

L. c. 1029 [Handwriting changes here.] Thursday Janry 6: 1680
+The bill for the better Collecting hearth mony was red a second time
and Comted
+The bill for repealing the Act of ye 13th Carolo Secundi for ye bettr
regulating Corporations red a second time & Comted A rept was made
Concerning the Irish plott & how far the Discourse was suppress & the
witnesses barbarously used & the Evidence stifled by sr Jno Davis secretary
of State &c as also the paper red on wch ye Lds Grounded their resolves
making it very Evident what Designe hath ben Laid in Ireland (by the
asistance of ye pope & french King) wch To Introduce popery & macecry
the prodistans &c Where upon (after sum debate) the house did agree wth
the Lds In their resolves vidilicett That they are fully satisfied that
their now is & hath bin a horid popish plott & Conspirecey begun &
Caried on in Ireland by ye (papists) for masecriing the prodist
subverting the prodistant religion & The ancient Establishd Govermt
their & The house made this farther adition vidt That the duke of york
being a papist & the Expectation of his coming such to ye Crown hath
given the greatest Incoridgmt their to as well as to ye horid papist
plot in England Caried nemini Contr
+Ordred That ye resolves of this house be Delivered with their reson To
the Lds att a Conferance
+Ordrd--That the Informations about the irish plot be printed
+Resolvd That Richd Power Earle of Tyrone In Ireland be Impeachd for
high Treason & Ld Darley Caried itt up & yt the Lds be desidrd to Committ
him for that Articles shall follow, & be referd to ye Comte yt are to
prepare Evidence against the Lds in ye Tower Adjed &c

L. c. 1030 [Handwriting changes here.] London January 8th 1680
+the petition from ye Clothiers victulars &c: who supplied ye Armeey yt
was disbanded & was pmised paymt when their acco should stated [sic],
but were never paid wch was referd to ye Comte appointed to receive ye
accounts of those that were Employed to disband ye Late Armeey:

Mr Barret an absenting member had leave to take his place in ye
house paying his fees;

A message was sent from ye Lds yt they had Appointed this day 7
night to heare the Impeachmt agt mr Seymr & this house may heare ye
Cause if they thinke fitt. upon debate abt Barron weston granting
habeas Corpus for Sherridon, in regard it did not appeare by the writt
that this was a Comtmt by ye house ye: debate was let fall wthout any
ordr: & the seargant left to his liberty to do as he should be advised:

ordrd that an addresse be made to his matie for a pclamation agt:
some psons for contempt: of ye: house,

That a Comte be appointed to Enquire wt popish priests are Condemned
all over ye nation & to rpt: thire oppinion to the house,

a rept of ye Ellection of Queenborough was made & yt: mr: Glanvill
was duly Ellected for that place;

The Comte appointed to draw up the address to his matie have Leave
to mention ye popish plot in Ireland & ye burning pt of London;

+ordr: That ye rept be made on munday morneing Toutching mr Lightons
Business

+Resolved that a Comte doe inspect the Journalls of this house & house
of Lds & search prsedents, that the Lds ought to Commit all psons
Impeached by this house;

L. c. 1031 [Handwriting changes here.] London January 18th 1680
The point so long in Dispute is att last Decided the plamt being
Dissolved and a new one to be Called and to sitt att oxford the 21 of
March next to which purpose a proclamation Is Expected to morrow. The
Ld Chancellr was much against itt and desired rather that he might Lay

Downe the seales then that it should be don This day 2 petitions for the
plamts sitting were Carried to whitehall one from Exeter and the other from
Honiton in Deavonsheere--but as the prsentrs were going to deliver them
to the King the Duke of Albemarle mett them and told them the Parliament
was Dissolved as afforesaid

This day also upon the dissolution the E: of Salisbury desired his
mate to grant him one favour who asking what it was his Ldship said that
his mate would release him from any farther Attendance att Councell to wch
his mate answered he never granted any thing more readily in his life

This day also a popish priest w[ho?] belonged to the E: of Tyrone
was taken att whitehall

The Ld Sundrland is resigneing his secretaryship and Its said mr
Dan: Finch will succeed him

Sr Tho: Jones is like to be Ld Ch: Justice in Judge Scrogs place
and mr Saundrs is like to be attorney Genll Sr Creswell Levins Intending
to lay it downe

Severall psons are Condemned for murther & Burglary att the sessions
att the old Baylie wch begun yesterday and will End this night a French
man Indicted for Burglary refusing to plead was sentenced to be pressed
to death

Tis said Ld Hallifax or mr Seymr will be made Ld Chancellr Lettrs
from Scottland give act that the D. of y: is sick and hath latly been
lett Blood twice

The reason why tis beleived ye Ld Sundrland will be put out is
because the king passed by him severall times latly and tooke no notice
of him because he is shut out from Cabinet Councell

I Just now hear that ye pclamation for a Dissolution is recalld but
sent agn

+David FitzGerard a late ireish wittness upon some discontent hath
Informed the Councell that 3000 L was given to the Ireish wittnesses for
them to sweare ad infinitum and sevl gent were Interrogated abt it
last fryday by ye Councell but nothing pved [?] of itt otherwise then by
FitzGerards asserting it

Its said the Terme will be adjourned also to Oxford

L. c. 1032 London January 20th 1680

The Grand Jury of London upon the Close of ye sessions Last
Tuesday night told the Court that they had somthing of Importance to
aquaint them with, and being asked what, They said That the walls of the
Citty of London were broke downe in sevl places That there wanted Chaines
and posts in sevl places of the Citty, That souldrs Contrary to the
Charter of the Citty Marched Through with their drums beating and Collrs
flying and that it was Convenient that the Citty Guards should be Doubled
&c: To wch the Recordr answr'd that they ought to put what they had to say
in writeing and to prsent it before the sessions was so nigh Ended it
being now time they should be Discharged, To wch the forman replied
that they might be adiourned to the sessions of peace on fryday att
Guildhall as other Juryes formerly have been and then they would prsent
what they had to say in writeing wch was accordingly granted

+The Earles of Bridgewater Essex and Radnor Its said Intend to retire
from Councell & Court, and the Ld Chancell laying downe is still Talked of
+Writts for Chuseing plamt men are ordrd to be seald on munday and sent
into the Country

+Its repted that the K Intends to go a Journey into the north and that
the next sessions of plamt after oxford will be att yorke

+K Richd ye 2d a play, being forbid acting att ye Ks house the Poet put
the name of Tyrant of Sicily upon it by wch means it was acted twice
this weeke, but the Cheate being found out it was forbid acting againe

+Its said that the Guns are ordrd to be removed from off Tower hill into ye Tower

+The French Cruise on our Coasts wch give cause of Jealouzie

+Two lettrs of thankes [about six letters blotted] from Salop & North Allerton in yorksheere to their representatives in plamt wth promises of Chuseing them againe if they shall be Dissolved wthout Charge.

A petition for setting of ye plamt signed by 6000 hands all in 12 houres time came hither last night from warricksheere

Severall psons of Quality as well plamt ment as others Dined to day behind the Royall Exchange

+A Commission of oyer & Terminer is Issued out for trying the E: of Tyrone

L. c. 1033 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond: Jan: 25th 80

+The Ld Ch. Just Scrogs by reason of lre from ye: K. hath not appd this term at ye Ks: bench & its believd will not till ye Impeachmt by ye Comons agt him is over, Judge weston also absented himselve yesterday saying he was indispos'd but today he appd:

+yesterday sevll writs for chusing plmt men to sit at oxford were seald & to night will be sent in to ye Country if a petion sign'd by a Considerable number of Lds: & this day prsented to his mate by ye E: of Essex to prvent not sending ym ye p[ur]p[or]t of ye petion is to Lay before his mate ye Inconveniencies of the dividing ye plmt from Lond. & westmr his Mate recd ye petion & sd he believed it only ye opinion of some few psons how ever sd he would considr of it;

+Sr Wm Waller yesterday seizd sevll arms & Colrs in a private hous in westmr & to morrow gives an acct yerof to ye Councell.

+yesterday ye Ld: Aston by his Councill movd to have his bail discharged but Judge Dolben told ym he wondred at ye unreasonableness of ye motion & askd ym if yey: did not rem[ber yt a?] Ld was latly executed for ye same crime Aston was accusd of & so den[y]ing him bail

On fryday last mr: Churchill brought an Expresse from Scotld: signifying yt: ye D: of y: was very sick wch hath caused rept since yt he is dead ye: Confirmation of wch we expect by next post;

The E: of Conway is its sd made Principall secretary of State in ye E: of Sundrlands room

The: E: of Hallifax yesterday took his leave of his mate desiering leave to retire from Cot yt he might show ye wourld yt he was not an Enemy to ye Nation nor plmt: sitting wch requesst his Mate granted & he is according[ly] gon into ye Country

+The E of Essex wth 2 more Lds: on sunday last desidrd leave to retire from Councill wch: was granted A Declaration is expected to be publishd by his matie wherin he will give assurance for ye doing all things possible for quieting ye minds of ye people & wt he will doe in Relation to ye D: of Y:

sergt Wright is like to succeed Judge Ellis. The Ld Eglinton last week killd an Inkeep[er] at Doncaster in yorksh & is fled.

The Com: Councill of Oxford have voted yt in Case ye plmt: sitts yre no soldr shall be qrtered wthin ye City but yey will keep it for ye Cot: & plmt:

L. c. 1034 [Handwriting changes here.] London 27 January 1680

+On Tuesday about 4 of the Clock afternoon Sr Robert Payton sent to Mr Wms Chamber in Grayes Inn where haveing set his brother in the middle of the stayres & one of his ffriends at the bottom he entred the Chamber & shewed Mr Wms a pap wch was the speech reported to be spoaken by mr Williams to sr Robert when he was expelled the house of Comons & asked him whether he own'd it wch mr Wms refuseing to doe sr Robt desired him to sett his hand on the back side that it was not his speech wch Mr Wms refuseing also sr Robert told him that he must give him sattisfacon Mr

Wms asked what Satisfaction he ment to wch sr Robert Answered such as became a Gentl & so desired sr Robert to Walk down & as they were goeing along the Court mr Wms calld at a Serjants Chamber in Grayes Inn upon wch sr Robert & his ffriends ran away A Warrt was yesterday upon mr Wms his Complaint issued out by the Councell for takeing sr Robert who was accordingly taken & let goe upon his Parole to app: to morrow before the Councell

+ffrom Scotland we heare that the D of York was so well as to fight a Duell with a Scotch Ld & his Highnesse is wounded in the Shoulder Most of the late Members stand for the places they were lately chose for +To morrow a Comon Councell will be held to Consider of the Grand Juries petition last sessions

+The Earles of Maxfield suffolk, & Manchester are discharged from being of the Bed Chamber

The D. of York is still at Edenborough & expects a Comission from his Maty to be Genrall of the forces of that kingdome

+The Comisoners of Edenbor are very apprhensive of the danger of Popery & have ordered two Companies of the traine Bands to be out every night

+Wee heare that Coll Russells Comission of the 2d [?] foot Guards was by reason of his age yesterday taken away & given to the E of Thanet

ffrom Berlin we heare there is such a frost that Eares hands Noses are allmost lost

+On Munday last 4 Highwaymen Robbed sume Gentl beyond Barnett & took away their pistoll & Musquetoons

L. c. 1035 Lond Jan 29 80

Ltrs from Edinbr: say yt ye D of y is gon 40 miles forward on his Journey for Ireld & intends to reside some time at a Hous taken for him 2 miles off Dublin

upon some Disgust given to his mate by ye Ds Players acting plays he likd not does intend its sd to take away ye pattent.

Mr Morris Fitzgerald & mr Downing 2 Irish witnesses have recanted yr evidence its supposd by ye Instigation of David Fitzgerald & yr charges of coming hither are ordrd to be pd ym & yey to return to Ireld

Sr Robt Peyton was yesterday before ye Councill where mr Wms made oath yt Sr Robt challengd him in his chambr upon wch Sr Robt was comted to ye Towr but on Tuesday will Its thought & be baild & will next sessions be tryd upon ye stat agt Duells

Mr Sheridan Threatens to bring his acon agt Judge Raymond for refusing him bayl wn he was Comted by ye H of Comons.

This day mr Darnell movd for a heas Corpus for Sr Robt: Peyton & mr Saundrs for ye E of Tyrone & ye keep[er]s of ye sevl prisons are ordrd to bring ye Cau[se of?] ye Comitmt on Tuesday & yn it is to be argued [whether] yey are bailable or no.

This day came lrs from Scotld wch give acct yt ye D hath 4000 highlandrs assignd him for his guard yt A proclacon is publishd for banishing all ye Schollrs yt were concernd in burning ye Pope & affronting ye D. of y & yt yr friends do not recieve ym & ye Colledge gates are shutt up.

The Com Councill sat not yesterday ye Ld Mayr being not well

There is a discours of a vision apping to Eliz. Freman of Hatfield charging her to go to ye K & tell him yt ye Royall blood woud be poisond ye 15 of May & so bid him not remove ye plmt to Oxford she made Affidt before Sr Jos. Jourdan wch is believd only a sham.

This week ye Complainers agt ye E. of Carlisle were heard before ye K & councill & his mate promisd redrsse

sevl [?] of ye aforsd Scotch Schollrs hath been whipt thro Edinbr by ye Hangman for ye aforsd [illegible six-letter word]

+Sr Rich How is prosecuting a linen Drap in Cornhill for repting he hath

been seen at masse

+The Elecon for this City will be on fryday & for Southwark for wch place Sheriff Bethell now stands

+Just Warcup hath taken ye Depositions of ye Irish witnesses yt are not fallen away & his mate hath promisd ym full pardon

L. c. 1036 [Handwriting changes here.] London Feb: 1st 1680

Christopher Wren ye Ks. surveyr is going Down to oxon to ppare convenient Lodgings for ye Court agt ye 21. of march

Its Said yt 6 new Lds are Suddenly to be created 4. of wch are Sr Lionell Jenkens mr Seymr mr Hide mr Nowell ye Ld Camdens Son

The Elecon of Amersham in Bucks is over and Sr Wm Drake & mr Cheyny are returned Duely chose

Severall Lds and others have already pvided Lodgings att oxford pticular ye E. of Bridgwater is gon or going Downe hither

The King is againe retrenching ye Expences of his houshold & servants wages

This day Sr Robt Peyton was brought to ye Kings bench Bar and Baild by mr Spencer & philipson two membrs of the plament and he is to appeare ye first day of ye next Terme

The E. of Plymouths body was privatly buried ye last weeke att westmr

The next weeke ye King goes to Winsor

The Ld Mayr Continues Still Indisposed however ye Elecon hols on Fryday & Its beleived ye former membrs Will be chose againe for this Citty

Lrs from Scotland give acct of ye D. of Y being att Sterling yr haveing arisen severall Differences betwixt sevl of ye Scotch nobillity Touching ye Royall highness, ye Dutch: of Y: is Indisposed

Sr Wm Robts & mr Midleton are the 2 men like to be Chose for Midx Tho: mr Gerard & mr Ramton Stand also

The E. of Pembrook was latly att Tilbury and Treated sevl of ye officers there & its Said is now InCognito abt London Expecting his pdon to be pasd

Tis Sd P. Hanover Courts ye Lady Ogle

+The Guards abt Towne have ordr to march to oxford ye first of March, It computed yt ye Charge of his maties removall to oxford will amount to 4000 L

+Its fresh discoursd of ye Dutch of Plymouths going for france

Sr Wm Poultny is made foreman of ye Grand Jury of westmr wch Infallibly brings him & Sr Wm Tooker who joyne together to be Chose membrs for yt place

L. c. 1037 London February 3d 1680

From Herefordsh we heare yt Justice Pyt [?] meeting wth one Bodenham who was outlawd for being a Papist & Charging him to Surrendr himselfe Bodenham swore G. Dam him he would not & wth a bell he had in his hand Cutt ye Justice into ye scull of wch he is since dead & Bodenham is fled

From Scotland we heare yt just before ye D of Ys Departure from sterling 2 Companies of foot had gott into ye plmt Close upon wch ye Citty Traind bands rose & threatned to Cutt off every man unless they went out againe. Thereupon application was made to ye D. of Y: to comand them to come out againe who accordingly Did but as they were marching by ye Traind Bands maine Guard a souldr Called a sentinell of ye Traind Bands Rebell & Knockd him Downe wth his muskett upon wch the Capt of ye maine Guard Came out & Knockt ye souldr Down & Cryed arme arme & shutt ye Gates but ye souldrs running recovered ye Gate & so Gott away. The Lrs add farther that ye souldrs are readmitted into ye Colledges

Lrs from Ireland give acct that a Fr ship latly Landing att Limrick prtending to bring Fr Comodities was in ye night observed to Land sevl

barrells of Powder & armes & Lodge them in Popish houses wch upon Notice were all seized

Alderman Backwell & mr Hamden are Chose for wendovr in Bucks

From Paris we heare yt a Greate Disturbance happned there caused by a Difference between a prot. minister & a Jesuite ye latter falling upon ye former when he could not Confound him by Argument & sevl psons of both oppinions Taking ye pt of Each but ye Disturbance was att last appeased by ye wisdome of some magistrates who Interposed

6 new Informations are come from Staffordsh wch Confirme all yt Dugdale hat Said

One mr Hamilton a scotch schollr is Imprisoned att Edinbr for Saying yt shutting ye Colledges was a way to Introduce popery & that they were more Concerned att burning ye pope then if itt had been our Savr Major Drumond is also sumoned to appeare in 8 dayes upon paine of Confiscation of his Goods being accused to have spoaken words to ye Same Effect

Coll Kirk is made Governor of Tangier in ye roome of Coll Sackvill who is Coming home, he goes thither next weeke.

+The 4 Justices of peace who Tooke ye Ireish wittnesses Exacon gave an acct thereof yesterday to ye Councill

+Sevll Hogsheads of F. wine were yesterday Stavd att ye Custom house & ye maid who had ye vision appear to her in Hatfield was yesterday before ye King.

+The people of Edinbr Talke of a plamt Suddenly to be held there & ye D. of Y: will be Ld Comr.

+A vessell latly landed in Ireland wth some Great pson who is suspected to [come] thither as Nuncio from ye pope

+The Grand Jury of westmr this day prsented ye Kings horse & foot Guard s as a Nuisance declaring yt he ought to have none but ye yeoman of ye Guards

L. c. 1038 [Handwriting changes here.] London Feb: 5th 1680

His matie hath appointed Sr Stephen Fox (who will its Said be made a Ld.) to paide [?] for his matie meat & Clothes and allows him 12000 L a yeare to Defray ye Charge

+Its Discoursd yt ye E. of Feversham is to be made a Duke & yt he will be Genll of ye forces abt Towne During his maties Residence att oxford

Sevll psons are already chose membrs for ye Ensuing plmt but tis too Teadious to mention in my Lettr ye pticulars but few or none spend money

+mr Hamden latly Chose for Wendover being in F: is fallen Sick there mr Hide is to be made E: of Plymouth

+Sr George Strode is to Succeed Judge Ellis

Judge Scroggs will not go ye Circuit this Time ye home Circuit begins on Tuesday after Terme & all the Circuits will be over by march yt ye Judges may be att oxford wth ye plmt

8 Ireish wittnesses are ordrd to go to ye Attorney Genll & Give in their Evidence agt Plunkett Archbishop of Ireland who is to be tryed next sessions

Southwark Elecon is put off till wensday

On Thursday was a tryall at ye Ks bench bar abt 3000 L p an of Jesuites lands latly discovd & ye Cot not agreing how to transfer ye title to ye K ye Cause was adjd.

The E. of Tyrone petiond for a heas Corpus but was refusd being Comted for high treason.

His Matie hath sent to Oxford to desire he may have Corpus Christi Christchurch University Colledge for his apartmt & he will send ye Ld Chambrleyn to ppare ym.

The formr membrs being yesterday chose for Lond & ye pticlars in print I shall not trouble you wth ym.

The P. of Orange hath hangd up ye Ld Schutembr in Effigies he being fled for Indeavring to betray a place of Import to ye Portugall K. The Question being whethr ye States Genll shoud recieve ye H. of Orange as Stadtholdr or a private Gentleman it was carryd for ye latter.

L. c. 1039 [Handwriting changes here.] London Feb 8th 1680

On Satturday a Gent. coming into majr Parrys house in St Giles whose Daughter he was to marry & laying his pistols on ye Table ye young Lady Tooke one of them up not Thinking itt was charged & Jestingly sd have at you sr upon wch ye pistoll went off & Killd ye young Gent & she is fled

This day one Atwood a popish priest was tryed att ye Ks Bench bar & was found Guilty

On Thursday are ye Elecons for southwark & westmr as for ye 1st I cannot say who will be chose but for ye latr undoubtedly sr wm waller & Poultney

Atwood ye priest will be sentenced on Thursday Sr Creswell Levins being to be made a Judge sr Robert Sawyer will succeed him

Capt Bury Imprisoned in ye Ks bench on ye D. of Bucks acct was last satturday discharged at ye Ks. bench barr no body appearing agt him

4 Schollrs of Kathr Hall in Cambridge haveing Comitted A Robbery near Royston 3 of them are taken & Imprisond att Cambridge & ye 4th in Chelinsford

+Dr Onslow is made Dean of Exeter in ye roome of Dr Carey deceased +ye King having granted ye provostsp of Eaton Colledge to mr waller ye poet ye Arch Bishop of Cantr & London petitioned ye K & Councell on fryday last urging yt it ought to be bestowed upon ye Clergy, & the farther hearing is adjd till the 14th Inst +ye Elecons multiplie apace in all pts of England

The Ld Mayr Continues so sick that they already Talke as if Sr Robt Clayton should Govern ye City of London for ye remaining part of ye yeare Tho. others Talke its ye right of Sr Tho: Allen ye oldest Aldrman

upon ye plmt of Englands Resolving that there is a Hellish plot Carryed on in Ireland by ye papists sevl Considerable Ireish papists are gon to ye Ld Bretton [?] in france its Guest wth a designe to bring over ye french to Invade Ireland

+We heare of A popish priest converted upon Disputing wth an Appothecary of oxford.

ye Ld Sundrland has left ye Court

L. c. 1040 London Feb: 10th 1680

The Hangings and woolpacks went down on Tuesday to Oxford

This day Sr Richd How and Capt Rich mr Smith & Sherriffe Bethell appeared in southwark to be chose Burgesses for that place for ye 2 last ye D. of Bucks & other psons of Quallity appeared but neither pty yielding itt they went to ye poll hous in horsly Down and are now a polling

Sr Wm Waller & sr Wm Poultney appearing this day in Tuttle fields to be chose for westmr one mr Tufton sett up agt them but few appearing for him he yielded it to them

This day Atwood ye priest was sentenced to be Drawn hangd & qrtrd

Sr Creswell Levins hath his writt of Sergt to morrow and goes oxford Cercuit A Judge

Judge scroggs had this week a paper from his mate not to meddle any more as Judge till farther ordr he having hitherto officated & a serjt will be Joyned wth Barron Weston for ye home Cercuit

The Kings Guards ye bill is found against by ye Grand Jury of Westmr

The Ireish wittnesses are removed from westmr into ye City for security

The D. of Y. is returned from Sterling to Edinbr mr Hamilton ye Schollr is Discharged

The Great Gun Called ye Long Meg being over Charged by Capt ward
Att Edinbr went off Broake in peices & Did Considerable Damages

A Gent yesterday being a Birding att Islington as he went over a
Ditch his peice went off & Killed him

The Queen Goes to winsor ye beginning of ye next month where she
will stay During ye Courts being att oxford only sometimes step over
thither, The King will pass sometime att Burford in horse Raceing & hath
Its sd ordrd ye maids of Honr to ye Queens allowance [?] to be taken off
+Lrs from Ireland say yt ye D. of Ormond hath sent ordrs to ye Commissionrs
of Array in Each County to watch when they shall see occasion

L. c. 1041 Lond Feb: 12. 80

The Ld Mayr continues still very ill.

The Poll is not yet ended in southwark nor can I tell you who are
like to be chose.

The Attorney Genll was this day made a Serjt and afterwards Took
his place as a Judge

The Hattfield maid hath been againe before the King & Councell and
was advised by them to go home and repent her of her Melancholy delusion

A fire hapned last night at yey starrs in ye strand but by care was
Imediatly quenched

From Scotland we heare yt ye D. of y: is returned to Edinbr that he
is uncertaine whither he shall remaine there or at sterling & yt ye
Dutches is Indisposed

A pclamacon will Its sd be suddenly brought to ye prsse for removing
ye Terme to Oxford

[Handwriting changes here.]

Letter advice from scotld sth yt ye D. of y was forcd by a great
snow to return to Linlithgow where he dind wth ye E. of yt place & ye
town psnted him wth his freedom in a gold box

A fire latly hapned on ye key of Bristoll wch being quenched by
some seamen after 3 houses were burnt [ye] town gave ym 4 L a man

Sevll women yesterday attending ye Councill abt ye freedome of ye
Algier Slaves Sr Tho playr gave act of how much money he had recd for
ye ppos[e &?] desidrd he might name ye 31st to be redeemd [?] wch was
granted

The Span Embr hath desidrd leave to raise 2000 men here for defence
of ye poshere [?] wth pmise of good pay

Dr Oates allowance is retrenchd to 40 s a week

Fitzgerald yesterday accusd Dennis before ye councill of being
subornd to swear agt ye Q & D. of y upon wch ye K was very severe wth
him & ordrd him to wthdraw

Another irish witsesse desidrd mony to carry him back he having
discovd all he coudd but it was denyd

All ye studts of Oxford undr ye Degree of mr of art are ordrd to
retire to yr frends to make room for ye Cot

4 Troops of ye E of Oxford regmt & 6 Compas of foot are ordrd to
be qrterd near Oxford by ye 1st of March. 80000 L is latly come from
portugall being pt of ye Qs Dowry

L. c. 1042 [Handwriting changes here.] London Feb 15th 1680

An Indictmt is prferd in ye Crown office agt mr smith ffor
printing ye noble Peers speech

Ben: Harris is Clapd up close prisoner in the Kings Bench & the
Keeper Thereof Threatned yt he shall pay Harris ffine if he lets him
go abroad

The Grand Jury of westmr have found a bill of subornation agt
David FitzGerard & others

yesterday Just. Warcup sent a lettr to mr Edrington to bring in ye

Ireish wittnesses that had retracted their Evidence upon wch he went to thire Lodgings but they wth Fitzgerald did all absent themselves

The Election for Southwark ended this day and ye 2 old membrs are pclaimed duely Elected and ye old membrs are Comonly chose in all places

A Lre was Last week sent to P Rupts booksellr to Deliver to ye P ye purport whereof was yt ye King and he should not goe to oxford because they would be waylaid to be Killd

one psons a priest being taken sometime since & baid because nobody accused him is now accused to be a priest by a woman of Harfordsh to whome he was ghostly father he haveing got her wth Child and not allowing her money Enough to Keep itt and warrants are Issued for Taking him

Tis sd Judge scrogs hath his Quietus

+On saturday ye Grand Jury of westmr made above a 100 prsentments and among ye rest prsented ye Inhabitants of Midx for being Disorderly att westmr Election but It being only in Genll ye Judges sd yt it was not Authentique

Singe was This day Taken by Dangrfield in Cheap side upon suspiccon of being a priest & comitted to newgate

A Rule of Court was made on Saturday for Execution of Atwood

They Talk as if ye marriage of P. Hanover wth ye Lady Anne was upon conclusion

All ye oranges of Barmoodes are spoiled by a late blast of wind

mr withers of ye Kings Chappell was buried last saturday night in westmr Abbey haveing left 1700 L to build Almes houses behind St James park & Knights bridge

+The Dutches of portsouths steward went this morning to oxford to pvide lodgings for her which Contradicts her going to france, Its sd ye King Intends after he goes hence not to returne till October. A fire hapned last sunday night in a vessell neare wapping wch by ye helpe of ye wind Burnt yt & two more

L. c. 1043 London Feb 17th 1680

Atwood the Priest who was to Dye to morrow is repreived for 10 daies Middx Elecon is to be this day fortnight

The Assistants of ye Artillery Compa mett this day where sr Jo: Sheldon pduceing a lettr from his mate to continue ye old officers upon wch Itt was put to the vote & carryed in ye affirmative for agreeing wth ye Kings Lettrs not above 5 or 6 disenting

On saturday ye D. of M: went for Chichester where Arriveing att night, was mett by 400 Gent on horsback among wch were ye Two membrs and Conducted into ye Town 80 young men Carrying Torches being Clad in white Stockings drawers & Doublets & black Caps

Its sd now yt ye Terme will be Kept here & half of ye Judges to attend itt & ye other half ye plmt att oxford

we heare from Oxford of a Disturbance latly there between ye university & Town ye latter having omitted ye usuall offering of a peny once a yeare to ye former who had prswaded the Charter when it was formerly forfeited by ye Townsmens having Killd 63 Schollrs

Sherridon yesterday Attended the Councill being accused by fitzgerald to be concerned in ye Ireish plot but ye hearing that mattr was adjd

Mr Downeys Pattent for being viscount Down in Ireland and mr Altham Amslys (ye Ld Privey Seals 2d son) for being Barron of Altham are passing

The Ld Herbert will be chose for Gloster sergt Lile laying down be cause he is old

3 or 400 L was last fryday taken out of a Carriers pack as he was in his Inne at Redburn on ye road

60 of ye Ks Qs & Ds guards are ordrd for oxford on ye 1st of May
Coll Legs regmt of foot are yr to be qrterd at Thame [?] & yn ye Ks
goods go down by water

The Councill yesterday debted abt ye p[ro]vos[tshil]p of Eaton & ye
further debte adjd

A Comte of Councill sits to day abt Algers Slaves

A Dr of Caius Colledge in Cambridge hath writ a book to prove yt ye
K hath a right to chuse a membr for each place in Engld.

Singe attends ye Councill to morrow

mr wm being chose at Chester will its thought be chose Speakr agn

Bonus one of ye Ds guards drinking in ye D. of Ys health last week
in Harfordsh a Gent run him thro ye thigh upon wch Bonus drew his
sword & had killd him had he not dogd his life

L. c. 1044 [Handwriting changes here.] London Feb: 19th 1680

Lrs from Admall Harbert of ye Mediterranean Seas advise that
he crusing between Tangier and Algier mett wth 3 Algier Pirate ships
one of wch was Their Admall wch he Tooke & Carried in to Canarys. ye
Admall whose name is Canary & his men are prisonrs he sunk a nother of
them & the Third made her Escape into Algier--but ye aforesd Exploit was
Efected wth very Little loss of our men or Damage to our Ships. ye
Admall himselve not being Hurt

+Capt Gwider of the Bone Adventure upon Complaint of the Dutch Embassadr
that he had tooke a Galliot Hoy of Amsterdam both he and his men were
brought by the Marshall to the Vice: Admiralty to London and committed
to the Marshallsea and was Yesterday tryed by the Cot of Admiralty by
Order of his Matie for fellony and Piracy and after long heareing of
the Cause by sixty psons constituted as Judges they were all acquitted.
+It is sd that the Retrenchmt of the Expences of his Maties household
is now confirmed and begins the day that his Matie setts forward for
Oxford his Chaplains Dyet is already taken away As alsoe the Maides of
Honour who in Leiu thereof are to have the allowance of the Groomes of
the Bedchamber.

+Letters from Holland say that Eight grt ffly: boates with a Man of Warr
comeing into the Maze laden wth Salt by the arise of a Suddaine Storme
five of them were cast away the rest of them Escapeing with grt
difficultry.

+On Thursday last it was privately discoursed at Darby house by the
Cot of Admiralty that the Duke of Yorke will suddainly come for
England and it is Ordered that the Mary Yatch be speedily fitted and
sent into Scotland but whether for his comeing or not was not menconed
+The Old members will stand for the County of Dorsett but the Old members
for Dorcester refuse now to stand wherefore two others were chosen in
their roome wthout any charge

+Sr Willm Emley and Edwerd Johnson Esqr is returned duly elected for
the Devices in Wiltshire by the Magestrates but the Commonalty stand for
Sr Giles Hungerfeild and John yooles Esqr there late members

+ffrom Venice we have acct that there hapned lately an Hurricane which
spoyled all there grounds broke down severall houses and kill'd many
people

+Mr Dugdale last Councill day acquainted them that he was to attend the
Assizes at Stafford to which end desired he might have money to defray his
charge and a guard for his pson and he was referred to the Attorney
generall to take care for him

L. c. 1045 [Handwriting changes here.] London Feb: 22th 1680

This morning Judge Atkins and Sr Creswell Levins tooke their Leave
of ye King and are Gon ye oxford Cercuit

his matie hath made Henry Ld Hutton Earle of Ballemount in Ireland

+The Present Ld Mayr and Sr John Downey are both againe Elected membrs for Pontfract in yorkshire although ye former was most strongly opposed by Sr John Key

+notwthstanding ye Great oppossition that was made agt Sr Francis Winington att worcester we heare that he is againe Elected their reprsentative for that place

+Two men of warr are already fitted for Algiers to fetch there the English Captives and his matie has ordrd that out of wtsoever County the money for that purpose is gathered those that are Captives there of that County shall be first Redeemed

+In psuance to his maties ordr yesterday ye Guns on Tower hill was begun to be removed the Brass ones into ye Tower & ye Iron ones to woolage

yesterday ye Barmooda Compa had a Tryall before the Councell Concerning ye oppression of ye Governor sr John Haddon who was ordrd to be sent for over to make his defence

Sr John Knight & Sr Robt Atkins stand for Bristoll as before agt sr Robt Hart mayr & mr Earle and Its said the former has given the freedom of that place to many on Purpose to have their voices

The Ld Juras E. of Feversham is made Ld Chamberline to the Queen & ye Ld Lumbly is made mr of Her matie [?] horse in his stead

yesterday ye Ld Sandois being appointed Embasdr for Turkey was met by sevl of ye Compa att ye Affrican house and there prsented wth a Great Gift of Gold after wch was accompanied wth sevl of those membrs to Greenwich where he went on bord ye oxford Friggett in ordr to his Embassy

+mr Whittle one of his maties Cururgions dyed on sunday last and yesterday mr James Molins was sworn in his Stead

L. c. 1046 London 24th Feb 1680

On Fryday last Prince Rupt pasing thro ye Horse Guard as he came out of st James Park took notice that they were all french men sons [?] when they are upon ye Guard comonly Gett together as they were abt that time in abt ye number of 20. talking [?] in their Mother Tongue the Prince being Dissatisfied Concerning itt, Imediatly went to ye King, Telling him that as he came thro ye horse Guard they were all french men, & admired his matie was Guarded by french men, when he might have English men Enough Especially in such time of Eminent Dangr, upon wch he desired his matie that they might all be turned out so ye King sent for ye Capt of ye Guard and asked he the Reason that they were admitted Into his Guards who sd that they were such as had Taken ye Test & c & therefore supposd them psons Quallified for that Implymt notwthstanding they were all appointed to meet their officers on munday Last wch accordingly they did and were ordrd to be turned out of their places

Judge Bertu dyed this day att his Lodgings In Serjants Inne

This day ye sessions of Peace for London begun where mr whitticar who had Indicted ye Bp of London for Holding Courts in his own name was prsent in ordr to psecute ye business but his Idship by a Certiorarii removed it to ye Court of Kings Bench

Its sd there will be shortly a ball held by most of ye nobillity for ye Divertizmt of ye P. of Hanover of ye Lady Anne who were Latly Treated att a Sumptious diner by ye E. of Peterborough, & Complented by ye Ld Howard of Arundell

Ld Viscount Fitz-harden and sr Wm Bassett are returned Duly Ellected for ye City of Bath

ye business relating to ye settlemt of ye Bermoodas Company affaires is Defered till next Councell day

There was yesterday burnt att ye Custom house of French Commodities to ye value of 5000 L Computed after this manr vizt in Living Cloths

2000 L In silkes & Lace 2000 L & In Hats one thousand pounds worth

Its sd that one vaughn Alies Gifford a priest will be tryed this
next sessions att Stafford, and Kerby his Landlords goods ye King hath
ordrd to be seized for Entertaining him Contrary to his maties proclamation
+Its sd that ye Information taken by Just Warcup from ye 2 new ireish

Established, & yt he hoped his subjects would yeild obedience yr to & yt wtever straights he should be put into he Intended to prserve & maintain ye ptestant religion

Lrs from plymth say yt a Dutch vessell latly there Arrived advises them yt 2 french vessells wherein were sevl french passengrs & in one of ym 600 in ye other 400 neagers bound for west India were cast Latly away upon ye Coast of Guiney in one of wch was Considerable quantity of Gold Dust

We are advised from Ireland yt a vessell Comeing from Dublin Intended for Chester was Cast away upon ye shoare of Leaverpoole & mr Barrow & his Lady & 64 psons more being on bord.

ye Result of ye comte of ye Councill yt satt on saturday last Concerning ye Captives in Algiers was That those ships Companyes who were first Taken should be first redeemed as far as ye money would goe wch is already gathered for yt purpose.

Mr Evers ye priest mentioned in his maties pclamation being aprhendd is now in Stafford Gaole & tis said he will confess all he knows Concerning ye plot, and hath already so much as doth very much strengthen & Confirme ye Evidence of Dr oates & mr Bedlow Deceased.

An acct hath been taken & notice given to ye Inhabitants in & abt ye mews for ye qrtring & accomodation of 600 foot & 300 horse During his maties absence from whitehall

+Last night abt 10 of ye Clock a fire hapned at one mr Dalbins a flax shop in bread street & all [?] we have of itt is thus ye master being from home only his wife children a man & a maid, a pson Came & knocked at ye Dore prtending to buy goods ye maid opened it & went to Call ye man servant but prsently Discovered sume flax in ye shop to be on fire whereupon she Ran away & is not since heard of having lived but 3 dayes in yt house. ye father of ye sd maid being Charged wth ye Constable to be had before a Justice of peace Endeavored to make Escape by ye way ye wife & her Children [sic] A man & maid servant tis to be feared are burnt being not to be found

L. c. 1049 London March 3d 1680

Last night one Palson a highway man was Taken att westmr who ye Day before Robbed a gent between Lond & Greenwich and tis supposed he will be found Tardy in many more Robberyes beside

+The Lady Isabela Duaghter to ye D. of y. who was abt 5. yeares of age Dyed yesterday att st James. And some say his highness hath a sonn borne him since his being in Scotland

+The Lady Cornwallis Daughter to Sr Stephen Fox Dyed abt a weeke since and was this day Carried Thro: ye Citty Itt seemes to Suffolke there to be buryed, accompanied by abt 48 or 50 Coaches wth six horses in Each

+mr Dugdale Latly waited on his matie wth his acct wch came to above 500 L & his matie was pleased to ordr him 400 L then, and to stay some time longer for ye rest, as also a Guard to Attend him to Stafford Assizes

yesterday one Richardson a Grand highwayman was Taken Att ye Salutation Taverne in Holborne, who [while?] there spent to ye vallue of 40 s in wine And pvided himselfe wth suite of Cloths & Bever hat, & being Taken declared that he never killd any man in his life time but always Robbed ye rich & gave to ye poore, there was Likewise yesterday committed to newgate 13 other high way men besides him

This day his maties horse Guard were moostered in Hide parke in ord to their being Drawn out for oxford

Its sd yt his matie this weeke walking in St James Parke was like to be sett upon by 2 Ruffins, & that they being Discovered were taken & Committed

We are advised from Scotland that ye merchants & Inhabitants of

Edinb Complaine of Dulness of Trade there By reason of ye Importation of Gold & Silver Lace wth Imbroider & points, and Did address themselves to ye Councill who spent 3 houres in Debate abt Itt but in ye Conclusion There was no Redress att that Time, his highness ye D. was also prsent +This day sr Wm Roberts & Esqr Barto were Elected for Middx Knights of ye Shiere, att Hamstead

And we heare from Lime That ye old members are againe Elected for that place, & that Sevll ships are Going out thence for Algier, Ready Loaden designed to bring home ye Captives

L. c. 1050 London March ye 5th 1680

Sr Richd Newdigate & Esqr mariot are chosen Knights of ye Shier for ye County of Warrick

yesterday in ye after noone ye Ld mayr Recordr wth Great pt of ye Aldrmen of this Citty waited on his matie as also ye sheriffe being by him sent for who acqted them wth his sudden Depture for oxford Giveing them a Charge to be vigilant in yr Dutyes & in psuance and Execution of such Things as are Incumbent on Them in his absence & puting them in mind of ye Act of ye 13th yeare of his reigne for ye pservation of his royall pson Grandeur & Govermt & yt Itt might be putt in Execution agt all Scandalous psons or offendrs agt Either ye aforesd, further Adding yt it should Ever be his Care And Endeaver to prserve ye Protestant religion as It is now Established by law.

yesterday mr hetherington was sumoned before ye Councill by one Esther Cominge one of ye Ireish wittnesses who prtended right to a 6th pt of ye 800 L wch his matie was pleased to give for ye maintenance of ye ireish witnesses but mr Hetherington Cleared himselfe & proved he had Disposed of ye money according to ordr & moreover yt he Disbursed money on ye acct of ye K & Country

Its said yt ye petitioning Lords have prped an [?] Address to be prsented to his matie this day for ye Guarding of ye pliamt During yer residence at oxford

sr Edmond Windham Knight Marshall of ye Kings houshold and of ye marshallsea Dyed att whitehall on wensday last & Its sd Coll Villers succeeds him in his place

his matie yesterday ordrd 180 of his horse Guards to attend him to morrow att winsor & his foot Guards to Go Down To oxford wensday next & ye rest of ye horse Guards on Fryday & Its sd ye King Intends to Dine att oxford Munday 7 night

+The Lady Isabella was buried in westmr Abbey Thursday last privatly

Lrs from Tangr say yt Coll Kirk Embassd from his matie to ye Emperor of morrocco, is Arrived & Kindly recd & yt his Embassy is like to prove Effectuall in ordr to concluding a peace

+The D of Bucks was this day made free of ye Citty of London, & of ye mrchant Taylors Company & then Dined wth ye Cham[ber?]line

+The Earles of Maxfield manchester & suffolke are To be removed from being Ld Liftenants & yt ye Earles of Arlington Allington & Sandwich ye Latter being sent for from france will be Commisionated in their places

L. c. 1051 [Handwriting changes here.] London March ye 8th 1680

Fryday last by ye Intercession of Sr Geo Treby his matie was pleased to Grant pdons to sevll prisonrs wch were in newgate, some say to ye number of 74

yesterday was brought to ye sessions att ye old baily Amongst other Prisonrs And highwaymen one Wm Abbott an Expert pson in robbing, who not Long since was concerned amongst others in ye Robbing A Dover waggon of abt 600 L, notwithstanding ye recordr well Knowing that he Could make Large Discoverys of others of yt proffession if he pleased proffered him his pdon if he would Confess them, but he being Cautious to himselfe of

ye Death of other men Tould ye Recordr he had Rather Dye himselfe then to be guilty thereof, upon wch he was recommitted

yesterday two secretaries of state was With mr Fitz Harris in newgate to whome he made very considerable Discoveryes of all that he Knew of ye plot. yesterday also was sent to oxford by water Armour for ye Kings horse Guard vizt Breast back & head peices, And they all are ordrd to be qrtred in and abt oxford

yesterday a waggon Load of abt ye number of 40 prisoners were carried from ye marshalseas to Kingston to receive their Tryalls

yesterday sr Joseph Sheldon & other of ye officers of ye Liftenantry of ye Artillery company waited on his matie to Know his pleasure who should be their Leader in ye Artillery Ground, in regard ye D. of y. was absent to wch he answered himselfe would be their Leader, & they should be of his company--farther Adding that he thanked them for their compliance wth his ordrs concerning ye Election when they last mett, and was well satisfied of theirs as also of ye Citty of Londons Loyalty, whome he would Ever stand by, And Indeavour to secure the protestant religion amongst them as Itt is now Established by law--After wch they returned his matie all possible Thanks for ye manifestat of this his Royall Kindness & Kneeling all upon their Knees had afterwards ye Honr to Kis his hand

The 2d Instant ye Scotch Councill passd made an ordr for prohibiting all English manufacture from ye 10th Instant

ye King hath sett ye Excise to ye old farmers for 2 yeares +His Grace ye Duke of Bucks this day Treated Att ye Sun Taverne behind ye Royall Exchange Att a Splendid Diner, The masters Wardens and Sevll others of ye [mer]chant Taylors Company of wch he was made free

L. c. 1052 [Handwriting changes here.] London March ye 10th 1680

Tis sd that most of ye Comon Councill of the Citty Intend on Wensday to accompany our members pt of their way to oxford & that sevll other membrs & Gents Goe through wth them

This weeke Sr Robt Peyton sold his place of Examiner to Judge Twisdens sonne for 6000 L

The E. of Craven is made one of his matie[s] privey Councill & tooke his place yesterday

Its sd That one mr Stifteed yt lives in Holborne sent his maid to speake wth mr Fitzharris in newgate but Capt Richardson haveing some suspition of her caused her to be searched, & Itt being don there was found about her sevll Lettrs & papers of Dangerous Consequence upon wch she was Carried before ye King & Councill who ordrd her to be Comted to newgate where shee is now Close Priso[ner]

Lettrs from Holland say that the King of Denmark hath sent to those states to Demand Speedy sattisfaction for ye Ship Carilina Taken by their men of warr, & in Case of Refusall he is Resolved to grant Letters of Reprisall agt ye Subiects of ye said states

This day his maties Carridges were sent forward to oxford & yesterday 40 beds beside hangings & Chaires were Taken from Hampton court & sent away by water, And the same Day sent by the Embasador 50 beds wth other furniture & a guard of men for ye same place

yesterday his matie Touched above 200 psons for ye Kings Evill in ye Banquetting house, & hath been pleased to Declare yt To morrow will be ye last Day he Intends to Touth before his Depture from Whitehall to oxford

They write from portsmouth that the monmouth Yatch was returned thither from Gernsey having Left Capt Littletons Company there, wch he Carried from plymouth

Warrts are Already Directed to ye Justices of ye Peace of Middx & to ye Constables in & abt westmr to psecute his mates Commands Laid

upon ye sherriffs & Aldrmen of London concerning yt wch is Imported
in ye Act made in ye 13th yeare of his maties Reigne

Sevll noblemen & Gent have of Late had their horses stole out of
their stables about Pickadilly &c: & tis said there are stole in all att
Least 60

L. c. 1053 [Handwriting changes here.] London the 12th of March 1680

This Morneing between five and six of the Clock his Mty set forward
for Windsor on his Journey towards oxford and the Queen setts forward on
Munday Next

There is two persons apprhended on suspition of being Concerned in
the stealeing of the horses Menconed in o[u]r Last

One of his Majesties frigotts hath Lately seised the shipp Charles
an Interloper for Guiney freghted wth Negroes bound for the West Indies
upon wch the governor Complayned to the Councell yesterday alleadging
that the African Company is against Law And brought some of the planters
to depose it but his Mty being busy there was noe finall determination
being willing first to Consult the Judges

The vice Chancellr of Oxford hath Appoynted a Strickt order
Comanding All that are Not foundacon Men to depart the university
dureing his Mties residence there

His grace the Duke of Monmoth wth sevrall lords departed yesterday
for Oxford.

Three thousand pounds hath beene Lately ordered to be taken out of
the treasury to be divided amongst the kings houshold servts to defray
theire extraordinary Expences whilest they are abroad wth his Mty And
the yeomen of the Guards are Allowed three shillings a day for their
Rideing wages

+Since the Examacon of mr fitzHarris by the Earle of Clarendon & Lord
Conway & sr Lionel Jenkins in Newgate he hath been again Examed by sr
George Treby & sherife Cornish and after the report Made of what he
said, he was privately sent for & Examed by his Mty but his Confession
we Canot yet Learne

The Justices of the peace for Midlesex recd orders to Issue out
theire warrts to summon all such psons before them that print & publish
pamphlets about the towne & pceed against them as spreaders of false
newes

+Concerneing the phibicon made by the Councell in Scotland against
English Manufactures, we since heare they have published a pclamacon
to that Effect

The Comissions of the Lord Leiutenants of the Countrey The Earle
of Arlington for Suffolk & Wm Ld Allington for Cambridge And the Earle
of Ailesbury for huntington have Lately past And the Last to Continue
the Absence of the Lord shandois wth a determinacon to the Earle of
Manchester

L. c. 1054 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond March 15th 1680

ffrom ffrance we have Repeated Complaints of their pressures the
protestants groane under in yt Kingdome ffomented by Monseieur La: Chese
Colemans cheife Corespondent particuler at Poyterres as they were
Carryeing a Corps to the Grave, they were sett uppon by the papists, And
severall of them wounded, And a Gentleman drawing his sword to defend
himselpe was soe severely prosecuted, that he was forced to take
Ena[three letters blotted] for his Refuge, And since is by process of
la[w?] burnt in Effegie

The ffrench King proffers if any protestant will Renounce his
Religion, that he shall be free for 3 yeares from his Creditors. & on
the Contrary that the protestant may be yet made more Miserable, after
Service the preist allwayes pronounces bitter Curses against all whoe

trade wth or Releive them

The Queen Sett forward yesterday morn to meet the Kings Matie at Windsor

Yesterday Rawlins whoe was Comitted by Sr Wm Turner for Rayling agt the late Legislaters & now writes that Scurrilous pamphlett Heroclytus Redens coming into a Coffee House in Lond & falling a Rayling agt the last Parliamt & all other good men a Gentleman tooke him upp Sharply, but he Returning bad words moved the Gent soe much, that he fell uppon him & beate out one of his Eyes, a iust Reward for all such Villanes as he is

This day wee heare, they write from Oxford to his Matie at Windsor to acquaint him that the Innkeepers of yt City are unwilling & doe utterly denye to Quarter any of his Maties Guards either ffoote or horse & humbly prayes his Matie to dispose of them otherwayes +Letters from Edinburgh Informs us, That the Councell there have Issued out a proclamation for the Augmenting their money, A Scottish Marke wch is 13 d Sterling is Raised to 14 d & all the rest of their money proportionable.

+The Lord Mayor of this City is fallen into a Relaps, Occassioned by his goeing to soon abroad. The Spanish Embr still Continues his Instances to his Matie for the Secur[it]y of fflandrs & especially to have 8 Regemts Raised here

L. c. 1055 Lond March the 19th 1680

Wee have advise from Oxford, That the vice Chancellr hath Issued forth his Ordr or to give it were in the university Tearm (programa) prohibiting all Schollers from frequenting Tavernes, Ale Houses & Coffeeshouses during his Maties Residence there uppon penalty of being Entred into the Black booke Wch observed will prevent all maner of disputes wch may accidentally happen betwixt the Schollers & ye Membrs of parl

They further add that near the Convocation House where the Comons are to Set a new pile of Stone Buildings Intended for a Library for Chimistry pte of wch was taken for a Coffeeshouse during the Sittin[g] of parliamt ffell flat to ye Ground, & did noe ot[her] harme had it stood few dayes longer it might have Crusht some Membrs of parl by its fall, And it would have been noe Easy matter to pswade it was not don by Treachery

This Morn Esqr Neale Groome porter to his Matie set forwards to Oxford being accompanied wth severall Gent well Armed.

The Master of the Ordinance doth not thinke fit to Send Bedding for them yt are to Quarter in the Mewse till the Wart wch is gon to Oxford be Signed for 3 Companyes of ffoot & as many horse

A new Discoverer whose name I cannot yet Learn is lately come in whoe hath declared his knowledg of the damnable & Horrid pop: plot wch hath very much Strengthened the Ks Evidence Sr Robert Clayton tooke his Information yt Morn he departed home towards oxford

Our Letters from Holland gives us an acct that they have advise from Paris that they have accepted of the proposalls offered by the ff: K. for to appoint Ministers to adiuust differences betwixt the Empr & him finding soe many Towns & villages in the posession of the ff. uppon wch Number of Towns & villages in the posession of ye Empr he blaymes & does depend:

Last weeke 3 of the Gorgills Gang those notorious Rebels in Scotland being Condemned to dye for Treasonable practices agt his Maties Government was Ordered to be Executed, His Royall Highness Sent to them, & offerd them a Repreive if they would own the Ks power Militant & Civill, wch they Refused, Saying the K was wicked, uppon wch one of them

was hanged, his Highnesse afterwards Sent to the other & offered them that if they would Say God bless the K. they should be Repeived, But they refused whereuppon they likewise Suffered, And they add further that on Thursday next 41 more will Suffer: Sr Wm Poultney one of the Membrs for Westminstr was Robbed of a Considerable summ of money on the Road to Oxford

L. c. 1056 [Handwriting changes here.] London March 22d (80)

As the D: of Monmouths Barber was shaveing him on ffryday last ye D: observed his hand to shake of wch askeing him the reason hee answered yt hee had beene hired by the papists to Cutt his Troate

Wee here from Oxford ye Q: is Indisposed The parliament meetinge yesterday at Oxford, The Comons pickt one [?] Mr Williams for their speaker And ye Kings speech to them is Inclosed

His Matie upon Cominge to Oxford was Entertained wth a play called Tamberlaine the Grate att wch hee was well pleased

A ffire lately hapned in the Lord Shaftsburys Lodgings in Oxford but was soone quenched

His Matie hath lately Knighted Mr Brooke [?] Recorder of that Citty as alsoe Mr [illegible name of about five letters] whoe stooede in Composicon wth Mr Whorwood Member for the said place

Upon his Matys: Leaveing Burford The Towne prsented him wth a peece of plate

Macbon masse [sic] yesterday Apprehended Morris ffitch Gerrard Cowson to David and paid him before a[seal spoils about four letters] whoe Committed him to ye Counter and hee hath since dis[seal spoils about four letters] all ye Intreages of David &c [?] And hath made Affidavits there[from?] [Letter ends thus.]

[A few words and figures appear in another hand on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1057 London March 24 (80)

ffrom Oxford wee heare yt sr Thomas play[er] hath spoake some words yt are ill resented by his Matie and further yt ye Lds have passed ye Bill of Repealinge [?] ye state of the 25th of Eliz:

Tis repted yt ye Mr of ye Rolles is dyinge or dead +ffrom Scotland wee heare yt some of ye ffeild Conventicle meetings wth one yt was lately one of their Comandrs [?] since fallen off from ym the formally tryed Condemned & Executed him

ffrom Oxford wee heare yt ye Bill for Repealinge the state of ye 25th of Eliz: is passed ye house of Lds Wee heare from fflandrs ye ffrench are every minute Expected to fall into yt Countrey wch Comiconed ye spanish Embassrs Printinge a late Memoriall desiering his Maty to hindr itt

Wee hear from Ox. yt some things are alledged agt ye Ld Shalftesbury] for wch he will be calld to acct

Its afresh discoursd yt ye Terme will remove to Ox. sheriff bethel & mr Smith go to morrow to Oxon to peticon agt sr R How [?] & Capt Riche elecon for Southwark Its thought ye plmt will sit for some time The Comons have don swearing & by ye next post you may expect votes.

L. c. 1058

The Debate of ye house of Commons
Concerning the Security of the
protestant Religion Thursday 24
March Anno Domini 1680

B: The protestant Religion can never be secure undr popish successors noe more till you can coole watr wth a hot pott My oppinion is yt it is more desent to appointe a don for eye than to offer Expedients And if none come then passe an Order for a Bill to be brought in.

+Anothr All wayes Lawfull are to bee Considered for oure Security & minde you not of ye ill successe yo[u]r Bill had North [?] & what ye

Kinge said in his speech & [?] what Latitude hee hath given you I hope
Gentl you will thinke of Expedience I desire day may bee appointed for
ye same,

3d ffirst Consider of a day wherein Expedience may bee Considred before
you putt ye Question for ye Bill else you will not answer his Matys
Expectacons in his Speech

4th The Kinge hath any else [?] aboute him to undoe us Wee had neede
to take care of oure selves paste this Vote and yo[ur] Resolucon will
bee as short as the Kings Its put to us to guide [?] out expediently
should have thought it had beene best for them,

5th I am willing to come to this Mattr But I wold take deliberate
Stop as I thinke it must bee an Exclucon of something Equivalent But
give not yo[ur] Enimy Aboute ye Kinge occacon to say you will take
noe tyme to Consider I would not refine [?] upon breathes But to
prsearve a Correspondence Betweene the Kinge and parliamt

6 Any Man yt Was in ye Last parliamt knowes there was noe expedient
offerred then to secure ye protestant Religion and ye Kings pson,

7th Expedience are talked off Let not yer Mocon bee named either of
penances or of ye expedients Order it to bee done on Satturday morninge
next wch was done Accordingly:

Yesterday the Kinge sent for the house of Commons to ye Lds
House And desolved The parliament.

L. c. 1059 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond March 26 81

The votes yt passd yesterday follow

mr whiteheads peticon abt Stockbridge elecon & a peticon agt ye
Mayr of Marlborough read & referd to ye Comte of Elecons

A Comte apted to search ye Journalls of Last plmt for wt relates
to ye E. of Danby

A message from ye Lds wth ye Ld Ch. J. Scrogs answr to ye Impeachmt
agt him as also his Ldps peticon to ye Lds

+Ordrd That leave be given for bringing in a bill for taking away ye
Cots of Ludlow [seal removes a word of about five letters.]

That a Comte meet this afternoon to find out a more Convent. place
for ye Com to sit in & 5 to be a Quorum

That a Message be sent to ye Lds abt matters relating to ye
Constitution of plmts & passing a bill & A Comte apted to considr
said [?] way of proceeding.

That another message be sent to desire ye Ld to apt a day for
passing Judgmt on ye E of Danby he relying wholly on his pdon & yt ye
Ld Cavendish carry it up

The H being Informd of ye free elecon of membrs wthout Charge
according to ye acct Consitution of plmts

+Ordrd That Thanks be returnd to ye Electrs of Counties Boroughes &c

Its sd sr Geor Strode will succeed Baron Weston who is to be buryd
on Thursday

The Span Embr memrll was graciously recd by his Mate who hath
promised to considr of it

We hear yt a great many arms have been seizd in a Considerable
papists hous near Dublin Irlnd

The Es of Mulgrave & Newberry went this day for Oxford

L. c. 1060 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond: 2d Apr Anno (81)

Here are Various discourses Concerninge the dissoluson of parliament
abte ye Conster[n]acon of ye Inhabitants of Oxford whoe had made
pvention [sic] for 3 Monthes and now heare [?] the parliamt was dissolved
It was discoursed they wold sitt till Augt

The Earle of shaftsbry beinge in the House of Lds on ffryday before
ye dissolucon his Maty was pleased to aske his Ldp some questions by way

of ocasee [?] wch was never well [?] answred too prolix to bee here
incerted & with all not Convenient

The Cittizens here are soe much concerned for their safety yt they
are not satisfied by ye sudden dissolucon & intend to meet [with the?]
Common Councill assoone as ye Ld mayor is well to Consider whethr it be
Convenient to petition his Maty for ye callinge of a new parliamt or noe

A proclacon is now in ye presse some say for the Calling of a new
parliament others yt all [?] printers of ffalse newse shall be punished
a 3d That ye dissentinge protestant shall bee prosecuted Accordingly
[sic] to Law

The Horse Guarde wch were Ordered to ye ninse [?] dureing his
Matyes absence now reduced to nynty horse and are forthwth to be sent
thithr to stepe [?] it as at Garrison wth all fittinge accommodacons and
their horse to be kept at 9 s 6 d p Weeke

Yesterday 2 Companyes of ye Ld Cravens Regimt went thither and one
Companeye more is to go this day haveing the like accommodacon[s] made
for ym

The other night Doctr oates came to Whitehall Attended wth men
Armed with Blunderbusses and other Armes

Yesterday his Matyes ffoote Guarde wch went to Oxford Returned
safe onely 2 Companyes are Expected This day

[Handwriting changes here.]

A lre came last night from holld wch sth yt ye F K is psonally in
Fla[nde]rs & is treating wth ye Span K. abt exchanging some of his
conquests in Catalonia for Flars wch if concluded Engld will be much
in Dangr

The Tapster & Ostler of ye St Johns head Inne in holborn being
papists are Comted for firing ye stables last night

The D. of M. & City membrs came to town on wensday attended wth 80
hors Count d Estree is made Marshall of F.

Some Citizens have adrst ymselves to sr Robt Clayton for a Com.
Councill but no prsidts being found of any being held in ye Ld Mayrs
absence its Deferd till his Ldsp is well

Murray ye Scotch rebell yt was reprieved hath signed a recantation
& the D of Y hath got his pdon ye Field Conventicles multiply in Scotl
wch comonly foreruns rebellion

L. c. 1061 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond: 5th Aprl Anno 1681

The King hath give Order That ye Tower Gates bee daley Shutt and
all Lettrs [?] yt come to the Lds exacon Shode [?] also to bee putt into
ye Box and opened before delivred and 36 greate Gunns are Ordered to bee
placed on ye White Tower

On Satturday an Expresse went to Edinbr: to give Account of p Rupts
indisposition at Windsor and yr [about four words illegible]

The D of Albemarle on Tuesday night beatinge wth [?] Coll Legg
went to his march [?] then quarreled and ye Ld challenged the Coll
to meete him ye othr morninge but ye Kinge heareing of it confined boath
to yr Houses and hath since made ym freinds and its said yt ye D will be
made Genll and the E: of Craven Lieut Genll of all ye English forces

Vice Admlle Herbert on meetinge [?] an Algerine yt had taken 2
English Vessells he ran her aground & sett her boate & ffired her and
retooke the 2 ships

yesterday the Kinge began to touch and it held to Thursday yesterday
the Court of Aldrmen went to st Sepulchers Church before whome [?] ye Bp
of St Asaphs priest And afterwds weere treated by the Ld Mayorshp [?]
and to day they dyned wth Sheriffe Cornish

The Kinge went this morninge to Norwich to see a ship Launched

The D: of ys horse were This day Exersized in hide parke The ship

called the Loyall Sprunge a leake at Deale and maney men were lost

Sr Robert Sayer will its now said succeed Baron Weston and sr Henry ffeines [?] be made Attorney Gen: sr Robt Atkins is Cheife Justice of Chester

Its said a Comission is Issueinge oute to all ye Judges for tryall of ffitz: Harris and ye Ld Cheife Justice Scrogs lately said if ye Kinge gave him Commission hee wold try him for all yt ye Comons had Impeached him

They talke of a new parliament aboute May next

On saturday a srvant to A purson of Honour Cominge from Oxford 3 or 4 miles beyond Oxford was sett upon by 4 ffoote pades whoe knocked [him] of his Horse and striped him starke naked leaveinge him dead in A Ditch tooke from him to the vallue of 10 L in money besides his horse and soe made their escapes.

+The reason why ye Aldrmen went to St sepulchers and not to ye Spittle as usuall at Easter is because there is noe coverd place to preach in at ye Spittle and ye Late st Johns refuse ye Cot of Aldrmen [?] a peice of [illegible six-letter word] near to build a chappell

L. c. 1062 London Apll 7th Anno Dmni 1681

Yesterday the Councill sett where they shold agreed on a proclamacon or declaracon but they insisted the [illegible five-letter word] or prsent [?] Business

Orders are given yt ye Number of the Gentlem[en] of ye Guard yt usually attended at Whitehall shall be doubled [?]

Notwithstandinge Orders are given yt Hampton Court shold be made ready for his Matye Wee are Credibly informed yt his Maty: will reside most pte of ye Several Daies and goe to Hampton Cott not on Odd dayes the said preperacons for his recepcon [?] his Maty goes to Hampton Cott the next Weeke

ffrome the Hague wee have advice yt ye prince of Orange is already gone to ye greate huntinge and yt all ye Cookes there are Ordered to attend there till ye latter end of May at wch tyme the hunting ends

Yesterday began the Sessions for ye sittinge and libty of Westmr where Sr ffrancis Withings steward of the Cort gave discharge to the Grand Jurey to take care to putt ye Lawes in Execucon agt ye papists and pticularly agt ye protestant dissenters sayinge yt notwthstandinge what have passed on their behalfe the lawes for yt purpose shold bee suddenly putt in Execucon

The same day some Bills found agt some Vintners for sellinge Wine in Bottles undr measure

Wee here Judge Dolbin will be removed from beinge one of the Judges in the Kings Bench and Srgent streete whoe went ye Welsh serkett is to succeed him

+The Lady Maners for the honor shee Reced att st Sepulchers hath Bestowed a yearley gift on the poore of that parrish.

L. c. 1063 London Apll 9th Anno 1681

Yesterday at the Quarter Sessions held at the Kings Bench barr in the liberty of Westmr not usuall to bee kept there Dr Spratt and two Gentlemen tooke the Oathes of Allegiance and Supremacy whome the Courte invited to Dinner but were preengagd

The same day the Resident at Collogne made complainte of his srvant yt hee had intercepted severall Letters from and to yt place for wch the Courte Ordred him to Bridewell and to bee severly whipt and kept strict to worke till hee bee furthr Examed upon what occacon as by whome he was perswaded to doe it and one of the Justices of ye Bench under tooke his furthr Examacon

This day a shoemaker yt Lives in Drury Lane was tryed there for words

spoken against the Duke of Yorke upon a scandala magnata upon wch hee was convicted and ffyned, alsoe 8 psons were tryed for a Royatt Committed upon the Earle of St Albans Coachman and were convicted and each ffyned 20 markes a peece and delivered up in Courte to the keeper of the Kings Bench prison to bee kept in Custody till the ffine bee paid +The Vice Chancellor of Oxford hath sent oute his mandtts for all Schollars yt went into the Countrey upon the Account of the parliamt sitinge there to returne in a short tyme

L. c. 1064 [Handwriting changes here.] London Apll 12th [?] 1681 +Sr William Scroggs late Ld Cheife Justice hath now received his Quietus off and srgent pemberton is to succeed him

It is discoursed the Earle of Radnor prsident of his Matys moost Honoble privey councill is desertinge his place and alsoe the Ld ffalconbridge

Yesterday 3 gentlemen were to have beene Tryed upon an Indictment att Guild hall for attempting the last weeke to Ravish a merchents wife beyond ye Royall Exchange aboute 6 of the Clocke in ye after noone in open Streete But its referred to ye sessions att ye old Bayley wch begins to morrow Its said they have offered 900 L to Compose the Business But the merchant is Resolved to prosecute them.

Mr Harris the Intelligencer is verely ill and some have reported this day yt hee is dead.

The Duke of Lauderdale remaines still indisposed att Hamp.

Last weeke a Vessell lyinge att Graves end aboute 16 psons went on Board of her and bound all the men in her in the eveninge and weighed Anchor and sailed some Leagues and asked ye men if they wold goe wth them but they refuseinge before the morninge blinded ym and putt them on shore and Carried the ship away

The psons that have done this are not yett heard off.

L. c. 1065 London 14th Apll Anno 1681

On Tuesday last 4 lifeguardmen of the Queens Troopes weere brought to newgate for breakinge a house in Kent and takeinge there oute to the vallue of 2000 L in plate money and Jewells and in the same Gentlemans house 4000 L lay [?] in Gold wch they hapilly missed off And yesterday Captaine Kithandson [?] the keeper went to his Maty att Woolwich to know his pleasure whethr they shold bee tryed att old Baley this Sessions or bee removed to Maidstone to bee Tryed ye latter was agreed on they are to bee tryed there ye next Assizes the ffact beinge don neere yt place. +some other highwaymen from ye Northern pts were alsoe brought yt day to Newgate one beinge a driveing master, whose name is Richardson pardoned once before for ye same fact and one Transported whoe made his escape oute of the ship yt was to Carrey him over and beinge this day brought to ye Barr of ye old Bailey stands Committed upon ye reason of [Guilt and?] Transportacon and will be Executed for the same.

The Grand Jurey att ye Old baley haveinge beene prsented with ye Bill against Mr ffitz Harris impeached by the Commons from [?] parliament have rejected the same Bill and will [about twenty letters illegible] nor beinge att an Ignoramus and have given their reason yt they ought not to Concerne themselves with Bills of that Nature.

+Aldrman Blackwell of Cambridge is Turned forth of his Aldrmanship for gettinge his made wth Childe.

+Att Caddis A markett Towne [in] Lincolnshr lately there hapned a Greivous ffire wch Burned downe and Consumed all ye dwellinge houses in The Towne.

[Some figures appear in another hand on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1066 Lond: 16 Apll 1680

Yesterday Mr Smith Accordinge to oure last appeared before ye

Councill where he was accused by one Witness whose name is May [?] for speakinge words in October 1679 When Mr Smith and he were prisonrs not being acquainted before yt tyme wch words are to this purpose yt ye King was a pensioner to ye ffrench Kinge & yt he wold not leave of Scriblinge till he had brought ye Government to a Commonwealth And Mr Smith reced a rebuke for printinge in his Domesticke Numbr 21st This That they writt from Edingbgh yt prsently upon the Newse of ye parliamt Dissolucon at Oxford 2 Troopes of Horse and one of Dragoones were Ordered to march towds yo[u]r Boarders And yt there are Armes sent to ye Northerne pts But cannot tell onely wee observe yt ye Countrey are greate pte papist and under ye Influence of t[he] Marquesse of Huntley of yt Religion &c And beinge asked him whoe Ordered him to putt This in his Domestique told ye Author to wch his Maty said surely hee was of his Religion Mr Smith said noe but hee was a presbyterian And his Maty replyed it was all one soe hee was bid withdraw And his Mittimus [?] made to bee sent to Newgate.

His Maty did the Earle of Haversham The Honor as to Dine with him on Thursday last.

+Last night Lewt Croft Lew't to Capt Bloomer of the Yellow Regiment was Buried att St Butolphs Church Aldersgate by the Artillery Company Accordinge to the usuall Custome of Buryinge Soldjers

L. c. 1067 London 19th Apll Anno 1681

On Satturday last Mr Hilliard an Irish Gentlem: whoe sometymes weare QuarterMaster under the Duke of Ormond was Seized in Cheapside by the Irish Evidences And before St Robert Clayton was accused to bee ye pson yt had taken Commission to Act as Major Generall under ye Earle of Tyrone in ye Horrid Conspiracy in Ireland ye matter was soe plainly proved by the Oathes of sevrall Witnesses That he thereupon was Committed to Newgate.

+Mr Jemne [?] ye life Guardman whoe was Concerned in the robbery wee menconed in o[u]r last and yt made his Escape was yesterday taken in Southwarke & brought to Newgate another belonginge to the Queenes Troope was ye same day Committed to the Gatehouse by Sr phillip Howards Warrant for haveinge 2 Wives The Ld Mayor being now pretty well recovered Its said A Common Councill will be summoned on Wednesday.

+Tomorrow his Maty intends for Windsor to install the Duke of Richmond Knt of the nowble Order of ye Garter wch was done before att Whitehall by proxy

Moast pte of the Courte are prpareinge to goe thithr and severall Bricklayers Carpenters &c are makeinge Hampton Courte ready for ye recepcon of his Maty on Councill dayes

+ffrom Chichester they write was seene in ye Heavens last Wednesday aboute 4 in the afternoone a Raynbow inverted and 3 Sunns

+The fforeman of ye Grand Jury at Chichester wth 3 others represented [?] 200 protestant dissenters for not Cominge [to Ch]urch.

[A few numbers in another hand appear on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1068 London Apll 23d Anno Dmn 1681

Sre Thomas Lynch is gone to Jamaica as Liuutenant Governor of yt place instead of Sr: Henrey Morgan whose Conduct his Maty hath beene displeased with

It was discoursed yesterday yt doctr Oates was Expelled ye Courte but prooves a mistake but ye discourse of the retrenchment of his allowance of 12 L p weeke to 40 s is certaine and Mr Willowbeys allowance is wholley taken off.

Mr Hindmarsh hath now obtained a noli prosequi to stop proceedings as to the Judgement against him for printinge t[he] presbitairan pater noster.

Yesterday Sr John ffitzGerrald was brought upon his heas Corpus to the Kings Bench Barr where his Councill moved for his Tryall but was rema[nded?] the Ld: Cheife Justice pemberton sa[ying to?] to him yt ye Attorney Generall was drawinge up an order for ye Carryinge him over to bee tried in Ireland.

This day Mr Smith whoe is Committed for treason moved for a speedy tryall or to be bayled accordinge to ye late Act But hath not yet recevd answer The Councill debated last night the tryall off ffitzHarris but came to noe result.

+Yesterday a ffire hapned in Dyers Hall by a boy Leaveinge a Candle burninge Burned downe ye Hall and Consumed aboute 8 Houses.

[A few numbers in another hand appear on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1069 26 Aprill Anno Dmn 1681

+His Maty: has beene pleased to make Henrey ffitzroy Duke of Grafton Earle of Eastwic[k] Viscount Ipswich and Baron of Sadburey Governor Genrall of Jamaica in ye place of the right Honable ye Earle of Carlisle whoe is now beinge pvention [sic] to enter upon the said Government +Here are some discourse as if sr William Jones will Shortly be made Ld: Cheife Justice and the Ld Cheife Justice john becton [?] will relinquish his place but its said Sr Wm: Jones is now desirous to have the place unlesse ye Commission be Quaindy[seal spoils about four letters] gessent [?]

This day an Attorney stood in ye pillory for Counterfeitinge the Kings Writts and after hee had stood an houre was carried to the Kings Bench prison

The pope haveinge lately an Assembly of Cardinalls Continued some tyme upon his knees att his derecon and at his riseinge upp Commanded Cardinall de Sareigne [?] Babtize a Turke and 5 Jewes and Cardinall de Estree is much dissatisfyed wth his Ecclesiasticall prfermts because the Kinge here doe not goe forward wth affaires.

+ffrom paris the 22d they say that ye Councill there are much offended wth ye Conclucon of the portugall Ambassadr in Spaine and thereupon have called divers privey Councill

[A few figures in another hand appear on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1070 London Apr 30 Der: die Apr An Dm (81)

Yesterday morninge the grand Jurey found the Bill against Mr ffitz Harris and made their prsentmts thereof to ye Courte whoe was this day brought from ye Towre by some of ye Yeoman of ye Guard and two ffiles of Musqueteers to ye Kings Bench barr and there arreigned but pleaded the Jurisdiccon of A higher Courte soe was Ordered to bee carried to ye Judges Chamber where haveinge stayed aboute halfe an houre the Judges dismist ye Court and went to Examine him there wch Exacon lasted above an houre and whether it was touchinge the plott or ye further discovery of ye murder of Sr Edmund Burey Godfrey, wee are not alsoe [advi?]sed Its sd ye Attorney Genrall is to have ye plea on Tuesday night next and yt his Tryall will Commence on Wednesday

+Mr: ffitz: Harris latly Councill allowed [sic] his (vizt) Mr Williams Sr ffrancis Williams Mr Walopp and Mr Petersen one Mr Bennet Trainebearer to ye Mr of the Rolls hath Run himselve through beinge discontented at some of his freinds whoe desired his Estate before he was dead beinge worth 100 and 50 L p ann

+Upon Thursday last a petion of a Comon Councill of this Citty & a prayer of thanks subscribed by aboute sixty Cittizans for whinninge his Maty thanks for his declaracons was prsented to the Aldermen & rejected But its sd yt some of ye moast eminent of ye subscribers intends to waite upon his Maty wth it

+one mr Whitfeild and Mr Staples have peticoned the Kinge yt hee wold

renew their Grant of Clarks of ye house of ye Castle of Windsor be[fore]
ye Chancellr demes the greate seale although it hath passed the privey
seale

[Handwriting changes here.]

+The Councill are to give in yr opinions mr Fitzharris sd [?] he is
to be tryed on Wensday

L. c. 1071 [Handwriting changes here.] London 3 May Anno Dmi 1681

A Shoe makers made in Shoe Lane was on Sunday night Committed to
Newgate for throwinge a Knife at the prentice on Thursday wch stabinge
in his side he since dyed of it

This day a Rule of Courte was made yesterday for bringinge [her?]
to ye Kings bench this morn in Order to be tryed here or transported to
Ireland

On Satturday an Heas Corpus was grantinge for bringinge ye Earle of
Danby to ye Ks: bench barr in Order to be baild

ffitz harris wife on Satturday last thrust a pap into her husbands
hand in Westmr Hall adviseinge him to plead ye Jurisdiccon of ye plmt yt
none Impeached by ym shold bee tryed in Inferior Courte hee not knowinge
till yn yt ye parliament was dissolved and this day his 4 Councill moved
yt Courte for a longer tyme to di[liver?] in their opinions abt him thiss
beinge a case of a high nature but it was not granted upon wch Mr
Williams desired to be dismissed but yt was denyed alsoe Mrs ffitz
harris desird yt more Councill might be assigned her husb: and shee was
left at her libty. ye Ld Cheife Justice told ye Councill yt ye Cort had
beene kind to ym in giveinge 3 dayes to give their oppinions abt
ffitzharris it beinge usually to deliver in their opinions prsently upon
ye prisonrs plea and argue upon it and they to morrow give in their
opinions to the Attorney Genrall and on wednesday hee will bee brought
upp againe.

This morninge aboute 7 of ye Clocke hapned a fire in a Back house
in Lime streete but was happilly quenched wthout doinge much harme.

+This day mr Harris the Bookseller upon a mocon entred into Recognizance
of 100 L to print noe more newse and thereupon the Courte have Ordered
him ye benefitt of his said writt

+the Exammacon of Mrs ffitzharris on Satturday was aboute ye Murthers of
sr Edmond Burey Godfrey where he was Examoning Interrogatoryes wch
Exammacon wth the Rule of Courte was carried to Wi[nd]sor to acquaint
his Maty: therewith and the returne of his Matys answer is expected this
night

L. c. 1072 [Handwriting changes here.] London 5 May 1681

Yesterday Mr ffitz Harris was brought to the Kings Bench Bar by Rule
of Court His Indictment being read, he prsented his plea to ye Court
in Writing wch was Ordered to be Read, The purporte thereof was That
that Court had noe Jurisdiction to trye him he being Impeached by the
Commons Assembled in parliamt, & ought to be tryed by a Superiour Court
To wch plea the Attorney Gen Demurred & in Argument upon yt [?] wch
Answered by ffitz Harr[is] his Councill very Learnedly But in Conclusion was
Moved by Mr Williams the late Speaker being of ffitz Harris his Councill That
in Regard the prsoners Case was a Matter of very great Consequence to
the K & all the Kingdome, he hoped the Court would take it into theire
Consideration to give a further time, for the Argueing the said plea &
Dimmurer Whereupon the Court was pleased to grant time till Satturday
next by 8 in the Morn & acordingly made a Rule of Court for the bringing
the prsoner then to ye Bar:

Yesterday His Matie Came to WhiteHall Incognito & after about 3 or
4 Hower Returned

This day one Mr Lewen late page to ye Ld Witherington with ten

psons more in his Company Seized upon one Madam Herbert being in her Sedan in Queen Streete forced her into a Coach & brought her to a Taverne in Salesbury Court & She being a Lady of great ffortune he prtended yt he was Married to her & would have Layne wth her by force, but Shee prayd him to Remove her to any other House & she would grant his desire but would not there the people being soe Rude, he Granted her desire & Removed to another Taverne in yt Court by wch meanes the Lord Lumbley whoe was nearly Related to ye Lady had notice of it & his Lordp Imedietly obteyned the L C Justices Wart; By wch Sheriff Bethel wth a very strong Guard beset the House & Seized every living pson in the House wch were by a Justice Comitted to Newgate & the Lady safely Conveyed to her Lodgings in Lincolnes Inn feilds

L. c. 1073 [Handwriting changes here.] London 7th may Ad 1681
+One Mr Blackett whoe was a longe time Imprisoned in Edinbrough haveing Reced his Examacon before the Councell there for beinge a disturber of the Courte is Banished ye said Courte to a small Island 20 miles distant yt he may not have furthr corespondence wth his Confederates.

+Here is some discourse yt Sr Robert Sawier Attorney Generall a pson of knowne Loyalty will shortly lay downe his Commission

This weeke ye Earle of Ranalagh treated his Maty verey nobley and its said his Maty hath been pleased to forgive him a greate pte of ye moneyes hee was said to wast in ye Treasury in Ireland

+Some Gentlemen of quality are aboute makeinge new proposicons for ffearminge his Matyes Revenue arriseinge upon Nines [?] and have offered 30000 L advance and to pay 10000 L wch is an acrease [sic] of the said Revenues

ffrom Ireland they write yt ye Countyes of Limericke and Clarehall are aboute petitioninge his Maty for ye speedy callinge of parliament here

This day ffitzharris was brought up againe to the Kings Bench Barr where Councell on boath sides Acqued [?] verey Learnedly till 12 a Clock and then ye prisoner was ordered to withdraw after wch ye Ld Cheife Justice said ye Courte wold Consider of what they had said and give Order when hee shold be brought up againe its thought the plea will be overruled and yt hee will be tryed ye latter end of ye next Weeke.

+Yesternight a nother Lady hapned to be seized upon By aboute 7 or 8 Gallent younge Gentlm[en] as shee was Carried a longe in her Coach Chear Whoe had provided for her a Coach. But Immediatly after yt was psued by ye watch (and ye Lady rescued) The ptyes taken and brought to prison & as yet are not Released.

40 Gent of Midx have adrds to ye grand Jury of Westmr to petition ye K for a plmt

The K Intends suddenly for Winsor.

A Constable & Beadle serving a wart. in Whitefryers last Thursday they being mistaken for serjts were so beaten yt tis sd yey are since dead

L. c. 1074 [Handwriting changes here.] London 10 May Anno 1681
+From Amsterdam of ye 13 Inst yey write of ye Ratification wth ye swed K & that state was compleated
+yesterday ye Comission for chusing a new Lieutncy for this City was broke up att guildhall & ye following psons enlisted [?] (viz) sr Patience Ward sr John Lanne sr Ro: Clayton sr John Fredrick sr Tho Allen sr Thos gold & sr John shortenge ye foure are put in yr stead: viz sr John Chapman sr sym Lewis sr Jona: Rayman sr Gorge Jeffryes sergt Richdson Liut Coll Bayley [?] & Mr wallis

+2 Conn souldrs having quarrelled last fryday near Branford shott at one another ye one was killed & ye other securd

+The E: of Pembroke Appers [?] at his seate in Wilts
+On fryday last ye Councell mett at Hampton Cot where ye K being prnt
ffitz harris buisness was discusd & yn ye Counsell was adjd for a
fortnight his Matyie intending to morrow for white hall & the next day
for Portsmouth & then for Plymoth
+The 4000 volunteers for ye Pr of Oranges service to be raised heare
comes In but slowly:

Tis discoursed yt the 4 Judges of the Kings Bench are devided in
theire Judgmt in the Case of ffitzharris and have desired the opinion
of ye rest of the Judges whoe its said refuse to have any determinacon
in yt matter alledginge they did not here ye plea Argued.

+Yesterday James Calligan and Daniell ffryar two of the Irish witnesses
whoe was on Wednesday 7th night dismiss by his Maty in Councell and had
leave to returne into ireland sett forward for Weschester but soe poore
yt they were necessitated to goe on ffoote and from thence depart for
Ireland

+One of o[u]r Eng: men of Warr hath lately taken an Algerine wth 200
Turkes in her & released severall Eng: Dutch and Italian prisonrs
+Oure Common Councell were this day to have mett but for some privat
reasons adjd The Earle of Danby hath not brought his heas Corpus Its
thought because hee expects to see ffitzharris business over thinkinge
yt if ye Kings Bench have power to try him yt then [alsoe?] they have
power for to Bail his Lordpp:

L. c. 1075 [Handwriting changes here.] London 12th May Ad 1681
yesterday The Ld Ch. Just gave ye Copy of Fitzharris tryall to a
kinsman of his who hath sold it for 150 L.

On Tuesday night came lrs from winsor yt his mate hath deferd
setting forwrds on his Journey till Monday & yt yre are 4 men of war
waiting for him at ye Downs but yt he will not go to Plimoth because
of ye usuall Storms there

The pson yt took Blundell ye priest is ordrd up out of Staffordsh
to be exmd in ordr to Blundells tryall

On Sunday last Dr Floyd preachd his farwell serm at St Martins in
ye fields & is going to his Bprick of St Asaph

Lrs from Ratisbonne say yt ye Diet were making amendmts to a lre
to be sent to ye K of Engld & yt ye were debting whether a prot Prince
& Catholick Comandr or a Catholick Prince & a prot Comandr shoud be cheif
of ye arme of Empire

Dr Hide Reguis professr of Physick & principall of Magdalen hall
in Oxford dyd lately [?] ye last of wch places it being ye D of Ormonds
gift [?] its sd dr Levit will have & yt his mate will give ye last to
Dr morrison

A lre came from his mate to ye Ld Mayr yesterday yt his Lop shoud
not yet call a Com. Councell however its thought one will meet to morrow
ye beadles having summond ym to day

The late Ld. Ch. Just Scrogs is put into ye Comission of Lieutency
for Essex

Its sd Norfolk & suffolk intend to prsent his mate on ye 29 Inst
wth a considrable sum of mony

This day a man walk 80 times round ye Towr & bet 4 & 4 & won a
wager of 20 L.

Its sd aldrman Backwell goes Residt to the states of Holld

On Tuesday ye dr Conway came from winsor to summon a Councill wch
mett yesterday at Whithall to hear yey Complt of mr Le Phee ye D of
Holsteynes Ambr agt his Credrs yt had arrested him & agt ye Sheriffe &
bayliffes for beating him were yey all being prnt yt Credrs were Comted

The E of Danby yesterday sent a lre to ye Ld C. J. yt he was recovd

& to know wñ he might be brought to ye Ks bench wch was ordrd to be on saterday his bail are ye marquesse of worster Ld Latimore & mr Lory Hide

The guards were yesterday drawn up in Hide park

L. c. 1076 Lond. May 14. 81

This day ye E of Danby was brought up & his Councill movd for bail alledging yt his crime was not of so high a nature as ye other Lds in ye Towr After half an hours arguing ye Ld Ch. J. sd yt this Cot coud do nothing in it becaus it lay before a higher Cot

Secr Jenk-- on Thursday dd a message to ye Ld Mayr from his Mate yt he shoud not call a Com. Councill but his Ldsp. told him yt his Mate had declard yt he woud govern by ye Laws & expected his subjts woud act according to ym also & yre was a Law yt if ye City demanded a Com. Councill it shoud not be denyd ym his Lop therfore believed ye message came not from his mate upon wch ye secr desird his Ldp to give undr his hand yt he had dd ye message wch his Ldp ref[used &?] sayd yt surely his mate woud believe his secr of State The n[ext?] day a Com. Councill meeting an[d] Adrs was ordrd to be drawn up to thank his mate for his declaration & to desire him to call a plmt +this morn 2 Aldrmen & 4 Comoners went down wth it to Winsor attended wth 30 hors.

An Inform is exming agt mr Lecroes Credrs yt arrested him & yey this day gave in bail to app next term

The Marquess of worster is to be made D. of Beaufort in France

Councillr Thompson this day movd in ye behalf of mr Godfrey yt fitzharris might be exmd but ye grand Jury touching [?] Godfrys murdr & he is ordrd to be brought to ym on Monday he hath already accusd one Duprie [?] to be concernd in it & an Indictmt is drawing agt him

The heads of ye dbate abt ye E. of D. follow

mr Sandrs sd yt ye matter lay more plainly before ye Cot now yn formrly becaus no plt was in being to wch ye Cot answd yt ye Judges had before ye Councill given yr opinion yt he coud in no Case be baild because Impeachd to wch ye E. sd he wondred yt ye Judges shoud yn give yr opinion abt bailing him wñ he desird only leave to go to his hous in Surry for ye air Then mr Wallap sd yey did not medle wth ye authority of plmt or yr pcedings only begd wt shoud be don wth ye Es pson till Judgmt Insisting yr holy [?] was next to live [?] & cited Darnell who sd yt no Eng Subjt coud be Imprisond by any powr but either plamt woud bring him to his tryall or relieve him for Imprisonmt during life was scarce to be Imposd upon slaves Then ye Ld C. J sd show me but one argumt to Testify o[u]r authority & I shall hearken to you othrwise if ye K shoud send to us to do any thing contrary to law we can't do it. Then mr wallup sd yt for pity sake his Ldp being sick something might be don Then ye E. sd he only desird libty for his health sake insisting yt his case was quite diffrent from ye Ld Staffds it being a Dispute in plmt whether his crime were treason or no adeing wth all yt if he was guilty of treason he must be a F man in his heart & papist in his relig affirming yt he was as much a Jew as ye One & Turk as ye other & yn ye Ld C J sd it shoud be taken into Consideration agt next term

Sr Wm Waller [?] being wanted yesterday to give in Evid agt Bury to ye grand Jury for finding a bill it was declard publickly yt he was this week put into Newgate for debts.

L. c. 1077 [Handwriting changes here.] London 17th May 1681

+Sr Robert Clayton &c Arriveinge on Satturday morninge at Windsor his Maty being at Tennis sent them word yt psons of quallity prfed to have notice when Visitts was to be made [illegible five-letter word] but they used him like an ordinary man & therefore ordered yt if they had any Busines wth him they shoud look [?] upon him in Councill at hampton

Courte on Tuesday next

+Yesterday the Ld: Mayor keepinge Cort at ye Bridgehouse in southwarke ye Inhabits: presented a peticon to his Ldp: yt thanks might be returned to his Maty: for his declaracon his Ldp: demandinge whether it was genrall ye sense of ye betrats [?] They desired ye peticon might be reced wch was accordingly done by ye Recorder And it appearinge unanimo[us] his Ldp said yt prsentinge it to his Maty wold not be denyed and it shold be done accordingly

+Letters from ye Hague informe us yt an English & Irish Regiment change [?] from ye Basse plundred a Village breakinge open their Chests though kindly treated by ym ye night before.

+yesterday ye Duke of Buckingham had a Tryall wth Burey where sr: Wm Waller was brought by heas Corpus to give his Evidence ye under sherriffs refuseing to give him absolutely his libty: upon hearinge his Case Burey was cast & shipt out of Courte The Tryall was aboute scandellous words spoake by him agt The Duke of Buckingham.

+Yesterday ffitzharris informed ye Grand Jurey & Courte yt Dupree told him yt a Consull was held at Windsor and another at St Jameses where the D: of Y: E: of Danby ffather Bencon [?] the man [?] ffather Christopr were prsent Contriveinge Godfreys murther & yt soone after he was murtherd ye sd Ld told him in ye privey Garden yt he had sent Godfrey on a dead mans arrand upon wch a Bill were found agt: ye E: and Dupree

+The Bayliffe stopes Monsr by Crofts [?] at his house in pell mell refuseinge to discharge him notwithstandinge the Councill advise till he hath satisfyed his debts he talkes of removeinge himselfe to ye sgt [?] Bench beinge affrade to goe into his owne Countrey by reason of some Crymes he hath Committed there intending when he went hence to have gone for ffrance

+The Summe intended to be prsented to ye Kinge by Norfolk & Suffolke is 50000 L.

The Ld ffalkland is made paymaster of Navey and doctr Brady one of ye Commrs of ye Admrlty.

L. c. 1078 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond May 19. 81

yesterday ye E. of Danby prnted a petion to his Matie yt since he was accusd by ffitzharris of Godfreys murder he might be spedily tryd his mate answd yt he would Considr of it

This morn ye 2 Aldrmen & 4 Comonrs went down to hampton Cot wth ye petion of this City to his mate for Calling a plt &c.

One Nicholas a Condemnd priest in Newgate having this week recd his mates pdon he is still kept there ye validity of it being questiond.

Sr Tho Bludworth hath recd a lre to thank those Citizens yt were agt pedling [?]

Mor Le Croe hath made Composition wth his Credrs by giving ym halfe ye money & Eng Security for ye rest & Intends suddenly for F---.

The Ld Lumley was last night made A privy Councillr.

The Com Councill of Hereford having petitiond yt his mate might be adrst to for spedy calling a plt to redrsse grievances ye mayr is coming to winsor to prnt it & ye like adrs is coming from Lynn

The Ld Mayr went this morn to prnt his mate ye thanks of ye Southwark Inhabitants for his declaracon

A great Discovry hath been latly made of Jesuits lands in staffodsh

The K kindly thankd those of ye City who prnted thanks for his Declaracon & advisd those yt prnted ye Adrs for a plt to medle wth yr buisinesses

The D. of Y is dayly expected yachts being sent for him

The D. of M. &c have prnted a silver bowle of 80 L to ye Colledge yt entteind ym in Oxon his graces name being Engraved first & ye rest of ye

Lds after Prante made [?] it

The Lawyers say yt Danby can't be tryd for Godfrys murdr before ye Impeachmt be over becaus if Convicted of ye first his Estate goes to ye K if of ye last it goes to ye K [sic].

[A few figures appear in another hand on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1079 Lond. May 21. 81

After a long debte on Thursday in Councell abt trying ye E. of Danby for Godfreys murdr it was resolved yt he shoud not be tryd for it till ye Impeacht was over

mr wiseman ye Qs mercer at ye naked boy in Pater noster row was wth 2 or 3 more Knighted at Hampton Cot on Thursday.

On Thursday also a petion Was prnted to ye Council by Sr Ed. Hungerford Compling yt ye City had pulld down Hungerford market [?] water gate in ye Strand & a day is apted for hearing ye Cause.

yesterday afternoon a Gentman fell down dead in ye Temple walks

The grand Jury of Midx have yesterday prnted a petion to ye Mayr yt he woud adrs to ye K for a plt since ye papeists upon yr Dissolution are more vigorous yn formrly & tis feard are carrying on yr Designes as vigorously as ever.

The Span Embr hath prnted a memrll to ye K informing him yt ye F K hath contrary to ye articles of peace unjustly prtended to sevl places belonging to ye Spanish K & he desidrd his mate to intpose in this affr accordingly his Mate hath discoursd wth ye F K abt it who hath sent an acct of it over to F.

His Mates Declaracon being last sunday read in Chiswick church wth in 6 mile of Lond. sevl gentlmen made a Disturbance & went out

The same being latly read at Shirly [?] Park wre ye E. of Essex lives by his Ldps Chaplayn wthout notice given him his Ldp was angry but ye Chaplayn answd yt he was commanded to do it by imprtant [?] psons They talk of a plt in 8ber next

The Span Embr hath given 750 L advance to each Capt to raise men each company being to consist of 150 men but tis thought ye 8 regmts will scarce be compleated before 8ber

The E. of Essex hath turnd away his chaplain on ye acct afforsd

3 or 4 priests are Discovd in Worcestershire

Fitzharris hath sent to Ireld for his witnesses to be prnt at his tryall

L. c. 1080 Lond. May 26. 81

The 19 Justices of Midx yt protested agt ye grand Juries yt petitiond for a plt prnted a remonstrance to ye K declaring yt it was not ye buisnesse of grand Juries to medle wth states affrs but to find bills upon evid given ym

The D of Y & sevl of ye Scotch nobility are going to see ye solon geese & ye nature of ye [faded word of about seven letters]

yesterday ye Dutch of Portsmoth went to ye E of sundrland in Northtonsh [?] & staves yr till ye K returns from sea who sate forward this week & returns on Saturday

yesterday ye Council sat at whithall where Ld Hethrington &c were exmd upon Information given yt yey had subornd sevl psons to swear agt ye Queens [?] [faded word of about seven letters]

Hamden hous in Ks street westmr is to be turnd into stables for ye K & Q.s horses & ye Mouse [sic] is to be an absolute Garison

yesterday a pson offrd ye E of Dan to discover sevl things to his advantage his Ldp had him to ye Ld Killington [?] who carryd him Imediatly to ye secr

The K having notice yt o[u]r Com. Council were to meet this week sent to ye Ld Mayr to stop ye ordr who ansd he cou'd not go agt his Oath

his mate hath further referd Emertons Case to sevlld Lds & Gentmen who
its thought will give it agt him. he hath further given ordr for
regling [?] ye Lieutenancy in sevlld Countyes by putting in Loyall psons &
for prosecuting both pap & Fam [?]

sevlld Justices in somsetsh are turnd out for not joyning at ye
Qrter sessions to thank his mate for his Declar

Dr Clewer vicar of Croydon is suspended for 3 years for being a
Dissolute & Litigious pson

Its sd yt a pson hath made a Considrable Discovry of Godfreys murdr
to ye E. of Shaftsbury confirming wt Fitzharris sd

The F K hath put sevlld psons to ye wrack to make ym Discovr wt yey
know of ye poisoning plot

2 men & a boy were this day whipt for Felony & ye Condemnd prisners
dy on Monday yey seem very penit min[ister]s having been wth ym

The Judges having latly met to consult abt trying Fitzharr[is] are
Divided in yr opinion

L. c. 1081 Lond. May 28. 81

The Sun being too hot at sea their Maties returnd yesterday morn to
winsor

Magrach who offr'd ye E. of D. to make Discovry was on Thursday exmd
by a Councill wre he swore yt Sr E. Godfrey hangd himself yt he kickt him
down & yt his brothers run him thro & carryd him into ye fields to save
his estate but ye messenger who had him in Custody pducd a lre from mrs
Cellier wch was Intcepted in ye sending ye pport of wch was yt he had gon
as far as he cou'd & cravd further Direcons upon wch he confesd ye whole
to be mrs Celliers Contrivence & yt he knew nothing of ye matter a lre
of mrs Celliers was also found abt him wr in were Instrucons how to
manage himselfe

Mr Sidney is recalld from Holld & mr Savile is going agn to F.

Hethrington & Dennis are Comted Close prisners upon ye Information
agt ym but tis believd yey are falsly accusd ye men yt swear agt ym
having offr'd to swear yt ye Ld Ma[yr?] & Sr Ro. Cla--- woud have subornd
ym to swear agt ye D of y & c

A Duell was on Thursday fought at Epsom upon words [?] & one Gent
Wounded in ye arme

The Man yt made ye large Discovry to ye E of Shaftsbury hath his
pdon & ye next Councill day is to make his discovry to his Mate

Yesterday dr Burnet wth some psons of Quality went to Fitzharris &
prsd him to discovr ye whole truth who ansd yt wt he had discovd was upon
his salvation true & cou'd bring sevlld psons yt were actrs to prove it
were yey assur'd of ye pson upon wch yey promis'd to Intcede wth his Mate
for it

A pson hath accusd Arthur [?] (who swoare agt Huntington) of high
treason & he is upon securd agn

Sevlld psons are trying if by ye law yey can find out yt Tis in his
Maties powr to put in a sherriff for Midx

A petion of thanks for his Maties Declaration being drawn up in ye
name of Durham 2 of ye grand Jury refusd to set yr hands to it wch
hindrd ye printing it but one of yer same nature is Coming from Newcastle

One of o[ur] merchts were this week taken in ye Chanell by an
Algerine ye men escaping in boat. The Dutch of portsmouth Came to winsor
last night

The E. of D. hath petiond agn for a tryall but was refusd

The D. of Norfolk went on Thursday to Ply[mouth] having setled his
estate on ye E of Arund who is turnd protest[ant]

The Hamlets are getting hands to a petion for a plt to be prt'd by
10 a [?] Captains

Secr Jenk hath issud warts for sevl of Coll Tabettes [?]

The mr of ye Qs yachts falling over board was wth much difficulty taken up ye Q. gave 20 Guinies to ye yachts crew & took away a boy to provide for him

Tis sd Southwark intends to prnt his mate wth 50000 L

The K comes to town on Tuesday come 7 night & stays till Fitzharris is tryd

Magrach hath leave to get bail for his app[ear?]ance

L. c. 1082 Lond May 31 81

The Com. halls in ye towns being held at this time of year tis thought many will petition for a plt [about eight letters illegible] petition will come out before Midsumr for calling a plt to sit in 8ber becaus it may not look as if extorted [?]

Arthur &c offring a man in Aldrsgate street money to swear agt ye Ld Ma-- &c he discovd it to a Justice

Fitzharris hath petitiond yt his tryall may not be deferd longr yn Thursday 7 night

mr Seymr is to be Ld Trear & ye Ld Killingworth Lord privy seal

A project is on foot for finding out if by law any Comonr may be chose Ld Mayr.

mr Pilkington Box & Sheppard are in No[min?]acon for sheriffs.

Sr Fra: Withers is making Intrest already to be chose Burgesse for Westmr

The Ld mayr drunk to Mr Pilkington at ye Bridghous it being usuall to Drink to Those he designs sheriffs & tis sd ye D. of Bucks will be also no[min]ated

50000 L was on Sunday carryd ore Lond bridge for Scotld

The Articles bet Tangier & ye Moors were last Councill day read & approved for [sic]

Macnemarra was this day baid by ye Ld Ch. J.

Macrach being ordrd to be dischargd upon entering into 200 L [?] recognisance ye messenger kept him till to day & carryd him before ye Councill else tis thought he woud have fled

Mor Le Croe is in ye posse [?] yard not being able to find Engl security

Some of ye Captns have dd up yr Comisions to ye Span Embr who formrly promisd ym yt 2 Eng merchts shoud be bd for Plym & now tells ym tis mr Than [?] pays ym

The D. of Y &c are returnd from seing ye Solon Geese having been Splendidly entteined by ye Gentry going & coming

The states of Holld are seling ye forces yey Intend to keep on foot.

Sevll priests have been latly taken in & abt dublin & some of ym will be suddenly tryd a plt will shortly be held yre

L. c. 1083 Lond. June 4. 81

Yesterday ye Attorney Genell movd yt ye Clerk of ye crown might return a Jury for Fitzharris & not ye Sheriff of Midx but his Lop told him yt yre was no prsidd of ye clerk of ye Crowns returning a Jury in criminall Causes so it was ordrd yt ye Sheriff return an able Jury for trying him on Thursday & this day mrs Fitzharris prnted a petition to ye Cot compling yt her husbd had been usd hardly she nor any of his friends having been admitted to him & desird yt he might be certainly tryd on Thursday & yt she might come to him to help him in prparing for his tryall to wch ye Ld Ch J. answd yt They had made ill use of ye formr favr of admittance in psuading him not to confesse by telling him ye Judges woud traine [?] him As for his tryall it shoud be certainly on Thursday upon wch she begd his Lops pdon pmising if she might be admitted to abuse ye favr saying she was a silly weak woman to wch ye Ld Ch Just

answd that she being so it was feard she woud comit her formr fault agn to wch she sd yt her husbd had as good as [be?] knockd on ye head as be usd so to wch Judge Dolbin sd he believd he did believe she did not care if he was he being Informd she was to have a pension if her husbd miscarryd wch she sd was utterly false having nothing to live on but ye Contributions of friends

The Irish man namd Davies agn [?] is come in making large discoveries confirming wt Fitzharris sd his pdon is stopd

Then mrs Fitzharris urgd yt ye Ld Staffds friends were Admitted but ye Ld Ch. Just told her it was at & after ye tryall & ye same favr should be granted her.

The Hamlets Petion for a plt was this week prnted to ye K by some sea officrs but he was not so angry wth ym as others.

Notwthstanding Davies pdon is stopt tis sd he will venture to come in wn Fitzharris is tryd & discover wt he knows

Fitzharris hath subpoenaed in ye Dutch of portsm & her porter ye Es of Sundrland & Peterbrough & mrs wall her maid of honr for Witnesses

The Councill being buisy last Thursday abt ye Bankrs having ordrd yr Intrest to be constantly pd Sr E. Godfreys brothr & magrach were ordrd to app wn summond

The Pope & F K. not being like to agree ye F K. hath sent to desire leave of E. K to secure [?] ye records of ye Towr to see how Hen. 8 threw of ye pope [about seven letters illegible] wch its sd will be granted.

A Comte of Councill sat last night abt ye Alger Slaves & Tanger & on wensday next a full Councill will be held.

An Engineer hath undrtaken to bring ye Thames up to Winsor castle gates his Mate intending to come up thither by barge

Sevll Lds yesterday adrsd to ye K yt Fitzharris might be exmd abt ye fire of Lond before he be tryd

L. c. 1084 Lond. June. 7. 81

Mrs Fitzharris maid going to serve a subpdna [sic] on ye Dutch of Portsmouth met wth mrs Wall who advisd to go back & tell her mrs yt her husbd woud be certainly condemnd & yt ye Dutch woud be his friend to ye K for a pdon if she was not disoblidg wth wch message ye maid returning her mrs sent her agn wth ye subpoenas & yn yey threatned to pump her if she was not gon prntly

Its sd yt ye E. of Hallifax will be made Ld Lieut of Ireld

They talk as if a peer woud come in & Discover & yt Plunket will discover also.

The Constable being dying or dead who was abusd in serving a wart on a shoemakr in white fryers who had bought 4 [?] [about five letters illegible] & woud neithr pay for em nor return 'em he was latly fetcht out & carryd to Newgate where in a little time he had sevll acons laid upon him to ye value 700 [?] L

The Judges are to morrow to turn [?] in yr opinion to ye Council whether ye sessions for Midx may be removd to Hicks hall & ye sessions for Lond to Guild hall sevll Justices of both places having desird it & if yey be removd new prison [?] is to be [about seven letters illegible]

Murphy an Irish Evid going yesterday to subpoena one of his namesakes belonging to ye Engl to be a witsesse to morrow agt Plunket was beat & abusd & upon it sending another to serve ye Subpoena he was servd in ye like manner.

Yesterday Sr E. Godfreys brother movd Fitzharris might be exmd abt Godfreys murdr before he be tryd ye Ld. Ch. J. askd who put 'em on this to wch a Councillr stood up & sd he did & woud Justify it by law however it was overruled.

To morrow sevl newsmongers are to app before ye Councill for writing false & scandalous news.

On Sunday last Fitzharris Lodgings & clothes were searchd but no paps of concern found

Ordrs are given for an ffrigatt [?] [about six letters illegible] and of ye Lieutenancy yt were latly put out of comission

A Fanatick at Dublin preaching up ye Coven[an]t & railing at ye Governmt was had before ye Ld Lieut & securd.

The prentices adrsse of thanks for ye Ks declara[tion] is printing
L. c. 1085 Lond. June. 8. 81

This day hapend a fire behind st Thomas Apostles Hospitall in Southwark wch having burnt abt 20 houses was quenched

Yesterday a mocon was made in ye Innr Temple Hall at diner yt an adrs of thanks might be prnted to ye K for his declaration but upon putting ye Question it was carryd in ye Negative

Yesterday The Sheriffs were find 200 L a piece & 100 L ye undrsheriffe for not having sumond a Jury for trying Fitzharris upon wch yey Sumond a Jury agt this day & Fitzharris was brought up abt 8 a clock where ye Dutch of Portsm &c yt he had sumond a[r]g[ue]d but sd litle or nothin in his Defence his wife thrust a pap into his hand as he was at ye bar but ye Cot woud not let him make use of it till it was first read by ym upon wch he threw it back to his wife: The Attorney Genll peremptorily indicating [?] all those of ye Jury yt had been plt men wch is not being usually don Sr Wm waller &c gave in full evid agt him proving ye treason agt him both as to ye libell & otherwise & upon hearing ye whole matter ye Jury abt 3 a clock going from ye bar half an hour brought him in guilty & tis sd yt he wth Plunket (who was found guilty yesterday) will recieve Judgmt yt last day of Term.

2 of ye E. of Oxfords regmt quarrelling latly at Winsor fought a duell one of em is dangrously wounded & both discarded

On Tuesday ye Brothrs of sr E. Godfrey petitiond ye Judge to join wth ym in a petition to his Mate to pdon an unknown pson who coud make great Discoveries of ye plot & Godfreys murdr but ye Cot refusd he being supposd to be Harris formrly mencond.

yesterday ye Es of Essex Salisbury & shaftsbury Adrsd to ye K to Issue out an ordr to suprse pamphlets & ye K ordrd em to wait on him to day at Winsor tis Supposd becaus he woud have em abst from Fitzharris tryall

The Ld Lexinton lyes very sick of ye smallpox at Winsor

mr Hickringhill being yesterday at ye Bp Cot & refusing to pull off his hatt somebody else plucked it off but he putting it on agn sd he woud knock him down yt attempted agn to do it.

Dr Oates this day seizd a St Omers studt in Westm hall

L. c. 1086 [Handwriting changes here.] London June 11th Anno Dmni 1681

Yesterday Mrs ffitzharris went to ye Ld Chancellr and told him yt her husband wold confesse whoe contrived ye Libell his Ldp: sent her to secr Jenk whoe sent her to Windsor where beinge Examed they gave ye aforesaid account and wth her Maide was remanded [?] Mr Whitaker went yesterday to sec Jenk: and told him yt hee was prpd to come to him about ye same businesse but wold not because hee beleivd there was nothing in it Its said yt ye Ld Ho-d of Eton [?] is concerned abt ye libell and yt there is A warrant for takeing of him his Maty upon heareinge yt heareinge yt ffitzharris was cast sd yt he woud pdon him if he wold discover whoe sett him at worke and this morninge ffitzharris was carried downe to Windsor beinge guarded from putney [?] whither hee came by water & [?] a troope of horses The Ld Killington went alonge wth him.

+Severall Cittizens swore last Tuesday to ye Ld Mayr to peticon The Kinge yt ffitzharris might be Examed aboute ye ffire of London of wch his Ldp

said hee wold Consider it

[Handwriting changes here.]

The wives to ye Engl slaves at Algiers waited on Wensday at Councill wth a petion to his mate to pay ye full ransom for yr husbds yey not being able to make addition to ye 40 L cash [?] allowd for yt ppose but ye K being buisy recd it not

mr Pherile [?] is returnd from ye Co[urt of?] Bavaria

mr Sackvile & othrs are returning from Tanger ye peace being ratifyd

On Thursday ye Irish witnesses being at a Tavern in ye City quarreld & drawing yr Swords had don mischief had not a Constalbe seizd ye buisiest

Last night ye Councill was sumond & sat till 2 this morn wre mr whitakr gave acct yt Fitzharris sd yt ye Ld howd gave him ye heads of ye libell & this morn ye Ld Chancllr & Secr Jenk examd him before he went to winsor whittakr is baild

A Comission for making ye D. of Y Ld high Comr of Scotld & calling a plt suddenly yer was sent to ye D. of Thursday night

Lilly hath left 400 L a year to mr Whittack of ye Temple who was no kin to him

This day happend a fire in a hous in st Giles but was soon quenched

On[e] Thorp was latly comted for treasonable words

[A few figures and words in another hand appear on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1087 [Handwriting changes here.] London June 14. 81

By letters from Dorchester we are advised that ye Earl of Bristoll Lord Leiutenant of that County is coming up with an addresse subscribed by the Leiutenancy Justices of the peace & many others where in they returne his Maty thanks for his Matys late gracious Declaracon.

The Prince of Orange hath conferred the Genralship of the English forces in that service on Coll Sidney (his Matys Envoy extraordinary there) who hath accepted it upon condicon that his Maty will be pleased therewith

yesterday A Jew living in Bridges Street in Convent Garden quarrelling with his sister Atempted with his Knife to cut her throat, but she crying out he was prevented by The coming in of Neighbours

Letters from ffrance inform us yt by reason of the present drought hay is sold at 8 L p load

ffrom Stockholm we are advised that the assault upon the King of Sweden was not designed to take away his life but only A Drunken Frolick of some persons wch put ym upon an honnr [?] of letting none passe that way, however they were taken into Custody in order to their tryalls

The losse of Mamora [?] is also confirmed, The Alcade of Alcazar found in it 86 guns upwards of 300 men & 30 women: he gave ye Spanish Governr & 6 other ffamilyes their freedome & hath set 40 peices of 8 on each of the rest.

Ensign Spicer who yesterday morning killed Leiutenant Piggot & made his Escape we hear was this day taken in Gree[n]wich park

we hear there are 12 warrants out to seize soe Many persons of noe mean quality who are suspected to have a hand in the libel found in Mr ffitzharris his pamphlets

[Handwriting changes here.]

The Ld Howard in his Confinmt hath had sevl freinds to see him but refusd yre being an ordr of Councill agt it sevl paps to his disadvantage have been found in his hous

This day ye Artillery Company was lead by sr James Edward & treated at diner

This day yere was a Gentman run thro in Lincolns Inne fields & a Coachman in Salisbury Court:

L. c. 1088 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond June 16. 81

Nowtwithstanding sevl heads of speeches (relating to ye libell) designd to be spoke by ye Ld Howd next plt & will make to his disadvantage were found abt him yet hee hath sent to all his friends to tell ym he hopes he shall bring no disgrace on his family not questioning but yt he shall come of clearly being only malitiously accusd An Indictmt of high treason is prparing agt him & tis sd he will be suddenly tryd but many think he will come off becaus having notice a day before he was taken he might have escapd if he woud

Hains [?] pdon not being pasd he does not yet app but hath given undr his hands yt sr E Godfrey was carryd on ship board after he was murdrd but those yt conveyd him considring yt it woud have been sd yt ye papists had murdrd him brought him back agn & carryd him to ye fields & c yt it shoud be thought he had murdrd himself & further yt ye E. of D came muffled in a cloack into ye room wre Godfrey lay dead

This day ye Question being put at diner in ye midle Temple hall Whether an Adrs of thanks for ye Ks declaration shoud be prnted & carryd in ye Affirm The Dissenters from it are drawing up yr protest agt ye proceedings alledging yey had not notice time enough adrses of ye like nature are promoting among ye Grays Inne & Lincolns Inne Gent as also among ye City companys

Plunket & Fitzharris being yesterday sentencd its [?] sd yey will be executed on wensday at Tybourn Tho some still labr for his pdon

Mr James Morley was Latly Committed uppon A warrant of high treason & this day Carried downe to the Councell at Hampton Courte,

ffitz Harris desires A protestant ministr may Come to him and if he resolves mr [?] of some samples [?] he will turne protestant He begs the favour of Transportation

His Majesty told those that began Dorsetshir Adresse that the Earle of Shafebury would not like it, but A prophet hath seldome honor in his owne Contry

Sr John ffitz gerrard was yesterday brought to the kings bench barr & the thre Irish men that accusd him giveing noe great sattisfaction to the Court was bailed this day one of the gentlemen that broke into the Ferrills House some time since under pretence of searc[h]ing for preists, but really to steale of [?] Lady was brought up to the kings bench barr but baile refused till the Lord Cheife Justice north was Consulted with

A warrant is Ishued for searching for Haines [?] Above mentioned
L. c. 1089 Lond June 18. 81

The Declar of ye Gent of ye midle Temple yt dissented from Thursdays procedings was prnted to ye Benchers & mr Trenchard mr Thompson & mr Weldon made learned speeches showing how ye young Gent had only powr to call a plt in vacation time & not in terme time yt yey had not notice of it yt state affrs were not to be medled wth by a Civill society that these pcedings tended to breed animosities among them & mr Tomson sd ye thanks promisd [?] a benefit & certainly no true Eng man thought ymselves obligd by Dissolution of plts & yt thanking his mate for declaring to prserve ye Govermt seemd to Imply as if his mate was but latly of ye mind wn we ought to beleeve yt his mate always intended ye same after wch ye Gent withdrew & being calld in agn ye Resolucons of ye bench were read 1st yt ye bench agreed wth ye Declaracon prnted to em & thankd ye prnters 2dy that those yt comted ye riot ye day before were guilty of a breach of privilege howevr its sd ye aforsd adrs will be prnted to ye K

Its sd yt ye E. of Essex will petion to ye K for Plunkets pdon he having behaved himself well during his Ldps Lieutp of Irlnd & yt ye Span & F Embrs will petion for his pdon also howevr we hear a wart is signd for execution of em both on fryday

Notwithstanding ye Stat agt transpting of Corn at above 2 L a Qrter

its now transpted at 3 L a Qrter & all other graine is almost as dear agn as formrly.

yesterday mr Darnell movd for ye Ld Howards heas Corpus wch was granted & its thought he will be brought up On monday but not be baild.

Col Geffries Aldrman of & late Burgesse for Brecon came up on wensday night wth ye Adrs of thanks of yt town for his mates Declar & will prnt it on sunday.

The Circuits begin ye 12 of July wch is sooner yn ordinary in ord to ye plts meeting ye sooner.

On Thursday night Sr John Lawrences Lady & on Fryday night mr Byers [?] lady was splendidly buryd ye last at Christchurch.

Last night 3 or 4 Gent of ye Innr Temple who were Expelld for not paying yr Comons broke most of ye benchery windows.

mr morley was exmd by ye Councill abt ye Irish plot & remanded to prison & this day 1000 L bail taken for him.

The Accusers of Hethrington &c were on Thursday at winsor to get yr pdon compleated wch being deferd yey cant be Witnesses agt Hethrington

mr Fisher one of Mor Le Croes Credrs movd yesterday yt Le Croe might be producd he being informd he was gon upon wch the depty marshall was ordrd to bring him up next week

+Sr James Edwards pposed to ye Artillery an Adrs of thank for ye Ks Declar to wch most have agreed

+The Lady Anne comes next tuesday from winsor & yn goes next week to scotld.

+A Scotch Ld reced his pdon at ye Ks bench bar for a murdr comted some time since

+The D. of y is made viceroy of Scotld & on Thursday come 7 night ye plt men are to be chose yre.

L. c. 1090 Lond. June. 21. 81

The pipes for filling ye Ditches of winsor at ye rate of Ten Tun an hour are ready & ye Engineer hath recd already 1500 L

The prnters of ye Adrses of nottingham & ye Artillery of Lond were splendidly treated at Diner on satterday by Secr Jenk.

The D. of y is evry day expected at winsor a man of war & Yacht being gon for & after a fortnights stay ye Lady Anne returns wth him to Scotld.

On Sunday ye Lieut [?] of ye hous carryd a lre to ye K from Fitzharris who ansd yt he did [?] not value his prtences of Anoying others & unlesse wt was sd was provd by credible witnesses he shoud be hangd & to night he was brought to newgate & to morrow he & Plunket dy tho this day in councill ye Span & F Embrs Inteceded for his pdon ye last proceding even to require satisfaction for ye reflexion on his mastr in Plunkets Indictmt vizt yt he was to land men in Irlld wch was utterly false mrs Fitzharris was this day exmd in Councill

yesterday ye ld Howard was refusd bail mr Attorney telling ye Cot there were othr things agt his Ldp besides Fitzharris accusacon pticlarly a new libell calld treason in grain but he was promsd to be suddenly tryd & notwithstanding all was sd for him his close confint is continued & his Lady was refusd Admittance to him & last night a man yt had been hitherto wth him was turnd away.

Sevll 40 pounds are pd to ye Algers slave relations & on saturday sevll of yr wives went to ye Ld Prsidts hous at Chester to petition him to desire his mate yt yr full ranson might be pd but he was not at home

The Ld Eglington having been reprievd for killing a vintner at york was ordrd on saturday to repair to Scotld to be yre at ye plt sitting he being a peer yre

Mrs Fitzharris will its sd be baild to morrow

mr Ashenden ye minr having recanted of making ye prsbyterians pater noster is dischargd as also mr Hindmarsh yt printed it

4 Aldrmen & 6 Comon Councill men went down to winsor on sunday to petition his mate for leave yt an Inscription may be put on ye Monumt yt Lond. was burnt by ye papists since its plain yt yey did it but yey are not returnd so we do not know ye Answr

The Collonells of ye City Train bands were yesterday sent for by ye K some say tis to recieve ordrs to lay down ye nightly guards others say to put the laws in Execution agt both papists & Fanaticks

On Thursday next yey chuse sheriffes & most people are for Pilkington & Box

Sevll news mongrs are taken up abt ye Scandal mag of ye E of D.

L. c. 1091 Lond June 23d 81

There being 5 of ye grand jury to whom ye bill agt ye Ld Hord was prnted for finding it & ye rest agt it on Tuesday night yey Adjd ye Debte to wensday morn & yn mr ward Clerk of ye crown (mr Attorney having notice tis Supposd yt yey woud bring in ignoramus upon it) came to ye grand jury for ye bill saying mr Attorney woud mend it wch yey delivring & after some time demanding agn answr was made yt it was lost upon wch some of em went to ye grand Jury of oswalston hundred & prnted a bill agt mr ward yey making oath of ye proceding aforsd The Attorney Genrll (upon Complt in Cot) sd yt he woud Justify yt ye K might wthdraw his bill so yt now ye Ld Hord is like to lye in prison till next term but tis believd wn a new bill is prferd agt him ignoramus will be brought in upon it There being only frivolous evid agt him.

The rabble going yesterday to newgate in expectation of Fitzharris & plunkets dying & being ansd yt it was deferd till fryday 7 night yey sd yey woud not lose yr labr for one of em shoud dy howevr yey were wth some Difficulty appeasd & Dispersd.

On Tuesday afternoon was a brisk encounter bet some Gent & serjts who attempted to arrest a man in miter Cot in Fleetstreet 2 or 3 officrs being wounded but ye Gent escapd.

Tis sd ye D of y will take ye Oathes &c.

yesterday one Dod who had refusd ye Oathes brought 4 psons to be bd in 1000 L bond yt he shoud suddenly dept ye land wch being granted ye Ld Ch. Just told him if evr he returnd ye bonds shoud be sued.

sr John Fitzgerald was bd in 1500 L bond to app wn summond.

Sr wm Goring & Sr Henry Fitchburn were bd in 1000 L bond each & 2 securities for each in 250 L bond a piece yt yey shoud app yre from term to term till yey were dischargd mr Preston & mr Leybourn were bd in 500 L a piece & securitys for each in 250 L a piece on ye same Condicons

mr Messenger concernd in ye Lady Tyerills buisnesse was bound in 500 L bond to app ye next terme

mr Hindmarsh movd by his Councill yt his bail might be dischargd since he had discovd ye author of ye prsbyterians pater nostr who had don penance for it but ye Ld Ch. Just ordrd his bail to be continu'd till ye 1st day of next term & yt in ye mean time he prosecute his author according to Law.

mr hethrington being brought up by heas Corpus movd for bail but ye Ld Ch. J. told him his buisnesse lay before ye sessions & he urging yt he was malitiously accusd Judge Dolben told him yt he & his accusers were all alike nevr a barrell better Herring he yn urging yt he had been so close a prisner yt his friends coud not come to him leave was given for yr admittance

The F. K. hath given ye protest[ant]s leave to build Churches & Comted 18 Jesuits to ye Bastille

L. c. 1092 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. June. 25. 81
yesterday was a Com. hall held at Guild hall where mr Shute ye Ks
Draper Aldrman Nichols mr Pilkington & mr Box were set up for Sheriffs
ye 1st had 2200 voices ye 2d 85 ye 3d chose without polling & ye 4th
1200 ye Declaration of ye election will be made on Monday

The D. of ys coming hither is Contmanded & ye Lady Anne goes for
Scotld on wensday next ye Countesse of peterbrough & ye other psons of
Quality yt wait upon her thither having yesterday sent yer goods on
shipboard.

The wives of ye Alger slaves taken since 78 were yesterday at
Councill & Sollicited to have yr husbds Inserted in ye list to be redeemed
but ye Stock of money will not hold out.

There having been a disturbance at Reding some of ye poor having
fallen upon those psons yt bought up ye Corn by wch it grew dearer The
mayr & Aldrmen of yt town have been sent for before ye K & councill abt it

The warts for execution of Fitzharris & Plunket were last night
delivd to ye Sheriff & a wart to ye Lieut of ye Towr to deliver Fitzharris
on fryday morn to ye Sheriff at ye towr gates.

The Lady Howard being refusd admittance to her husbd calld to him
at ye window wre telling him ye procedings of ye grand Jury he ordrd her
to enter an action of 20000 L agt ye Attorney Genrll & Anothr of 10000 L
agt mr ward wch is accordingly don.

There being a diffrence bet ye Benchers & ye young Gent of ye Innr
temple ye last to vex ye first have shut up ye Temple gates into
Whitefryers & nightly break yr windows
[Figures and words in another hand, most of them about financial
arrangements with "Ri: Lucas," cover the outside of letter.]

L. c. 1093 Lond. June. 28. 81

The bill of misdemeanr is found agt mr ward & he will next week
be tryd at ye old bayly

The Ld Ho[war]ld having libty to walk wthin ye Towr will its sd at
sessions move for bail & tis thought will be granted.

we hear yt ye D. of Ormond is coming hither to make a short stay &
mr Seymr will go over Depty Lieut in ye mean time

Attempts have been latly made to corrupt ye honest Irish witnesses
but to no ppose.

Ham who refusd to come in without pdon was its sd yesterday taken in
ye Strand

Smith was on saterday last sumond to Guild hall abt ye speech of a
noble peer but ye buisnes adjd

To morrow ye K comes to ye councill at whithall

The Assizes for Dorsetsh are altred for Dorchester to Sherburn.

The raising of a Considerable sum will be proposd by ye D. of y to
ye Scotch plt wth pmises yt yr grievances shall be redresd.

From Marseilles we hear yt some F ships are going to Algiers wth
Algerine slaves to exchange for F.

The Feud bet ye Pope & ye F K Increases so yt yey both Imprison any
yt make propositions yt are not likd.

The Span Embr complains Daily to his Mate of ye Outrage yt F Comitt
desiring yt he woud Intrest himself in this Affr.

Fitzharris pseveres still in saying yt he had ye heads of ye libell
from ye Ld H but tis believd yt he is pswaded to say so by priests who
have conversd wth him it being sd he intends to dy a pap if of any Relig

A new Embr is ordrd hither from holld in ye room of him yt is
deptyng & mr Sidney being arrivd his mate intends to send another Embr
thither but ye pson is not pitcht on.

L. c. 1094 Lond. June 30. 81

yesterday Mr Spruce clerk to sr Tho Playr was seizd & exmd by ye secr being accusd of being concernd in a prsbyt plot having pd Thousands of pounds for promoting it ye paymt of ye money he ownd but not for wt use saying he woud not discovr his mrs secrets & so was sent to ye Towr.

The same day mr Colledge comonly calld ye protest Joyner was seizd in a Cauphee hous in ye City being accusd of being ye same plot he desird ye messenr he might take leave of his friend into whose hands he slipt some paps of Impt wch ye messenr pcieving seizd ym also he was last night exmd by ye Secr & as yet remains in ye Messengers hands

The same day mr white son to ye Coronr of westm was seizd & being exmd by ye Secr was comted to ye Towr he being accusd to have sd yt ye K deservd to be murdrd for not hindring Pilkington & Shute from being chose Sheriffs

Mr Morley hath given 1000 L bail to ap ye 1st day of next term

His mate having altred his resolution of coming hither yesterday sumond a Councill at winsor & sent for mrs Fitzharris & Hains to be exmd

There hapned latly a brisk rencontre bet an Eng 5 rate & a large F. man of war ye last offring to force ye first to strike sayl after 2 hours dispute ye F man sheerd off sevl having been killd & wounded on both sides

The states of holld meet next week having sent to ye P of Orange to be Prent yey intend to debte how to secure ymselves from ye F.

A Gent of ye midle Temple was yesterday exmd by a Just of peace he being accusd to have sd yt ye K woud act like a politick P to burn Lond There being but one witesse agt him he was baild.

L. c. 1095 [Handwriting changes here.] London July 2d 81
+On Thursday Dr O-- was sumond to appear at windsor to answer an Information agt yt he sd as he was talking wth a Gent abt ye holy ghost sd yre was no such thing & yt he said sevl things agt ye Liturgy pticlarly agt St Athanasius creed but ye hearing of ye matter was adjd.

Hains on Thursday last accusd Colledge to ye Councill of going bet him & ye Ld Shaftsbury & mr Rous clerk to sr Tho Playr of holding corresponde[nce] wth him wn he absconded & yt he writ a lre to ye Ld Howard ye day before he was taken to take care of himself for ye buisness was discovd yey are all 3 [?] in ye Towr

yesterday a linen drap was taken on Towr hill as he was going to ply [?] by a wart from ye Secr being accusd of being in ye same design as Rous & c

The Aprntices Adrs signd by 20000 was on Thursday prnted to ye K by 2 Mercers 2 Draps 2 merchts 2 Grocers & 2 [?] Goldsmiths Aprntices ye K thankd ym & pmittid to kisse ye Ks hand his mate assuring [?] ym he wa well pleasd wth ym & woud prserve ye Govermt & prot Relig

Plunkett & Fitzharris being yesterday executed ye first denying all & ye 2d confessing pt & ye aversion yeye had for one anothr neither speaking to ye other & Dr Hawkings ordinary of ye Towr praying wth ye last gives us ground to believe he dyd a prot he gave a pap to Dr Hawkins to delivr to his wife wch ye Dr this day showd ye A Bp at Cantry its sd it will be suddenly printed it contening his confession of all he was concernd in His wife was mighty merry at Dinner last Sunday at ye golden posts at Charing crosse saying to some Gent yt she was come from ye Towr & Plunket dyd on fryday her Ned was to dy wth him but she & her children were provided for & pulld out a purse wth 100 Guines Its very plain yt Fitzharris designd to draw in Waller Edward & Smith & yn to betray ym but yey were too nimble for him.

His mate came unexpectedly to town early this morn & sent 2 serjts at arms attended wth 10 men to seize ye Ld Shaf wch accordingly yey did & brought him wth a trunk full of his writings seald up to ye Councill

where 6 Irish men mrs Fitzharris & her maid gave in sevl sheets of Information agt him ye Contents being yt he had contrivd ye Death of ye K Q. D. of y & ye Subversion of ye Govermt yt he had read [?] ye evid given in agt Plunket & subornd those yt swore agt Plunket after all wch he was Comted to ye Towr being carryd by water & warts are out for other Lds.

Sr Jo. Sheldon lies dying at his hous in St. P. Ch. yard

Esqr Sawbridge booksellr at ye bible on Ludgate hill fell down dead yesterday at his own door.

3 horsmen yesterday set upon a Gent near Tybourn at Execution time but being psud were taken & Comted

The K hath taken notice of ye Affrt offerd by ye 7 F men of war who woud have forcd ye Kg fisher [?] to strike sayl & tis sd intends to call a plt sooner yn ordinary abt it

On Thursday last sevl merchts complaind to ye K in Councill yt ye Ld Mordant had built a ship of 50 Guns & yey knew not wt he designd to do wth it but his Ldp agting his mate yt he designd to fight agt ye Algerines yey were dismiss

yesterday a Comte of councill sat at Whithall abt Tanger & Jamaica [About twenty-three names in another hand appear on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1096 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. July 5. 81

yesterday at ye sessions of peace held at Guild hall all those yt were latly put into ye Lieuteny took ye Oathes &c as also sevl othrs & one Stephens a Messenr being complnd agt for breaking open a printers Innr room he alledgd he had ye Recordrs wart but yt not being authority enough ye Cot find him 3 L 6 s 8 d.

The Dutch of Portsmoths fathr being arrivd here hath hindrd her intended Journey to F.

Ordrs are given for stopping ye ld Mordants ship from going out till he shall give Security yt nothing shall be don by him in prjudice to ye Eng Merchts it being feard yt wn he is abroad he will neithr spare friends nor foes.

Provision is by Authority making for mrs Fitzharris & her children & ye Ld Chancellr hath already taken one to provide for.

The Dutch being in treaty for redeeming yr slaves from Algers desire yt yey may have those yt have been long taken being old & Infirm may be redeemd at half price but ye Algerines refusing tis thought it may occasion a war bet ym.

The Ld winsor is made Governr of Portsmoth & Coll Leg mr of ye ordinance & Sr Xtopher Musgrave Lieut of ye Ordinance & Sr John Chichely one of ye Comrs of ye Admrlty.

One Smock an Aprntice was yesterday exmd before a Comte of Councill he being accusd to have sd he knew ye old Ks executionr but he denying it was transferd to ye Ld Ch. J furthr to exme ye matter.

A pson was yesterday seizd in st James park who further accuses ye Ld shafts

The K went to winsor on saturday & comes to Town agn to morrow

The Ld Shafts hath petiond for a speedy tryall not doubting to clear his Innocence

L. c. 1097 Lond. July. 7. 81

One Zeale an Irish man hath made affidt of sevl pticlars yt tend to ye invalidating wt ye Irish witnesses swore agt ye Ld Shaftsbury & ye Recordr & Sr Robt Clayton are gon to his mate wth ye depositions

Capt wren in ye Ks fisher demanding 6 Eng men yt were in ye service of a Genoese & being refusd went on shore wth 20 men armd & fetchd 'em on board wch causing a Disturbance at Genoa Complnt was made to ye States of yt place who ordrd ye Genoese to pay ym off to yt day & leave em at yr libty

yesterday ye Ld Shaftsbury's paps were p[er?]used by a Comte of Councill at Whithall

On Sunday ye E of Midleton arrivd here from Germany but none is yet pitcht on to Succed him as Embr

Hen: O Neal Philem O neal & Owen O neal witnesses agt ye Ld Shaftsb have latly yr pdons compleated.

This day ye Ld Mayr &c went to winsor according to his mates aptmt wth ye petion of ye Com hall shewing yt ye late petion for a plt was yr unanimous sence.

yesterday Colledges son was seizd & sent to his Fathr in ye Towr being accusd of being in ye same design

The K being displeasd wth somwt in ye Ld Shaftsbury's petion for tryall ordrd his close confimt

Plunkets qrters were buryd on saturday night in St Giles & Fitzharris on Sunday in new chapell westm

To morrow ye Marshall of ye ks bench &c accompany The Ld Ch: J. out of town & on Monday ye rest of ye Judges set forwrđ

yesterday ye Attorney Genrll exepcted agt ye Jury as Fanaticks but Sheriff Bethell sd yt nothing but pjury Incapacitaded a Jury man & yey were honest men as far as he knew ym ye Lds Shaftsbury & Hord petiond for triall or bail according to act but ye Attorney Genell saying he had more matter agt ye Ld Hord yn was first sworn & yt wn ye Jurys were settled he woud bring yr tryalls on he believing ye K woud suddenly grant a Comission for yt ppose ye Cot was adjd till to morrow.

2 of ye Irish witnesses agt ye E of Shaftsb have recanted & anothr of ym being askd upon his coming hither how he woud live ansd by ye sweat of his conscience

The peers of Scotld are at ye plts meeting to take ye Oaths of All[egiance] & Suprmacy also anothr Oath to prserve ye Succession in ye right time wch some think will hindr ye D of Monmoths going thither

The Ld Chancellr told ye Ld Mayr yt ye K bid him go home & mind his affrs calling of plts being none of yr buisnesse

L. c. 1098 Lond July 12. 81

The lady Anne &c goe to morro for holld & ye D of M next week

A Comte of trade sat this day at Whithall

mr Fanshaw hath resignd ye mr sp of ye Requests to his mate

The K hath granted a full pdon to Mackclere an Irish witsesse agt ye E. of Shaftsb

Count Perting is coming thither Embr from Savoy

Sr George Cartright is to be made Baron of hans in Bedfordshir & is to be married to ye Lady Grace Daughter to ye E of Bath

A young Gentwoman was this day found drown'd at Dorset stairs

The E. of Arlington is made Custos Rotulorum of Lincoln in ye room of ye E. of Suffolk & the Ld Fitchfield is made Custos rotulorum of Southton.

mr Colledge was this day carryd into Oxon a grand Jury being already returnd yr for his tryall Esqr Bertie being forman

The D of y hath already taken ye oathes &c & professes himself a prot.

Sr Wm waller is become a witsesse agt ye Ld Shaftsbury

Majr Broxham an Eminent Rom. Cathol. in Lincolnsh is turnd prot & hath pd in 180 L [?] for ye Indigt officers of wch he was collector

The forman of ye grand Jury yt brought in Ignoramus upon Colledges bill was himself in Company wn some of ye words were spoke. some think yt ye bill agt Colledge will be only found in Oxon & he tryd at ye ks bench westmr

L. c. 1099 Lond. July 16. 81

yesterday Just warcup's son brought an Expre'sse from Oxford to ye K
agting him yt ye grand Jury had found ye bill agt Colledge & from thence
came to whithall to secr Jenk-- wre upon ye Lds hallifax & Killingworth
ye secr were in consult an hour & afterwards sent an Expesse to ye D. of y.

we hear yt 8 Captains of ye guards sevl of ye Ks household officers
& of the Councill are to be put out

Mrs Fitzharris is almost Distracted running abt ye streets having
mad actions & exprssions

Last night ye P. of Orange came to whithall & after having been
treated by Sr Ste Fox went in ye ks coach to winsor his buisnesse is
to discours his Mate abt ye alliance ye Dutch & Spain propose wth us agt
ye powr of F. & after a short stay he goes to Scotld wre ye P of Hannovr
is to meet him & marry ye Lady Anne.

mr Lumley is in a fair way of recovry.

On wensday last ye Lond Archers prsented his mate wth an Adrsse of
thanks for his late declar at Hampton Cot.

A Comte sat yesterday at ye Treary chambr abt ye Affrs of Ireld.

Dr Oates on wensday petiond ye K in Councill yt he might have leave
to visit ye ld Shafs to give him spirituall Comfort but was refusd.

A Servt of ye ld Shafts is come in agt him.

This week abt 100 Informations were brought in agt sevl people
for not going to church at ye sessions of peace at westm but after ye
Jury had found 5 of ye bills yey suspected ye credit of ye Informrs &
exmd ym apart & found 'em apparently contradict one anothr & so brought
in ignoramus on ye rest of ye bills & one of ye Informrs begd ye Cots
pdon on his knees. Mr white was also acquitted ye Quaker at whose hous
he spoke ye Treasonable words refusing to make oath of 'em there being
but one witness besides & but of small credit

+There hapned A fire in Montague close in southwark but did no great harm

L. c. 1100 [Handwriting changes here.]

London in ffetterlane next Doore
to the Black Raven July 18th 81

On Thursday last 3 petitions were dd to the king in Councill att
Hampton Court from the Ld Shaftsbury & Mr Rouse for their Liberty, To
the first his Matie granted leave to Ride when he pleases, round about
the inside of the Tower in his Coach, to the 2d Leav to Walke when he
pleases in Northumberland Walk in ye Tower, But both forbid the Convers
of any but their Guard & to ye last yt his wife might com to him & sent
them word, they should all come to their Tryalls as soon as possible
may bee

His Matie has Granted pardons to Omni Hungland, Mackqueens, Noyer,
Duphy & Murphew all Irish Witnesses of all Treasons & Misprissions of
Treasons but for noe other Crimes.

The portugall Embr is returning hence & a new one expected here,
The Ks Coaches haveing allready Ordrs to waite upon him

A ffire happned on Sunday at Winsor wch hath burnt down 2 or 3
Innes & severall other Houses

Wee have a Report abt Town amongst the Wisest yt the words proved
agt Steven Colledge whereby the bill of vera was found at Oxford, the
words will scarce amount to High Treason.

A Cooks Apprentice in Bishopsgate Street lyeing at the point of
death last Saturday being Sick of the Small pox, his Mrs for wt Reason is
unknown Ript out his heart & Cut off his privities & Carryed them to her
Husband, She & the Nursse are Secured

The Report of the prince of Oranges being come was caused by one
of the Ks yacht[s] wch came to White Hall on ffriday night

There hath been Meales prpared for him by Sr Stephen ffox ever

Since ffriday he being Expected every hower after the wind changes wch is now against him

The Lady Ann wth her Retinue wee heare are safely arrived at Length near Edingburgh in Scotland

By Ships come from Tangeir we hear yt that the Empr of Moroccoes Embr hath Shipt severall Choice Barbery horses & therwith things, wch are prsents for his Matie & doe say his Exelency sets sale the first faire wind

Sr: I have according to yo[ur] Comands sent you this, but I know my son writes the same to you, & is not willing to be put out of yo[ur] Service if you are willing to Continue him pray lett me hear of it if not I shall never faile to devote my Self Sr to serve you

Sr:/Yr most obedient & very humble Servant

ffra: Gay

L. c. 1101 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. July 19. 81

[Letter is very similar to L. c. 1100 except that it gives two of the Irish witnesses' names as Hanlan and Mackgeries, omits the paragraph on the Emperor of Morocco, and adds a last paragraph:]

We hear Sr Jos Sheldon is dead.

L. c. 1102 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond the 21th of July: 1681

ffrom the Hague they write That the States of Holland have held a long Consult about some Importent Affaires, & most believe the Designe at ye Earnest Request of the K. of Spain to break wth the ffrench being all pswasions & Intreaties are ineffectuall to Obliege ye Monarch to keep Inviolable the late Articles, finding by Experience, That he Gains more under ye Motions or name of peace, then his Army could Acheive in open War, by Seaking at pleasure, such Towns & Contreys as himselfe shall think fit to call or Clayme as Dependencies of some pts or other of his late Conquest. They further add yt the Spaniards are making great preparations & yt they will not only have a fleet at Sea, But a Considerable Army to act in fflandrs as Occassion shall require

Wee had yesterday a further acct from Windsor concerning the late Tarable fire they [had] there abt 30 houses besids the 2 James burnt to the Ground, & they add, If the prince had not caused some Houses to be blown up; it had in probabillity burnt the whole Town to Ashes

ffrom Leghorne, we have this day received news, to our noe Small Satisfaction, That Vice Admirall Herbert has taken & destroyd 2 Turkes men of, [sic] & that for certaine a ffire happned in the City of Argeiris, that has Consumed not only a 100 Houses, but severall of their Ships yt lay in the Bay, & that in the Hurly Burly severall psons were killed, as suspected to have been the causes of the Conflagration

It is said his Matie is Resolved wth all the Court the next weeke to Returne to White [hall] for good & all; The Ld Shaftsbury rides abroad in his Coach wth[in] the Limitts of [the Tower] & is very harty & well, hopes to live to prosecut ye popish plot Effectually

[A few figures in another hand appear on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1103 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. July. 23d 81

+His mate coming last night to Whithall & hearing no news of ye P. of Orange returnd this morn to wins. suprs are nightly prpard for ye P. he being expected evry minut ye wind being fair ye reason of his stay is tis sd to discours ye Span & Imprll minrs abt ye F Ks prtensions to Chinoy yt he may bring over yr opinions abt it.

mr Morley a kin to ye Bp of Cant is made mr of Requests

A Gent from New Englnd arrivd yesterday at winsor who aqts his matie yt yre hath been a dangrous plot discovd in yt place & he hath brought ovr depositions of 2 or 3 psons who were to have been concernd in it

An Indian yt is coming ovr to complain of ye Cruelties of ye Eng to ye Moors contrary to ye peace. Ste[phen] Colledge is Sick.

The Lady Hord was yesterday to desire secr Jenk-- to deliver her petition to the K for her husbds libty he being sick

His Mate Intends to continue mr Sidney his Embr & he will goe suddenly to Holld ye Lieut Genlsp of ye Eng in Holld will be disposd of to some other.

The K hath granted a brief for ye fire at Winsor

The Aprntices of Bristol are prparing an Adrs of thanks to his Mate for his Declar

Last night a Councillrs maid in Brooks Street holborn offering to go out her mrs in ye Inst misd some of her plate & calling her found it abt her afterwards other things were misd wch tis suposd she conveyd away yt afternoon. she is secured till she confesses her accomplices

The Q of Swed is brought to bed of a son & hath sent to ye Ks of En F & Pold to be Godfathrs

All endeavrs are usd to hindr Sr John Moors being Ld Mayr next year (he being in favr at Cot.) but tis thought in vain petition agn for a plt is on foot here

The D. of M hath been much caresd at Tunbridge yey drinking his health throwing up yr caps & crying God blesse ye Ks son ye D. of M. he returnd yesterday

A F prot Marques who hath been sent hither 3 times Embr by ye F K is now come from ye distressed protests to ye K to desire him to help 'em.

The K intends suddenly for Oxon & yre will stay a month to make em amends for yr late disaptmt & ye Councill will in ye mean time adjourn & tis sd yt a Comision will be granted for trying Colledge at Oxon while ye K is yre. The P. of Orange came this Afternoon

L. c. 1104 Lond. July 26. 81

We hear yt P. Palatine is dead & yt ye Succession lies bet P. Rupt his uncle & ye D. of Orleans who marryd his sister & yt P. Rupt is prparing to go thither to dispute ye point.

The D. of Ormond wth some psons of Quality are going to visit ye havens & forts in Irlld

As ye P. of Orange wth ye Heers Van berghen Van Beverning & O dyke were going to Winsor on Saturday ye Ks Coaches Axeltree broke & yey stept into one of ye Princes coaches but ye Coach man fearing to lose his reward pcurd another of ye Ks Coaches in wch yey seated emselves & arrivd safely at winsor wre yey wre graciously recd by ye K Q & Cot & Splendidly treated ye P hath had a Private Confrence wth ye K & will on Thursday in full Councill at Hamton Cot deliver his buisnesse publickly wch is sd to be to psuade ye K to enter into a war wth F but tis thought ye K will decline it till affrs are better settled here After he recieves his answr he Intends agn for Holld Affrs yre requiring his prnce & will from thence if convency pmits go to visit ye Cot in Scotld.

A plot hath been discovd at Dunkirk 3 barrels of powdr having been found undr 3 Corners of ye Fort its sd some Spands are aprhnded abt it.

Thomson was Yesterday sumond to app before ye Ld Mayr & c this day for printing Scandalous reflexions on ye City & 2 Lds in ye Towr.

Yesterday a Comte of Councill sat at whithall abt ye Distresd F protest[ant]s & ordrd yt as many yt woud come ore should be Encouragd & have a brief to be read thro out Engld Anotr Comte sat also abt Trade Tanger & Alger slaves but came to no Resolution

The Ld Brook on Thursday prnted a petition to ye K in Councill at Hamton Cot aqting him yt Brook market in holborn was finishd & desird his mate pattent to whom answr was returnd yt it shoud be taken into Considracon

A man condemnd for Burglary upon hounsloe heath dyd yesterday at
Kingston Gaol & ye other 4 dy on Satterday

L. c. 1105 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond July the 26th 1681

The Prince of Orange on Satturday last being upon his way to
Windsor wth 2 of the Hogan Mogans of ye States of Holland in his Maties
best Coach of State & severall Noblemen attending them in their Coaches
& Six Horses; itt happned when they were halfe way upon the full Gallop,
That his Maties Coach wherein the Prince &c was the Axelltree broke &

for F.

The project for insuring brick houses at 6 d & Timb at 12 d in ye pound of ye years rent from fire is much encouragd there being Ground [?] security in Essex buildings for 3000 houses & more for ye same purpose in St Martins so yt ye Trustees are Sr: Ri: How ye Recordr & other worthy Citizens

On Tuesday ye Lds of ye Treary adjd for a month

His mate hath granted mr Joachin Beacher a pattt for 14 years for an Engine for weaving Silk.

The Ld Cheney is going Embr for spain.

The Algerines have lost 1000 men & 3 ships of yr 7 disabled in ye late Engagmt wth ye Kg fisher.

No protests are suffrd to work on yr trade in F wth many othr cruelties too tedious to relate.

Its sd yt if Colledge be tryd at Oxon ye 17 of Augt ye bills will be prferd agt ye Lds Sh & H & mr Rous Sr wm Waller & mr Wilmore ye forman of ye Jury for Colledge at ye old bayly some psons offring to swear treason agt 'em

The Ld Conway is going to looke after some buisness in Ireld & ye late Secr Coventry will officate till his return

Those of ye privy councill who seeing to disbeleeve ye prsbyt plot are P. Rupt ye Lds presidt Privy Seal Conway Bridgwater Falconbergh Sr Tho Chichely & mr Godolphin

The K goes to Newmarket next week & thence goes to Oxon

The rept of P. palatines death is a mistake ye P going only over to advise him he being young & Inclinaire to ye F Intrest

L. c. 1107 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond July 30. 81

The K having given ye Lond Aprntices a brace of Bucks they being abt 100 makes a diner on wensday next & have Invited 6 Lds & other psons of quality & any body else who will pay 5 L a piece for Tickets.

On Thursday ye Councill sat at Hamton Cot & ye K being prnt ye P. of Orange buisness was debted but Resolved That ye K cant at prnt enter into a war A petion was afterwrds prnted from Colledge desiring yt his wife councellr smith & his sollicr west shoud Come to him to prpare him for his tryall wch Coll Cheek Informd him was to be on ye 17 of augt & it was granted. Then 2 Adrrses of thanks were prnted to ye K for his Declar ye first from Surry by ye E. of Berkly & ye 2d from Midx by ye E. of Craven Then Ordrs were given for compleating pdons for 5 Irish Witnesses wch ye Ld privy Seal had stopt.

Esqr Thin is to be marryd to ye Lady Lyle.

Sr Tho Linch having recd his finall ordrs is going to his Govermt of Jamaica.

Hains hath brought an acon agt mr Boscomen a Lond Mercht for defamatory words.

A [?] regmt of dragoon Jesuits latly plundred 2 towns of ye protest[ant]s near Poictou in F. & knocking upon yr chests usd Xts words knock & it shall be opened seek & you shall find & so broke 'em open.

The P. of Orange dind yesterday wth ye D of Albemarl & was Invited to dine to Day wth ye Ld Mayr but going to ye K at Winsor he desird yr excuse on Monday he dines wth Secr Coventry & on Tuesday he goes for holld Geo: Butler a priest taken last march was tryd at Derby Assizes wre he pleaded he had not notice time enough of his tryall & yt he was an Alien but one swearing he acknowledgd himselfe born in Oxon & others yt yey heard him say Masse he was brought in guilty (after reprieved by King) seized by Mr Gilbert of Locko, at Mr Powtrell old Hall at West Hallam

[A few names appear in another hand on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1108 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond Augt 4. 81
+Mr Boulter was this day baild by ye Ld Ch J. Pembrton who came to town on saturday night & does not yet know his accusrs

On Tuesday ye P of Orange dind wth ye Span Embr where a lre came from ye P. of Parma yt yer F K had demanded Antwerp & given but 8 days for answr so yt tis believd ye Spand if not assisted will make a bargain wth F for all Flanrs. The P. of Orange came hither late last night & is gon wth ye D. of Albemarle to new hall.

On ye 27 July mr Alexdr Atkins who returnd but ye night before from beyond sea was created K at arms & ye crown &c carryd before him at his Installation ye D of y. being prnt Knighted him ye next day ye D made a smart speech to the plmt in praise of Loyalty thanking ym for yr affection to him & proposing some heads to be debted on & yn progud em for 14 days 16 prsbyt lds have taken ye oaths &c to out vote ye other Lds who woud have ye Lds of Articles have more priviledge yn ordinary

Some Aprntices are gathring hands to a petion to be prnted to ye K for a plt & ye Loyal 42 Aprntices dind to day in cheapside ye Lds Hallifax Clarendon Arlington Falconbergh & Killingworth & mr Seymr dining wth em they having sent em wine besides wt ye K bestowd on 'em.

2 Adrrses of thanks for ye Ks declaration being prnted to ye grand Jurys of Lincolnsh & Northumbrland yey were rejected

Some psons have been latly to try if Colledge woud discovr any thing of ye prsbyt plot but he sd he knew of no such thing

Curtis was this day sumond before ye Ld Mayr & bd over to ye sessions for printing false news.

Tis sd ye E of Hallifax will be made prsidt of ye councill

On Tuesday last ye Ld Mordant meeting wth ye Ld Arran near Greenwich shot at him & ye bullet only grazing on his cheeck he dischargd ye pistol in his hand over his own head & yn yey fought wth yr Swords till ye latter having wounded ye formr in 3 places disird him to desist but he sd he woud not till he had fetchd blood wch he essaying to do broke his sword upon ye latter broke his [sic] & so yey pted.

The E. of Castlehaven is returnd from Irlld & tis sd Esqr porter will have his Comand over ye Eng in holld

There is its sd 2000 L already collected in Lond for ye F protest[ant]s & this day ye Councill take it into further considration at Hamton Cot as also ye P of parmas lre.

The 5 Irish witnesses pdons were yesterday passd

L. c. 1109 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. Augt 6 81

The Nonconform have been vigorously prosecuted in the Circuits for ye most pt pticlarly at maidston in Kent 30 Non Minrs were Convicted.

Cargile (who was executed at Edinbr just before ye plt sat sd yt he had justly deservd death for his sins agst God but not for wt he now dyd The plt having adjd for 4 dayes only are now sitting at buisness

The P. of Orange having been splendidly treated by ye D. of Albemarle went yesterday to Harwich & Embarqud thence this day for holld

Sr Tho Linches ordrs for Going to & governing of Jamaica yesterday passd ye broad seal.

The Warden of ye fleet being in arrears 80 L to ye K for Chimney money this day ye Sheriffs by ye Ks ordrs beset ye Gates & ordrd 'em to be blowd up if yey woud not deliver poss[ess]ion or pay ye money upon wch ye warden came out & [illegible four-letter word]

Sr wm Jennings being at Paris having ordrs [?] from mr Savile Embr yre from o[u]r K to rep to Engld to give in his Evidence at Oxon agt Colledge on ye 17 Inst he is already arrived The bill agt Colledge must be found by a new grand jury The Cot yt sits by this new Comission having now powr to take notice of any procedings of formr Cots The Judges in

ye Comission are ye Ld. Ch. J. North Judges Jones Raymund & Levins.

L. c. 1110 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond Augt 9. 81

Warts are issued for seizing sevl psons yt went down wth Colledge to Oxon abt ye prsbyt plot pticularly one Capt Clynton addresses were yesterday prnted to ye K from Montgomery by M Ceremon ye 1st from ye Depty Leiut ye 2d from ye Just ye 3d from ye grand Jury +Mrs Fitzharris on Sunday last dd all her husbands paper to ye Ld Mayr & made a discovery of some particulars yt may be serviceable to ye Prsbyt pty

Cargile & ye 3 yt were executed wth him were offerd yre pardons at ye Gallows if yey woud beg pardon & pray for ye K [?] but yey sayd yey scornd to buy yer lives at soe dear a rate

2 Edicts are made at Paris ye 1st is yt no prots shall marry ye 2d yt no children shall bee christned but by a Roman Priest On ye 6th Inst ye Comandrs of ye navy went down to Portsmouth &c in order to fitting out ships.

The Apprntices of Norwich are drawing up an Adrs to ye K A prsbyterian Ministr is indicted yre for words & ye Conventicles are hindred

The Judges are orderd to Attend his Mate on ye 26 Inst to advise Abt ye Tryall of ye Ld shaftsbury

A Highway man being taken in surrey being ready to have taken his tryall fearing his life offerd to discover a gang of 80 more for his pardon wch being granted upon his discovry 9 of yt number is taken since ye Assizes at Kingston most of them being sufficient hous holders in ye sayd county

L. c. 1111 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond August the 11th 81

Letters from Edingburgh in Scotland dated the 7th Instant say the parliamt of yt Kdome Continue there sitting to ye great increase of Trade & great Satisfaction of the Citizens many Bills haveing been allready drawn up for the speedy settling of Affaires of divers natures & we hear that one has been Strongly debated Importing ye Raising a Supplye of moneys for his Maties prsent ocassions And another for the finding out an Effectuall way & means to Surpress & keep under ye Tumultuous Assemblies or ffeild Conventicles, and yt it is not doubted but they will both pass together to ye great Satisfaction of all good Subiects

His Royall Highness behaves himself like a prince & hath soe far won upon the affections of the people of this Kdom by his Mild & princely deportmt that it cannot well be expressed

ffrom Oastend They inform us That the ffrench Cease not to work upon their ffortifications of Dunkirk & yt tis Carryed on with all Imaginable vigour a 1000 men more being added to ye former number, and yt 3 of there men of Warr Continually to Lye before the Mouth of the Harbour, They further give us to understand, that A vessell belonging [to?] Biscay of a 150 Tuns & 13 men has been lately taken by an Algereine pirate near the Straights Mouth

ffrom Windsor we have advice yt great prparacons are making for his Maties departure to New Market wch will be very suddenly, & further it Reported yt his Matie intends to stay there some Considerable time to divertise himself by hunting Horse Raising & Cockfiting, & as some say the Councell will Remove thither But of this last noe certainty +yesterday we hear yt severall Apprentices of this City designeing to petition his Matie for calling a parliamt & in Ordr thereto had got many Subscribers, Have upon more Mature Consideration layd it aside, being fully satisfied yt all such proceedings are altogether displeasing to his Matie & yt by an open profession before 20 persons, they will ioyn their hartly prayers with the rest of their Loyall Brethren for his Maties long & happy Reigne over us:

+paris August the 16 This day we have it Confirmed yt the K in pson
designes in few dayes to be at the head of his Army wch will Consist of
30000 horse and ffoote, And yt they will set down before Antwerp wch is
supposed will [be] Surrenderd as soon after Summons

yesterday a Merchant of this City was assassinated by 2 ffelows in

knowing he should be unvayld Imediatly ffiled, By wch wee may see what they will not doe to Carry on their Designes
+The Witnesses to attend at oxford Received Subpenas yesterday; And ordrs are given for the Conveying Mr Colledge thither his Tryall being to be there on Wensday next:

L. c. 1113 Lond. August 16th 81

On Satturday last his Matie was in Councell where, a 2d peticon from Stephen Colledge was presented, not only praying yt Councell might be Assigned him on his Tryall, whome he named in his peticon but allsoe a Coppy of his Indictment together wth ye severall depositions agt him might be allowd him; and was Answered yt all Legall favour should be Granted him, & yt he should have the first Request, But concluded the latter was not practicable & soe Refused to grant ye same

On Sunday about 10 of ye Clock at night Mr Stephen Colledge was Conveyed from the Tower towards Kingston upon Thames by Water where a Troop of the Ld oxfords Regemt attends to Receive him, they being Ordered to Receive him & to Convey him to henly where the Sheriff of Oxford is to take him in to his Charge & Convey him to Oxford

yesterday about 3 or 4 of the Clock 2 of his Maties Messengers assisted by 2 Constables came to the House of Mr Wilmore in Jewen [?] Street whoe was fforeman of the late Grand Jury yt found the Ignoramus upon the bill agt Colledge; And they with some difficulty obtained Entrance where they found Mr Wilmore on his Bed afflicted wth an Ague fitt, Hee noe Sooner Recd the word of an Arrest of High Treason but he Imediatly cryed out Saying; if you (speaking to a Multitude whoe were gotten together[]) Suffer me to be taken away; yo[u]r Liberty & propertys are lost, & used some other mode of Expressions Inciting them to be Carryed before the Ld Mayr urging yt no other Authority ought to take Cognizance of a Criminall Inhabiting within the Liberties of that City; But those yt had him in Custody obliged him to take Coach wch was redy for his Reception; Where upon the Multitude Cryed out, is there no true Commonwlth man here, Lets pull the Wheelles of the Coach, lets Cut the Harness The Messengers declared yt ye first Asaylant should make way through the Muzells of their pistolls by wch means together wth the Constables keeping of ye peace, they were all quiet, Hee was yt night secured in the M[essen]gers House, & on Monday afternoon was Carry[ed] to Windsor in ordr to his being Examined by one of the Secretaries of State, & this day Mr Wilmore was brought to Hampton Court where his Matie was in Councell The Messengers yt apprehended him Reported yt during ye time of his being at the Messengers House the House was Tumultously Assaulted by the Rabble, by throwing of Stones agt ye Windows & disordrs soe yt they were affraid of a Rescue, And it was observable yt when Mr Wilmore was brought into his Maties prsence he did not soe much as bow his knee, The Information agt him was yt he should say he had disbursed diverse summs of money, att severall times for the pulling down that Idol in WhiteHall (meaning his most Sacred Matie) after the Ld Chancellr had Checked him for his Savory & undutiful behaviour before his Matie The Councell proceeded to Examine him, but he haveing litle to say in his defence a Wart was Signed to Committ him to ye Tower & the Messengers dispatched away wth a Sufficient Guard to put the same in Execution wch they did accordingly Carryeing him safe to ye Tower where he Remaines a Closs prisoner:

L. c. 1114 Lond August the 18th 1681

our Letters from Scotland say the Comtee appointed by the Lds of the Articles for drawing up the bill for Secureing the protestant Religion have performed ye same, & we are told the purpose thereof, is to ye following Effect vizte In the preamble

They set out at large the great increase of papists in that Kingdome

of late years, & therefore for the Surpressing of the same doe not only Confirm ye laws made agt papists, but furthermore Enact, that for the better Security of the protestant Religion, The Sheriffs of the severall Shires & others his Maties Officers shall be very dilligent in Searching for priests, Jesuits, & Traficking papists as those Inhabiting wch are Suspected of popery, to whom they shall tender the Confession of ffaith, made in the year 1567 together wth the Declaration yt follows it, & yt if they shall Refuse to Subscribe the same, they be proceeded agt as papists Convict; And its further Enacted that if any Sheriff or other Inferiour officers shall be negligent in their duty of Searching for papists, on prooffe thereof they shall be uncapable from ever bearing any Office or Dignity in that kdom; but if any Sheriff or Officer shall not make dilligent Search for preists or other papists when Information is given them, where they are to be found, that then the sd Sheriffe shall be punished wth death, & Confiscation of their Estates; All great officers of ye Crown

not of mens will as by the fundamentall & unalterableres [sic] of Right Transmitted & declared by Lynial Succession according to proxingumny of blood & noe difference in law nor Act of parl can alter or divert the Right of Succession & Lyniall decent of ye Crown to ye nearest & lawfull heire, & it is declared A Treason by writng or Speaking, or any other wayes to [letter ends]

L. c. 1115 Lond the 20th of August: 81

+from Oxford the 18th instant abt 10 of the Clock Mr Colledge was brought upon his Tryall wch Continued till near 3 in the morn (only adiourned for some short time to Dinner) att first Colledge Refused to plead by reason yt some papers were taken from him, wch were Instructions how he should behave himselfe on his Triall, together wth ye names of all those whoe were Returned of ye petty Jury whom he should accept agt &c: he had severall preliminary pleas, he desired a Coppy of his Indictment wch was denied him as was also ye names of his Jury; but a list of the names of the Witnesses was given him, he then desired the Witnesses would prove a plot in Genrall in the first place as was don in the late Tryalls of those that were tryed for ye pop: plot & yt they would prove how far he was Concerned in it He then urged his being a Citizen of Lond: soe ought not to be tried at Oxford upon wch he was told he was to be tryed where the Treason was Comitted, & noe Crime Comitted at Lond should doe him harm, Because he could not have his papers again, he Complained he had very hard usage, saying he should lose lhis life through Ignorance, haveing ben kept a Closs prisoner & soe alltogether unprovided to make his defense, wch his papers were to direct him in; That there was a designe to take away his life, thereby to take of the Odium from the papists, & yt noe true protestants Could be safe, the Mischeife being not to stop there, Whereupon the Judges blamed him, for speaking of a designe agt protestants; being a Reflection on the Govermt & Ordered he should have Council to direct him in the prsence of the Sheriffe & yt all the papers wch Contained noe Reflections upon psons; There were 8 Witnesses agt him Sr Wm Jennings, Mr Dugdale Mr John Smith Mr Turbervill Mr Masters Mr Heyne Mr Arterbury & Mr Sewell

+Dugdale swore yt Colledge told him, that he cam down Oxford to seize the King, That he shewd hand pistols &c And further told him; that ye Membrs of parliamt came thither well Guarded for yt purpose He allsoe produced severall Treasonable Cutts & pictures & there were many horrible things Sworne agt him, wch are not fit to be mentioned Colledge made a hansom defense for his life & Dr Oats wth abt 40 others were Examined on his behalfe, Invalidating the Testimony of the Witnesses agt him; abt 3 of ye Clock in the morn the Jury with drew & after halfe an hower returned & brought him in Guilty; upon wch there was a very great Shout given in the Court at wch ye Judges were very angry; & a Bristol man yt came thither on purpose to hear ye Tryall being observed to be Shouting & throwing up his hatt was seized & Comitted to prison, then the Court adiourned till 9 ye next morning, but it was 10 before they met, when they pronounced Sentence on Mr Colledge to be drawn hanged & Quartered; wch he did not appear much Concernd att, But asked the Judges when would be the day of his Execution, To wch they answered, That yt depended on his Mats pleasure, he was afterwards Remanded to ye Castle & was loaded wth Irons, there was noe Grand Jury nor noe other I[ndict]ments preferred as hath been much discoursed

Its much discoursed by some yt Colledges head will be sett up on Temple Barr near wch place he Contrived his buissines in this affaire

And yt wch is very observeable at this Tryall is Sr Robt Sawyer Attorney Gen, haveing Modestly & gravely well weighed & observed ye Carriages of Dr Oates, whoe seemed more Concerned in drawn [?] the

disaffected protestant Joyner, then for the the life of his Sacred Matie Stood up & told the Dr: he did much admire his proceedings agt the Ks Interest & told him as follows; Dr yo[u]r bread you have had from the K., yo[u]r Lodging in the Ks pallace you are oblieged to ye K for yo[u]r life & wt Esteem you have amongst men is upon the Ks acct & now will you be so wickedly ungratefull for all his Mats favours & mercies towards you as to stand hear in open Court in Vindication of soe notorious a Traitor Contrary to yo[u]r alleigiance to ye K you have hitherto pretended to be for ye preservation of the K: but now you shew yrselfe in yo[u]r Collours

Then its sayd Mr ffitz Gerrald acquainted the Court yt 15 psons of good Repute, & some of very good Quallity, had allready given severall Informations of the highest Treason agt the Dr & prayd yt he might be imediatly Comitted, but wt is yet don we have not yet heard:

L. c. 1116 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond August the 23d 1681

The Ld Berklies ship the Tiger was Stranded on Sunday last, att ye Shue near the Downs as they were goeing out & 7 men ventering to swim on Shoar were drowned, afterwards it was got of & set Sayle again

Yesterday the D of Monmouth haveing some Horses prsented him from fflandrs, Ordered them to be brought to Lambeth whither he came this day & tried them

The D of Monmouth on Sunday being Summond & the Councill not meeting it is said he will attend on friday next

We hear yt the Ld C Justice North Interceeds wth his Mate for Colledges pardon, soe that his Execution is deferred till tomorrow 7 night

2000 Trimmers near St Ives in Cornwall are drawing up an Adress of thanks to his Matie for his Late Declaration

Mr Hickersingill hath brought his action agt Thomson the printer for publishing he was pcured [?]

And Dr: Oates allso hath brought h[is act]ion agt Thomson for printing Sca[n]dilous R[eflect]ions on him & this day the writt was Executed, but hath put in Bayle to both.

Mr Newton a Norwch ffactor is Comitted to Newgate for saying the D of: Y: was a papist & Enemy to ye King & Kingdom

Esqr Bartue Succeeding Sr George Wharton in the Treassurship of the Ordnance will have his House in the Tower Sr George will be Buried in the Tower on ffriday

Sr: Joseph Sheldons funerall sermond will be preached at St Magnus Church near Lond Bridge & thence will be Carryed to Croydon & Interred. His Matie has appointed the Arch Bp of Kanterbury Bp of Lond Lds. Hallifax & Killingworth Sr Leonil Jenkins & Mr Soams to inspect the laws agt Dissenters in Ordr to the putting them in Execution. This day a Councill Sat at White Hall to Secure o[u]r Ships agt the Algerines Mrs ffitzharris hath been since, it was Reported She was gon for Holland at Mr Lums House in Buckinghamsherre under the name of the Lady Jones And the Messenger goeing to apprhend her she escaped, But he Seized Mr Harrington whoe was taken in the Tower is now accused to [T]rea[s]on +The Judges meet on friday, & on Satturday deliver their opinions, whither there be matter enought agt the ld Shaftsbury & Howard, for the Tryeing them

L. c. 1117 Lond August the 25th 81

yesterday a House near the Minnories was set on fire by the great Lightning & burnt neare an hower ere it could be quenched

Its Reported yt Mr Wilmore has drawn up his peticon in Ordr to prsent it to his Matie in Councill, that his freinds may have free access to visit him & his Streight Confinement in some Measure taken off.

Its certain that his Matie on ffriday next, & her Matie on Satturday

intends to be at White Hall where they intend to Continue till the 15th of the next Moneth and then they are for Newmarket

Two psons taking Boat yesterday at Gravesend about ye Midle of Wolledge Reach were cast away & one of them drowned, The Boat being Splitt agt a vessell yt lay att Anchor in the Road through the Carlessnes of the Watermen:

In severall parts of England the Dissenters are prosecuted pticulerly in Northamptonsherre; they broke up 3 or 4 meetings & seized the Ministr of one & Imprisoned him & the rest Escaped by the Ayd of the people 40 of whose names are taken in Ordr to prosecution

Att Canterbury allsoe Col Rooke wch 2 Justices of the peace more wth 2 Constables went to Mr Duprees [?] meeting & seized him & took the names of 20 of the Congregation

On Tuesday last the Councill discharged ye Ld. Blaney & Mr Lum & Harrington was brought before them, & accused by two Messengers, That as Mrs ffitz Harris was goeing over Honslow Heath in their Coach they offered to Seize her but were hindered by the 2 psons aforesaid soe that she Escaped

Mr Lum was discharged, but Harrington whoe is Kin to the Earle of Shaftsbury, & said to be Concerned wth him gave Security to appeare the 1st day of next Term

+Yesterday a Councill Sat at White Hall where severall Marchants prsented a peticon Complaining agt the East Indie Company & Turkey Company, for Monopolizing the Trade of those parts, & desired that the said Companies might be discharged, or [a]ny Marchant Capable might be admitted into their Company. The K has given the Appr[en]tices at Bristol [sic] Yesterday the Judges & severall Ministers of State met at WhiteHall & afterwar[ds mo?]ved to the E Hallifaxes Lodgings the Result we yet know not, We hear yt the Ld Shaftsbury [& How]lard [w]ill peticon the sessions near at hand to put in Bayle they being advised by Councill it ought to be safe [?]

+Gibson the D of Monmouths footman meeting Mr Dugdale since Colledges Tryall beat him severely & sayd have you nothing else to doe but to spill the Blood of honest protestants

Colledges wart tis said designed for Execution is Wensday next, & he hath Confessed to some devines yt that were wth him, some pticulers of wch he was accused & Convicted:

L. c. 1118 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond August the 27th 1681

Yesterday came an Express from his Royall Highness Intimately yt he intends to wait on his Matie the 16th of ye next Month at Newmarket about wch tis psumed the parliemt there, will have don their buisenes & Rise & accordingly Ordr is given to make a further provision at Newmarket for his Reception

This Evening the K Queen & all ye Court are come to White Hall wth intention to stay some time & then to Newmarket

Wee hear yt Colledge is very penitent & has taken the Sacramt according to ye Church of England

We hear ye next Wensday, The Earl of Shaftsbury & Ld Howard &c will by new measures indeavour to be discharged or tryed this Sessions vizt by Habeas Corpus ad deliberandum to ye Leut of ye Tower & another ad Recipiendum to ye Sheriffe of Middx by wch becoming prisoners to Newgate they may have Issue, by virtue of ye Comission of Goale delivery of the old Baylie

The meeting of all ye Judges & other Ministers of state was deferred till this day & being met about 10 of the Clock satt till 12 at White Hall but what was their debated on we cannot ye[t] learn

And the Judges are appointed to attend in the Councill Chamber, there

being a full Councill Summond to meet tomorrow

Mrs ffitzHarris since her Escape from the Messengers out of the Coach upon Honslow Heath, notwithstanding great search made for her, cannot yet be heard off

Mr Wilmore upon his humble petition to his Matie has leave granted for his freinds to com to him & is not under soe strict Confinmt as formerly

This day his Matie & many persons of honr & quallity did Collonel Legg the honr of Dining wth him att Westmstr

Sr at prsent we are barren of news, by the next you may Expect a full letter I begg yo[u]r pardon

L. c. 1119 Lond Septembr the 1st 81

There was yesterday brought into Hixes Hall & Indictment brought in against a Noble pear & some other psons of quallity & the Mr of the House at Maryborne for bowling in the time of divine Service & its sayd is found agt them & will be further prosecuted by ye Bp of Lond

It is now Confirmed by an Ordr from his Matie That Dr Oats is not only forbidden to have any psonall Recourse to ye Court & places adiacent, But hath suspended his weekly allowance, in psuance to wch Ordr the Dr hath begun to Remove his Goods & hath allready removed the greate part of them into the City.

Wee ar Credibly Informed, That Mrs Whittaker has been wth 3 of the Judges, The Ld C Justice pemberton Judg Jones & Judge Raymond to pray 2 writts of Habs Corpus ad deliberandum et Recipiendum, that her Husband might be brought into the Custody of the Sheriffs of London in Ordr to his being tryed or Bayled this sessions, But ye Judges told her it could not be Granted without the King would consent to it

yesterday his Matie abt 5 in the morn attended wth many of the Nobillity & the Ld Arlington, went to Bansted Downs a Hauking, his Ldp intending to prsent his Matie wth a fflight of Haukes yt were lately sent him by his Grace the D of Ormond

On Tuesday morn an Eminent Divine wth another pson came to the plantation office at White Hall wth a petition directed to ye 2 Secretaries the Import of wch was, to begg the body of Steven Colledge, in Ordr to his Interment, & we hear yt a Messenger went yt Morn to Oxford upon ye same amount, & yt his head only shall be severed from his body, & set upon ye Temple Gate

This day we hear the Ld Gerrerd by Ordr of his Matie is turned out of his places as Bed Chamber man & Housekeeper att WhiteHall & the Black Rodd is sent into the North to ffetch him up. Wee have an acct this day from Dover that the Ld Berkly whoe got of the Sands to Sea in the Ship called the Tiger is for some Misdemeanrs by the Ships Company Comitted prisoner to Dover Castle, & most of his men are gon from on Board, but you will hear more at large by the next; Colledge was executed yesterday very early in the morn, & made a very penitent end; he had very few words but delivered a Sheet of paper Written on all sides wch he called his last speech, & declared there was not one word of Treason in it wch paper was delivered of t[he] High Sheriff, whoe promised it should be printed without alteration

+Yesterday, the Sessions in the Old Bayly began where the Earle of Shafsbury; Ld Howard Whittaker Wilmore & prsented there petitions that they might be tryed or Bayled The Ld C Justice Replied that they could take noe Cognizance of yt matter it being not before them, without his Maty speciall Comand

This day abt noone as I was coming from Newgate at Sea Cole lane end near St Pulchers Church happned an unlucky accident, A Cart coming near a Stoncutters Shop run agt a Grave Stone Standing at ye Corner thereof & a little Girl of abt Seven indeavouring to avoyd the Cart the

Stone fell upon her head & beat out her Braines & dyed imediatly without ye least word or Crye:

L. c. 1120 Lond Septembr the 3d 1681

At ye Concluding of the Sessions yesterday at ye old Bayly the Grand Jury prsented Joanna Broome for publishing weekly pamphlets Intituled ye observator & Beniamin Too[about two letters cut off] for publishing a pamphlet called Heraclitus Rudens & likewise Mrs Thomson for the Loyall weekly Intellegence, as pamphlets designed to divide his Mats true Subjects, & much Reflecting upon the Magistrates, of this Metropolitan City of London

Then they deliverd a paper expressing their unfeigned thanks to ye Rt Honble Sr patient Ward Ld Mayor of [the City] of Lond the Rt Nll Sr Slingsby Bethel Henry Co[rnish] Esqrs Sheriffs of Lond for the good service they had don [the] City in the execution of their offices & discharge of yt great trust

Yesterday by Letters from Maligo dated the 13th of August last we have an acct yt a ffrench Man of Warr wth 40 Gunns meeting 2 Spanish Ships named the Conception & ye philby [?] made signes to the former (the other being a great way to the Leeward) tho iust [?] by Maligo to strike, the Spanierd Refused, upon wch ye ffrench man, without any more adoe gave him a broad side, & a volley of Small Shot, killing & wounding severall of his men, The Spanierd briskly answerd him in his own Language, & soe the fight began wch lasted 5 howers, Then the Monseuir growing weary of it, took the advantage of a Calm making use of his Oares, got away; its said there was near a 100 men killed on both sides The Spanierd went into Maligo & Repaired, and afterwards went to ye Inquest of the ffrench man:

An under Cooke being lately poysend by tasting broth prepared for the Queen, his Relations yesterday accused the head Cooke of poysoning him before the Court held for the virge [?] of White Hall, but he was only ordrd to appeare the next Court day few beleive him Guilty because a portegues

Yesterday the Councill debated the Ld Shaftsbury & Howards cases, & upon Information of severall psons yt they were Guilty of High Treason Warts were Issued

Baldron was accused by one Sherland of High Treason before the Councill upon wch he Informed, That Sr Miles Stapleton had hired Sherland for 400 L to swere agt him he first Informed that ye Evidence that he & others gave for Colledge agt the Ks witnesses was pened [?] by a person of Quallity yt they were payd for their goeing down; Baldron is at large upon his own word to appeare when Summond, The K goes on Thursday to Newmarket his Servants being ordrd to be ready--& this day severall went down to prepare for his Reception:

[Note in another hand on outside of letter:]

+Mr Deely at Halis Owen to come next week to survey & it may be to mend the organ Deliver mine to Sr Ch Hobbes [?]

+Ly at Worcester Go forward to Church to Knight with yt you can. From to Bermingham go to Bromegrove to Droitwick to Worcester. From Worcester to the great road till you come to a great wooden br[idge] as soon as ever you are over turne on ye to hand [?] to Kn. wch is wthin 1/2 a mile

L. c. 1121 Lond Septembr the 6th 1681

I am Credibly Informed yt their hath been a great Debate in the last Councill Concerning the Return of his Royall Highness from Scotland & its Carryed in the Negative, till Affaires be in a better posture; But twas agreed viscount Killingworth Barron Hide should be sent to his R. Highness on some Important Occassions wch we cannot yet Learn

But some will have it, That his Ldp goes to give a true Theam of

Affaires wth reasons for his not Ret[urning] at present, others are of the opinion yt his Ldp is to [small word torn off] his Royall Highness: the necessity of Reconciling himselfe to ye Church of England, & to use his Indeavor to perswade his Highness thereto, it being the only means to quiet the mindes of the people, & to bring the Nation again to its prestion [?] happiness yt the Success of wch much depends; According[ly] his Ldp set forward yesterday in his Own Coach & intends to goe therein as farr as Durham, & from thence takes post for Scotland

Wee hear & have advice from Tangeir, That the Moreshe Embr was com to ye said City, wth severall Rich presents for his Matie, as divers Barbery horses & Jewells, in Ordre to ye Embarquing for England & was accompanied wth Sr James Leshly his Mts Embr to Muly Ishmael, Empr of Morocco, The same Letters add, That ye plague is wholly Ceased at Cadiz

This day we have an acct from Dover, That ye Ld Berkly whoe it was said was Comitted by the Ships Company belonging to the Tiger, is now Sett at Liberty and the Ship is come into the Downs & all differences made up

There is strict Ordres given out for the prosecution of the Dissenters; soe yt these people are under great Consternation of mind

+His & her Matie wth all the Nobillity tomorrow Morn by 6 are for Newmarket & intends to dine there

+It [is] Reported yt the Ld C Justice pemberton will Lay down his Comission & Judge Jones is to Succeed him:

L. c. 1122 Lond Septembr the 8th 81

Letters from Scotland of the 27th last advise us, That the Lords of the Articles had brought in the Bill, Oblieging the Lds & Herriats [?] to be Security for their Servants wch after some debates was passed wth some amendmts, whereas the fine before was 50 L now tis a 100 L. The Bill for Securing the protestant Religion was allso brought in, wch was Strongly Debated by Duke Hambleton, Severall peers & Barons saying it was full enough, They allso prest an Act agt ye papists might be past by it self, & the Act agt ye fanaticks might be Explained [?] & not the presbiterians Compelled & if they were it would greatly weaken the protestant Interest in yt Kdome, But the Bps urged yt they might be Compelled urging that there was less danger from the Roman Catholiques then the Prsbeterians, the one being in Docktrin the other worse in practices wch hath plainly appeared this 40 years, But ye Debate of wch was put of till the 29th instant to wch time they adiourned, We further hear, there is a Ld & a Commoner Comitted for making speeches in the House

ffrom paris we are advised yt the K hath published another Edict agt the protestants forbidding all his Subiects openly or Covertly to buy any Reall or psonall Estate of any protestant pson on paine of death

We hear there is a proclamation in the press & will Speedily com forth, for puting the laws in Execution agt all Dissenters from the Church of Eng

yesterday 2 Comtees sat at White Hall, one for the Captives & the other abt the Ks plantations, many of the Captives wives attended, desiring an addition to ye 40 L they not being able to Raise any more, others yt have been Since taken desired the like Contribution wch was granted

His Matie has been pleased to Grant unto Joachim Beecher the Beniffit of a new Invention of Erecting ffloating Mills upon the River of Thames & all other Navigable Rivers, & another Invention for the Smoking & dryeing of ffish, allsoe yesterday a Comtee Sat to Consider of a way how to Releve the poore Souldiers, many of them daylie attending the Court wth peticons Representing their exstrordinary necessities

+We hear yt his Matie hath not only taken the Ld Mordents Ship (formerly mentiond[]) into his Service But hath likewise been pleased to grant the same Ld a Comiss[ion to] Comand the sd ship wth Letters of Reprizall agt the

Algereins Its Reported yt one of the Witnesses that has Retracted his Evidence has given in upon Oath yt severall psons, have Subborned him among the rest he Complaines agt one Mr Reale whoe sayes he will Justifie himselfe upon yt act & will appear imediatly if any Legall wart shall be produced agt him, & does hereby a[n?]ⁿswer all psons, That he is not of soe mean [?] a Spirit, as to swear one thing to day & quite Contrary tomorrow; This morning very Early his & her Maties went to New Market

L. c. 1123 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. 7ber 13. 81
+One of ye Ks men of war meeting wth a F man of war refusing to Strike sail fought & took him & brought him into plimoth ye F Capt pleaded he had been a long voyage to Greenland & knew not whether yre was a war bet F & Engld

The Judges have been agn in Consultation whether a pere may be tryd in one County for a fact done in another but came to no Resolution

One mr Morris of ye Temple is comted for saying Colledge had not a fair tryall & a Gent in Stafford hath been latly comted for saying ye K was a papist & another was comted for saying he did not doubt it.

Dr Oates hath taken a hous in bread Street

Many F. protest[ant]s have latly come over & complain of ye F Ks cruelty

The tenure thereof, being that his Matie by Comission of Oyer & Tirminer may trye them [?] such persons on the account of Treason in any other Sherre in place if his Matie shall direct without Respect where the Crime don or Comitted & Such case noe Challenge for the Sherre or hundred they shall be allowed Anno tertio Maria Scrioprendo [?], Severall Tryalls were Repreived, & noe other to be tryed, but Such as are declared by the Statutes of the 25th of Ed: the 3d, Charles the 2d Anno primo et Secundo philip et Maria Chapt 12 twas Enacted yt the Tryall of a Traytor, should be according to ye Comon laws, where tis generally beleived yt the former law in Hen: the 8th tyme is Repreived, the same would have it otherwise, But ye Judges are to disput ye point:

L. c. 1125 [Handwriting changes here.] London Sept ye 17th 81

The Lords of the Ecclesiasticall affaires yesterday prickt [?] downe three persons, & sent them to the King, out of which hee is to Chuse one of them to bee Dean of Lincolne

Yesterday alsoe one of the prebends of Westmr died & on Munday the Bishops meet & Choose another;

Yesterday hapned a fire in a Smyths Shop in Westmr; but was Quenched without much harme,

By the ffrench Embassadr Intercession the Lorde of the Treasurry intends to restore the French Ship taken by the pearle

The Dutchess of Cleavland comeing from ffrance the portugall Ambassadr is quitting Cleavland house which is to bee fitted upp for her

Auterbury the kings Messenger was this weeke shott att, but the Bullett graseing on a Bunch of Keys in his pockett hee [was?] only de[s]peratly wounded

Some F protestants yt were driven on Ireland were barbarously used by ye Tories & 2 of them killed

The Ld Hide is returned to Newmarkett wth answer from the D: yt hee will make hast to England Sr Jo: Williamson is returned alsoe Hithr from Scotland

Capt Sarsfeild upon ye Ld Greys Complt to the Councill is escaped out of ye Messengers hands

The Governr of Switz Cantons hath Comanded all the men of that Country out of the ffrench Kings service.

An Adrss signd by 10000 Tinnars in Cornwall is come upp & will [be] prnted by ye E: of Bath Ld Lieut of that County to the King.

+Smyth the Bookseller is Informed agst for saying Colledge had not a fair Tryall but dyed inocent.

+The Mr of Woo [?] street Counter being dead, there is a dispute between ye Ld Mayr & Sheriffs & ye Aldrmen, ye former saying tis yr right to have the ffitts [?] of selling yr place, & ye Latter say yt the Money for which the place is sould ought to bee put into the Chamber of London.

+Sevrall Irish witnesses bd in notoquia Jures [?] to prosecute Sr John Davies Secr of Irlnd are goeing over against his Tryall

L. c. 1126 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond Septembr ye 19th 81

Yesterday wee have an acct from paris, That Mr Savile the K of Eng Envoy Extrordnary, at that Court made a Complt to his Christian Matie of an Afront offered to his House, by some Lackquies that belonged to a Noble man of ffrance, upon wch the K ordered yt a strict search should be made for ye Offenders, that they might be severely punished, & Mr Savile to have what further Satisfaction he did desire

We hear yt Dr Oats after he recd his Ordrs to [come to?] White Hall; the Docktor was desirous to see the K. before his goeing to New Market gave his attendance accordingly the K passing by haveing set Eye upon him made a Stop & was pleased to speake to him to this Effect, Mr Oats I am very Censieble yt you have forgot yo[ur] duty that you owe to

mee; Since you have had yo[u]r pardon you have been Guilty of many high Crimes & Misdemeanrs, I will not say Treason, although I beleive it for all wch I again forgive you, by reason I would have you above Board, But if you should be found Guilty any more, I shall shew you noe more favour, then the rest of my Subiects

We hear from Holland that there is a discourse there of a ffirm League concluded between the ffrrench & yt State.

His Matie hath declared his Royall pleasure yt his stay at Newmarket shall be but 3 weeks

Wee are advised by Letters from NewMarket Now yt on Thursday his Matie arrived safe there about Noone where after Dinner he was prsented wth a Match of Cockfighting he wagered upon & severall Cocks wch won the Batles

Letters from Holland Informe us that the Empr & the Turks have Concluded a peace for 20 years

+This morn 3 Comittees sat at White Hall one to settle affairres in New England but came to noe Conclusion, The others about Releiving the poore Souldiers com from Tangeire, & have Ordered them a Speedy Supply, The 3d about the Captives in Algeirs, And its that an Additionall Sum above the 40 L will be granted to the Releife of ye poorer Sort:

L. c. 1127 Lond Septembr ye 20th 81

On Satturday last Dr Gibbs prebend of Westmstr dyed, And this weeke tis said their Ecclesiasticall Lordps would sitt about ye disposing of ye prebendry

Sunday Morn about 1 or 2 a Clock there happned in a Colouring Shop on Ludgate Hill a great fire the occassion was thus, an Apprentice haveing made 400 dozen of ffire works called Serpents & Sealing one of them up, the wax fired the paper of one of them, wch he threw from him & Got away, in the mean time all the rest tooke fire, wch gave a very great Noise to ye great amazement & astonishment of the Neighbours, But the Rooome wherein the Serpents were was all on a flame the alarme being soe timely given, there was noe more hurt don then the Burning of yt one Rooome;

A Ship Laden wth English Wooll designing for france being Arrested was on Satturday last brought to the Custom House Key, & there Secured & the Mr Imprisoned

Its Reported yt his Matie on the 28th instant intends to be at White Hall

yesterday we had advice from New market that the Dutchess of portmouth is pretty well R[ecove]red of her late Indisposition

We hear yt Mr Wilmore & Mr Whittaker have upon their humble Supplication their Confinement somewhat Inlarged & a more access of ffreinds then formerly

By Letters from Madrid we have advice Septembr the 10th yt 2000 Moorish horses have marched within 2 miles of the Wall of Oran, a Spanish Garrison on the ffronteirs agt whom severall peeces of whole Cannon were discharged from the Batlements But without doeing any great Damage & upon wch a Councell was held Whither the Garrison should Issue out & fall upon their Rear But it being Suspected yt an Ambuscade might Intercept their Return, nothing was don in yt affair.

+from Edinburg we hear yt severall Acts have been Renewed & Confirmed for the better Supplyeing of his Matie to Continue & Maintaine the standing forces of yt Kdom.

+The Ld Belhaven being upon his humble peticon set at Liberty, & Restored to his place Its said he made his Supplication that he might Retire to his own House, his privat affaires requireing his prsence.

+All protections C[oun]tenanced by the Nobillity of this Kdom are by Act of parl Repealed wch has occassioned man[y] [seal spoils about five

letters] deeply indebted & had Sheltred under such Safe Guards to absent themselves now:

We hear yt great inquiry has been made after Capt: Sarsefeild whoe lately made his Escape when taken with a Wart for Challenging the Ld Gray of Wark but is not yet found.

John Durrant the Horse Courser at the George Inn in Smithfeild & [?] is a Capt of the Guards haveing som words about a Horse sould to ye Earle of pembrook the Capt hath soe Cursed & beaten him, yt he is dead upon those wounds & the Corroner hath found it Murder, The Capt is fled &

L. c. 1128 Lond Septembr the 22th 81

Yesterday we had Letters from Holland yt gives us an account yt the Emprs Spanish & Brandinburgh Embassidrs had Audience from the States where they agreed as one in desiring a League offensive & defensive wth yt State & prsented their Memorialls from their Mrs shewing what danger they were all in, if yt State Complied wth the ff: K. they further add that since, the States have put themselves under an Oath of Secrisy & have Sat very close severall dayes in Debate whither peace or War wth Mounseirre but as yet the Result is not known

Wee heare ye D of Norff is coming over hither from fflanders wth his whole fflamily intending to Reside here all this Winter, his Grace haveing not Inioyed his health perfectly

By a Letter from Herifordsherre we are advised that there lately happned a Terrable fire at a place called presteen in yt County wch by reason of a great wind totally Consumed the said town being 400 houses

The Lds Comrs appointed to dispose of Ecliasisticall preferments met again & yesterday [de?]served his Mats approbation for Confiring the [pre]bedary of Westmstr on Dr Jean chaplyn to the Bp of London.

On Monday abt 10 a Clock at night a fellow was Cryeing in ye Strand a Speech of a Noble peer but he was prsently apprehended by the Constable & the Watch & afterwards Comitted to prison where he is like to Continue to see whither a Bill will be preferred agt him at the next Sitting of the Jury at Westmstr

They write from Jenoa that the ff Galleys are now gon home, their buisnes in these parts being only to seek Quarrills in demanding a respect to their fflagg, their forces now at pignorell give very great Jealousies to yt people, the ff ayning not only at Cassall but yt they have some designe on yt Republique They further add yt the States of Holland, haveing an acct of therre Consull is not acceptable to ye Divan, They have Ordrd Capt Vander Drisen to goe in his stead & to Carry wth him the Remandr of the [ef?]fects agreed upon according To ye Treaty +ffrom Edingburgh wee hear yt the Lds of ye Articles have agreed upon an Act against privat Weddings & yt at Burialls they shall not exceed above 8 in Mournings & yt at all Christnings there shall not be above 8 on each side

The P of Orange is expected the latter end of ye next week at White Hall:

L. c. 1129 Lond Septembr ye 24th 81

Yesterday came a Dutch & ffrench Male: By the former we have an acct yt the protestant League was in some forwardnes, The States being

Indisposition wch he accomplished in a few dayes, his Matie was pleased thereupon to Confirm ye honr of Knighthood uppon him

This day came Letters from Holland dated 19th Instant wch Inform us that the p of Orange being absent from the Hague at the time of the assembly of the States broke up, they sent an Express to his Highness to acquaint him of ther proceedings, & that it was absolutly necessary for the Compleating of the protestant League to send an Embr to his Matie of Great Brittain wch pson & the p approved & when Ordrs were given this Instruction should be, yt he be dispatched wth all speed & he not to leave the English Court till he had Received his Maties Answear They further tell us that the prince made a Motion of goeing himself in pson wch the States Highly approved off But they doe not say that it was agreed uppon

+This morn a Comittee Sat at White Hall to agree uppon a Summ to Re[li]eve the poore Souldrs that are com from Tangier & came to this Resolution that such as are Incapable to worke haveing lost the use of their Limbs, the[y] would appoint 50 L yearly for their support

+By Letters from Scotland we have an acct that his Royall Highness the 17th instant adiourned the parliamt till the 1st of March next:

L. c. 1130 Lond Septembr ye 27th 81

Yesterday we hear one Mr Sanders a Gent of Surry haveing an Estate of 600 L p ann dyeing some time since hath bequeathed his Estate to his Widow during her life, & afterward to ye Cathedrall of St pauls, But wth a proviso yt in Case pop: Mass shall be said therein then to be Transferred to the Hospitall of Bethlam

The heads of the university of Cambridge haveing been at Newmarket have Invited thier Maties to doe them the honr to Receive an Entertainment from them on Tuesday next wch tis thought will be accepted great preparations being made for ye same

The discourse of his Maties Coming to London this week is now layd aside & tis said the Court will not Return from newmarket till ye 10th or 12th of next Month

Some Malitious writers of News have sent into ye Contreys false & base Reflections on ye Government & the same coming to ye knowledge of Authority some of them have been Seized together wth their writings in Ordr to be prosecuted according to their demeritts

There hath been a Warm Report yt ye next Term would be Removed to Oxford, but those Skilld in the affaires Consider the great expense thereof in Removeing the Records & other things Suitable for holding ye same wth the Inconvenincy thereof think it will Center in discourse only +The Ecleassasticall Lords were pleased this day to Constitut Dr Gardner somtime Chaplyn to the D of Monmouth Dean of Lincoln the said Dr being Recomendend to their Lordps by Dr Stillingfleet.

+There hath been of late a great Reformation amongst the Officers there being at least 60 psons turned out & others placed in their Roomes. +Att Bla[ckwe]ll the 23d of this instant abt 10 of the Clock at night near this place [a Nevis?] Interloper from Guinney Burthen abt 200 Tunns whoe had been a Trading voyage 21 Monthes by wt accident unknown was blown up & all the people on Board perished in the blast except 2 or 3 yt were in the foreCastle as soon as the blast was given the Ship took fire & drove upon the Shoar from whence the tide Carryed her towards Depdford none daring to goe near her for fear of a 2d blast, soe yt she burnt quite down to ye water the Number of the people yt pe[ril]shed is uncertain for yt severall of ye seamens wives & Children were on board The Mr had the good fortun to be on Shoare & is now Indeavouring to yt part [sic] of the goods that might be left in the hold, wch are of a small vallue

L. c. 1131 Lond Septembr the 29th 81

On Tuesday night about 10 of the Clock one of the Kings yeomen of his Guard usually called by the name of Capt Dangerfeild coming out of an Alehouse in the Strand met wth 2 Rusticall blades whoe its sayd swore they would kill the next man they met withall unless he gave them the way but this Dangerfeild happning to be the first man they met withall would not give way whereupon one of them Run him quite through the body & Imediatly dyed; the persons are both taken & Comitted to Newgate

One Mr Hevingham a Gentleman arrived from paris yesterday & brought a Superficiall acct wch is since Confirmed by Letters that the ff: K. coming out of his Closset did declare to some of his Courtiers that his Troops had entred Cassall & if they would see the taking of Strasburg they must imediatly ride post his forces haveing Invested yt Citty & intends to open the Trenches as tomorrow, & tis said yt his Matie has made ye Dauphin Generalissimo, not without som prospect of the taking it, wch is the Rather to be don thro the unexpectednes of the Attaque amusing the world wth a Contrary course, they haveing not a Sufficent Garrison to make a defence nor cannot expect assistance from the Empr before it be to late

Upon the haveing of this Sad newes all the foreigne Embrs in this Town in great hast departed hence to Newmarket to Consult his Matie, yesterday Count Hum an Estrordinary Envoy from the Empr & Don pedro De Ronquill the Spanish Embr notwithstanding his Indisposition set forwards thither, Allsoe viscount Hide Dan: ffinch Esqr wth severall other great psonages went to Newmarket upon the hearing of this news, The ff: K. hath left ffontaineblew & is gon to the Leaguere before Strasburg accompanied wth most of his Nobillity.

+Mr James porter whoe has the Regt of the Earl Castlehaven in fflandrs will in few dayes com over to England [to re]cruit the same:

+Letters came last night late, wch Confirms both the Surrendr of Cassall & Trasburgh to the ff: K

One Mr Hetherington is Comitted by the Councell to the Gatehouse for High Treason

Sr: yo[u]r Letters I recd last night & this morning I went to white Hall to find Esqr Milton; whoe is now att Newmarket it will be abt 10 dayes before his Matie returnes from thence, & then I shall make it may buissines to find him out & Return you his answear

Yo[u]r Servant / ff: Gay

L. c. 1132 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond October 1st 1681

Mr Louis upon ye Surrendr of Strasb by his mrs Comd set up ye F army in ye Cathedrall &c & gave ye oaths of alleg to ye magistrates The F K declares yt he glories in being an instrumt to root out ye prsbet weed of herisy & bringing Europe to a new reform of relig & hath ordrd yt ye protest[ant] houses be searchd ye hereticall books burnt & bibles taken away

yesterday a F. man was taken firing a hous in Wapping & Comted

The same day ye Ld Mayr comted a man for trepaning 2 boys a shipboad to sell 'em by giving 'em money & clothes

Sr Robt Car having 10 hors matches at newmarket 2 of 'em were yesterday run & won.

On Monday next begins ye Sessions of peace for Westm & ye Attorn Genell came this day to town to draw up bills agt sevll psons yre.

Uwell [?] & King (who marryd ye late Ld shandois daughter) have upon A Womans oath yt yey killd Rix confesd yey did it & expecting hanging prpeare for it each of ye 2 wounds yey gave him Were upon ye Surgeons oath mortall.

Dugdale & Smith ye priest went latly to Dr Lower & desird a confer

in private but ye Dr refusing to talk but in publike Dugdale sd he intended to sue Dr oates for saying he was clapt wn it was repted he was poisnd & yt he woud supena him who was his phisitian for a witnesse ye Dr ansd he should be but an ill one for if ever any man was clap he was.

The Messngr who let Claypole go is taken into Custody

60 F protest[ant]s arrivd this week here & Complain yt ye F protest[ant]s in F are very evilly intreated.

L. c. 1133 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond Octobr the 6th 81

Yesterday Nathaniell ponce (a Mugleton[i]an[]) was Indicted at the Sessions of the peace att Westmster for saying dam ye D of Y. for he was the son of a Whore a pimp & that he had occasioned all the troubles of this nation, yt he wisht to meet him on Salesbury plain to trye wch was the best man & yt [if?] he mett him in the Streets he should take the Wall of him & he would give him a box on the Ear, His Concill pleaded he said not dam him he is a son of a Whore & c but dam me for a son of a whore & c But 5 Witnesses possitivly swearing the word agt him he was found Guilty upon the Statut of Scand Magn & was fined 40 Marks

Mr Dennis allsoe prferrd a Bill allsoe agt Mr Gibbons belonging to ye D of Mon: for assaulting him in Coven Garden but noething was don in it, only the D of M stood Bayle for Mr Gibbons

The K when he was at Cambridge made Mr Guin (clerk of the Councill) Dr of the Civill law

Eight Thousand of ff being left in the Garrison of Strasburgh, ye ff: K. hath Comanded ye other 32000 to Retire to their former Quarters & to be ready on Comand

The late Sheriffe Bethel was fined 5 Marks in the Ld Mayrs Court for abusing a Waterman

+Ordrs are given here for Raising 2 Regements of ffoot for fflandrs.

+The Bp of St Andrews lies very sick in Scotland sent word to the Lds of the Councill yt he could not be satisfied till he had taken the Test & subscribed the Declaration whereupon the Earl of Keith & another Ld went & Admstred it to him

+Indicments are drawing up agt ye Lds Shafts & H[owar]d the witnesses agt them being Summond to Attend ye Atturney Gen & the K said lately they should be suddenly tryed.

+They talke of a parl to sit at Christmas at Oxford the suddennes being occasioned by the ff Ks late proceedings

L. c. 1134 Lond 8br the 8th 81

The Lds of the Councill in Scotland have sent to ye Ld Murrey & D Lauderdale to admistr the Test & c to ye D of Monmouth here he being one of yt Councill & haveing an Estate there Accordingly they waited on him, to whom he said he had a great veneration for an Act of parl But thought it did not obliege any but Inhabitants of Scotland to take yt Test, & would let it alone till he came thether, Soe they Replyed they would Signifie his Answear to ye Councill of Scotland & went their way

The 2 Regemts to be Raised being for the prince of Oranges service, he is coming hither & will see them Mustered

Sr: John More & Sr James Edwards being Deputed to prsent the K wth 10000 Guinneys have Instructions allso to Inform the K yt they have 50000 L at his Mats Service

Its now said yt the parliamt will sit at Westmstr & yt a proclamation is Orderd to the press accordingly.

A vessell Arrived at Weymouth ye last weeke wth 50 ffrench protestants 3 of wch were Ministrs & gave an account yt the ff Souldiers came into their Church when they were at their Devotion & killed & wounded severall of them soe that they were forced to flye & leave all their Estate behind them; The Mayor of Weymouth was very kind to them & made Collections for

them, & gave them passes for London. Capt Sarsefeild since his Challenging the Ld Grey Offerd his Service to ye Ld Mordent for this voyage But his Ldp told him yt he would not Entertayne him being soe Notorious a papist the K: haveing published a proclamation yt papists should not be employed in his Maties Service. Mackarnaugh one [of] the 4 Irish Ruffians haveing Surrendred himselfe to Mr Savill o[u]r Embr in france, He is com over wth Mr Savills Letter promising he shall appear when Summond

On Wensday next his Matie Returns to Lond & I shall not faile to Wait uppon Mr Milton & shall ever Manieifest my self to be

Sr: Yo[u]r most humble Servant / ffra: Gay:

L. c. 1135 Lond Octobr the 11th 81

We are advised from Newmarket, yt Don pedro Ronquillo ye Spanish Embr before his return from thence pnsented a Memoriall to his Matie mightily pressing his assistance, shewing ye power off ffrance, & the Insufficiency they were in to oppose his fforces, allso Shewing how his Matie as Garrentee of the peace at Nimingham wch should his Matie suffer the Remainder of fflandrs to be in the ff possession the Influence would be very great uppon England That the ff had again profferd his Master an Equivalent for it in Catiloney or els where wch were they not Enabled to preserve, may be forced to Comply wth this proposition, of the ffrench, otherwise there was noe thoughts but the same would fall into his hands for nothing Therefore prayes his Maties positive Answear Wch we hear his Matie has soe far don, that if the Bigotted Spannerds will agree ye proposition there may be [?] such means taken as may answear the ends aforesaid

Yesterday one Capt Nichols a person of a Considerable Estate lately arived from the Kdom of Ireland, there is a wart Issued from the Council Table to take him for High Treason.

ffrom Tangeir by Letters lately com from thence does Highly Commend the Civillity of the Mores to ye English giveing free Liberty to com in to any part of their Contry without ye Least Molestacon to Cut wood & Digg Stone & what Else their occasions require at more Reasonable Rates then their own Natives

yesterday 6 Companies of ffoote were Ordered to Oxford to Quarter there wch makes som say yt the K will go thither next weeke wth the Q & yt the parliamt will be held there, but shall not know ye Certainty till Thursday a full Councell being then to be held at W Hall, his Matie coming to Town tomorrow, Last Councell day severall ff: Seamen attended wth a peticon for [about three letters illegible] to bring over their Boats to ffish in o[u]r seas, of wch ye the Councell said they would consider.

+Severall of the ff protest[ants] landed at Weymouth are com hither, they add yt severall protestants of ff have lighted Matches tyed to their ffeet & brimston burnt under there noses to make them abiure their Religion, A ship arrived at ye Custom House wth ff protestants, wch being searched by the officers, in a Trunk was found a string of beads & a Crucifix being wrapt about wth Ribbon wch belongd to a Gentlewoman, & 3 psons wch came over hither lately under the notion of ff protestants being seen at Mass were Comitted to Newgate, & its feared yt severall ff papists have com over under the Notion of protestants to be ready to doe mischeife more narrow search will be made amongst them yt shall after this com over.

+Severall Engineers have been latly Consulting abt making a new Haven bet Callis & Bulloyn, & tis sd they have drawn a platform of it, & it will be when finisht one of the best Havens in ye Narrow Seas The ff K intends to com down ye Rhine from Strasburgh & hath Ordred his Army to march after ym [?], his design being tis beleivd upon Treves Cologne & other

places upon the frontiers of the D Dominions.

+The Ld Shaftsbury being informd yt it had been told his Matie yt he should say he scorned to petition his Matie for his Liberty he hath sent a Letter to ye Ld Chamberleyn desiring him to acquaint ye K yt he was not Guilty of any such Expression but would petition & pay his duty to his Matie in as high a manner as any Subject could, wch Letter being shewd to ye K. he was satisfied, My Ld Shaftsburies papers are all but 3 returned to him there being in them Instructions to Haynes abt his discovery & observations upon it.

+Tis said the Lord Newport Treasurer of his Mats House will Resigne to Sr phillip Howard & the Ld Maynerd will Resign his Controlers place to ye Ld Windsor.

+The States of Holland have publishd a placat Comanding all Souldiers in their Service to Repaire to their places upon pain of being disbanded & losing their pay, Its Reported yt the Ld C Justice should send to acquaint his Matie yt unless the Ld Shaftsbury was either tryd, discharged or Bayld this Term he would Resigne his place

L. c. 1136 Lond Octobr ye 13th 81

The Magistrats of Genoa have offerd the Tiger & the ships under his Convoy to com In & victuall there, tho they came from Cadiz wch is infected wth ye plague without staying 40 days wch is usuall when a Ship comes from an Infected place

The Councill of Scotland have sent a Comission hither to Admstr ye Test to ye D of Lauderdale

Yesterday the Councill Janaway Baldwin & Curtis to appear for printing of false news, but the time being spent abt ye Redemption of the Algerein slaves, they were Ordrd to appear again when Summond

This day Capt: Richeson was Summond to appear before ye Cort of Aldermen for Suffering one in his Custody to vissit an Orphan whom he had Stole & marryed &c & told him that if he did ever the like again he should be turnd out of his place

This day Thomson, Vade, & Curtis, were Summond before ye Ld Mayor a boy Informing yt he had ye paper called Londons Loyalty Reflecting on ye City of the 2 last & the Hue & Crye agt Dr: Oats wth other Scandilous papers of the first, Thomson was bound over to ye Sessions, but the 2 last being in the Contrey were ordered to appear there at their arivall

The Sessions of the Old Bayly are adiourned till Monday

This day the Stationers Company had a 2d hearing before the Court of Aldermen, where Mr Solicitr Genll & Mr Holt Councill for ye Company pleaded, yt ye maior part of the Company haveing Chose the Juniors by Mandamus from the K. for assistance they ought to stand, Mr Thomson being Councill for Mr Wright, Parkhurst & Starkey, who ought by Seniority to be assistants is because they have a double share of the Stock, plead yt mans Right could be taken away, But ye decision was deferred, the reason why they strive to be assistants is because they have a duple share in the Companies Stock.

+The Sessions being yesterday at Hix Hall & the Justices haveing their last Sitting Ordered the high Sheriffs to attend them, The Recordr waited on them & said the Sheriff was oblieged to wait on the Ld Mayor this day & had Ordered his under Sheriff to attend them, To wch Sr George Gefferies Answared yt the Ld Mayor Dances about ye pigg market, must ye Sheriff dance after his Arse soe the Court fined the High Sheriffs a 100 L wch they are Resolved not to pay

The great Councill will be deferrd till tomorrow at wch time Answers will be given to ye ff Spanish & Dutch Embrs Memorialls lately put in, & we shall know ye certainty of what was mentiond in my last The ff: Embr demands Satisfaction for ye Calumnies cast upon his Mr by

the News mongers of England Representing him cruell to ye protestants
+Sr his Matie coming to Town yesterday abt 3 in the afternoon I attended
at W Hall to find out Mr Milton; but could not find him nor have any
certainty where his Lodging but I shall never leave till I find him &
return you his Answear:

L. c. 1137 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond 8ber 15 81

The Com. Councill on Thursday voted yt ye Sheriffs expences in avoiding
paying ye 100 L fine shoud be defrayd out of ye chambr of Lond also
sevll of ym made speeches yt it was a shame yt Strangrs should Come into
ye bowells of ye City to Insure ye houses from fire & proposd insuring
'em at ye same rates as ye others & ye chambr of Lond to be ye fund

The same night ye Sheriffes invited ye K to diner on ye Ld Mayrs day to
whom he ansd I thank ye City for any kindnes yey intend me but I like
neither ye men nor yr doings. That fellow (meaning Shute) sells me
cloth but he shall sell me no more yet some think he will go.

On Fryday morn ye East India Companys guinnes were prnted to ye k
who ansd since it came from a publick stock it shoud be put to a publick
use so ordrd it to be carryd to ye Excheqr.

Tis repted his mate sd as he was dressing him on Thursday morn I
came to town but last night & yey are already sending me to Oxon to
chuse a plt I know nothing of ye matter & ye Councill meeting yesterday
& nothing being debted abt it Makes us think ye K will continue here
& call a plt agt Jan

Dr Lower was yesterday sumond to ye Councill wre Dugdale complnd
yt he had sd he had ye pox To wch ye Dr ansd that this was ye 1st time
yt ever he discovt such a patients distemp & shoud not have don it now
were not ye lives of many at stake & mr Dugdale desird to be believd no
otherwise yn as he was clear from ye pox yn he askd mr Dugdale for ye
Apothecarys ye bill wch Dugdale sd he forgot it soe ye Dr produc'd it &
explaind evry pticlar of it to be prscribd for ye pox Upon wcTy io bneyrK

started up Immediately for Hedgwood & the Haws saved.

+The Ditch to be Prooved & made deeper betwixt Barn Meadow & ye Land by Mr Coventrys wood The foot way to be turned out of ye Nastfeild [?] to Morrow

L. c. 1138 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond Octobr the 18th 81

Mr Rouse being yesterday brought to newgate was this day brought to ye Bar at ye Old Baylie where Heines Corbin Wyan Turbervill Ivy & Smith deposed yt he had said, yt the K in ye end would get nothing by his frequent proroging & discovery [?] of parliamts yt if he agreed not wth his parliamt they should find means to make him, yt the K was a papist & had forfeited his Crown by breaking his Coronation Oath & psecuting the people; & yt Speaking to Mr [five-letter name blotted] sayd he had more Right to it then he had, yt he offered money to Heynes if he would Swear to his Narrative wherein the K was accused to be in ye plot of ffiring of London & Sr Edmund Burie Godfreys Murder & offerd them all prsents if they would leave the wrong side, meaning ye Ks The Jury desired they might Examin them in privat but ye Court Refused, being the Ks Councill denied it, wch occassioned a long debate between the Councill & the Jury

the latter urging it was their privilidge, however they were forct to examin them in open Court, after wch they withdrew to debate it privatly wch taking up much time they had not brought in their verdict at 6 a Clock

Yesterday 3 peticons were deliverd to the Court, The Earle of Shaftsbury Ld Howard wth another from ye prison of ye Gate House, yt they might have the privildge to be Bayled since there was noe prosecution agt them. To ye first ye Ld C Justice Replied yt ye Tower was not in their Jurisdiction, & therefore they should apply themselves to ye Ks Bench, the first week in the Term, & if noe prosecution came agt them they might be Bayled, as to the 3d he said his Comission reacht not yt prison: +yesterday a pson was brought out of Kent for speaking Treasonable words but sent to Maydston Goale to be tryed there, the words being spoke in yt County, The Grand Jury of London & Middx was yesterday discharged by the Bench at Hicks Hall Empanneld another to Inquire after fellonies & Murders only & adiourned to the old Baylie this day, they Complaining to the Court that ye Sheriffs refused them yr liberty & altering the pannel wch ye Lord C Justice told [them?] that was their Right wch ye Sheriffs Consenting to, a Jury was Sworn whose proceedings you have above.

L. c. 1139 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. 8ber 20 81

After ye grand jury had apart exmd ye witnesses agt Rous apart & finding some contradict one another pticlarly having askt Hains whether wt he swore before ye Recordr agt ye D. of Y. Danby &c was true upon ye oath he had now taken he ansd no yey cryd out then you are pjured rogue yey brought in Ignoramus upon ye bill tis sd yey will try him agn at westm by anodr Jury Smith having Sworn he heard him speak treason in westm

To morrow Dr Lower intends to complain to ye cuncil agt Smith for saying yt if Lower had servd him as he did Dugdale he woud have stabd him evn in ye Ks prnce.

Dugdale hath ownd to Dr Carey yt he had ye pox & of wt woman he got it.

They talk of trying ye Lds Sh & Hd at Oxon it being sd yt some of ye witnesses will swear treasnable words spoke by ym at Oxford.

Tis sd a pitacon is coming out agt Conventicles +A vessel is arrivd at Cowes wth F protest[ant]s who say yt an Edict is publisht at St Martins in F forbidding all protests to dept.

[Handwriting changes here.]

The F Churches have relievd sevl F protest[ant]s & exmd yr relig & ordrd a Contribution for bringing yr children up protest[ant]s.

Indictmts are prparing agt Wilson for treasonable words & Clerk for concealing 'em.

One mr Celler a great Stickler for adrsses is chose Aldrman for Norwich in ye room of one decd

On Monday ye Ld Chanclr wch other minrs of state met ye Lds of ye treary ye K being prnt to consult abt disposing ye Irish revenue but came to no result.

The K hath confirmd mr Cill [?] ye prbendary of Westm & made Dr Brevint prebend of Durham dean of Lincoln having formrly promisd him ye reversion.

mr Smith Dr Oates Councillr dyd latly.

From Rochell we hear yt abt 5 weeks since 2 vessels wth 150 protest[ant]s parted ynce for plimoth but no news being heard of 'em tis feard yey are lost.

This day ye K went down ye river for woolwich to see a ship launched they talk agn of ye Cots going to Oxon ye midle of 9ber [Readable words in note in margin:] Hon Sr I have been ye 3d t[ime] . . . & have found [other words are torn away]

L. c. 1140 Lond 8br 22th 1681

Sr Thomas Smith Embarqued yesterday for to goe to his Govermt of Bermudoes

The Lds of the Ecclesiasticall affaires met yesterday abt disposing of som vacant Livings but had not Sat a quarter of an hower before they were called to ye Councell where the K being prsent told the Sheriffs of London (whoe came to Invite the Councell to Dinner on ye Ld Mayors day[]) That he was the only man in England yt had not Justice don him, & thanke them for their Ignoramus Jury

Tis said ye K will goe to Newmarket ye latter End of next week & after 2 or 3 dayes stay to see som Races will return again

Last night King & Wennalls freinds peticoned the K for their pardon for Killing of Reeks but had noe hopes of obteyning it.

Tis said ye D of Monmouth hath been latly 4 howers in privat Conference wth ye K and discoursed to him severall designs of phanatticks

Tomorrow ye Bp of London preaches at Creed Church where will be a great Ordination:

The Dutch Embr on Tuesday last Ordered all his Servants to be ready agt this Morning for departing home, but he not haveing Recd his Answear till to day he hath deferd his Journey till ye next week

On Monday next the Ld Shaftsbury &c will move by Councill for Habeas Corpus to be brought up to the Bar & Bayled if noe Indictmt comes against them wch som say are preparing but will not be ready till Tuesday

A day is appointed this Term for Detirmining of Hide & Edgertons [?] case,

The East India Company intends to Second their [five-letter word cropped] prsent wth a member [about seven letters cropped] Kings Slighting it, to its Inconsiderablenes.

+300 L is added to the 500 L wch usually was layd out on the Ld Mayors day to Entertein the: K:

+This morn I found esqr Milton at his Lodging whoe was very short with me, all yt I could get from him was that he was [to] Send you an Answear by Mr Bulstrode &c Sr: the 17 instant makes my Quartering become due

L. c. 1141 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond 8ber 28th 81

Last fryday an ordr was sent to ye Recordr to be Carefull how he granted transptation since sevl highwaymen who had been transpted were latly come ore before yr time.

The same day ye F. protest[ant] seamen petiond agn for leave to

fish in o[ur] seas who were referd to ye Admrlty. The F protest[ant]s
petiond also for denizacon according to the Ks promise wch was granted

Dr Tomkins prbendary of Worcester dying latly The Comrs of
Ecclesiastic Affrs sat this day abt disposing it but came to no result.
A Comte of councill sat also abt trade & plantations & made large pceedings

At ye Sessions latly held for Bristol Sr Robt Atkins yr Recordr gave
ye Jury at Strict charge to pform yr duty & ye first bill yt was prnted
was agt himself for prnting a petion to ye plt at Oxon agt mr Earle &
St John Hart membrs for yt city & for beating ymn at ye elecon

The Lds Chancellr prsidd hide & Hallifax & 2 secr had a Confrence
last week wth ye Heer van Bunnighen ye Dutch Embr ye result is known

Janeway Baldwin & ye other publishers of Intelligences aping
yesterday at ye Ks Bench were bd to bring security to day to ansr wt
shoud be objected agt ym & all but one apd & yt one forfeited a 40 L
recognizance

One Wilkinson in ye Ks bench offr to make oath yt a pson of
quality offr'd him money if he woud swear agt ye Ld Shafs agt whom tis
sd a bill will be prferd this week (as also agt ye Ld Hd &c) & his Ldsp in
confidence of his coming off has ordrd sevl of his goods to be sent to
Carolina

The Ld Lovelace will (as ye Ld Huntingdon has kissd ye Ks hand) has
acqt the K yt he is sensible ye Ld Sh &c are driving on a Com:wealth

An Appeal was yesterday brought agt ye page yt killd ye bayly in
Pall mall.

L. c. 1142 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. 8ber 27. 81

On ye 27. Inst ye F clergy mett at ye Convent of ye Augustines in
paris & on ye 29. ye A. Bp of Rheimes protested yt ye A. Bp of Cambray
was undr him he being Metropolitan of F. & yt it was so before K philip
ye 2d time & ye Cot entring his protestation ye A. Bp of Cambray entred his
protestation to ye contrary wch created a feud bet ye A Bps on ye 30th
ye Cot met agn & ye diffrence not being composd yey chose yr officrs &
intend to lay ye whole before ye K at his return.

Lrs from ye Hague of ye 30th Inst say yt Luxembr is besieged by ye
F so close yt victualls are so dear yt a lb of butter is sold for
40 s [?] & ye F have posted ymselves in all ye passages abt Namur to
hindr Suplies

yesterday Sr John Hendon was summond before ye Councill to ansr to
accusations of his ill govermt of Bermudoes & this day sr Jon. Askins late
governr of Barbadoes was summond before a comte of Councill for trade
as also sevl Virginia merchts to advise wth abt better settling of
plantations

The Muscovite Embr being offr'd passage hither at 8 s [?] p head &
thinking it too dear is still at plimoth a pson of Quality yt was
joynd wth him in ye Embassy dyd wth in 3 days after he went aboard from
Bilboa & being coffind up was thrown ore board

Wilkinson hath been agn exmd abt ye offr's made him to swear agt ye
Ld Shafs & affirms yt tis true.

A plt is concluded to be suddenly helld but ye time of yr meeting
not fixd

The ship wth ye 150 men raisd for ye Span service being kept in
by contrary winds 60 men more were put on board this week

Tis sd this day 7 night is apted for a Comission to be granted to
4 Judges to sit at guild hall for A bill to be prnted agt ye Ld Shafs
he being accusd to have spoke treason at his hous in Aldersgate street.

On Satturday the Indictment agt the Earle of Shafts was Ingrossed &
ye L: C Justice P. told ye Ld Chancellr that he understood, yt he was
in the Comission but would not Sitt if the Bayliff of Westmster Returnd ye

Jury as was Ordered, he haveing Ordrd ye Clerke of the Crown to Search for a prsident of ye Bayliffs returning of a Jury, but could find none, & for his part he would not be Concerned in making one. The Ld Shaftsbury sayth yt if he Conceives [?] the Jury to [be?] Eregularly returnd he will Stand Mute if after pleading agt ye Eregularity, he be overruled +Yesterday the Lady Rose brought her husband before the Court of Ks B & desired he might be bound to ye good behavior for beating her, Caryeing away her goods & locking her up in a Chamber in Whiteeffriers; But the Cort advised her to make him a Joynture out of her Estate wth a proviso if ever he troubled again it should be void.

L. c. 1143 Lond: 8ber 29. 81

Notwithstanding ye peace treaty to be concluded bet ye Empr & ye Hungarian rebells yre hath been sevll encounter bet both yr forces of wch ye Empr have had ye worst

The F troops arrive dayly in Flars & 2 psons of Quality are gon from the States of Hold to ye P. or Parma to treat wth him abt defending it ye P saying he will repell force by force & yesterday ye Span Embr prnted a new memrll to ye K yt his mr will defend Flars to ye utmost if ye K of Engld will engag in ye league & answr is to be given on Monday.

The D of Bucks this week kisd his mates hand at Winsor & is to go Embr to F.

A ship come into plimoth sth yt he met wth 2 Algerines in ye Streights whoe took 2 small vessells wch were in his Company & yt he wth much difficulty escapd to Leghorn.

Tis much wondrd yt Ld Hd hath movd this term for bayl since he is sensible he can't have ye benefit of this term because he mov'd not ye first week some say ye reason is becaus he will come in agn ye Ld Sh next week

Sr John Heydon was yesterday agn exmd in Councill & ye K upon his good defence seemd displeasd he had been put to so much trouble upon so frivolous acct.

The Prbendary of Worcester is disposd of to Dr Collet.

They talk agn of ye Ld Hides being to be made Ld Trear

This day ye K & Q was splendidly treated by ye Ld mayr & abt 7 return home wth great Satisfacon ye Councill Judges Nobility Domesticks forreign minr dind also wth his lop

The Stationrs Company were this day divided ye whigs dining at ye hall & ye Tories at ye Sun Tavern wch was caused by whig renter [?] wardens (who made ye feast) providing a pitifull diner.

Bonfires were made as ye K returnd & ye people made loud acclamations [clrying Gd blesse ye K & Q.

One Bradley prisnr in ye gatehous & one of Plunkets companions was this day brought to ye K bench bar (wre he sd he was a ptest) & a day apted for trying him for treason this term.

L. c. 1144 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. 9ber 5th 81

+Yesterday Judge Jones gave in Charge to ye 3 grand Juries of Mdsx they should present all that went to mas & [?] did not take ye Sacrament & refused ye oath of aleageance and that were not Conformble to ye Church of England; and added: yt ye Presbeterians were in like manner to be presented as papists; notwithstanding they pleaded themselves protestant dissenters at which ye Court wonderd; from Linne Crick [?] we heare of a plimoth vessell that is Cast away and only one man and boy Saved

+Mounsier de Pelletier hath bin sent by the french king to declare to ye Dutch and Spaniards yt he must take possession of part of ye Spanish netherlands in Lew of ye Countrey of Allost; Accordingly ye french troopes have possession of severall townes about Namur and tis said ye

Ellector of Brandenburg is Comeing against them with a great force and that the other electorall princes are preparing to Joyne with him except ye Ellector Pallatine who takes ye french Kings part. ye french King hath given order to block up Luxenburg as Streight as Can be and Intends to be at ye Seige himselfe & ye Duke of Monmouth with ye Lords Herbert & Grey have declared that whatever ill men may have represented them to designe they never intended more then the intire settlement of his Majtie in his throne: Mr Deirry hath bin Cast in his Claim to ye Earldom of Northumberland but will renew it next term. ye Lord Shafburies triall is deferd and tis said twill be toward ye end of ye next weeck: ye Lord Howard hath given order for moveing his discharg ye Last day of terme if no one Comes in against hime. tis said bills are drawing up against Wilmore and Whitaker and that they will be tryed ye Last week of terme. ye K speakes of goeing to Newmarket ye next week after terme. The Lord Lovelas is Just Come to towne & tomorrow presents himselfe to ye King

L. c. 1145 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. Novembr 8th 81

Much damage was don in portland Town the last week by Stormy Easterly Winds but ye Shops had litle harm & they have advice there of great Damages don in other places:

Two Second Rates wth a 100 men on Bord each, & a lesser vessell wth 60 men on Board lye at the Mouth of Chatham River, to Guard it, there passing not a Ship but they send their Boat on Board to know whoe they are

On ffriday Sr Maurice Eustace an irish Gentleman had a hearing before the Councell for Recovery of 400 L p Ann in yt Kingdom & after fower howers Arguing by his Councell Sr ffrancis Winington Sargent Maynerd & Sagt Stolt the K. Ordered a Decree in his favour

On Satturday Last Bradly an Irish Justice plunkets Companion peticoned yt he might com to his Tryall or be Bayled & he was Answeard that it was intended he should be tryed next week, but if nothing came against him this Term he should be Bayled ye last day

On Sunday last a Gentleman came in to Mr Baxsters meeting in Bridges Street & Sung when the Ministr was preaching & they desiring him to be quiet he broke ye Windows upon wch they putting him out he drew his Sword, But was hindred from doing Mischeifes by the people:

+This Morning a ffire began in St: Catherens in the House where the man was Removed in whose House the ffire there began; about 20 Houses were Burnt & Spoyled & Seven psons killd by the fall of a House & three by the Blowin up another.

+They talk of a Jury to be Chose out of the verge of White Hall for finding the Bill a[gsst y]e E of Shaftsbury it being said he spoke Treaso there, & that he will be tryed in Westmstr Hall;

This day was a Tryall of 40000 L Concerne bet ye D of Norff & Bernerd Howard in Chancery ye Ld Chancellr ye 2 Cheif Justices being upon ye Bench but Judgmt deferred. This day Curtis ye printer appeared at ye Ks Bench & the Ld C Justice appointed a day for a Tryall bet him & the E of Danby haveing Arested him for Scandelum Magnatum for Saying & printing yt the E was Concerned in Godfreys Murder & hired men to Swear a prisbeteran plot

Sr: On Tuesday night last I was taken very ill in soe much yt I could not give you an acct of ye pformance of yo[ur] Comands wch was don by me accordingly, & Eliz Beale came to my House & paid me for wch I humbly thank you

L. c. 1146 Lond Novembr ye 10th 81

On the 7th instant 80 Merchantmen wth 10 men of war for Convoy set saile from Deal on their severall vyages

The same day Sr Thomas Linch wth his ffamily at Portsmouth in Ordr
to embarke on the sweepstakes for Jamaica

The affaires in Hungary are in a very ill posture ye Assembly for
Composing differences being abt breaking up without doing any thing The
Rebells & Turks are Master of the ffeild, & are soe Twisted yt they
cannot Seperatly make a peace

The ffrench Ministr being Recalled from Cologne they daylie expect
the ffrench fforces at their Gates

uppon it Monsr de Grevilles Son the ff [resid]ent there declared yt his Mr in stead of hurting will defend them.

+The Ld Mayor after he had taken great pains in quenching the ffire was Splendidly Treated by the Ld Alington in the Tower

L. c. 1148 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. 9ber 15. 81

On Sunday night ye Ld Chanr sent a prcept to ye Ld mayr to ordr ye Sheriffs to return a jury on ye 21 inst all ye Aldrmen are in Com except Sr Pat: Ward & ye Sessions is ye same yt usd to be after term only hastned becaus yer Ld Ch J. sd ye Ld Sh should be baild ye last day if yre was no psecucon tis sd ye term will be yn adjd for 2 dayes.

some Already say yt Capt Wilkinsons informd yt he was tamped wth to Swear agt ye Ld Sh is an artifice of his Ldp to psuade ye world he has foul play tis sd wilkinson will be tryd at Sessions.

Capt wheeler hath latly sunk an Algerine They are upon breaking wth F & incline to peace wth us Canary Capt of ye golden hors intends not to return home wthout an Eng man of war yey having threatned to cut him in pieces if he comes in wthout one he having psuaded ym to continue ye war wth us The Eng merchts at Cadiz have made a prnt to Capt Booth for his good Service in taking ye 2 lions & crown & other merchts intend ye same

The Moor yt fled into Tanger being ye Emprs sisters son intends to Submit himself to ye Empr

mr Thin hath feed 6 Councillrs in each Cot to setle him in ye Lady Ogles estate.

This week Mr Brathwaits ye Lady Bridgwaters & ye Subalmoners Lodgins in whitehall were broke ope & from ye 1st plate & Jewells worth 50 L taken from ye 2d sevll sums of money & from ye 3d clothes worth 60 L

The Ld Morton was on ye 7th inst splendidly buryd at Edinbr ye Cot being at it

Endeavrs have been usd to psuade mr Smith to recant his evidt agt St Laurence a priest in Dublin

This being ye Qs birth day ye Ks players acted Alexdr ye great after wch was a ball & entteinmt given to ye Cot

L. c. 1149 Lond. 9ber 17. 81

Sevll vessels came latly for falmouth from Bordeaux 2 of 'em being Eng brought 30 F protest psons of quality who forcd ymselves on board chusing rather to lie on ye Decks yn endure ye F psecute yey yt some vessels being forcd back agn by contrary winds ye protests were carryd on Shore & Garrisond

The Inhbt abt ye Rhine are undr great aprnsion of ye F since yey make prtensions to any place yey have a mind to & enter

The Switzers declare if ye F march yt way yey will oppose 'em

The Empr hath sent a lre to ye Diet at Ratisbon to compleat him an army of 60000 men & sth he will make evry village find him one & evry great town 2 men.

The Hung rebels carry all before 'em

The league signd bet ye swed K & ye Dutch is sent to sevll princes who seem willing to sign it also.

The F. K. refuses to restore ye Bp of Strasbr tho by his help he gaind ye city alledging he promised ye inh[ab]it[ant]s to make no Impositions upon ym.

Yesterday ye K went down ye river to woolwich to see ye last Algerine prize & was splendidly treated on board her

Last week an Eng vessell was cast away near Dover & all men being 19 drownd.

On Tuesday night Knevet hastings & another of ye same sr name kinsmen of ye Ld Huntingdom went to Peters Coffee hous in covent garden

& tore down ye D. of Ms vindication touching wt had pasd bet him & ye sd E. & after sevl reflexions on ye D. told peter if he put up another he would break his head The D. of M. having notice of it wthin half an hour sent ye Ld Colchester to ye E. for satisfacon by sending his kinsmen to beg his pdon or that he wth ym woud fight ye D. Ld Colchester & Sr Tho. Armstrong ye E. sd yt they did not tare [?] it by his ordr & he coud not fight till Thursday becaus he had some prliminaries to adjust meaning settle his estate but ye Ld Col telling him it woud take air yey agreed to meet next morn at fox hall but ye Ld next morn as ye D. was dressinge 2 hastings came in & sd That ye Ld Huntingdon had sent them to beg his pdon wch yey did & were sorry for wt yey had don Sr Tho Armstrong & mr John Trenchard being prnt

The grand jury is sumond to meet on Thursday ye Cot being to be yr held & Sr Sam Bernardston is forman

Mr Graham is answrng wilkinsons narat.

The Ld Rochester dyd this week at Adderly in Oxon & ye family is extinct.

The 2 Childr laid at Dr Oates door are dead

Thomson ye printer was this day assaulted by ye Rable in fleetstreet & after being beaten got home.

This night ye pope was carryd thro ye city attended wth Jesuits & c yn burnt in Smithfield

[A name appears in another hand on outside of letter]

L. c. 1150 Lond. 9ber 19. 81

On Thursday night a barbers journeyman in Chancery lane having 18 doz of serpents abt him they all took fire & sadly burnt him At ye burning of ye pope ye people cryd God blesse ye K. D. of M. E of Sh & Capt wilkinson ye D. of M. was at ye crown tavern & to avoid being hallowed home by ye croud set his servt at ye foredoor & went out at ye back.

The Ld Mayr hath given mony & cloth to 12 young men to pick up wenches & bring ym to him who sends 'em to Bridewell.

They talk of one Dr Thomson who will come agt ye E of Sh of Thursday ye Grand jury have all been plt men among whom are sr Pat Ward Aldrman Love mr papilion & Duboyce.

On Thursday night Capt Parker followd by Brewer Blackston & Billingsly came into peters Coffee hous & tore down ye D. of Ms vindication wch had been ye 2d time pasted up & being told ye Ld Herbert put it up he ansd tell him I pulld it down ye next morn ye 2 hastings came to Peters & let a pap in it denying ye Submission sd to be made by ym to ye D. of M. for pulling it down ye 1st time & justifying what was don agt any yt durst question ym upon wch a duell was designd bet ye Lds Herbert & Colchester & Coll Godfrey one side & Parker & ye 2 hastings on ye other but ye K having notice confind ye Ld Herbert in his hous ye rest coud not be found

The Muscov Embr is expected here on Monday The K having ordrd his coaches to attend yn at ye towr

Some diffrences bet ye Inh[ab]itant[s] of Lyn regis were last council day settled.

yesterday was a hearing before ye Comte of councill for trade bet ye Muscov & greenland marchts abt ye oyle trade but some principally concernd being absent it was deferd till Monday.

Last thursday one of ye Qs troop wrestled wth one of ye Ks footgaurds before ye K in St James park but night aproching ye decision was deferd till next week.

The Smirna fleet hath brought an Adrsse of thanks for ye Ks declar signd by ye Eng Factory at Leghorn

Abt 50 officrs this week arrested Sr Philip Hord at ye Ship tavern

wthout Temple bar & carryd him to ye prsse yard

L. c. 1151 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond No: the 22th 81

Levallion & Broghill (2 of the Irish Ruffians) haveing wth others in paris fallen upon som Eng Gent (whoe ye night before being in the next Room to them & not knowing them after drinking the Ks Qs & D of Ys health proposed Doctor Oats) ye Eng were to hard for them; but they Crying out the heritick doggs will Murdr us, some ff papists helping them the Eng were wounded & hasted to their Lodgings where they were advisd to goe Imediatly for Eng there being a designe to Murdr them, & they arrived here last week

A Certifficate under Walker the Clerk of the parliamts hand, yt E Tyrone was Impeached, Tho ye Attorney Gen told the Court on Monday yt he was not being dd to ye L: CJ on Satturday the Tipstaff was sent for for ye E was in bed at ye Mr of ye Gate House he not haveing pd his fees, The E being brought into Court, was Comitted again to the Gatehouse & his Baile the E of Anglesey & Ld Longford were discharged

K Ed: the 2ds Queen haveing founded St Kathrins Hospitall & Impowered ye Qs of Eng to appoint Mrs Sr Robt Atkins got a Grant of the Reversion some years since, but ye Ld Bruncker getting a grant of it imediatly uppon Mr Montegue the late Mrs death last vacation, There was yesterday a tryal & it appearing by Records yt it was not in the Qs power to grant Reversion the cause went for his Lp

A tryall was allsoe yesterday bet ye K & a Gent whoe was Sued for building his House to near ye Tower but he proveing the Land it stood upon his own the Cause went for him

Some Gent at Westmstr being at play Quarreld the one Refusing to lend the other money & a Duell was yesterday fought bet 4 & 4 Gent & after 2 or 3 were wounded they were parted

+Sargt Walcot was yesterday knighted & made C Justice of North Wales in the Room of Sr Kenderick Eaton whoe dyed lately.

+Tis said Mr Sidney is Married to ye Lady Ogle

+Letters from Bristol give an account of great feuds there Occassioned by the late Choice of Magistrats.

+The Muscovia Embr wth his Retinue in ffurrs passed thro this City in ye Ks Coaches.

+This day was a Tryall bet the East India Company & the Interloper lately Seized & the latter haveing the better, a Wart wch was sent to Seiz another Interloper was Stopt.

The names of ye grand Jury for thursday are

Sr Sam. Bernardiston	formen	Mich. Godfrey	Gabr. Whitly	Wright
Sr Pat. Ward		John fflavell	Cha. Bascavill	Cox
Aldrman Love		---- Smith	Peter Hubland	Gardner
Tho: papilion		Jos: Richdson	Edwin	Emson
Cha: Leigh		John Lane	Godfrey	Kenrick
Leon: Robison		Wm Hall	Mellis	Ashurst
John Petersen			Bevill	Carpenter

Last night a Lieutenant of the Ks going thro Ks Street Westm some blades endeavoring to take away his wife from him wounded him so yt he is caryd home dangerously ill

L. c. 1152 Lond 9ber 24. 81

This morn a Judge of each Court went down to Westmstr where haveing 2 or 3 Motions they arose, & then the whole 12 went to ye Old Baylie where a great many psons of quallity as well as Comon Sort waited for them The Cort being Sat, sent for ye Jury & they were Empanneled & Sworn: The Indictment agt the E of Shaftsbury was Read & 10 Witnesses of 14 yt were present was Sworne. There Evidence was generally a like vizt,

That his Lordp had imparted to him that he designed a Comon wealth & in Ordr thereto would Seize and Depose the K Then a paper (wch Mr Gunn [?]) Swor was taken out of the Trunk ye Ld Shafts locked up when it was Carried up to ye Councill) was read, the purport of wch was that upon the prorogation of the Oxford parliamt an Association should be made & some prnciple of ye Membrs should Govern till another was calld, Then ye Cort adiourned, & as the Witnesses went out ye people Shouted & hooted & threw dirt at them, uppon wch one Mr Burton promised to sent for 2 Companies of ye Ks foot Guards Dr Oats went to ye Queens Arms where he said rather then the Witnesses should com there, he would fill the House wth porters about 2 a Clock ye Court mett & the Witnesses Seperatly Cross Examd but agreed in most things very litle Contradicting each other Smith Complained yt Dr Oats man had Assaulted him, but the Dr said he knew nothing of it nor wch of his men it was for he kept 5 or 6, Smith being askt wt Contryman he was whither Eng: or Irish he was; refused to Answear Cheif Justice North repeated ye paper aforesaid & said it tended to Treason, The Jury askt the Court whither they might not Examin the Witnesses as to their being Guilty of Coyning ffelony & C J p told them yt if they were Informed of any such thing they search Records at last abt 7 a Clock the Jury desired the Statut book might be Carried up wth them wch ye Court unwillingly agreed

The Jury were under Consideration of the whole matter & were not Returned by 9 this not [sic] & its sd they will not give in their [verdict?] till tomorrow Morn, But its generall thought they bring in Ignoramus:

[Note near address of letter:] Leave this Letter at the Three Cupps In Holborn to Sent Uxbridge to Sr Rich: Newdigate

L. c. 1153 Lond No: the 26th 81

+The Witnesses were last night before the Councill & Compaind of ill usage at ye old Baylie 3 of them were discharged from Sallery and attendance, They talk of Inditting ye Sheriffs for a Riot

The Ld Shaftsbury haveing his Habeas Corpus will be brought wth the rest to ye Ks Bench Barr & Bayled.

Mr Thelwell Succeeds Sr: Thomas Walcott in his welch Judges office

A Gent hath sent a Letter from Dublyn yt ffitzgeralds wife told him yt her Husband wth others were hired & had Instructions for making a prisbiterian plot.

Some of the Witnesses haveing [about eight letters blotted] they could Swear Treasonable words agt Sheriff Shute upon inquiry it was found they mistooke him for his brother whoe is since dead

The E of Argile is brought over to take the Test & is to be discharged

Macharneys Outlawry was yesterday Reversd an Irish man Swearing he had been Sick at paris ever Since the proclamation for his coming In was published till he came over however he was Recomitted & will Suddenly be tryd

Bradly plunkets Companion was yesterday tryd & acquitted, ye witnesses yt were brought agt speaking more for him then agt him

They talk of prferring a bill agt ye E of Sh on Monday to a Midx Jury.

The evidences yt are dischargd are going to Ireld.

Sevll proposalls have been latly made to ye Comte of Councill for farming ye Irish revenue but not being likd tis uncertein whether it will be farmd or Comrs apted.

Sevll Burghers of Luxembr are gon out & Garrison are resolvd to defend it to ye utmost a recruit is Coming to 'em convoyd wth a pty of Hors & Mr Lambert Comandr of ye F forces hath given ordr to charge them sent for 2000 Men more

+The Muscov Embr having audience on Thursday desired a free trade & a firm

league might be settled

L. c. 1154 Lond No: ye 29th 81

+Yesterday the Ld Shaftsbury Howard Mr Wilmore & Whittaker were brought from the Tower Mr Wilson my Lds Gent from ye Gatehouse & Mr Witherige to ye Ks Bench barr & baill, for the first The Ld Russell Sr Wm Cooper Mr Montegue & Charleton were baile & for ye Second ye Ld Kent, Clare, Herbert, & Grey, & for ye rest Sufficient Comoners, The D of Monmouth wth Severall peeres there prsented in a list to ye Ld Shafts: to be his Bail, but he Refusd them Saying he would have only his Own Kindred, The Ld Shaftsbury at ye barr made a Speech vindicating himselfe & beginning to Reflect on the Witnesses, But ye L. C. J. desired him to forbear, it not being proper its thought he would have been discharged had not the Attorney Gent refused to Consent to the desire, The Ld Shafts payd ye Leut of ye Tower his ffees, but ye Ld Howard wth ye rest Refused wth ye rest saying to him when he dund him what am I taken by an Algerein yt I must pay my Ransom, soe the Leut hath given Ordr to an Attorney to Sue them & they likewise Attorneys to defend it & its said he cannot Recover any thing, They all except the last dind wth ye Lord pagitt, near the Hall, & then went to their Severall Houses, There was a great Shout at their being in the Hall

On Sunday the Ld Mayor waited on his Matie whoe Ordrd him to send the Leutennants to him next Morn whoe accordingly attended his Mats pleasure & were Ordrd to send out strong Guards to prvent bonfires, The Ld Mayor made proclamation allso, that ther[e] should be none made & Six Companies of Train bands were out all night, & the Watch was doubled in City & Subberbs wch effectually prvented bonfires making, Harvey the Marchant this is [?] in Newgate is like to fare worse then the aforesaid Severall Credible Citizens saying they must be forct for their own Security to Witness agt him he haveing spoke Treason Severall times in their Company

yesterday sr wm Goring & other papists movd to have yr bail dischargd but yey refuseing to take ye oathes of Alleg & c yr bail was continued

mr Proby is made Residt of ye Cot at Luxembr

Notice being given to ye Condemd priests in newgate to prpare for ye banishmt to Ceylon in ye West indies [sic] Marshall & Cocker have petitiond ye K. yt yey had rather be executed yn go thither.

The Governr of Tanger having by ye mediation of yre Alcade Omers reconcild ye Xeriff to ye Empr waited upon him wth 30 hors to ye Estrade where ye Alcades brother meeting ym ye Governr declard yt if ye Empr had not by his Oath promsd ye Xeriffs pdon & he been willing to return he woud not have dd him

The Comrs of ye Customes have sent lrs to ye ports to turn out all officrs yt refuse ye test & going to church.

+sr No tryals [?] or any thing else worth sending are yet come out but wn yey do yey shall be sent by sr / yo[u]r most humble servt / ff G. -

L. c. 1155 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. 10ber 1st 81

Thomson ye printer hath brought an Inform in ye crown office agt Charlton for beating him.

The Ld Sh went this morn into Dorsetsh having ordrd a cons [?] to be brought agt mr Graham Burton & c for a Conspiracy agt his life Capt wilkison & his wife being his witnesses 2 or 3 witnesses were last night arrested & comted on ye Same act. tis sd his Ldsp will sue ye Ld Clarendon on ye same act some psons of Quality have been to beg ye Ld Shs pdon for aping agt him he having been misreprnted to him [sic].

The K hath ordrd the Attor Genll to sue ye Comrs for disband ye late army yey not having adiusted yr acts

Last night ye K. sent for ye cheif of ye East indea & Turkey Company

& ordrd ym to call a Cot & bring a writing undr yr seal to stand to ye Ks arbitracon of yr diffrences.

The Hampshire lies ready to bring ovr ye Embr of fez hither & another vessell to bring over his prnts.

The Span plate fleet is arrivd but has made an inconsiderable voyage. Sevll recruits is come to Flars from Madrid.

Last Sunday ye Ks Messengers wth Constables waited At ye Forreign minrs chappells to take up all Eng yt come thither

Mr Mackerny having been arraigned a day is apted next term for his tryall.

L. c. 1156 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond 10ber ye 3d 81

Letters arrived on Thursday from Holland giving an account of a Complicated plot agt the prince of Orange, to poyson Seize & blow him, But Letters Since Say yt it was only a designe of some ffrench men to Spirit away the Earle of St pauls whoe being a Native ff man had writt Severall books agt the ffrench Interest & Retired to Amsterdam, The ff: K: haveing promised Millions of Crownes to any that should bring him back.

Tis said yt the Councill in Scotland intends to Extend the D of Monmouths Lands there for Refusing the Test

We hear yt a Quo warranto for Inspecting the City Charters is issued out

The ff: K: being incensed att ye Spanierds attacquing the ff: fforces near Luxenburg has given Ordr yt it be Closs beseiged, but they haveing lately recd Recruits they will hold out long The Dutch of Mo: is coming hither from F

Mr Saywell returning yesterday from Ireland gave an account to ye Councill of his haveing dd the Irish Witnesses safe to the D of Ormond & is to Conduct the rest that are here thither allsoe & its said the Councill hath allready Ordered it

+This morn about 5 a Clock a ffire broke out in a Stillers House in the Old Baylie. the ffire catching the Spirits as they were Stilling, his House only is burnt, but his Neighbours 2 Houses are much damnefied, Dr Daffee famous for his Elizer Lodging in the House was burnt as allsoe one of the Stillers Children wth the Smoak for them [?] to Lett fall his wife leaping out of ye window 2 p of staires broke her back & leg & since falling into Labr is believd by this time dead

L. c. 1157 Lond 10ber ye 6th 81

Last week a duell was fought bet Col Churchill & Mr Baker wth 2ds but were parted wthout harm.

On Sunday night the Ld Kingston Lord Hundsdon wth Capt Billingsley & about 12 more went from Wills Coffee House to peters in Coven Garden to affront the Whiggs, where they lookt about ye Room, & Cryed God dam all Whiggs for Rogues & Sons of Whores, but noe body Speaking to them they took hold of one peachy a Tayler as he was going & askt him whither he was a Whigg or a Tory & he Cryeing a Whigg they burnt his perriwig & Billingsly kicked him down Staires, of wch he threatens to Complain to ye Councill

They came again last night abt 5 & had they stayed long they had met a party of Whiggs to Incounter them

Capt: Markarte haveing told ye Ld Nuburgh that ye Ld Kingsale had said that when they were at Oxford together he used to beat the Ld Nuburgh till he Cryed, upon it ye Ld Nuburgh sent a Challenge to the Ld Kingsale, & the duell was fought this day Col Churchill & Capt: Sarsfeild be Seconds & after 2 or 3 of them were wounded, was parted

+Its said the Ld Hide is to goe Embassidr for poland.

+The 12th instant is appointed for the Tryall of the Ld Argile for Refusing the Test.

+Severall Conferences have been lately wth the D Embr wth wch he seems much pleasd but the Result is kept Secret Letters from Holland say that the occasion of the late Rancounter bet the Garrison of Luxemburgh & the ff: was that the Governor haveing Ordrd some Dragoons to fetch faggots from an adjacent Wood, ye ff forbid them, but the Dragoons psuing their ordr the ff tooke som of them prisoners upon wch the Governor sent out a party whoe took them & 40 horses.

The ffan: ffan arriving from Jernsey gives acct that the Governr thereof had advise yt the ff: K: hath layd an Imbargo upon all ye Dutch Ships

Wee hear yt Capt Wilkinsons Creditors have Compounded wth him kindly Remitting of a great part of their debts

+Sr pray favour me soe much as to let me know when you are returned to Arbury, That I may send you a parcell of books yt are ready for you wth the whole proceedings agt the Ld Shaftsbury

L. c. 1158 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond 10ber 8 81

The Span Ambr [?] was latly arrested for 200 L by one mr Batersby & mr Pierce ye Ks Surgeon for cure of a clap & he compling to ye Councill ye plts were sent for to ye Councill & by ye K ordrd to discharge him & beg his pdon wch yey accordingly did but he rung mr Batersbys nose almost off.

Capt Sarsfield is dead of his wounds recd from Coll Kirk on Tuesday.

We hear yt yesterday one of ye 4 Ruffians who lain some time private abt town was run thro in a quarell

Last night Complt was made to ye councill of ye pcedings at peters Coffee hous on Sunday.

The Winds have of late been so stormy yt sevll small vessels are cast away & others kept wind bound

yesterday ye Dutch Dowager of Richmond was convicted of recusancy.

mr Rouse yn movd to be dischargd & Mr ward clerk of ye crown office being calld & askd if any thing to say why he might not answered yt he might be dischargd.

yesterday a wart was servd upon Curtis for printing Scandalous reflections on ye Ld Berkly vizt yt he killd a man & c as he was begining his voyage his Ldp intending to force him upon Scandal magn

Lrs from Marseilles say yt ye Algerines have taken 17 F mercht men & yt yey have fitted out 3 Gallions & added ym to yr fleet wch is abt 18 vessels & given strict ordrs to psue ye F. & are resolvd to make peace wth ye Eng.

The F have in retaliation for ye Spands deteining yr 40 hors plundrd all ye towns from Dunkirk even to Bruges gates & carryd yr plundr to sell at yere.

The Dutch of portsm being advisd to drink ye waters of Bourbon for her health intends for F. next spring

some talk of a plt suddenly & others of ye D. of ys coming hither

L. c. 1159 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond 10br 10th 81

The D of Monmouth yesterday resignd his pattent of Mr of ye hors to his Matie (whoe dd it to the D of Richmond) the D of M haveing 7 or 8000 L for it, after wch he met wth the other Governors of the Charterhouse.

The Muscoven Embr last Sunday Refused to goe to ye Greek Church because he thought the Ks Coach wch was assigned him not good enough upon wch notice being given to Sr Steven ffox he sent to his Excellency to bear wth it yt time & he should have a better on the morrow, but never a Coach being assignd for his preists Sr Steven not knowing they went wth him his Excellency would not let them goe in a Hackny Coach, so yt had not a Gent coming by obliegd them wth his Coach their devotion would have been Spoild

3 posts a missing from Holland 4 from fflandrs & 2 from ff:

Ordr was yesterday sent to Edinburgh yt if the E of Argile should be

found Guilty, Sentence should be delayd till his Maties pleasure was known

As the Ld p. Seal was going on Wensday to W Hall the Guards told his Coachman they would knock him down if he did not stay till they were gon by, but his Lp looking out bid him drive on & the Officer knowing him mischeif was prvented

yesterday Baines was arrested at ye Ld Shafts Suit & by habeas Corpus Removed himself to ye Ks bench Booth hath severall actions layd upon him since Ld Shafts inlargemt soe yt it is beleived he is a prsnor for his life, Graham hath given Bayle to the Ld Shafts action whoe were Mr Burton & Lilly Attorneys of Cliffords Inn The Ld Shafts is bringing his action agt one Cradock for saying, for all the Ignoramus Juries he would prove him a Traytor

The Mayr of Sandwich last night prsented his peticon to the Councill & was Ordrd to goe home & live peaceably, Complaint haveing been made agt him.

+This day sat the Lds of the Comtee for Trade.

+Notice being given to ye Councill yt a Duell was intended bet the Earl of Huntington the 2 Hastings & the Ld Herbert Sr Thomas Armstrong & Col Godfrey, a Summons was sent to the Earl to appear yesterday but did not However we hear not that they have fought

The discourse of a parliamt increases & that the D of Y: will come & take his place in the House

Sr I could have sent you the whole pceeds agt the Ld Shaftsbury com out by ordr wth the 2d part of noe protestant plot allsoe the Memories of the life & vindication of the E Shafts allsoe the Conviction of the Irish Witnesses price 8 s [?] but I fear you may have them allready being then soe near as Uxbridge But when ever you please to send me word I shall send them or any other yt you desire / Sr Yo[u]r most humble & / obedient Servant / ffra: Gay

L. c. 1160 Lond 10br 13th 81

On Thursday night Sr Thomas Styles son, & Sr Oliver St Johns son, Intimate freinds quarreld at a Coffee house in Chancery Lane one averring ye others dish to be bigger then his, & being made freinds again they went to ye Tavern where words arising Mr St Johns ran the other into ye brest, on wch ye Surgion laying a plaster & saying it was slight he went abroad ye next day & catching cold dyed on Satturday Mr St Johns is in the presse gard.

yesterday a duell was fought bet ye Ld Gererd of Bromly & Mr philip Darcy principles & the Ld Dunblain & Mr Hill Seconds & after the Ld Gererd was wounded in the Groin they were parted

The Ld Shaftsbury going to St Laurance near Guild Hall on Sunday catchd & was very ill.

One Mr Alexandr Minister in Sussex hath been Summond before the Dellegats for mantaining pop tenents & saying that o[u]r Religion came out of Harry the 8ths Codpeece &c: They would have suspended him had it been their power, However they have Ordrd him to doe pennance next Sunday at his own Church & preach a Recantation Sermon.

The Lady ffelton & the Countess of Suffolk ar dying they formerly being Struck blind deaf & Lame

Sargt Sympson dyed lately; The Ld of Dorset is very sick at paris & very like to dye.

The Ld Shafts is soe well Recovered yt this day he & the Skinners Company dined wth Sheriff pilkington the Ld Shafts being free of that Company

Justice Warcup hides for fear of the Ld Shafts action

The Coroners Jury upon Mr Styles have found it Murder

+upon notice yt the Mayor of Dover Suffers 3 Convinticles in the Town of

Quakers Anabaptists &c The K hath sent them a Letter to Surpress them,
The K hath Ordrd pt of New Bridwell to be assignd to the poorer sort of
ff protestants to Exercise their Trade in.

+The Governor of Newport upon the descent of the ff forces into yt Contry
opened his Sluces wch doing the ff much damage, The ff Embr demanded
Satisfaction the p of parma whoe in answer demanded Satisfaction for
the ff Ks invading the Spanish Territories

The ff: K. haveing pposed to his Councill to debate whither he
should declare War agt ye Algereins, whither wthdraw his forces from
Luxenburgh, & how to proceed upon the Spanish, & laying an Embargo on
ye ff Ships, Have Resolved affirmativly on the 2 first & as to ye last
have Ordered yt noe ff ships goe into the Spanish ports;

+o[u]r K is Erecting an Hospitall for Maimed Souldrs

L. c. 1161 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. 10ber 15. 81

yesterday ye D of Grafton Ld Hide & other psons of honr dind wth
ye Ld Mayr & ye officrs of ye Artillery (of wch yey talk of making ye
D. leader) & it being discoursd yt ye K. intended to put ye laws in
Execution agt dissenters ye sd Mayr said he hopd it woud not be for he
traded wth sevl of ym who owing him mony he shoud be in danger of losing
it howevr ye K. in ye afternoon sent for ye Ld Mayr & ordrd him to do it
& a Com. Councill is suddenly to be held to consult abt it.

mr Johnson is made paymr of ye Souldrs & treasurer of ye money collected
for employing ye poor F. protests

Sr G. Jeffries & 4 of ye city councill made intrest to succeed
Serjt Simson in his place of Judge of ye Sheriffs Cot

The Countesse of Suffolk dying on Monday night her daughter ye Lady
Felton dyd on tuesday night.

Cradock was arrested on Tuesday by ye Ld Sh in an accon of 6000 L
& baid by mr Robins & Bedingfield ye wollen drap & his Lop. is bringing
his acon agt mr Grimes & Burton

Two Embrs from ye Empr of morocoe having a joynt Comission set sail
from Tanger 3 weeks since for Engld

The names of ye Cheif at mr vincent's meeting on sunday are returnd
into ye crown office

The F. intendant at Courtray hath demanded Satisfacon for ye governrs
pulling up ye Sluices & yt ye F. may have free passage thro Ghent & yt
30000 livres be pd him for ye damage don to ye F. at Luxemb.

F. lrs say yt 10000 men are coming from Spain To Flars & yt. ye. F.
K. hath ordrd 40 troops of hors to be raisd & 20 Comp of foot & allows
7000 livres for raising each troop & 15000 for each Comp yey add yt Canary
hath made a descent into St Maloes & taken a considrable booty as also
a great F. ship.

L. c. 1162 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond 10br ye 17th 81

+Yesterday we had advice from Bruxells yt the Extravagant demands of the
ff are very Surprizing to all mankind for the Mareshell D Humeirs not
content wth his Hostill iruption into fflandrs his plundering ye
Inhabitants & Carrying away their Cattle, Hath by his Letter Signiefied
to ye States of yt province, that if they doe not intend to put him to
ye trouble of another vissit they must speedily pay him Sixty Thousand
florins for Reparation of the late action that happned near Luxenburgh,
Thirty 3 Livers for the charge he was at, to com & pillige them

Yesterday There came a ffresh Ordr to ye Ld Mayor from the K: to put
ye Laws in Execution agt all Dissenters, Information haveing been given
yt a Brisbeterian Ministr on Sunday Refused to obey the Constable &c whoe
went into ye meeting House bidding him com down in the Ks name

ffrom Edingburgh we hear that ye Councill have Recd a Letter from
the K. to Deferr ye Tryall of the Earle of Argile

The difference between the Empr & the Malecontents of Hungaria, being adiusted we Expect next post will bring us the Conclusion of a ffirm peace between them

The new Cittadal of Strasburgh & the other at ffort Kiel are all most ffinished & the River will by the assistance of a ff Engineer in three monthes time be made Navigable.

+The ff forces are withdrawn from Luxemburgh & gon to Block up Namur, The ff: K. haveing Ordrd 10000 men more to be sent to them, On Thursday last diverse Quakers were Baptized at St Margarets Westmstr, & next week more will be Baptized.

Letters from Bermudus say, That by reason of 2 or 3 most tirrorable Herecanes most of the plantations there are Spoyled.

L. c. 1163 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond. 10ber 20. 81

The young E. of Northton is made Ld Lieut. of Warwickshire &, it is to be executed by ye E. of Denbigh till he comes of age

On Sunday night an express was sent to Scotld yt ye Cot should proceed to give Sentence agt ye E. of Argile but defer ye execucion till his mates pleasure was further known & since an expresse thither its sd wth a pdon for him.

The Chusing of a Judge in Symsons place being deferd till he shoud be interrd to morrow new officrs are chosen thro out ye City & wth in 3 or 4 days a Comon councill will be calld abt this & other affairs

On Sunday no meetings were disturbd but sevll psons observd to take ye names of Cheif of ye Congregation & yr minrs in ordr to return ym in yr crown office & Levy ye penaltys upon yr estates.

Mor de Chanilly governr of Strasbr hath contrary to ye F. Ks promise pulld down all yr chains & posts

Sevll troops of F. marching towards Cologne causes aprnsion yt yey intend to Surprize it as yey did Strasbr.

Sr Leoline Jenkins lys very ill of an ague

On Sunday severall of the rabble threw stones into mr Baxters [?] meeting hous in ffetter Lane wch hurt sevll people one of wch tis thought will dye

Graham hath removd ye Ld Shs accon into ye Comon pleas

This day Curtis was summond to appear before a Comte of Councill

Tomson having scandalizd sr wm ffranklin made ye accon [?] of late Burges for B-- in his Intel: 10thber ye 1st this day yey were before ye Ld C. J. Pem: where mr Simson pleaded yt his svant who recd all his lrs are [about eight leters illegible] soe ye farther hearing was put off

A letter being yesterday brought by a Porter to Tomson wth sr Rob: Claytons name To it intimating yt he had got his estate by cheating & desiring all to come in whom he had been concernd with & receive Compensacon ye Porter being seizd was arrgd before Sr Rob: who sent him to Sr wm Turner where he discovering a prisonr in ye fleet to be [six letters illegible] was discharged

Turbervill the witnessse dyed on sunday leaving his Confession wth a Minister of ye Church of England wch is said to confirm all he ever exposed [?]

L. c. 1164 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond 10br ye 22th 81

This day the Adressers of St Martines Le Grand being about 50 Dined together & Sr Tho Bludworth Sr Jonathan Ramont Sr George Gefferies & Sargt price dined wth them, The K haveing sent them a Buck & a halfe

Yesterday was a Quarrill at Longs in the HayMarket bet 4 Lords & Mr Billingsly Capt parker & 2 more of the Life Guards but people coming in upon drawing their Swords Mischeife was prevented.

The Sentence of the Earle of Argile is deferrd & his plea Signd by Sr George Lorbard & is taken into Consideration of the Councill to see

if there be cause to Comitt them

yesterday the Comon Councill were Chosen Genrally being Church of England men.

The ff: K. resolves to Chuse o[u]r K Arbitrator bet him & the Span K. touching alost, he hath given Ordr to fit out 12 ships of 24 & 8 of 40 Guns at Thoulone agt the Algerines whoe much infest them, & the Chancellor of ff: & Mounsr vilaroy are Comrs for the delivering out the Comissions

The 2 Macknamarras were yesterday taken at the Suit of a Woolen draper for debt & Since they were in Newgate The Earle of Shaftsbury & Rouse have layd their Actions on them Rouses is for debt John Macknamarra was taken in bed wth Mrs peacock ffitzharris Mayd they going for man & wife in Coven Garden

Comrs yt were Ordrd to Inquire into ye Citty Charter haveing made their Report a Quo Warranto was yesterday served of Sheriffe pilkington. Mr Starkey lately Burgess whoe broke the Goale of Windsor was on Tuesday night taken & Comitted to Newgate.

+Leut Wren whose Capt was killd in fighting 5 Algerenes this week was prsented to the K who gave him a Gold Chaine & Medall.

+upon Information yt a Barne was Erecting at Windsor for a Conventicle the K sent Ordr to ye Mayor to Surpress it, Yesterday a Councill agreed to put the laws in Execution agt Dissenters by the Civill power & not Military, & Sr Rich How were calld in & Reproved for not proceeding agt the Meetings in Southwark, the K saying yt he was Satisfied of the Loyalty of the 2 last parliamts & if they would not Continue soe he would put in them yt should, upon wch they promised to pforme their duties