, for 44 days.	5 10 0	212	—
"	John Jackson -	John Brandling, of Ipswich, and John Bartram of London, fishmongers.	For Thos. Money, master, and the other owners of the Jonathan and Abigail of London, for freight of 311 tons of provisions to Limerick, on account.	400 0 0	214	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	" "	For balance of the said account	110 11 2	213	133

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1652. July 26	Late Treasurers-at-war	Francis Hucker	For Philip Francis and Thos. Yeasley, of Plymouth, for 2,982 bushels of salt, with 156 <i>l.</i> already paid.	167	1 0	I. 103. 212 Vol. XXXI.
" 28	[Gualter Frost]	Eliz. Alkin	From exigent money of Council	—	—	—
" 29	Collectors of Prize Goods.	David Dove	For relief in consideration of wounds received in the service.	50	0 0	215
" 30	Richd. Hatter	Philip Percival for Chas. Walley, of Chester.	For his disbursements for the carriage of 500 tents from Shrewsbury to Chester, and repairing and shipping them to Ayr in Scotland.	38	5 2	215
" "	John Jackson	"	For his disbursements for the carriage of arms, and in shipping for Ireland 290 recruits from Col. Barkshead's regiment and from the garrisons of Hull and Shrewsbury.	42	17 6	216
" "	"	"	For his disbursements for the carriage of arms and in transporting to Ireland 800 recruits of the late Lord Deputy Lambert's regiment, on account.	86	11 1	217
" "	"	"	For balance of the said account	46	7 11	216
" "	[Gualter Frost]	— Lynne	For clothing some Scotch prisoners before they went home.	39	3 0	I. 31 5
Aug. 2	"	Capt. Arthur of Weymouth.	For employing two small boats to give notice to homeward bound ships.	18	8 0	7
" 3	"	Mr. Scott	In advance for laying in firing for Council next winter.	100	0 0	14
" "	"	Phil. Francis, Mayor of Plymouth.	For keeping two small vessels at Land's End, to give notice to homeward bound ships of the breach with the Dutch.	84	0 0	19
" 4	Late Treasurers-at-war	James Wainwright, of London, for Capt. Jno. Whitworth.	On account for 120 tons of oatmeal for the forces in Ireland.	540	0 0	220
" 6	Collectors of Dutch prizes.	Navy Victuallers	For providing victuals for the fleet	15,826	16 5 $\frac{3}{4}$	220
" 9	Gualter Frost	Mr. Scott	For carrying on the business of intelligence	500	0 0	35
" "	"	Eliz. Alkin	For good service and her present relief	10	0 0	38

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1652. Aug. 12	Late Treasurers-at-war	Wm. Leman and John Blackwell, jun.	For horses to recruit the troops in Ireland -	£ s. d. 3,000 0 0	I. 31. — I. 103. 221 — Vol. XXXI.
"	John Jackson -	Marie Lightfoot for her husband, Luke Lightfoot.	For two tons of cask delivered from the Dragon frigate, of which he was purser, for the use of Fort Ferriter, Ireland.	4 0 0	222 —
"	Major-Gen. Thos. Harrison.	John Hooper -	For salary as clerk to the Ordnance Committee, from Michaelmas to Midsummer last.	75 0 0	234 —
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Edward Raddon, for Capt. Hen. Hatsell.	For biscuit, cheese, and oatmeal, delivered at Cork and Youghal for the stores.	629 17 5	223 135
"	"	Denis Gauden -	In full with the like sum already paid, for 200 tons of Cheshire cheese for the forces in Ireland.	2,850 0 0	222 136
"	Major-Gen. Thos. Harrison.	Joshua Woolnough -	For 872 ells of canvas, 8 cwt. of sheet lead, for the garrisons of Scotland.	69 17 8	234 —
"	Wm. Leman and John Blackwell, jun.	Thos. Bowles or Wm. Street.	For buying horses for recruiting the troops in Ireland.	1,000 0 0	233 —
"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Margaret, widow of Capt. Thos. Pacey.	For loss of her husband, commander of the Nicodemus frigate, and her two sons in the service.	40 0 0	221 —
"	"	Wm. Cullen, Mayor of Dover.	For the cure of the wounded, both English and Dutch, at Dover, and for the doctors' bills.	83 19 4	223 —
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Major Tolhurst -	For supplying horses for the artillery train and army in Scotland.	1,000 0 0	235 137
"	"	William Leman and Jno. Blackwell, jun.	For pay of the forces in Ireland -	40,000 0 0	233 138
"	Wm. Leman and Jno. Blackwell, jun.	-	To be sent to Bristol, shipped for Ireland, and issued there for pay of the forces, on warrants from Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood.	40,000 0 0	232 —
"	[Gualter Frost]	Major Rich. Faulkoner	For intelligence and services -	20 0 0	— —
"	"	John Wyles of the Fortune.	From contingencies of Council -	5 0 0	77 —
"	John Jackson -	James Powell, of Bristol.	For transporting Col. Clarke's regiment, and shipping other soldiers and horses to Ireland.	400 0 0	224 —
"	"	"	For transporting 120 horse to go with Lt.-Gen. Fleetwood to Ireland.	250 0 0	224 —

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1652.				£ s. d.		
Aug. 23	[Gualter Frost]	Major Adams	Ordered by Parliament	100 0 0	10	—
"	"	Phil. Francis, Mayor of Plymouth.	For disbursements in keeping two ketches at sea, by order of Council.	63 0 0	13	—
"	John Jackson	Col. John Pousonby	In full satisfaction for his claim upon contract in 1647, for carrying into Ireland a regiment of horse of 700, besides officers.	428 10 0	—	230
"	[Gualter Frost]	Dr. Petty	For his expenses going to Ireland as physician to Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood.	100 0 0	26	—
"	"	Thos. Kidder for Capt. Baskett, Governor of Cowes Castle.	For freight of 100 soldiers drawn from Portsmouth garrison for Ireland.	40 5 0	—	226
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Matthew Austin	For 300 bags of biscuit for the army in Ireland.	217 10 0	—	227
"	"	Samuel Selwin	For 100 "	72 10 0	—	228
"	"	Rich. Wooseley or Owsley	For 340 "	246 10 0	—	226
"	"	John Hawkins	For 200 "	145 0 0	—	228
"	"	Geo. Peircey	For 100 "	72 10 0	—	227
"	"	John Jarvis	For 464 "	336 8 0	—	225
"	"	Edw. Kidden	For 150 "	108 15 0	—	225
"	Collectors of Prize Goods.	Martin de Rivieras and Melchior de la Lns, Spanish mariners.	For assisting in bringing home the Marquise duke.	30 0 0	—	229
"	John Jackson	[Peter Browne]	For medicaments for the forces in Ireland	193 12 3	—	230
Sept. 1	[Gualter Frost]	Col. Jno. Fealan	For former services to the commonwealth	20 0 0	40	—
"	Major-Gen. Thos. Harrison.	Robert Murden	For 1,600 cases of pistols delivered into the stores.	70 0 0	—	185
"	Collectors of Prize Goods.	Wm. Cullen, Mayor of Dover.	For keep and care of wounded seamen, to be paid by him to those to whom it is due.	500 0 0	—	239
"	"	Katherine, widow of Capt. Nath. Fernes, of the Little President.	For her relief in consideration of the loss of her husband in the service.	50 0 0	—	239
"	"	Stephen Puckle, mariner	For discovery of the prize ship <i>Charity, alias Love of Amsterlam</i> , to be paid out of the proceeds thereof.	50 0 0	—	240
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Methuselah Turner for Lieut. Abra. Peters.	For conducting 75 recruits from Portsmouth to Cork.	9 10 0	—	240

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1652. Sept. 17	Late Treasurers-at-war	Armiger Warner	For six tons of oatmeal and three tons of iron, taken to Limerick, for the forces in Ireland.	£ s. d. 216 0 0	I. 103. 241	Vol. XXXI. 146
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Robert Russell	For tallow, powder horns, thread, and other petty emptions for the garrisons in Scotland.	6 15 4	241	—
"	"	Oliver Williams	For repairing 260 matchlock and 170 snap-hance muskets by him brought from Pen-dennis, Exeter, and other western parts, and delivered into the stores.	147 8 4	242	—
"	"	John Gace	For 7 doz. dark lanterns for the garrisons in Scotland.	8 15 0	242	—
"	"	Rich. Arnold	For 20 tons of match delivered into the stores	360 0 0	243	—
"	"	Michael Reynolds	For 12 doz. sheepskins for the garrisons in Scotland.	11 2 0	245	—
"	"	Capt. John Morley, Governor of Arundel Castle.	For carriage of ordnance and powder from Arundel to Portsmouth.	11 9 6	245	—
"	"	Thos. Steventon and John Freeman.	For 80 tons of English fine tow match, packed in fats and mats.	1,450 0 0	247	—
"	John Jackson	John King	For 29 days' viewing broadcloth and soldiers' clothes, for the forces in Scotland and Ireland.	7 5 0	243	—
"	"	James Lort	For 13 days'	3 5 0	244	—
"	"	Thos. Weaver	For 16 days'	4 0 0	244	—
"	"	Robt. Fretchwell	For six days' viewing shoes and boots	1 10 0	248	—
"	"	Robt. Battey	For six days' viewing shoes and boots for the forces in Scotland and Ireland.	1 10 0	248	—
"	"	John Harper and the owners of the William of Great Yarmouth.	In full satisfaction for her being lost in carrying horse to Ireland.	80 0 0	246	—
"	"	Thos. Lucas, for the bailiffs and aldermen of Great Yarmouth.	For maintenance of prisoners committed to their charge by Council.	303 19 1	246	—
"	"	Thomas Laxton	For medicaments for the forces in Ireland	59 3 4	247	—
"	[Gualter Frost]	Col. Goffe	For fortifications at Yarmouth as directed by Lieut.-Gen. Monk.	1,000 0 0	14	—

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1652. Sept. 21	[Gualter Frost]	Edw. Carter	For repairs of the Parliament House, Whitehall, James' House, Somerset House, and the Mews.	£ s. d. 910 13 10	I. 103. —
"	"	Capt. Bishop	For the work of intelligence	400 0 0	—
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	John Freeman and Thos. Steventon.	For 4 cwt. of double refined petre in bars and 36 neat's hides tanned for Scotland.	57 17 4	249
"	"	Geo. Browne and Thos. Foley.	For new casting one cannon of eight, two demi-cannons, and two culverins.	476 17 3½	249
"	"	Thomas Gould	For 21 old iron guns now proved and delivered into the stores.	356 8 11	251
"	"	Stephen Hill	For camphire, roscager, linseed oil, turpentine, sal ammoniac, verdigris, and aqua vitea for Scotland.	47 3 4	252
"	John Jackson	John Bunbury for Thos. Herbert.	For paper, paper books, &c. for his use in Ireland.	6 7 8	250
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Wm. Shambrooke	For 100 bags of biscuits for the forces in Ireland.	72 3 7½	250
"	"	Jas. Browne	For 156	112 12 0	251
"	"	Jas. Wainwright for Capt. Jno. Whitworth.	In full with 1,080 <i>l.</i> paid for 122 tons 10 cwt. and 5 lbs. of oatmeal, for the forces in Ireland.	573 15 6	252
"	"	Gualter Frost	For contingent charges and exigencies of Council.	10,000 0 0	253
Oct. 1	[Gualter Frost]	Widow Hamilton	For present relief and subsistence of self and children.	200 0 0	—
"	"	John Gay	For procuring coaches for reception of Lord Paw, the Dutch Ambassador, and the Danish and Portuguese Ambassadors.	30 0 0	—
"	"	Geo. Taylby, coach-maker.	For keeping and repairing the State coaches and harness.	11 15 4	—
"	"	John Gay	For procuring and cleaning the coaches and harness for reception of the Portugal Ambassador.	19 18 10	—
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Henry Whitley	For freight of 33 tons of guns and carriages from the Tower wharf to Portsmouth, for that garrison.	16 10 0	256

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1652. Oct. 1	Major-Gen. Harrison	Thomas Bateman	For 20 doz. axletrees for field carriages for great ordnance, for the garrisons in Scotland.	£ s. d. 40 0 0	I. 33. — I. 103. 256 Vol. XXXI. —
"	"	John Pitt	For five gins furnished with slings, 10 handcrews, 4,000 twopenny nails, 216 hand crowlevers shod, 84 handspikes, 59 field beds, 260 coins, 5 axes, 5 hammers, and 10 reams of paper royal, for the same.	95 10 0	257
"	"	Thomas Hall	For 84 budge barrels, 130 cases of cartridges, 130 field tampons, 150 linstocks, for the same.	30 16 0	257
"	"	Thomas Hodgkins	For 92 crowes of iron, 260 linchpins, 260 washers, and 4 barrels, for the same.	66 6 11½	258
"	Treasurers at Goldsmith Hall.	Sir Geo. Barry	For transporting himself and family to Ireland.	100 0 0	258
"	Nath. Stirrup, treasurer of the Committee for Accounts.	Col. Crompton, Governor of Tilbury Fort.	For repairing Tilbury Fort, Essex	100 0 0	259
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Edw. Carter, surveyor	For repairing the roof, leads, walls, and windows of the Armoury Office and Round Tower, within the Tower of London.	100 0 0	259
"	John Jackson	Rich. Coghlan	For his transport to Ireland, as preacher of the Gospel.	30 0 0	260
"	Commissioners of Prize Goods.	Mayor of Dover	For providing lodgings and means of cure for the wounded men sent on shore from the fleet; to be paid out of the tenths of prizes.	300 0 0	260
"	[Gualter Frost]	Capt. Mildmay's man	For his charges in bringing the narrative of the late fight.	5 0 0	77
"	Major-Gen. Harrison.	Thos. Carter and Jno. Knap.	For dry fatts and mats for packing 18 tons of loose match.	24 12 0	261
"	[Gualter Frost]	Wm. Legg	For chairs for the House of Lords, on the meeting of the Commissioners of Parliament with the persons sent from Scotland.	30 0 0	—
"	"	Marshal-General	For maintaining the prisoners under his charge.	200 0 0	—
"	"	[Thos.] Scott	[For intelligence]	600 0 0	—
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1652. Oct. 14	Collectors of Goods.	Widows of the company of the John, cast away off Virginia.	5 <i>l.</i> to each widow with four or five children, 4 <i>l.</i> to each with three children or fewer, and 3 <i>l.</i> to each of those who have none.	—	I. 103. 261
"	John Jackson -	Navy Treasurers -	For payment of several ships now come to Portsmouth.	15,000 0 0	262
"	[Gualter Frost]	- Cripps -	For coming up with an express from the Mayor of Hull to Council.	6 13 4	—
"	Commissioners for Dutch Prizes.	John Bowry -	For cure of his wounds received on board the Unity, in the squadron under Sir Geo. Ayscue.	30 0 0	263
"	John Jackson -	Charles Wailley -	For 1,600 rugs for the forces in Ireland, in part payment.	400 0 0	263
"	"	Clement Oxenbridge, and four other owners of the Dragon.	For freight, demurrage, &c. of the Dragon in the service of Ireland.	279 8 0	264
"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Wm. Cullen, Mayor of Dover.	In full of his account of disbursements for wounded men at Dover.	210 8 0	265
"	"	Marie, widow of Capt. James Coppin, of the Hart frigate.	For her loss by his death, 40 <i>l.</i> a piece for her- self and four children.	200 0 0	266
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Capt. John Whitworth	On account for 40 tons of cheese delivered at Carlingford for the army in Ire- land.	480 0 0	264
"	"	Deuis Gauden -	In full with 4,920 <i>l.</i> paid, and 100 <i>l.</i> reserved pending a question about freight, for 146 tons 16 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs. of oatmeal delivered at Waterford, and 409 tons 14 cwt. 3 qrs. 14 lbs. at Limerick and Dub- lin, for the army in Ireland.	3,181 18 9	265
"	"	Rich. Gladman	Towards 550 bags of biscuit for the forces in Ireland.	300 0 0	267
"	"	Susan, widow of Mat- thew Harrison, mas- ter's mate of the Lucy.	For relief of herself and children, her hus- band being lost in the service.	50 0 0	268

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1652. Oct. 25	Major-Gen. Thos. Harrison.	John Falkener, store-keeper in the Ordnance office in the Tower.	For travelling charges and expenses in taking the remains of the ships of war belonging to the State, from July 1648 to October 1652.	£ s. d. 72 10 0	I. 34. — I. 103. 267
"	"	Col. John White	"	83 0 0	270
"	Collectors of Goods.	Mrs. Pack, relict of Capt. Michael Pack, late Rear-Admiral to the fleet under Sir Geo. Ayscue.	For herself 100 <i>l.</i> , and 150 <i>l.</i> a piece to her two children, in consideration of his death in the service.	400 0 0	268
"	Major-Gen. Harrison	Sarah Ward, widow	For ladles for the use of Mersey Island, the garrisons in Scotland, and the fortifications of Yarmouth.	33 6 6	268
"	"	Thos. Hodgkins	For ironwork, tampions, cartridge cases, and formers, for the fortifications at Yarmouth.	17 8 3	269
"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Capt. John Lawson, late commander of the Centurion frigate.	For good service in his employment to the southward, under Capt. Penn, and formerly.	60 0 0	269
"	Major-Gen. Thos. Harrison.	Thos. Carter, John Knap, and Christian Elers.	For 20 tons of match delivered into the stores	360 0 0	270
"	"	John Pitt	For 100 standing carriages, with wheels and ironwork, for culverins, demi-culverins, and sakers, and a cannon of eight, and for lining eight culverin carriages for 22 field beds, 44 coins, 44 hand crow levers.	772 7 4	271
"	"	Thomas Hodgkins	For 500 pickaxes delivered into the stores	66 13 4	271
"	"	John Wallington and John Gace.	For 1,000 shovels and spades, and 100 steel spades, delivered into the stores.	84 3 4	272
"	Wm. Leman and John Blackwell, Treasurers-at-war.	Humphrey Hailey	On bill of Chas. Walley, to be paid to Capt. [Roger] Sontley in Wales, to buy Welsh cotton, caddows, and rugs for the army in Ireland.	300 0 0	272
"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Capt. Jno. Lisle	For cure of his wounds received in the engagement with the Dutch near Plymouth, under Sir Geo. Ayscue.	100 0 0	262

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1652. Oct. 27	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Charlet Marie, French woman.	For her relief and transport to her husband in the Caribbee islands.	£ s. d. 10 0 0	I. 34. —	I. 103. 273	Vol. XXXI. —
"	Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall.	Capt. Sam. Playford	On account of his arrears, for transport of himself and family to Ireland.	50 0 0	I. 35. —	274	—
"	John Jackson	Edmond York, of the Hopetul of London.	For her freight and demurrage to the Orkneys, to carry guns, shot, and carriages.	91 4 10	—	275	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Denis Gauden	For 125 tons 5 cwt. 26 lbs. of Cheshire, and 17 tons 19 cwt. 3 qrs. and 7 lbs. of Suffolk cheese for the forces in Ireland.	1,139 14 7½	—	274	155
"	John Jackson	Joachim Maugrefesh, of the John of Lunbec.	For the ship's service in the expedition to Jersey.	56 3 6	—	273	—
"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Alex. Frithy, mariner	For relief on account of hurts received aboard the Anthony Bonadventure, of which he was master in the late engagement with the Dutch near Plymouth.	30 0 0	—	275	—
"	John Jackson	John Rogers, Mayor of Hull.	For paying for materials and work in repairing Clifford's Tower at York, and the fortifications of Hull, &c. according to warrants from Col. Robert Overton, Lieut.-Col. Edw. Salmon, and Major Ralph Waterhouse.	600 0 0	—	276	—
Nov. 4	Collectors of Prize Goods.	Capt. Richd. Haddock	For good service and extraordinary expenses in the squadron under Sir Geo. Ayseue.	40 0 0	—	279	—
"	John Jackson	Navy Treasurer	For payment of ships that come into Plymouth.	10,000 0 0	25	280	—
"	[Gualter Frost]	Theodore Haak	For translating a book out of Dutch into English, and spending further time about its printing.	100 0 0	47	—	—
"	John Jackson	Geo. Allington, waggon master to Col. Berkstead's regiment.	For expenses in gathering together arms, &c., and carrying them to the Tower.	13 14 8	—	280	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Lieut.-Col. John Mayor, for Lieut. Ed. Pilkington and other officers.	For conducting 184 recruits from Sir Arth. Heslrigge's regiment to Dublin.	18 8 0	—	281	—
"	[Gualter Frost]	[Nich.] Bond	In full with 300 <i>l.</i> already paid, of his account for services at the entertainment to the Portuguese Ambassador.	29 4 10	54	—	—

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1652. Nov. 10	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Capt. Thomas Wright, of the John and Elizabeth.	For good services, and in consideration of the loss of his leg in fight with a Dutch man-of-war.	£ s. d. 10 0 0	I. 103. 281	Vol. XXXI. —
"	Gualter Frost -	Eliz. Alkin -	For good services to the public -	5 0 0	61	—
"	Collectors for Prize Goods.	Capt. Edmund Curtis, of the Guineae frigate.	For good services, &c. as commander-in-chief of the ships sent to reduce Virginia, Capt. Robt. Denis, who was the first commander, being lost in that service.	66 13 4	—	282
"	"	Susan, widow of Thomas Prince, master's mate of the Dolphin.	As gratuity for his loss in the fight with the Dutch fleet near the Downs, under Capt. Wm. Badiley.	40 0 0	—	282
"	Gualter Frost -	— Lasher of Hastings -	For his journey up to London with intelligence.	2 0 0	80	—
"	Late Treasurers-at-war	Gualter Frost -	For the incident charges and expenses of the Council of State.	4,000 0 0	—	156
"	[Gualter Frost]	Sir Jno. Borlace -	On account of arrears due for services in Ireland, and to enable him to return thither, with a recommendation from Council.	100 0 0	95	—
"	"	Bryan Nelson -	Due to him by order of Parliament of 31 Dec. 1651.	766 12 6	96	—
"	John Jackson -	Abraham Hyett -	For 3,740 lbs. of lead delivered at Guernsey to Col. Bingham, for making water-cisterns in Castle Cornet.	30 13 4	—	283
"	Wm. Leman and John Blackwell, Treasurers-at-war.	Charles Walley, for Capt. Roger Sontley, in Wales.	For buying Welsh cotton, caddows, or rugs, for beds for the army in Ireland.	400 0 0	—	283
"	[Gualter Frost]	Symon Abbot, for Jno. Arthur of Weymouth.	For disbursements in maintaining some barks at sea, to give intelligence to homeward merchants' ships of the difference with the Dutch.	18 8 0	109	—
"	"	Mr. Carter, surveyor -	For disbursements about Whitehall, on account certified by the Whitehall Committee.	1,078 11 10 ¹ / ₂	109	—
"	"	Nich. Bond -	For services as steward at the entertainment to the Portuguese Ambassador.	30 0 0	112	—
"	"	Phil. Starkie -	For services as cook at the entertainment to the Portuguese Ambassador.	20 0 0	112	—

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.	
1652. Nov. 24	John Jackson -	Wm. Dobbins, Com- missary for Scotland.	For his and his servants' entertainment, from 16 April to 1 Dec. 1562.	£ s. d. 228 0 0	I. 103. 284	Vol. XXXI. —
"	"	John Wallop, of the Anne and Alice.	For service of his ship for 10 days in hinder- ing the relief of Castle Cornet.	6 13 4	284	—
" 26	Collectors of Goods.	Wm. Cullen, Mayor of Dover.	Gratuity for his great care of the wounded sent in from the fleet, and for sending home the Frenchmen sent to Dover by Gen. Blake.	50 0 0	285	—
" 29	[Gualter Frost]	Mathias Lee -	For his services as clerk to Council, having been employed from the beginning of the Committee for both Kingdoms to this day.	100 0 0	—	—
" "	"	Thos. Lea -	"	100 0 0	—	—
" "	"	Capt. Bishop -	"	500 0 0	—	—
" "	"	"	For services to the Committee for Examina- tions for this year.	201 14 2	—	—
" "	"	"	For balance of his last year's disbursements for the said committee.	100 0 0	—	—
" "	"	Mr. Dorislaus -	For translating letters of intelligence for Council this year.	121	—	—
" "	"	Wm. Rowe -	For services to the Irish and Scotch Com- mittee.	500 0 0	—	—
" "	Collectors of Goods.	Marie, widow of Capt. Robert Denis.	63 <i>l.</i> for herself, for the loss of her husband, and 60 <i>l.</i> for the widow and children of young Capt. Denis, lost at the same time on the coast of Virginia. (See Nov. 11.)	123 0 0	285	—
" 30	[Gualter Frost]	Wm. Ryley -	For one year's salary as clerk of the records in the Tower.	200 0 0	—	—

ADDENDA.

1651.

Nov. 14.
Dunkirk.

Luke Whittington to Lord Londonderry, Mr. Coult's house, Bruges. I advised you on the 19th of last month of having remitted 171 guilders with other Ostend money to Mr. Parker, for your use. Capt. Peter Romboute came here on his parole four or five days since, and returns to-morrow sick. He has been earnest with me to write to His Majesty,—who, praised be God, has safely arrived at Paris,—about our prizes, which I said I would do, but it is more proper for you, knowing how all things stand, so I leave it to you to do as you think best.

Capt. Degoe has gone to sea in a very fine dogger of four guns, with Lord Ormond's commission, and Capt. Mich. Reding still lies at Bullen [Boulogne]. He had a ransom who ought to have paid 200*l.*, but has run away and paid nothing; there has been some knavery in the business, which I will endeavour to find out. I should like to hear what Mr. Parker has done about his two fish prizes. The Governor of Calais suffers our prizes to come in there, being paid as much as the Governor is paid here, and Capt. Flinton had one there which sold for 7,000 guilders, and another for 8,000, both to the proprietors. These two go out with the Duke of York's commission, and Major Windham, Capt. Griffith, and Mr. Loving have part of the men-of-war and the victualling. The prizes brought in since my last by Captains Degoe and Ferdinando Arbow have been sold for 2,689*l.* 6*s.* after all charges paid, but as yet I cannot get above 600 guilders of it, as they make many excuses and delays.

I am glad to hear by Capt. Romboute that you have recovered, and as Joseph Elliot is coming to Ostend, you can let me hear from you by him. I have ordered Capt. Brett to pay you 40 guilders. [2 pages. *Vol. XVI., No. 92a.*]

1652.

[Jan.]

Articles against Joseph Pett, assistant to the master shipwright at Chatham, and cousin to Commissioner Pett, for assisting in purloining the State's goods. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page. *Vol. XXIII., No. 23a.*]

[Jan.]

Proofs against Rich. Holborn for purloining timber to make bedsteads and coffins. [$\frac{2}{3}$ page. *Vol. XXIII., No. 36a.*]

Feb. 13.

Assignment by Sir Robert Pye, of Westminster, to John Pye, his second son, of his interest in 1,000*l.* principal and interest of sums by him advanced in April 1642, on the propositions for reducing the rebels of Ireland. [*Parchment, signed, Interregnum, Box I., No. 9.*]

July 14.

Order in the Council of State that a new trencher plate of silver be bought, in lieu of one lost in the entertainment given to Lord

1652.

Paw, with the State's arms engraved thereon, to be paid for by Mr. Frost. [*I. 30, p. 30.*]

July 17.

Marriage settlement whereby William Deacon, gentleman, of London, in consideration of his marriage with Anne Edwards, widow, settles on Humphrey Gulston and Francis Marwood, citizens of London, his interest in certain rents, &c. issuing from Barnwell Manor, and Great Okeley rectory, and in water mills in Higham Ferrers, co. Northampton, held of Enfield Manor, co. Middlesex, the rents being 3*l.* 8*s.* 1*d.*, 5*l.*, and 25*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*, to be paid to her for life if she survive him. [*Parchment, signed, Interregnum, Box I, No. 10.*]

Aug. 5.
Whitehall.

Council of State to the late Treasurers-at-war. By order of Parliament of 3 July 1649, the certificate from the Revenue Committee touching allowances to the Lord Lieutenants of Ireland was referred to Council, to give such allowance as they thought fit to the present Lord Lieutenant, considering the quality of his command and his extraordinary charges, both whilst he stayed in England and afterwards, for better carrying on the service and upholding the honour of the commonwealth in Ireland. It was therefore ordered that he be allowed 10*l.* a day whilst he should remain in England, and 2,000*l.* a quarter from his arrival in Ireland, and the Treasurers-at-war, by warrant of 12 July 1649, were authorised to pay this. By another warrant of 30 July 1650, the said sum was to be paid to the Lord Lieutenant or to Lord Deputy Hen. Ireton, who was to carry on the service during the absence of the Lord Lieutenant.

By vote of Parliament of 30 Jan. 1652, Major-Gen. Lambert was appointed Deputy of Ireland, and was at great charges in preparing to go, and was continued as deputy till 22 June 1652, during which time he received no allowance. The Lord Lieutenant and Ireton received the 2,000*l.* a quarter till 31 Oct. 1651, since which time the "Lord Lieutenant hath refused to receive any further part thereof to his own account or use," but requests that of the arrears of 5,139*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.*, 2,000*l.* may be paid to Lambert, in full of allowance and expenses, which is to be done, and he remits the remainder for the use of the commonwealth. [*I. 103, p. 231. Vol. XXIV. No. 93a.*]

1652.
[Jan.]

17a. Articles, against Capt. or Major John Browne, Clerk of the Ropeyard. That he said the devil was in the Parliament men, and he would have this dissolved and a new representation called. That he has sent for the ropemakers to work up his false musters, when he was governor of Upnor Castle, paying them their wages meantime; that he neglected his duties, allowed the men to be idle, and purloined rope, spars, and timber. That he took away lead worth 105*l.* from the North Tower and Gatehouse Tower of Upnor Castle, leaving them uncovered; cut down and sold timber worth 35*l.*; got 150*l.* by false musters, and 100*l.* by forced compositions of imprisoned delinquents. That he defrauded the soldiers of a month's pay. That though he received 800*l.* for repairs of the castle, he left most of the work undone. That he pulled down and converted to his own use a house belonging to the State, worth 40*s.* a year. [$2\frac{1}{4}$ pages.]

30a. Names of 42 witnesses to be examined on Commissioner Pett's part, against Wm. Adderley, Wm. Thomson, and Thos. Colepott. [$\frac{3}{4}$ page.]

35a. Proofs on Commissioner Pett's part against Colepott. [2 pages.]

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91, first line, *after Col. Dixwell add, to the.*
99, 11 lines from bottom, *for agents read agent.*
125, top line, *for Jan. 25 read Jan. 30.*
159, 22 lines from top, and p. 411, 16 lines from bottom, *for Treasurers read Treasurer.*
165, 12 lines from top, *for 99 read 106.*
172, top line, *dele Jan. 2.*
224, 6 lines from bottom, *before Treasurers insert [late].*
229, line 3, *for That of read The petition of.*
230, 25 lines from bottom, *for Bousfield read Busfield.*
252, 15 „ „ *for Burlington read Bullington.*
344, 5 lines from top, *for Ambassadors read Ambassador.*
355, 4 lines from bottom, *for Isle of Wight read co. Dorset.*
358, 3 „ „ *for Auchinlick read Authinlick.*
363, 27 „ „ *dele Major-Gen. Gibson.*
387, 23 „ „ *for Hyson read Hyron.*
399, 3 lines from top, *add [I. 32, pp. 70-76.]*
427, 6 lines from bottom, *for Horl read Hool.*
444, 22 „ „ and p. 540, 5 lines from bottom, *for Fras. read Jas. Peacock,*
464, 21 lines from top, *for Rouge read Rorie.*
483, 11 lines from bottom, and p. 503, top line, *for Aranguseu read Aranguren.*
484, 24 „ „ *for Edw. Curtis read Edm.*
503, 19 lines from top, *for Lynn read Lyme.*
508, 20 lines from bottom, *for Fiaravanti read Fioravanti.*
532, 6 „ „ *for J. read Tho. Smith.*
537-541, 3d column, *for J. Turner read Thos. Turner.*
588, 1st column, 3d line from bottom, *for ordnance read ordinance.*
610, 12 lines from bottom, *for Capt. read Col. Ant. Hungerford.*
690, col. 2, 5 lines from bottom, *for James, Lord Ogilvy to read George.*
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