

L. c. 1778 London 26th ffebr 1686

+We are certainly told that Parliamt will sit at the time Appointed & that his Maty will use the Ancient Custom to call Divers Gent by writt to the Lds house which was the former usage of Creating Barons & not by Pattent

Greate endeavrs have been & still are to Influence for his Matys service

Our Scotch letters of the 19th Instant say that on the 18th A proclamation was Issued for Liberty of Conscience which was that afternoon Proclaimed there

On Thursday the Ecclesll Council sate & dr Elliot of Dukes place was suspended Ab officie Benefice

The Ld Chancellor Intends to goe Into the Country on Monday next

This day the Prince & Ps of Denmarke Came to Whitehall Some say they Intend A vissitt into Holland this summer & thence another into Denmarke

The Heer Dichvelt the Dutch envoy is Extreamly satisfied of the Assurances his Maty hath given of observing Inviolably the league that is betwixt them & Its said hath Proposed to the King for the Imediate Accomodating the Affaire of Bamtam that o[u]r Company & theirs shall have jointly the whole Pepper trade By which they may soe Advance the Comodity that each Company may pay their Respective Govermts 200000 L Sterling yearly

The English officers that Attempted on Sr Robt Payton are Pardoned & Restored to their Comands

+Yest wee had Certain Advice that the Spanish with 4 ships Came to North Carolina landed & Burnt many houses &c & with some Booty got aboard Againe The Cheife hurt they did happened to the Scotch Planters since which that Govermt have given out Comissions of Reprizalls to severall Buckaneers

Yest o[u]r Session ended where the provo Marshall was Acquitted but 7 recd sentence of death of which 4 woman to be burnt for Clipping

L. c. 1779 London 1st March 1686

+Our last scotch letters brought the Proclamation for Liberty of Conscience in which severall Acts of Parliamt were dispensed with, In Lieu of the Test another oath enjoyned, ffeild Conventicles forbidden &c

And that 30 taken at A feild Conventicle were that day brought to Edinbrough & Comitted

The oath is to the effect following

To owne his sacred Maty as supream Governr over all persons & in all Causes

That they shall never Rise In Armes Agt him upon any Pretext whatsoever but shall mantaine & defend him his heires & lawfull successrs in their soveraigne Power

This day is Come forth in Print his Matyes order for Regulating the musters

That all the forces shall be mustered 12 times A year at least

That their Pay dayes shall be the first dayes of January March May July Septembr & Novembr

That if A Lieut Cornet or Ensigne discover his Capt hath made A false muster he shall have A Reward & the Capt Cashiered if a sergt or corporall doe it he shall have 50 L if any other person 40 L if he be A soldier his discharge if desired

severall in and Abt London haveing suffered by distresses on Accompt of meetings or Proofe thereof to mr Brent of the Temple have got their moneys Againe out of the hands in which it was Illegally lodged & Almost dayly Applications & Proofs are made in order to the

same Oates having been A long time Confined to his Chamber hath now the Liberty of the Prison

mr ffitzJames is preparing for Hungary whither he goes with A Trayne of 500 of which are to be 100 of his Maties guards

Tis said dr James mr of queens Colledg in Oxford is nominated Bp of St Davids

Last Sunday the vicechancellr & heads of the university of Cambridge Attended the Councell at Whitehall but we have not the Event

This day is A discourse of A new Ld Privy Seals & that the Ld Comburies Regemt is given to another

Our fforeign letters Confirme the death of Count Teckley

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

L. c. 1780 London 3rd March 1686

+The Proceedings at the drs Comons between the E of Stamford & his Countesse are almost Ready for Publication & Its said that scarce anything Can be more smutty

His Maty having Assured the Hudsons Bay Company of his Protection It hath Caused their Auctions (which were from 400 reduced to under 100) to Advance Agayne to 250 L p Cent

This morning the K Rode into Essex to Hunt When his Maty was there on Saturday In the eager Pursuit of the Game his Maty Recd some small hurt in his face with A Bough & mr ffitzJames was throwne off his horse

This night the E of Clarendon Came to Whitehall being mett by the E of Northampton & many others of the Nobility & Gentry & very Honourably Conducted into towne

We have Reports of many Removes at Court Campe &c

Its said sr Jo: Chicheley Chancellr of the dutchy was yesterday Removed also that Henry savile Esqr vicechamberlain Resigned the Key & that Coll Porter will succeed

Its supposed the Ld Walgrave hath the Ld Comburies Regemt of dragoons But we hear not who will be the Ld Privy seale in Place of the E of Clarendon

The Paris Gazett sayes severall of the disciples of dr Du Moulin were seized by the Inquisition & Comitted to Prison in order to be Prosecuted for their Heresy

They write from Geneva that Abt 2000 of the Protestants of Piedmont Arrived there in A very sad Condition for want of Cloaths being Almost naked That 85 were starved in the way by the snow Those Magestrates Recd them very Kindly Cloathing & Refreshing them & then sent them into switzerland Abt 3000 more are also Exspected at Geneva

+Its Conjectured there will be An Agreement between the Emper[olr] & ffrance & then the Emper[olr] will be At Liberty to Prosecute the Turkes, Greate Preparations are makeing in Germany Poland venice &c & Advices say the Turkes are In A very bad Condition to oppose them

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L.c. 1781 London 5th March 1686

+Its the Currant Report that his Maty will send out A Proclamation for Liberty of Conscience throughout England Also that the parliamt will sit on the 28th of Aprill

Our Irish letters of the 24th past brought A proclamation to this effect

Whereas wee are Informed severall have been very Industrious to suggest as if wee his Matys Governrs Intended to governe otherwise then by the knowne Law of the land & as if some should stand in Hazzard of being disturbed in their just Rights & Properties, which Reports have been Heightened & Incurred by some few fiery spiritts in the Pulpitts without the least ground &c

ffor quietting the minds of the people &c

Wee the Ld deputy & Councill doe hereby Publish & declare that all his Matys subjects in this his Kingdome of what persuasion Religion or degree soever shall be Protected in their just Rights & Properties & in the free Exercise of their Religion Provided they Persevere in their duty & Alleigance without giveing occasion of any disturbance to the Peace of the Kingdome

Tis said sr Chr Musgrave is Removed from his office in the Tower & Chr Musgrave Esqr from being one of the Clerks of the Councill

The Report that Teckley was dead is A mistake & only from the Idle Report of a deserter

Our fforeign letters say the Emper[o]r & other allies have Totally Rejected the Turneing the Truce into A peace & the Emper[o]r has ordered 10 Regmts to March toward Alsatia

The Proceedings in ffrance Agt the Protestants are Pursued with all dilligence & in those Countries where the Protestants were most numerous there Appear the Reall marks of Extreame poverty & dispeopleing

+Some hundreds of ffrench Protestants are lately Arrived at ffalmouth

L.c. 1782 London 8th March 1687

+Many haveing taken dispensations of mr Brent of the Temple, Last Lds day severall meeting houses were open besides the quakers & Publick Preaching at that in Barbican Called mr Plants the Baptist who were more then 2000 in the Assembly & in Rosemakers [sic] Alley &c Proportionably

Our letters from Edenbrough of the 1st instant say that of those 30 taken at A feild Conventicle & brought Prisoners thither some were discharged & of the Rest Refuseing the oath were to be Prosecuted Criminally

Yesterday sr Jo: Lydcott parted hence for Rome being to Remane there as his Maties Agent after the departure of the E of Castlemain

The Lady Mary Tudor Naturall daughter to his late Maty is married to one Esqr Ratcliffe of Ratcliffe A Romanist

This day is said a pattent is past one of the offices to Create mr ffitzjames D of Cumberland who is makeing all Possible dispatch to Hungary yesterday his horses were put on board he going Part of the way in A man of warr that Carryes o[u]r new Ambr to Constantinople

There is A discourse the K is upon disbanding 3 Regemts of horse vizt the E of Arrans Sr jo: Laniers & Another & that the E of Arran will goe to Hungary to the seige of Alba Regalis

The Ld Spencer who was Coll of a Regemt quartered at St Edmundsbury haveing last sunday 7 night Comitted divers unaccountable Actions in the Church & after to the Mayor & officers & being Complained of to the ffather the E of Sunderland Its said he Acquainted the King & besought his Maty to suspend him which was done

The dutchy Court to be wholly Anexed to the Exchequer soe there will be noe occasion for A Chancellr Attorney &c by which the K: will save 8000 L p An

The K hath demanded of the ffrench Ambr that satisfaction be forthwith made to the Hudson bay Company

+Orders are given for fitting out 10 ships of warr forthwith

L.c. 1783 London 10th March 1686

+Yest Vice Admirall Herbert Br to the Ld Ch: Justice was displaced from all his Comands in the Navy & also from the Bedchamber & being master of the Wardrobe

Last satureday night the Ms of Hallifaxes Coach was stopt in the Haymarket by 5 or 6 men who wounded him in the Arme but his servants & others Comeing in they all ran away undiscovered but its said are since taken

+Its now said the Court will Remove to Windsor Abt the 20th of Aprill & that the Campaigne will open the 23rd to which Comes A Regemt from scotland & tis believed on all hands the Parliamt will sit on the 28th Aprill

Tis said the Privy seale is given to the Ld Arundell of Warder & there is talk of more Alterations at Court

The Ld Spencer is not only Removed from his Comand but also forbid the Court

They write from Ireland the New Ld Chancellor hath made many of the Popish Irish justices of the Peace & made other Alterations

Coll Legg the Ld Dartmouths Br is dismiss from his Comand as Governr of Kingsale

Yesterday just before Exchange time the Benches Round the Exchange were filled with ffrench Protestants just Come over which were most women & Children which in all Circumstances would make Compassion in any but such as have layd aside all Humanity

They write from Paris that notice being given of A Connivance in suffering Protestants to get away There are now such strict orders under very severe Penalties that will Prevent it & An order is Particularly given to Prevent any seamen getting away there being greate want of them at Brest & Thoulon to supply the fleet fitting out there

+severall English merchants ships are getting leave to serve the Venetians as men of warr Agt the Turkes where are already A greate Number of English seamen & also of ffrench Protestant seamen

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L. c. 1784 London 12th March 1686

+This Evening the discourse Concerning the sitting of o[ur] Parliamt is Altered

The Ld Tho: Howard Br to the d of Norfolke is made mr of the Robes in Place of vice Admirall Herbert & his Regemt of ffoot is given to the Ld Hunsden

Yest the E of Arundell took his place at the Board as Ld Privy seale Wee hear not of the E of Clarendons sitting in Councell since his Arrivall

sr Cha: Porter is Arrived & very graciously Recd of his Maty & some say stands faire to be Ld Ch: Justice of the Comon Pleas In which Court is A tryall next Terme between the Ld Mountague of Boughton & the E of Devonshire Abt the Burneing of Mountagues house

mr ffitzJames is Created D of Berwick E of Tirconnell & Baron of Bosworth

one mr Baggott is sworne Gent of the Bedchamber In Roome of Coll Porter

Tis said the E of Powis will be Created Marqs of Powis & viscount Montgomery & that the Lds Dover & Bellasis will be made Earles

Last Thursday the Bp of London prsented A Petition to the Ecclesll Comrs to have his suspention taken off who Returned Answer that next sitting he should have their Answer

They write from Dublin that the Ld Deputy sent to the Ld Mayor to deliver up the Citty Charter but his Lordship desired time to Consult his Bretheren who have since Resolved that they Cannot give it up but by due Course of Law Also demanded the Colledg Charter & had the same Answer +Sr Richd Neagle is made Attorney Genll & Sr Bryan Oneale & mr Dillon sergts at Law There are some Alterations in the Comrs of the Revenue & sr Tho: Sheridan made Chaire in Roome of the Ld Longford

+They write from Jamaica they have discovered A Copper Mine which will yeild 16 L of mettles out of 100 L of Ore Some of the Ore is Come over hither

There is talke of fitting out A Considerable fleet in Aprill & that

10 of them are to sayle Westward some distance

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L. c. 1785 London 17th March 1686

+Coll Kirks Comission is taken from him & Capt ffairfax is dismiss & his troope Given to the Ld viscount staffords Brother & Its generally discourst the E of Oxford & Coll Oglethorpe are dismiss

The Countesse of Peterbrough is Removed from being Groome to the queen & Its said the Ld Preston who was Ambr in ffrance is dismiss from being master of the Greate Robe

Tis said 25 ships will be set out this summer most of which are to goe into the streights & that mr Hen: ffitzJames his Matys 2d Naturall son being to be brought up in Navall Affaires is to goe in the said ffleet but not in any Comand

his Brother the D of Berwick will be marryed to A Daughter of the D of Newcastles & not goe for Hungary as was said

John dutten Colt Esqr Prisoner at the Kings suite for 10000 L on A scandm Magtum is discharged without any Composition which Its said the King granted at the Request of the Ds of Northumberland &c

+Yest 2 Country Gente of sussex Came to the 3 Tunn Taverne in Holburne very full of Brandy & Calling for a quart of Canary before half was drank both fell downe dead one was Recovered but the other lies dead there

Our letters from Edenbrough of the 10th say the Earles of Panmure [?] & dundonald are dismiss for being of the Privy Councell

They write from the Hague that his Matys Envoy there declared he had orders to treat for An Accomodation for all diferences & in Particular between the 2 E: India Companies & the states sent to their E India Company for A true state of the matter that soe all things may be Adjusted in An Admirable way There have been Hott debates Abt the Pardon for those who Attempted on Peyton many being Averse on Account of Its being A President but the Rest declareing that for the future nothing of that nature shall be forgiven & the Considderation of o[ur] King Its hoped will end in their favour

There being A greate Councell this night at Whitehall the Ecclesll Comrs sate not nor will till the 31st Instant

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L.c. 1786 London 19th March 1686

+Last night his Maty declared in Councell that the Parliamt shall be Prorogued till the 22 Novembr next & this afternoon the Proclamation for it was Published

Its now Generally discourst his Maty will grant A Toleration & that A Proclamation will next weeke Certainly Come forth for Liberty of Conscience throughout England

+Yest dr Kern Bp of Bath preached At St James new Church & dr Cave At St Dunstans who were very sharpe Agt seducers & Pervertrs

mr Crispe who is A member of Parliamt & Comon sergt of the City is suspended & Its said sr Jo: Moor & some other Aldermen will be dismiss

Yest sr James Edwards Gave up his Comission as A Coll of o[ur] Trayned bands & Its said will be succeeded by sr Jo Chapman who is next in Course for Ld Mayor

Its Credably said A Parliamt will be Called in Ireland to sit in May & settle things in that Kingdome

Dr Burnet haveing Published A booke in Holland being An Account of his Travells in Italy Germany &c & many of them being dispersed here search is made in order to seize them

The d of Albemarle haveing sold part of his estate & paid his debts departs for Jamaica next month

The d of st Albans is preparing for Hungary with sr Tho Wyburne

his Governmt

This weeke the E India Company began their sale & had A mighty sale for Callicoos to the vallue of 10000 L & twice [?] as much silks &c

They write from Holland 17 were Concerned in the Attempt on Peyton of which 9 fled & 8 Rendred themselves & are sentenced to dye but the end is variously Conjectured

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L. c. 1787 London 2d March 1686

+The Reasons moveing his Maty to give Liberty of Conscience are in the Gazett & that he will suddenly Ishue out A declaration for it & Its affirmed that mr Wm Penn hath the Honour to draw up the said declaration for the King to view & Approve

The Report Continues that Sr Jo Moor Sr Wm Pritchard & Sr Samll Dashwood will be put out for being Aldermen & be succeeded by Sr Wm Dodson Woollen Draper Sr Jo: Clarke Apothecary & mr Wm Withers Linnen draper

His Maty hath given orders for makeing forthwith for every one of the men of warr 2 suites of sayles & also double stores of all sorts

Wee have Certain Account of the loss of the Lindsey ffriggott bound from Guyney to Barbados & thence home being Cast away on the Coast of sussex A box of Letters being Cast on shoar which was in her & is all yet to be heard of

Also Another ship from Barbados belonging to the west is Cast away Homewards bound

Within 5 or 6 dayes over 1000 ffrench Protestants have landed here

They write from ffrance that notwithstanding all the Care upon the Coast of Poictou to hinder the Protestants for Escapeing yet greate numbers get away & severall villages & Townes on the sea side are left destitute of People

+That the Kings Phisitians have Applied suitable medicines as may put him Past Relapsing into his old distemper That the Aides & Customs are farmed at 26 millions & the Gabells at 37 millions That upon mr sheltons memoriall demanding satisfaction for their seizing the English ffactories in Hudsons bay The King Returned Answer he is willing to have the buisness Accomodated in such way & manner as the King of Greate Brittain shall thinke fit

+On the 18th 600 souldiers were at deale Ready to be shipt for scotland

L. c. 1788 London 24th March 1686

+The declaration of Indulgence Its thought will not Come to the Press these 8 Dayes & Its supposed will be 9 sheets

This weeke is Published A book of 2 sheets said to be written by Wm Penn Esqr In which the Authr Challenges the Records of all kinds since Popery got the Chaire in England to produce An 8th part of the Lawes to Ruine men of Conscience that have been made since the other hath been made the Nationall Religion which he sayes is A scandall to the Reformation, Pleades very strongly for Repeale of the Penall Lawes & sayes the Church of England in her Constitution is none of the best ffreinds to Property &c

Last sunday Masse was said in sidney Colledg in Cambridge where one mr Bassett A Romanist was lately made master

+The Report of sr Wm Allabone being made master of the Rolls is Renewed Its also said that judge Wright will be made Ld Ch: Justice of the Comon Pleas

This day the King & queen washed A Certain Number of old mens & womens feet According to Custome, Greate Preparations are makeing for to morrow & also for the Celebration of Easter in the Roman Way

Sr Roger Manley one of the Capts of the Kings guards is dead

+Last night Madam Gwin was given over by her Phisitians & is now Reported to be dead haveing by her will given her Personall estate Computed at 50000 L to her son the D of St Albans for Carrying on the warr Agt the Turks

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L. c. 1789 London 26th March 1687

+Yesterday Madam Gwin died

After Easter a vissitation will be sent down to Cambridg where last Sunday ffather ffrancis said Masse in sidney Colledg & Its said the like will be done to morrow at Christchurch Colledg in Oxford

Coll Cornwall A member of Parliamt hath given up his Comission

The officers of the Army are Addressing the King to be freed from the oaths & Test Pursuant to the President of the Justices of Middsex

Some Dissenters are also Prepareing An Adresse of thankes to the King for the Tolleration

The Ld Deputy since his Arrivall in Ireland hath taken away 48 Comissions & put Natives in their places There are not a few that are uneasy in that Kingdome Notwithstanding the late Proclamation & take all opportunities to Come for England The Exchange of money from Dublin hither is 15 or 16 p Cent

The King and queen goe not to Windsor till the 18th Aprill but the Prince & Ps Remove next wednesday to Hampton Court for the summer

The Campaigne at Hunslow heath opens not till the 10th May for the ffoot & the 16th for the horse

Tis now said the d of Berwick is to marry Sr ffran: Ratcliffs Daughter

His Maty hath pardoned mr Mead who was in Holland

The Ds of Albemarle hath been Indisposed but is Recovered & Its said the Duke will Embarque the 18th Aprill

A Country man haveing Invented A head & soe Contrived it that whatever Language or Tune you speake in the Mouth of It Repeats Againe distinctly & Audibly It hath been lately showne to the King queen & c The Inventor hath been bid 2000 L for it & at 2 d Apeece hath already got 7 or 800 L

L. c. 1790 London 29th March 1687

+Last Sunday at 2 in the morning A fire happened at the Corner of Whitecross street near Cripplegate which was soe sudden & surprising that 6 were burnt vizt A shoemaker & his wife & 2 daughters & A Pewterers wife & servant & the Pewterer himselfe hardly escaped by leapeing out of A Window & is since distracted There were but 2 houses damnified for that it was kindly discovered but too late to save their lives

+The Army officers & some dissenters are Prepareing to Adresse the King as wee formerly wrote

Madam Gwin is not dead as was said & yesterday it was the opinion of her Phisitians that shee will Recover

To morrow sr Wm Trumball Embarques for Constantinople whither he goes his Matys Ambr

Its now Reported the mr of the Rolls will be made Ld Ch Justice of the Comon pleas & sr Richd Allabone mr of the Rolls

+Letters from Ireland say that severall of the Corporations of that Kingdom are upon Renewing their Charters & that the Ld deputy continues his Resolutions to take A Progresse into the North of Ireland

Our Dutch letters say his Maties Envoy hath prsented A memoriall In Behalfe of those that Attempted to seize sr Robt Peyton assureing the States it was without his masters Knowledg & desireing their Enlargemt upon which the states have Released them

+Our letters from Vienna say the Genll Randevous is Resolved to be on the 15th of May between Gran & Buda & if the Grand seignior Comes in Person

with A Numerous Army as there is greate Appearance he will That then all the Emper[o]rs forces will march to the Bridge of Esseck to oppose the Grand seigni[o]rs Army

Yest the Ld Chancellor Came to towne & lay first In his new house In Westminster & next ffriday the Councell sitts [Note in another hand on outside of letter:]

A Lyon Rampant in a Border [?]

vapees [?] put in a Lozeng for a widdow

Harbert middon Goldsmith

L. c. 1791 London 31st March 1687

+Yest the sessions began at Westminster where sr Tho: Haggerston sr Hen Bond mr Gage mr Tirinder & other new Justices sate on the bench

His Maty hath given Admirall Herberts Regemt to Coll Justin Macarty

Last Sunday mr Baxter the famous Nonc Minister Preached to A Numerous Auditory & after sermon made A Speech Advising the people to joyne with the Church of England & the Consequences if they did not Concludeing that he purposely tooke that opportunity of Preaching to Acquaint them therewith & also that he would not hereafter Preach to them but joyne with the Church of England

Our scotch letters say they are Regulating the universities some who are marryed are to be dismist & single persons put in their Place The Diocesse of Edenbrough being made A Bishopruck since the Reformation & the Late Bp being made Archbp of Glascow he is to have the Govermt of the said Diocesse of Edenbrough & the Revenue to be Appropriated for Maintenance of the Kings Chapple at holy Roode house

Neither the ministers nor others have as yet Accepted of the late Indulgence being unsatisfied with the oath therein Enjoyed +They write from Ireland the dissenters are Provideing meeting houses as formerly

They write from Holland the states will send the officers who Attempted to Seize Peyton into England & leave them to his Maties Pleasure but never to be more in the service of the states The states have 70 men of warr in such A Readiness as to put to sea in A very few dayes notice

This day the Ecclesll Comrs sit & Its Exspected the Bp of Londons buisness will be determined

L. c. 1792 London 2d Aprill 1687

+The Indulgence is 6 sheets & Comes out next munday

His Maty has ordered that all moneys Levyed upon dissenters & paid into the Exchequer since the Accession to the Throne shall be paid back

This day night Major Cary A Brewer in Pye Corner who was in the Nest but since Pardoned had his goods seized by An old Capias he paid 10 L but will have it Againe with damages

The Ld Peterbrough & mr Chudleigh who was Envoy in Holland & now one of the Comrs of the Customs have declared themselves Roman Catholicks

The King hath given Capt Browns troope of horse to Capt Langferan & Its said Coll Justin Macarty will be made A Major Genll

Last night dr Jacomb (who died at the Countesse of Exeters) was Interred In Aldersgate Church being Attended by A Numerous Company

Madam Gwin is much better but the Countesse of Exeter very ill

The queen Dowager hath left off her Mourning & furnished somersethouse very Richly & hath taken A summer house at Hammersmith

Pattents are passing to Create Sr jo duck of durham & sr Wm Humble of Kensington Baronetts, A quo warranto is Ishued Agt the Charter of Dublin & 93 more Corporations in that Kingdome

The Resolutions the states have taken Abt the English officers who Attempted on Peyton are not satisfactory as was Exspected

+severall English ships have brought over more ffrench Protestants who paid each 100 Livres ffreight

The English Court are to meet on Thursday next

+Tis said Ps Ann of Denmarke is with Child

L. c. 1793 London 5th Aprill 1687

+This night the Declaration for Liberty of Conscience Came forth In which his Maty declared he will Protect & mantaine the Clergie of the Church of England in the free Exersize of their Religion Also suspends all Penall lawes in matters Ecclesll for not Comeing to Church or not Receiveing the sacrant &c Giveing liberty to meet soe it be openly & Publickly & all freely Admitted & to make knowne to the next justice what place they set Apart for those uses & that are disturbances of any kind be given to them Also suspends takeing the oaths & Tests

Also declares he will mantaine all in their Properties as well of Church & Abby lands as in all other whatsoever

Yest the sessions for Middsex began the first time at Westminster where the deputy Recorder gave the Charge Prohibitting the meddling with Religion

Last Sunday Dr Kern Bp of Bath Preached at st Anns Westminster where were hundreds of Coaches of Nobility & Gentry Also dr stillingfleet Preached at the same time at Whitehall where were the Prince & Ps & A thronged Assembly

A Masse house is building at Chester Castle & one Goodwin A Preist is to Preach there

The E India Interloper formerly arrested at Portesmouth is ordered hither the goods to be sold the King to be paid his Customs & 20 L p Cent over & the Company to have the Rest

The E India Actions are at 214 Affrican 198 Hudsons Bay 235 p Cent Its said the d of Bucks is dead in Yorkshire

This night is A greate Councill At Whitehall & on ffriday will be another after which wee may hear of Alterations of greate ministers of state Its Conjectured the Ld Ch: J Herbert will be Ld Ch: J of the Comon pleas & Sr Robt Wright Ld Ch: J of the Kings bench

L. c. 1794 London 7th Aprill 1687

+Yest morning the Lecture began Againe at Pinnars hall (which was kept there every wednesday before the last disturbance & Called the Merchants Lecture) where were neer 2000 Auditrs & will be Continued every wednesday

Our scotch letters of the 31st Past say the Councill have Banished 220 to the Plantations for not owneing the Kings Authority & 6 others are ordered to be tryed for their Lives for the same

The discourse of the d of Berwicks Match is now wholly layd aside & he is Prepareing with all speed for Hungary The d of St Albans goes not with him his mother being Recovered & Agt it

Tis said his Maty hath granted A Comission to the Merchants to Enquire into the Affaire of the Hudsons Bay ffactory which is seized by the ffrench & Its said the ffrench Ambr Promises to send for Comrs to treate with them Abt it

After An Exact Computation of the damages by the late Inundation In Groningen they found drowned 1394 persons 6910 Cattle & 1281 houses besides 581 houses Ruined & overturned & 616 much damnified

Our letters from Vienna say that further discoveries are Dayly made of the Intended Rebellion in Hungary which was designed through the whole Kingdome to massacre all the Imperiallists & then to declare for Teckley & divers Comanders of ffortresses haveing Agreed to deliver them up The Lieut ffinke at Vienna haveing been Tortured hath discovered some of his Accomplices & is ordered to be Tortured Againe to try if he Can discover

any further The Comanders of Newhassell & Altsol are secured

The Preparations of the Poles & Muscovites are very greate & the Cossacks under them neer the Bousthenes are prepareing small vessells to enter down that River into the black sea to allarme Constantinople

L. c. 1795 London 9th Aprill 1687

+Dr Clarke who was mr of Magdalen Colledg in Oxford is dead & his Maty hath Appointed mr Warren A new Converted Romanist to succeed

The Ecclesll Court have Asked the vicechancellor & senate of Cambridg to Appear before them next thursday for not obeying his Maties Comand in Receiveing and Admitting ffather ffrancis mr of Arts

Also the ds of Norfolke haveing Petitioned them for A Pention to be Allowed her by the Duke since he lived not with her They determined that if he live not with her before next Michs they will then order her a Pention suitable to her quality

sr Thos Grosvenrs Comission of Capt of horse is disposed of to Capt Douty

This day Capt Hope Capt Lieut to the Ld Cravens Company was tryed upon the Accusation of An Irishman for false musters which he not making out was ordered to be whipt every other day for 12 dayes through 2 Regemts of ffoot guards fed with Bread & water & soe Cashiered

Yesterday the sessions ended at the old Bayly where 4 souldiers were sentenced to dye for Running away from their Colours

Yest 4 silversmiths in Bloomesbury were seized for Clipping & Comitted to Newgate

Sr Wm Trumball in his Passage to Constantinople is to Call at Maltha to Complaine to that governr of severall Piracies Comitted on his Maties subjects & demand Reparation

Yest the Interloper was Condemned in the Court of Admiralty but his Maty hath ordered the goods to be sold by the E India Company for which they to have 1500 L his Maty 20 L p Cent & the owners the Rest who are Extreemly satisfied with his Maties kindness

The Ld Chancellr is Highly displeasd at the judges of the Comon Pleas for Enlargeing the Rules of the ffleet Prison without his Consent & at somewhat else that hath been done since

L. c. 1796 London 12th Aprill 1687

+Last night Abt 10 A Clocke A fire broke out at the e of Bridgwater in Barbican In which the Ld Brackly his eldest son of 11 yeares of Age & Another son that lay with him of Abt 7 yeares old were burnt to death occasioned Its said by their Tutors Comeing in In drinke & left the Candle near the hangings & was found dead in A Chaire in that Rooome The Earle himselve endeavoring to save his Children not being in bed very Narrowly escaped & Recd hurt Their Honours are soe afflicted that Its feared the Countesse will not long survive There were but 5 or 6 more Roomes burnt it happening soe early that greate helpe Comeing in Mastered it

Last sunday sr Nichs Butler one of the Comrs of the Customs was at Masse at Whitehall & declaired himselve A Roman Catholicke & Its said mr Wiilliams hath declared himselve of the same Religion

Tis said his Maty hath sent orders into scotland that the oath mentioned in his Declaration for Liberty of Conscience there be not Imposed upon dissenters

mr Atterbury the Messenger is gone to Cambridg to fetch up the vicechancellr &c & Exspected here to morrow

sr Robt Wright is declared Ld Ch. J: of the Comon Pleas & mr Baron heath succeeds him in the Kings bench & sr Jo: Boroughs of Grays Inne is to succeed mr Baron heath

+Last weeke the Comrs for disposing the Charity to ffrench Protestants

Passed their Accompts to the King haveing paid already 22000 L & have 10000 L in Banke besides what was Collected & not yet paid in

A greate gang of Coyners are discovered in Wales & last weeke was seized in London some Counterfeit Crownes & halfe Crownes which Came thence by A Carryer

[A full-face sketch of a woman from the waist up appears on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1797 London 14th Aprill 1687

+The E. of Bridgwater ventured In greate danger & is burnt in his face & the Countesse miscarried on the affright he who was the occasion was not their Tutr but waited on them & lay in this Chamber The Corps were all found not being wholly Consumed

Last sunday most of the Eminent Nonconformists Preached at their former meeting houses to very greate Assemblies where they thanked god & the King for the freedome they enjoy

This morning the Anabaptists prsented An Adresse of thanks in which was Inserted that Conscience Could not be forced his Maty replied that it should not be forced nor their Properties Invaded & that they did well in Addressing being what was Exspected

On saturday night mr Atterbury served the vicechancellor of Cambridg with the order who on Munday Called A Senate who Chose Dr Babington & mr Newton of Trinity Coll Dr Rachard & mr Billers of st Johns mr stanhopp of Kings mr smith of queens & Dr Cooke of Jesus Colledg to Assist the vicechancellr at London & back the Reasons why they could not Admitt ffather ffrancis

The Brussells Gazett sayes the E of Salisbury hath abjured the Protestant Religion at Rome

The Countesse of Rochester is dead

The officers who Attempted to seize Payton are Arrived & Recd Graciously by his Maty who told them none ever did or should endeavor to serve him but he would take Care of him

His Maty hath declared that of his free Grace he will Pardon sr Patience Ward now in Holland & that none directly or Indirectly shall take any money of him on that Account & Its said Intends the same to mr Papillion &c that are Considerable traders

Yest the Colledg of Phisitians Recd their new Charter which Runs very High Agt all quacks Apothecaries not Exempted

L. c. 1798 London 16th Aprill 1687

+Yest at the Ld Chancellors new house mr Robt Wright was sworn Ld Ch: J: of the Comon Pleas mr Baron Milton judge of the Kings Bench & mr sergt Powell A Baron of the Exchequer

Tis said A Generall Pardon will be Passed for all Persons 6 Excepted

This day is Published A 2 d letter of Wm Penn Esqr of 2 sheetes & halfe

Yest was Another Tryall at Blackheath of new Mortarpieces some of which threw A Bomb 3 quarters of A mile

His Maty hath given Admirall Herberts Regemt to Capt Tufton & his Company in the ffoot Guards is given to one of the English officers sent from Holland

Our scotch letters say that on the 5th the Ld Dunbartons Regmt Arrived from London & on the 12th Coll Buchans Brigade was to be put on board the same ships for London to be at the Campe at Hunslow heath That on the 5th the Colledg of Edinbrough was vissitted but tell us not the perticulars

Yest A woman was burnt at Tyburne for Clipping & A souldier hanged at Tower hill for Running away from his Colours

The Mufti who on the Comotions in Constantinople was Banished the

Grand seigni[o]rs Court was in the Morea & by A strong Providence happened on his ffathers house whence in his Infancy he was made A Captive Thence he went to venice & Embraced the Christian Religion According to the Greeke Church & is Embarqued for England & dayly Exspected here Tis said his Maty hath given very greate Incouragement for his Comeing & that An Eminent house in Austins ffryars is Appointed for his Reception

The vicechancellor of Cambridg is to Appear before the Ecclesll Court next Thursday

L. c. 1799 London 19th Aprill 1687

+His Maty gave one mr ffarmer A Mandamus to be President of Maudlin Colledg in Oxford but the university have Chosen one mr Hough A Member of the said Colledg who was last sunday Confirmed by the Bp of Winchester The university haveing first writt A humble letter to the King that without violation to their very Constitution they Could not Admitt ffarmer but tis believed they will be Cited before the Ecclesll Court Yest mr Wade &c who were officers under Monmoth in the west prsented An Adresse to the King with humble & hearty thanks for their Lives & estates &c Adding that his Maty had not only given them but the whole nation A new life in the declaration for liberty which had filled Mouths with Long live the King [last four words are in large letters] his Maty smiled & Recd them very Kindly & told them he was Resolved to stand by his Declaration & Convince the world that Protestants might by happy under A Papist King

That he alwayes lookt upon it as unchristian Even in A Papist to persecute on Account of Religion

At their departure the King said God Bless you & I am glad to see you here

Our scotch letters yesterday brought A Coppie of the Kings letters to the Councell there

That if the Presbyterians scruple to take the oath & the Councell thinke fit to grant Indulgence Its now his Maties will & pleasure & doth hereby Authorize & Require their Lordships to grant them his Indulgence without takeing the said or any other oath

His Maty hath ordered the Comrs of the Navy to make what speed they can to put the ffleet to sea & Admirall Herbert who Intended to goe voluntier under the Venetians is served with A writt ne Exeat Regnum

The Court goes to Windsor the 18th May when the ffoot begin to Encampe on Hunslow heath but the horse will not be there till the middle of June

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

L. c. 1800 London 21st Aprill 1687

+What was done this day by the Ecclesll Comrs Abt the Gent sumoned from Oxford & Cambridg wee Cannot give Account till next

Yest morning at 3 A Clock all the Warehouses between Thames street & Botolphs Wharfe fell downe suddenly being overcharged at top with sugars noe person was killed but neer 40 Tun of wine & many Pipes of oyle were broken which spoyled Currants & other Rich Comodities to the loss of at least 10000 L

Last satureday the d of Bucks died in Yorkshire without A will he died in Perfect sence & Recd the sacramt According to the Church of England his Title of duke falls but Its said that of Marqs & Earle of Bucks descends to the son of the late Ld Purbeck

Tis thought his garter will be given to the d of Berwick

+Yest his Maty Rode A Hunting into surrey & was Attended by the Ld dovers troope who some of them in their Returne Comeing over from Lambeth in the fferry boat over Turned or sunke it & some say 8 or 10 were drowned others that all escaped but 4

The E: India Actions are at 213 Affrican 207 Hudsons bay 230

Tis said Sr Jo: shorter oure Ald: of this Citty is made one of the Comrs of the Navy

+This day was A Tryall at the Comon Pleas between the Ld Mountague & E of devonshire In which it plainly Appeared that the fire which burnt Mountague house began in the Garrett of the Apartment the Ld Mountague Reserved for Laying & Aireing his hangings & happened by Neglegence of his servants: soe the Ld Mountague was nonsuited

The ffoot are on their March from Portesmouth Yarmouth &c towards the Campe at Hunslow heath

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

L. c. 1801 London 23d Aprill 1687

+Last Thursday the Vicechancellr of Cambridge Appeared before the Ecclesll Comrs to give Answer why they did not obey the Kings mandamus & Admitt ffather ffrancis mr of Arts & demeaned himselfe with greate Prudence & Prayed

That being he Appeared In behalfe of the whole university & was Conscious to himselfe of his Ignorance in the Law & that soe venerable & August An Assembly might Disable him to the Prejudice of those he Represented

That they would Allow him time & Councell to Assist him which was granted & he is to Appear on Wednesday next

Last Thursday my Justice Withins had his quiettus & this day Sr Richd Allabone was made A sergt at Law & on Munday is to be A judge in his place

Yest the Ld Ch: Justice Wright (who was last weeke sworne of the Comon Pleas) was sworne Ld Ch: J of the Kings bench & the Ld Ch: J: Herbert sworne Ld Ch: Justice of the Comon Pleas

There is talke another judge hath his quiettus & that Sr Jo: Holt o[u]r Recorder is Laying downe that office

On Thursday Wm Penn & some other Eminent quakers prsented An Adresse of thanks Assureing his Maty of their Peaceable behaviour & Loyalty

The Cheife of the Presbiterians have also prsented An Adresse of thanks for his Maties declaration for liberty of Conscience

His Maty hath given the late d of Bucks Garter to the E of Sunderland

+Last night Sr Gilbert Gerrards son in Law that married the Bp of Durhams Daughter was killed in Soehoe feilds by one mr smith (Comonly Called narrative smith) who was seized & Comitted to the Gatehouse

L. c. 1802 London 26th Aprill 1687

The quakers Adresse will not be delivered these 2 or 3 dayes

They say they are more obliged to the King then any other he haveing Released 1100 of their ffreinds some of which have been above 20 yeares in Prison

Those of Madgalen Colledg in Oxford have Acquainted his Maty they had Elected mr Hough before they had his Maties Mandamus to Elect mr ffarmer or they would have obeyed it with which Its said his Maty is well satisfied

Yest was Published by mr Hills the Kings Printer the Rules of the schooles to be opened on the 23d May in the savoy That all Children of what Condition or perswasion soever shall be taught Gratis & noe Tampering to perswade any from their Religion & many other Encouragemts to send Children thither

On Satureday Coll Buchans Battalion Arrived from scotland & were quartered in Whitechappell &c & Abt 3 on sunday morning their Centries

stopt the Constable & Watch & seized the Constable upon which the Ld Mayor & sheriffs were Called out of bed who demanded the Constable but were not only Refused but used in A Gross manner

In the afternoon the Ld Mayor &c Acquainted the King & Councell & upon A full Examination his Maty ordered Capt Hodges to be suspended & declared he was much troubled at what had happened That it was never his Intention the Military power should Concerne it selfe with the Civill other then to Aide & Assist & would Punish the prsent offenders & Ishue an order to Prevent such things for the future

+On sunday night the E of devonshire being in Whitehall & Hott words Passing between him & Coll Culpepper he struck him with A small Cane & was Confined to his house & this day gave bayle but Its said will be Called to A strict Account

+Yest Oates stood in the Pillory at Tyburne & Came off well

L. c. 1803 London 28th Aprill 1687

+Yest the Vicechancellr &c Appeared before the Ecclesll Comrs The Roome & Anti=Roome being Extreemly thronged with persons of quality & hundreds of Clergymen he delivered in his Plea which was Read & Recited many statutes of the university &c & In effect justified their Proceedings desireing they might be left to the Law & the judges & they were Ready to joyne Ishue the matter being wholly Civill & not Cognizable by that Court +They were ordered to withdraw & after An houres debate the Comrs Resolved to take time to give in their opinion & Adjourned till the 14th May

This day 8 Presbiterian ministers in behalfe of themselves & others prsented An Adresse of thanks for their liberty of Conscience which Its said is drawne by mr Alsopp & most Curiously & Retically Penned

They assured his Maty of their Loyalty & also that they Rested in his Promise

The K Recd them very Graciously & in A speech thanked them & declared it was his opinion the scripture was Clear that noe force Could or ought to be put on Conscience That his family had been severely dealt with by men of their perswasion but now he would not doubt of their Loyalty Concludeing that as he was A Prince he as heartily wished there was A Magna Charta for Liberty of Conscience aswell as for their Properties

Tis said the sometime Turned out Aldermen are to be Restored & that sr Jo shorter will be Ld Mayor for next year

+The Ryott by the scotch souldiers is Enquired into by the Ld Chancellr &c

This day sr Richd Allabone & mr Ingleby of Yorke (who was tryed there as one in the Popish Plott) were made sergts & treated the judges &c Magnificently

+The Ld Purbeck 10 yeares old hath kissed the Kings hand as Marqs of Buckingham

one mr Savile A Gent of the Inns of Court hath his Chamber sealed up & A warrant out for him Its Reported he Employed one to transcribe some Manuscripts who Conceiveing them to be Treason Carryed them to the Ld Chancellr

[A few figures in another hand appear in left margin of first recto and on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1804 London 3d May 1687

+A New Comission is Passing for the Lds [of?] the Ecclesll Comrs which will have some Additionall Powers in it & Its said till it be Past the buisness of Cambridg will have noe determination

Many more Addresses are Prepareing Its said the Bps of Durham Oxford Rochester & Chester have subscribed Addresses which are Passing through their severall diocesses

+Last sunday Count Dada Nuntio from his holiness was Consecrated Archbp of Amasia in St James Chappell by ffather Dominick Archbp of Armagh & 2 other Bps his Maty & both the queens being prsent Its now said that next Munday he will make his Publicke entry

A New Comission is Appointed for Wm Penn Esqr Councillr Brent & 2 others to Inspect & Report to the King what money hath been Levyed on Dissenters for 8 yeares Past

Sr Jo: Holt o[u]r Recorder hath besought the King for his quiettus which is granted & mr sergt Tate succeeds

This day the Mr of the Rolls is displaced & is succeeded by the Ld Ch: Justice Herbert & the Ld Ch: Justice Wright succeeds in the Comon Pleas & Sr Richd Allabone succeeds Ld Ch: Justice of the Kings bench +Yest the King went for Tilbury Chattam &c And A 3d Rate ffriggott was Launched & named Edgmoor being the Name of the Moor on which Monmoth was Routed The D of Berwick went with him & soe onwards for Hungary +The K. of Spaine hath had dangerous fitts of An Ague & swooneings & there is A Report he is dead which hath Caused the ffrench K to deferr his journey to Luxemburgh & if true Its Exspected he will Instantly seize on the Spanish Netherlands

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L. c. 1805 London 5th May 1687

+What wee wrote last of the mr of the Rolls & the Ld Ch: Justices being Removed is not yet Confirmed

Last night his Maty Returned to Whitehall & soon after was Attended with severall Addresses

An Adresse is prsented by some of the Clergie in which they humbly thanke the King for his Renewed Promises in his declaration of maintaining & defending the Church of England as by Law established &c Returneing humble & hearty thanks as becomes true sons of the Church of England

His Maty Recd them very Graciously & their Adresse with much satisfaction

Complaint being made Agt the Mayor & Recorder of Totnes That he was soe far from forwarding the late Adresse that he Comitted some of the Grandjury for it, upon which they are sent for up to Answer it

dr Burnet haveing Printed 2 Pamphletts in Holland Abt the Test wherein are scandalous Reflections on the Govermt he is Cited to Appear to An Information at Edenbrough by the 24th June next or to have Processe Agt him

Tis said the Bp of Peterbrough is layd Aside

The E: of Strafford is soe ill that his life is dispaired of

His Maty hath given the Marqs of Worcesters Regemt to the son of the Marqs of Powis.

+Yest the scotch Battalio who quartered in Whitechappell marched through the Citty & Capt Hodges at the head of his Company

Yest mr Lenthalls Councill moved Agt mr Glover marshall of the Kings bench that he Could get noe Rent of him & other Complaints were made soe the Court swore mr Cooke marshall in his place but Its said mr Glover is gone for Holland & Carryed severall Prisoners with him

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L. c. 1806 London 10th May 1687

+On saturday the Ld Chancellr demanded of the vicechancellr how long he had been vicechancellr

he Answered Abt 7 yeares

My Ld Asked when the Kings Mandamus Came to him

he Answered on Ashwednesday

My Ld Asked him when he Communicated it to the senate he said within

14 or 15 dayes My Ld Asked why soe many dayes

He Answered it was A New thing & he would be well Advised soe divers persons of greate worth & Learning Came to him in the name of some Colledges & shewed their dislike

My Ld Asked who they were

He named dr Osmont & 5 or 6 more

My Ld Asked who opposed it in the senate

He Answered it was A generall Consent by silence to what he said

Then being ordered to Withdraw were after Called in & Recd the sentence formerly mo[ved?] & those 8 that Came with h[im?] & some others are ordered to Attend next Thursday

Yest 2 more Addresses were presented to his Maty

Sr Patience Ward is Returned

On the 19th the whole Court Remove to Windsor

Yest the E of devonshire Appeared Againe & mr Williams Insisted he ought not to be Impleaded in time of Parliamt but the Court over Ruled it

Then he Put in his Plea Agt the jurisdiction of the Court in the Case To which mr sollicittr demurred mr Williams joyneing in the demurr it was Argued & the Court over Ruled that also but at last gave time to Plead till next Terme which mr Williams Engaged if in the Interim he obtain not his Maties Pardon

Narrative smiths tryall on the Appeale is ordered next Terme & in the Interim he may on good bayle have his liberty

+The Ps of Denmarke is with Child

mr Baxter the noted Presbyterian minister hath taken some Roomes neer the Charter house to Preach in

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L. c. 1807 London 12th March [i.e., May] 1687

+A messenger from the Ecclesll Comrs is gone to Cambridg to summon more [?] of the university

What occurred this day at Whitehall before the said Comrs you shall have in the next

One mr Morley A deane in Ireland being Turned Romanist hath here Printed his Reasons for it & is gone back into Ireland with A dispensation to hold the said deaneary

+The discourse Continues that sr Patience Ward sr John shorter mr Pilkington &c will be Recalled to their Places of Aldermen

sr Jo: Morgan Coll Cornwalls Lieut Coll hath given up his Comission & Its said Capt Herbert the Ld Ch: Justices Eldest brother & Capt Edwards have done the like

His Maty hath ordered the ffoot to take the feild on Hunslow heath the 6th June The fusiliers the 16th & the horse the 20th

+His Maty when last at Chattam gave orders for makeing 2 wet Docks Also warehouses to be built & Provided with all navall stores & that they may be alwayes full that in Case of Emergency the fleet may be Equipped in A short time & Assured the Comrs they should not want money for it

Tis said the King hath ordered all fines & fforfeitures for the future shall goe for Repaire of the Garrisons on the Coast of England

+The ds of Buckingham hath presented the King with Abt 60 horses that were the dukes both for Coach & saddle

Our fforeign letters say the Tartars have defeated A Considerable body of Poles & Carryed 30000 Christians into slavery Also that Abafty Prince of Transilvania is dead & that they are Electing A Protestant Prince

This weekly bill is somewhat High there dyeing 394 which is 43 more then the former weeke whereof 7 died suddenly

L. c. 1808 London 14th May 1687

+On Thursday the Gent of Cambridg had A sharpe Reprimand & are sent downe with orders too Elect A new vicechancellr & Required to bring or send the statutes of the university or Authentick Coppies of them to their Ldps

On Thursday wee had soe violent A storme the wind at southwest that it kept back the tyde that it flowed not above An houre & A halfe & at Low water the wind Carryed it soe violently downe the River that many waded over both above & below the Bridg & were not to their Arme pitts the like never seen before by any now alive There were Gold Rings money &c found

Yest neer 100 women whose husbands are in Prisons for debt & unable to Pay prsented A petition to the King who gave A Gracious Acceptance & Its said will Cause An Act of Grace to be suddenly dispatcht under the Broad seale directed to Certain Comrs to treate with Creditrs in behalfe of poor debtors in Prisons throughout England

some are of opinion his Maty will Restore London & other Corporations to their Ancient state

Last night o[u]r sessions ended & o[u]r new Recorder Tate sentenced 9 to dye

Last Thursday the delegates at drs Comons all voted Agt the Countesse of Stamford in favour of the earle but shee is to have 5 L p weeke allowed her for Allimony

This weeke the E of shrewsbury Ld Lumley mr ffox & mr darry are gone for Holland haveing his Maties leave to give the Ps of Orange A vissitt

dr Burnet is Naturalized in Holland & hath marryed A widdow worth 800 L p An sterling

+Tis said the earle will be sent for from Ireland

L. c. 1809 London 19th May 1687

+Yest morning Abt 1 A Clocke A Terrible fire broke out in the Coopers yard belonging to the victualling office at Tower hill which Consumed A vast quantity of staves for Barrells & many hundreds of dry Casks fitted up to Carry Provisions for the fleet Its judged there were neer 100 storehouses & other houses burnt & was stopt by blowing up 4 houses in east smithfeild

+There are 8 dead men found & Its thought severall others are among the Ruins, Also some were wounded by the fall of A stack of Chimneys The victualling office it selfe escaped

The E India ships are not soe Rich as was Exspected

They bring Advice the ffaucon Capt Prestwick Comander & the Charles Capt Preston Comander are one lost & the others back broke Careening in India

+That the Dutch declared warr Agt An Indian King & surprized the Towne of Meslepotan on the Coast of Chormandell & Disposessed the English ffactory there by which Its said the diamond trade & China trade will be wholly lost to the English

That the Interlopers have surrounded the Company with the subjects of the Greate Mogull from whome they have Recd severall Prejudices & Agt whome the Company have declared warr which some thinke may prove of ill Consequence

There is A discourse that all the Clergie shall pay their first fruites to the full Extended vallue Also that the Bp of Worcester & some other Clergymen are Cited before the Ecclesll Comrs

His Maty hath Revived the order of St Andrew in Scotland Consisting of A Sovereigne & 12 knights which was layd downe ever since K James 1st +This day their Maties Removed to Windsor

L. c. 1810 London 21st May 1687

+The university of Cambridg have Chose dr Balderson mr of Emanuel

Colledg their vicechancellr

On Wednesday the Popes Nuntio is to make his Publicke entry The King Comes to Whitehall to Receive him It will be performed in A very splendid manner The Nuntios Coaches & Liveries being Extreame Rich

Tis said mr Mason A Goldsmith in ffleet street & mr Bolesworth A Perfume seller neer Temple barr will be sheriffs for next year The former is A Romanist

The Ld Carrington is gone to marry A Daughter of the Marqs will goe for Ireland

This weeke 7 or 800 ffrench Protestants are Arrived & are Comeing hither by land his Maty hath Inspected their Accounts & Recomend A Perticular Care of them & A Pattent of denization for 200 who are Ingenious Artists in divers mechanicks is Passed Gratis

Its beleived the E. India Company will next weeke waite on the King & Represent the usage they have mett with from the Dutch Since their declaring warr Agt the Indians upon the Ganges they have Removed their factory from suratt to Bombay

Tis said the Dutch have broke the English scotch & Irish Regemts in their service & that the officers are Comeing hither

+They write from Vienna the Genll Randevouz was Appointed on the 20th May where would be 60000 men & they designed to begin the Campaigne with the seige of Belgrade or Alba Regalis But had Advice the Turks had Already 40000 men neer Essecke & greate bodies following with designe to surprize those places they lately tooke in lower Hungary upon which the Emper[or] sent severall Regemts with all Imaginable Hast to Reinforce them

+Its discoursed at Court the Ps of Orange is with Child

L. c. 1811 London 24th May 1687

+A 2d Mandamus is sent to Cambridg to dr Balderston the new vicechancellr to Admitt ffather ffrancis master of Arts

Yest the Jesuitts schooles opened in the savoy where Appeared hundreds of youth & some were sent back for that there is not yet Roome sufficient But 180 are entred of which 40 are Protestants & the names of others are taken The Jesuitts Appear in the Habitts of their order 6 officiate one quarter & then are Releived

This day Wm Penn Esqr went to Windsor to prsent An Adresse in behalfe of all in England Called quakers

Yest was Published A 12 d booke Intituled the Kings Authority in Dispenseing with Ecclesll Lawes Asserted & Indicated By the late Reverend Phillip Nye dedicated to the King by Henry Nye son of the Authr written on the occasion of his late Maties declaration

+The Report that mr Baxter Advised his Auditr to joyne with the Church of England Proves A mistake for they have taken A Large house in Charterhouse yard for 7 yeares wherein he Preaches every Lords day to such An Auditory as is scarce Credable

Tis said P George will Goe to Denmarke to see the King his Brother The E India Actions are now under 200

dr Burnet was marryed at the Hague to one Madam scott said to be worth 20000 L & Its said has writt A letter to o[ur] Court takeing notice of the Proceedings Agt him in scotland & Asserting his Innocency But that if the Prosecution Continues he will be forced in his owne defence to make some Papers Publicke of noe small figure

Yest the judges Attended the King & some say were sent for to Consult the dispenseing with the Act that Prohibitts Irish Cattle +The Attorney Genll is very ill

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

L. c. 1812 London 26th May 1687

+Yest his Maty was Exspected in towne but Changed his Resolutions suddenly, sending for the officers of his Chappell to keep Corpus Christi day at Windsor ffather Hall Preaching on the occasion

The King Recd the quakers Adresse & mr Penn with severall marks of Respect & Assured them he would mantaine his declaration to all his subjects of what Persuasion soever

+The E of devonshire hath made greate Application to the King to obtaine his Pardon but is Referred to the Law & to morrow must plead to the Information

A Ryott haveing been Comitted in the White ffryars by those Called Alsations on A Constable Called to keep the peace The sheriffs with the Posse Comitatis went this day & brought away severall of the offenders Also some Notorious Cheates all which are by the Ld Mayor sent to Prison

There is greate Exspection what designe the ffrench K will be on with his ffleet which lyes now Ready Equipped in Brest Thoulon & Marselles in all neer 30 men of warr But not soe well Provided of seamen as formerly The Protestants haveing deserted who were very Considerable for Number

The latine Gazett from Cologne gives Account that the Tombe & Chappell of Mahomet was falne to the ground by which they Prognosticate the fall of their Empire also that the P of Transilvania is dead & that the states have elected the d of Lorraine in his stead

They write from Poland that the Muscovites in their march toward Crim had beaten A Considerable Number of Tartars which had Caused such A Consternation that their Principle families Retired into greate Tartary

Next satureday the d of Berwick goes Post for Hungary & on the 10th June P: George goes for denmarke

L. c. 1813 London 28th May 1687

+Yest being the 1st of the Terme the E of devonshire pleaded Not Guilty to the Information for strikeing Coll Culpepper in Whitehall & will be tryed on the 7th June

mr Penn at the Delivery of the quakers Adresse made this Speech May it please the King, It was the saying of o[u]r blessed Lord to the Captious Jewes Render to Cesar the things that are Cesars & to god the things that are gods as this distinction ought to be observed by all soe the King has given us An Illustrious Example who while he was A subject gave Cesar his due & now he is A Cesar gives god his due vizt his sovereignty over Consciences Its then A shame for any Englishman that Pretends to Christianity not to Render the King his due By this Grace he hath Releived his distressed subjects from their Cruell sufferings & Raised to himselfe A new & lasting Empire in Adding their Affections to their duty & wee Pray God to Continue the King in that noble Resolution for he is now upon A Principle that hath good Nature Christianity & the good of Civill society on his side & as o[u]r sufferings would have moved stones to Compassion soe wee should be harder if wee were not moved to Gratitude &c

The Adresse being Read the King said
Gent/ I thanke you heartily for yo[u]r Adresse some of you know (I am sure you do mr Penn) that it was alwayes my Principle that Conscience ought not to be forced & that all men ought to have liberty of Conscience & as I have promised in my declaration I will Continue as long as I live & hope before I dye to settle it so that those of after Ages shall not have power to alter it

Our letters from Dublin say the Independants there have Addressed the E of Tirconnell & Returned thanks for their liberty they enjoy

L. c. 1814 London 31st May 1687

+On satureday the Ecclesll Comrs sate at Hampton Court & had some

matter of Privacy before them & Its said the Bp of London is Cited to Attend them this weeke

Tis said dr Balderston the New vicechancellr of Cambridg hath Refused to Admitt ffather ffrancis mr of Arts & that A quo Warranto will Ishue Agt the said university

A Romish Preist to mr Hill the Mayor of Glocester hath obtained A Mandamus to be A Prebend there But the deane & Chapter have elected Another of which he is Come up hither to Complaine

The English Ambr at Rome is not well satisfied the Pope Refuseing to Accord to some demands he made by order of his master

Tis said the university of Oxford have Chose the Ld High Chancellr for their Chancellr in Place of the d of Ormond

On satureday the Councill sate & the Mayor & Recorder of Totnes Appeared for discountenancing Addressing & brought severall Testimonies of their Approved Loyalty & in Conclusion the Mayor was dismiss But mr Gibbon the Recorder was suspended from that Place & from that of Recorder of Exeter under the D of Albemarle

Tis said Sr Tho Colmondley of Cheshire is sumoned before the Councill for discountenancing Addressing

Orders are sent to the Comrs of the Navy to fit out to sea forthwith some men of warr to Prevent any Mischeifs the Algereens in o[ulr] seas may Comitt & not to suffer them to Come in sight of o[ulr] Coasts

An Adresse is Come from all the English officers in the ffrench Army signifying that if his Maty hath any Comand [or?] service for them they will Readily quitt their Employes & Come

L. c. 1815 London 2d June 1687

+The judges for the Circuitts for next Assizes are thus Appointed

Home Circuit Ld Ch: J: Herbert Baron Lutwich

Westerne Ld Ch J: Wright Justice Powell

Norfolke Ld Ch: Baron Atkins Baron Milton

Northerne mr Justice Allabone Baron Powell

Midland Justice Street Justice heath

Oxford Justice Holloway Baron Jenner

+The heads of Maudlin Colledg in Oxford are Cited before the Ecclesll Comrs to Attend on Munday next

Its said 4 Bishops will set up A ffree schoole in Lincolns Inne feilds & some Gent are doing the like in Westminster & the like is in motion in other Parts of the Kingdome

The Clergie of Yorkshire are bringing up An Adresse & Addresses are Comeing from severall other Parts

After all the Preparations for the Nuntio Its said his Maty upon An Exprese from Italy Admitts not A Publicke entry

Tis said his Maty hath ordered Timouth Castle to be demolished & A ffort built somewhat Lower

Sr Peter Wich his Maties Resident at Hamburgh declares himselfe A Romanist

+This day sr Jo: Wetwangs son was brought to the Kings bench barr & Pleaded Guilty to An Information for speakeing ill of the King & his Army & humbly begged the Mercy of the Court

+Greate severities have been used to the Nobility & Gentry in Hungary on Pretence of Conspireing with Teckley. some Executed others Imprisoned of which 13 Lords in Prison have been put to the Torture but Confesse nothing

L. c. 1816 London 4th June 1687

+Its the discourse of the towne his Maty will dissolve this Parliamt & Call A new one & some say the former was determined last night in Councill & that A Proclamation will Ishue next weeke

The E of Castlemain hath had Audience of Conge of the Pope & taken his Conge of the sacred Colledg & is Returneing for England

The Pope hath prsented him with A most famous Peece of Painting & A Bason of Agnus dei

The dutch Ambr hath Acquanted the King The Reason why the dutch seized Meslipotan was for that the King of Golconda whose towne it was haveing warr with the Greate Mogull They had lent him vast summes of money which they Could not get & were forced to seize for satisfaction

But this doth not satisfie his Maty for that not only Meslipotan but also 2 other ffactories that depended on it are lost to the English

A Man of warr & yaught are ordered to Attend P: George who Parts hence on the 13th Instant for denmarke by Holland & will be Absent Abt 5 weeks

Three Algereens have been seen Cruiseing off the Dogger sands with some Prizes one of which is A ship from denmarke

Our Irish letters say the Ld deputy hath Ishued out A Proclamation for Allaying feares jealousies & to Encourage trade & all tradeing men

Our scotch letters say the Ld Charles Hamilton 3d son to the duke & some other young Lords &c are gone for Hungary

+The Bishops & states of Hungary are sumoned to A Genll diett at Vienna for quietting the minds of the Emper[o]rs subjects in his new Conquests

The Turks are Repaireing the Bridg of Esseck & the Emper[o]r has sent Genll Dunewald with A body of men to hinder it

L. c. 1817 London 7th June 1687

+Yest the vice President & ffellows of Magdalen Colledg in Oxford Attended the Ecclesll Comrs

The Ld Chancellr demanded why they obeyed not the Kings Mandamus for mr ffarmer

They Answered they had not done Anything but what was Pursuant to the statutes & Rules of the university as by oath obliged & Prayed they might Answer farther by Councell

The Ld Chancellr Answered it was somewhat wonderfull they should aske to Advise with Councell after the ffact Comitted

That they would have done better to have Advised before they were Guilty of such Disobedience But at last leave was given them till Munday next & then to bring the statute booke of the university with them

This day the E of Devonshire withdrew his Plea of not Guilty & will Receive sentence the last day of the Terme

+The Algereens are said to be 7 or 8 men of warr of which 3 are before the Texell They had A fight with 3 dutch men of warr who gained nothing of them & night Parted them, They have taken severall Dutch vessells within sight of the Maas & some before the Texell Also A dutch ship bound from ffrance to Holland & aboard neer 200 ffrench Protestants fflying thither

They take out all the men women & Children & all of any vallue & then set the ship on drift & severall have been taken at sea without any man on board them

This day is Advice they have taken A Dutch ship bound for London with the Muscovite Ambr & all his Retinue & also on board another vessell 100 Passengers English & dutch

His Maty has ordered sr Roger strickland with some men of warr to sea for the security of o[u]r Comerce

+Its said Sr Edw Hales is made Lieft of the Tower

L. c. 1818 London 9th June 1687

+Tis said when the Presbiterians of the towne prsented their Adresse his Maty said to this effect

+Gent I have already found 2 good effects of my declaration The easeing

& Pleaseing of my people, It has been my judgment A long time that none has or ought to have any power over Conscience but god

I understand there are some jealousies among my subjects that I have done this on A designe But you look like Gent of too greate Integrity to entertaine any such suspition

+Gent I Protest before god I desire you to tell all manner of People that I have noe other designe then what I have spoke off & I hope to Live to see the day when you shall aswell have A Magna Charta for Liberty of Conscience as you have had for your Properties &c

Abt 10 months since the d of Albemarle Ld ffaulkland sr Jo Narbrough sr James Hayes & sr Richd Haddock set out A ship Called the James & Mary Capt Phillips Comander in search of the Spanish Galleons Cast away 42 yeares since neer the Cape of fflorida one of which they found & got up to the vallue of 300000 L & arrived in the downes last Tuesday haveing on board 32 Tunn of silver besides much Gold &c Sr Richd Haddock A few dayes since sold his Part for 150 L now worth 8000 L

The d of Albemarle ventured 600 L some say 800 L for which the master of the ship declares he will give him 40000 L on demand but Its said every 100 L Charge will Repay 10000 L

+Wee have Advice A sally man of warr with Algerine Colours hath taken in o[u]r Channell A Rich English ship from Barbados & Carryed her off & that severall sally men of warr are out with algerien Colours in o[u]r seas

Capt Cheeke is out for being Lieft of the Tower & sr Edw Hales in his Place

+Yest the King dined at the Campe

L. c. 1819 London 11th June 1687

+The dissolveing the Parliamt is not now mentioned some say the Catholicke Clergie are Agt it & their Nobility & Gentry for it & to have A new one Chose Its thought his Maties pleasure will be soon knowne

Many more Addresses are Come up & delivered as also one from some Gent of the Middle Temple wherein are Expressions much talked off & this morning was found upon one of the Pillars of the Temple Cloysters 9 queries Concerning Addressing & Addressors tending to the discouragemt of both

The silver & gold on board the James & Mary is now said to be 33 Tun Computed worth 215000 L & A ketch is Comeing for England with 15 Tun of silver more

The Spanish Ambr here hath given in A memoriall in which he Claimes A Part of the money But all are of opinion the King haveing the Tenth part will leave the Rest to those who ventured in setting out the ship

Its the Exchange newes this day that Abt 3000 Buckaneers have landed & taken A Spanish Towne with 18 millions of gold & silver & offer 4 milllions to o[u]r King for his Protection else must deliver it to the ffrench King

There are on our & the ffrench Coast 15 Algereens who Its said have declared A Breach with England Also Its said 4 Algereens mett in the streights one of o[u]r ffriggotts Comanded by Capt Killegrew with whome was A bloody fight for some houres but the Capt Gott off though much disabled

+Sr Edw Hales his Title is the Kings Lieft & sole governr of the Tower & Its said his Maty hath settled A Pension on Capt Cheeke for his faithfull services

The ffrench K: being Indisposed hath for fear of A Relapse taken Proper Remedies to Prevent the Returne of his distemper

L. c. 1820 London 14th June 1687

+Yest the Gent of Magdalen Colledg in Oxford delivered their Answer in writeing to the Ecclesll Comrs to this effect

That they were obliged by the statutes of the Colledg & by their oaths not to give their votes for any to be President which had not been before either A member of that or New Colledg & therefore Chose dr Hoofe one of their owne members after which dr ffairfax who had not subscribed to the Reasons Prayed to be heard apart which was granted

And he desired A Coppie of the Libell Agt them & also A Coppie of the Comission Citeing severall statutes for his Request Alledging that for them to have Elected mr ffarmer was Contrary to their statutes & their oaths & the Law of the Nation &c Insomuch that the Ld Chancellr ordered him into Custody of A Messenger & then Adjourned till the 22d Instant

His Maty had for 2 or 3 dayes A little swelling in his ffoot which Its thought is the Gout but it hindered him not from Walkeing & is now gone againe

Yest morning Abt 2 A Clocke A fire broke out in st Clements Lane near Temple barr at mr Kerks An Atturney & burnt that & dr shermans & 2 or 3 houses more but mr Kerk & the dr saved their Lives by leapeing out of their windows

Capt Phipps is Come to Blackwell & hath on board him 26 Tun & 7 C of silver & Abt 20 L weight of Gold The D of Albemarle is Returned from Windsor with An order to share the Cargo & breaks bulke to morrow The ketch Capt Phipps left on the Wrecke is also Arrived but Its said without any Plate

By order from the dutch Ambr here An English yaught is sent to Cruise in the Channell for 12 dayes to send all ships into port to Prevent their falling into Piratts hands

L. c. 1821 London 16th June 1687

+Yest being the last of the Terme the E of Devonshire Appeared & made A speech seeming very sorry for his fault & urging the Provocations he had &c

mr Justice Holloway Passed the sentence that he pay 30000 L to the King & be Comitted in Execution till paid & give security for the good behaviour for one year & the Marshall of the Kings bench tooke him into Custody

This day the Ld Chancellr declared that 3 Aldermen were dismiss vizt sr Ben Newland sr Tho: Griffith & mr Paravisine

This morning the Comptroller of the Mint & Ald: Duncomb went on board the James & Mary to take the Kings share of the Bullion which will Amount to 20000 L severall are fitting out to goe to that wreck

Also one mr Harrington Accounted the first & best Artist for weighing up from A Wreck is gone to the Coast of scotland in search of the spanish vice Admirall lost in 1588 laden with money for the Greate Armada

Tis said sr Nath Johnson is taken by A sally man of warr also that the Algerines have set the English & ffrench they tooke on shoar in ffrance

The E India Company have obtained of the King 3 men of warr with men &c to goe for India

+The ffrench & English Comrs have mett Abt Hudsons bay The former Claime it A dependant on Canada but offer A Consideration to o[ur] Company

They write from Ireland that judgments are entred Agt 85 Charters & many families dayly ship thence Also many ships are shut up in Dublin

Yest the trayne of Artillery went to the Campe & the King dined in

the E of Dumbartons Tent, His Maty is ill with the Gout Also Its said
the K of Denmarke is much Indisposed

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

L. c. 1822 London 18th June 1687

+The Proprietors of the silver ship have Recd their Devidends The d of
Albemarles share for A 4th Part Came to 52000 L Sr Jo Narbrough had
12000 L of his Part delivered to sr Charles Duncomb & mr Nicholls A
merchant A like summe to another Goldsmith

On Thursday the Ld Chancellr Came & sate Amonge the Aldermen for
some time & then told them he had A verball order from his Maty to
dismiss sr Tho Griffith sr Ben Newland & mr Paraviceen from being
Aldermen without Paying any fine & they should Proceed to Choose 3 new
ones & if they or any other in time to Come should Refuse to hold they
should Pay A fine & also what sheriffs should Refuse to stand should be
fined & all such fines to goe towards the discharge of the Orphans money
Also that the Ld Mayor According to Ancient Custome drinke to one at the
Bridghouse feast to be A new sheriffe & his Maty will Appoint Another

Yest P: George Embarqued for Denmarke to see his Brother whose
illness is turned into A Tertian Ague

They write from Strasburgh A Globe of fire was seen on the 31st
Past at 3 minuitts Past one in the morning descending as from Heaven
Enlightening the whole Citty & Adjacent Country that the starrs were
obscured neer halfe An houre then broke like the Noyse of greate guns
discharged

The Grand viziers Army is on the march being 60000 men of which
12000 Tartars & Abt 28000 janizaries & have 1400 Camells 400 Waggons of
Amunition & 75 greate guns

L. c. 1823 London 21st June 1687

+The Answer the K: gave to mr Alsopp &c when they prsented their
Adresse Its said was as followeth

+Gent/ I Confess I am something Affected with the Ingenious Gratitude
& thankfullness of my dissenting subjects & that you had not this
Liberty sooner is Highly oweing to the unwearied soliccittations of
some who I am affraide mistake their true Interest & have taken wrong
Methods to unite the Protestants & heale the greate divisions in the
nation

+But I thinke I am not bound to be Ruled by them who I see are wholly
devoted to their owne Interest nor Can I understand by all the Pother
they have made that favour to you will be any Breach of Promise to them
so as to undoe them as they tell mee

ffor let mens mistakes be what they will Concerning my person or
govermt I am Resolved there shall be noe persecutions in my dominions if
I Can be Informed of it

Truly my judgment is soe farr Agt Persecution for meer matters of
Religion that if ever I see Cause to Change my Religion I should not be
of that Party who thinke it the only way to Advance the Church by
undoing other Christians who differ from them in A small matter as I
find it Confest by all

Now to give men liberty to Choose what Church they will hold
Comunion with for their Edification I am Ignorant what Church this would
Prejudice or undoe

And as for you dissenters let there be noe Reflection on the
Ancient govermt of this Nation or disloyall Expressions in your
assemblies & then you are all Tollerable Enough to mee & my govermt &
soe I bid you farewell desireing asmuch your welfare & happiness as any
other of my subjects & I pray you live in Peace among your selves

+The E of Devonshire seemes not Inclined to Pay his fine but assoon as

the Processe is finished the Kings officers will seize his estate

His Maty is not yet perfectly well of his foot but it doth not hinder his Rideing

L. c. 1824 London 23d June 1687

+Yest the Oxford Gent Appeared before the Ecclesll Comrs & Prayed A Paper might be Read of severall subscribed Affidavits Attested by A Publick notary of Oxford which was granted & made Anthony ffarmer who had the Kings mandamus Appear very ill

But in Conclusion the Ld Chancellr Passed sentence & the vicechancellr & dr ffairfax were both suspended & dr Huffs Election made voyd & the Colledg ordered to Proceed to A new Election

This weeke Nath Thompson Printed A sheet Called A new Test for the Church of Englands Loyalty which some Call the most villanous Paper that ever was Printed

Last Tuesday at the Bridghouse feast the Ld Mayor dranke to sr Joseph Hearne for one of o[u]r sheriffs but this day he & Ald Hartop & Sr Wm Russell paid each 420 L into the Chamber of London after which the Ld Mayor dranke to mr Abra: Doleing for sheriffe & the Court Proceeded to the Choyce of 7 new Aldermen who Its beleived will also fine but wee yet know not their names

Tis said the Marshall of the Kings bench is sent to for A Perticular of those in his Custody on scandm Magtums &c and Its beleived his Maty will pardon both their fines & Imprisonments some few Excepted Its said mr Johnson who wrote Julyan will be pardoned Among the Rest, Miles Prance is discharged thence & at his owne house Againe +Our Holland letters say the Algereens have landed in Norway & tooke away 7 or 800 men women & Children

His Maty hath sent to his Consull at Algeirs to demand the English taken in dutch ships

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

L. c. 1825 London 25th June 1687

+On Thursday Abt 6 in the Evening the ship Palestina bound for Turkey as shee was sayling downe for Gravesend to take on the Rest of her Cargo was by A most violent fflash of Lightening set on fire which they Could not quench though they had 40 men on board but Continued burneing after the men left her till by her owne Powder shee was blowne up shee had on board her 400 Peeces of Cloth which is all lost

4 of the Aldermens vacancies are supplied by Sr Jeremy Sambrooke mr Page mr Letton & mr Boddington all Merchants

The King hath Continued the Pattent to the Proprietors who ventured with Capt Phipps for 2 yeares longer & hath Reserved the 5th Part

Capt Phipps is Returned from Windsor with orders to goe Againe Its said 3 men of warr are to Attend him in one of which sr Jo: Narbrough designes to goe

The d of Albemarle designes to set forwards for the West Indies in A fortnight

Letters from scotland say dr Burnet was A 2d time sumoned to Appear by August next or that will Proceed to Condemnation & Confiscation

Also that 3 miles from Glasgow A feild Conventicle was Assembled mr Samll Arnatt Preacher but Part of the E of Dumbartons Regemt seized Teacher & Auditr to the Number of 150 who were Comitted it being death by their Law

They write from Dublin that the day after judgment Agt their Charter the Ld Mayor waited on the Ld deputy with the sword to deliver it to him but his Excellency told them it was his Maties pleasure they should Continue as they were till further order

+Yest his Maty dined in the Campe & treated all the Generall officers

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L. c. 1826 London 28th June 1687

+The Members of Madgalen Colledg in Oxford have not yet obeyed the Censure of the Ecclesll Comrs in Relation to dr Hough dr ffairfax &c

A Mandamus being sent to the Governrs of Charterhouse Hospitall to Admitt one there On saturday they mett 8 whereof being privy Councillrs before whome the person Appeared & finding him A Romanist &c it Caused A greate debate at last they Refused him Admittance & drew up their Reasons which they subscribed & desired the E of sunderland to Acquaint his Maty with them & that he was not qualified According to the will the donor & Lawes of the ffoundation which they were sworne to mantaine &c

Yest Nath Thompson Published Another Paper Called some queries to the Protestants Concerning the English Reformation but is taken up & Comitted to Newgate

+Wee have many Reports & amonge others that there will be A sudden Reforme of his Maties household & that A Bull is Come to make ffather P An Archbp & that of Y--

Last sunday mr Hall the jesuitt Preached before the King in his Chappell at the Campe

On Thursday is to be A Review of the forces at the Campe after which the d of Grafton Embarques for Rotterdam to Receive the new queen of Portugall to transport her for Lisbone

+Last sunday the E of devonshire got A Petition prsented to the King which has soe good effect that some beleive he will have his liberty this weeke

Last saturday the [about nine letters smeared] of London paid several orphans some Interest money This day mr doleing submitted to his fine after which the Ld Mayor dranke to mr John Banks for sheriffe who Its beleived will also fine & when the Comissions are Come from his Maty for the sitting of the New Aldermen they may also fine

L. c. 1827 London 30th June 1687

+Yest mr Jo: Banks paid 520 L fine & this day mr Gabriell Roberts & mr Bramsley paid each 520 L fine After which the Ld Mayor dranke to mr slaughter the late Aldm Cornishes Partner & mr Ridge A merchant for sheriffs who will both fine

The Comission for Calling sr Jeremy Sambrooke mr Letton mr Page mr Boddington & mr Bateman for Aldermen is Come & this day mr Bateman was sworne but the Rest dismist till next Court

This day at the Kings bench died Sr Anthony Bateman sometime Ld Mayor

Tis said the Grandjury of southwarke haveing prsented the Pamphlett Called A Test for the Church of Englands Loyalty as An ill & scandalous Libell & Its thought it will be burnt by the Comon Hangman but mr Thompson is not in Newgate as was said

Tis said some in Holland have in Print Represented the Church of England by A large well fed & ffeathered Goose on the one side Pa [sic] The other dissenters Plucking off her ffeathers The quakers at the Tayle Pluckeing it off & out of her Mouth Gagling these words Non Resistance Non Resistance

+On Tuesday the King was in the Campe where was Represented the fight at Phillips Norton in the West & yest before the King was Represented the fight at Kings Edgmore where Mon[mouth] was Routed & next weeke will be A Representation of the Seige of Buda in An Extrary manner Guns Bombes &c to Play night & day

Tis said his Maty hath given gold Chaines & Medalls to the officers & silver ones to the seamen that brought the Plate

L. c. 1828 London 2d July 1687

+This weeke at the sessions for southwarke the Grandjury presented An Adresse to the Ld Mayor praying him to present it to the King which Its said Returnes his Maty thanks for his Promise to Protect the Church of England &c as also Could not but shew their humble Resentmts & Greife to see the boldness of 2 Pamphletts

One Called A New Test for the Church of Englands Loyalty

The other some queries Concerning the first Reformation which hath put greate fear & doubts in the Protestants & therefore they presented them as Nusances &c

Yest the Ecclesll Comrs sate where mr ffarmer Appeared to justify himselfe & give his Answer in writeing & urged he had sufficient Proofs but the Lds Comrs declared That as they would not have A mans Reputation taken away by bare Certificates soe Could not thinke A man justified by bare Certificates but would hear witnesses on either side on oath soe ordered both sides to Appear that day month & the Accusers to bring the Witnesses that subscribed the Affidavitts

Tis now said the Nuntio will make his Publick entry at Windsor next sunday

Tis said the successe of Capt Phipps hath set many nations on the like endeavors, his Maty is granting them A new Pattent Reserveing A 5th Part of all gotten under 150000 L & A 3d Part of above that vallue Sr Jo: Narbrough goes Admirall with 3 men of warr & Sr Wm Phipps with 3 merchant ships

Our scotch letters say mr Harrington hath already got up 15 brass whole Cannon of the Spanish Wreck in 1588 & Its beleived will soon Come to A greate treasure

L. c. 1829 London 5th July 1687

+The Proclamation for dissolveing the Parliamt is in the Gazett

Last sunday the Archbp of Amasia the Popes Nuntio here had his Publick Audience being Conducted by the d of Grafton

The Nobility & Gentry at Court had notice to Attend the Ceremony with their Coaches

Abt 6 A Clocke the Cavalcade began from his Apartment next Eaton Colledg through Windsor to the Castle The Nuntio Rode in his owne Coach of state in A Purple Robe & A greate golden Cross on his brest with him the d of Northumberland & Sr Cha: Cottrell his Pages & ffootmen in very Rich Liveries

Next followed the Kings Coaches of the state & the queen dowagers with the Roman Clergie next the Ld Chancellrs Coach Ld President Ld Chamberlain Ld Privy seale Bp of Durham Bp of Chester & Abt 11 more of the Nobility & Gentry

The Nuntio made A short speech to the King & Another to the queen & Returned in the same order as they Came

The d of Somerset is dismiss of all his Employmts That of the bedchamber is given to the d of Grafton Also sr Chr: Musgrave is Removed from being Lieft of the ordinance & Its said there will be A Considerable Change both in sea & Campe officers in A few dayes & that mr Brent will be Chancellr of the Exchequer

This day Sr Jeremy sambrooke mr Bateman & mr Rudge paid each 520 L fine mr Boddington & mr Page are to pay each 420 L fine & this day the Ld Mayor dranke to mr Tyson for sheriffe

Our fforreign letters say the Turks are Passed over the drave with 100000 men for Releife of Agria Also that the Muscovite Army are entred Tartary & A mighty Army of Tartars very neer them

The dutch have given An Answer to o[ur] Ambrs memoriall Abt Bantam which doth not please & some begin already to talke of warr

L. c. 1830 London 7th July 1687

+Wee have A Report of An Expreffe being Come to his Maty of A battle betwixt the Turks & Germans neer Esseck & that 12000 Turks were killed & the Rest totally Routed but that the Germans lost many of their Bravest men

The King has given the d of somersetts place in the Bedchamber to the E of dumbarton

To Lieft Coll Cannon his Regemt of dragoons, The Ld Walgrave Lieft of somersetshire & the E of Plimouth of the East Rideing of Yorkshire Sr Hen Tichbourne is made Lieft of the ordinance

Tis said his Maty will Raise 3 Regemts more of ffoot In which are to be Employed the officers which Came from Holland

A Comission is Ishueing Appointing Comrs to vissitt & Inspect all the Hospitalls in the Kingdome & take Account of their endowments how since Improved & how now Expended

Tis said An Alliance is formeing between England ffrance & denmarke & that the Dutch are formeing An Alliance to Ballance

In Holland all hands are at Worke in fitting ships to sea they feareing their E: India fleet

They write from Paris moderation is much spoken off there & some thinke there will be some Consideration had for those Protestants that Remaine there

+This day mr Tyson paid 520 L fine after which the Ld Mayor dranke to mr Benheuson A dutch merchant for sheriffe The 5 new nominated Aldermen are mr Guy mr Grening mr delawood mr Mercer & mr Hassell

+Sr Nath Johnson said to be taken by A sally man of warr is safely Arrived at Mevis

The fforts Bastions &c not being finished at the Campe the Representation of the seige of Buda is Put off till next Tuesday

L. c. 1831 London 9th July 1687

+Wee have noe further Account of the battle betwixt the Turks & Germans But o[ur] fflanders letters say the d of Lorraine was on the 24th Past at Esseck & Resolved to Attack the Enemy before the Arrival of any succours from Belgrade

mr Atterbury haveing been at Oxford with orders to the members of Madgalen Colledg he Came hither on Wednesday & in few houres Returned back for Oxford for what not knowne but Its said he found them very obstinate &c

Tis said the E of Rochester is Prepareing to drinke the spaw waters

Madam Gwin is Relapsed into her old distemper & Its beleived will not Recover

Sr Jo: Narbrough will sayle in 14 dayes

Our scotch letters say those taken at A ffeild Conventicle are all Released Except 4 who were Extreemly willed in their Principles & Resolutions

The dutch had use to have at this season 1000 ffishing Busses at sea but have now but 300 for fear of the Algereens

Our E: India Company are by his Maties Permission Raiseing some thousands of men Resolveing to doe themselves Right To which end they have the Royall Assistance but some are Inclined to sell their stocks Its said Sr Jo: Banks hath sold 5000 L Principle for 208 p Cent & that Ald Duncomb hath done the like

Tis said the d of Grafton after he hath landed the queen of Portugall at Lisbon is to sayle with his squadron to Algeirs & make some demands there

Tis said A Project is on ffoot to oblige the Jewes in England to Redeeme at their owne Charge all his Maties subjects taken by any of the Barbary Piratts it Appeareing the Jewes here Correspond with the Jewes

there & give Account of all ships their Cargo & quality of Persons &c

At the Campe 600 men are dayly at worke on fforts Cittadells &c for the better Representing the seige & takeing of Buda

L. c. 1832 London 16th July 1687

+Yest mr Griffith the Cowkeeper was had before the E of Craven & Sr James Butler & it Appeared he was the Primary Cause of the Ryott That he sent for the souldiers & Comanded them to fire &c upon which the justice that bayled him was Checkt & he was Comitted to Newgate upon the Coroners Enquest for Wilfull murther

Two of the 5 souldiers that were Condemned here for killing A ffarmer at Teddington were yesterday Carryed to the Campe & Executed & died Catholicks & A while after some ffoot souldiers fell on mr Rouse the under sheriffe & upon the Executioner soe that he was brought in A Cart to Brainford

The King has Agreed to farme set & let some Pluralities of Liveings & severall other Parsonages

Ald Wrights son of Oxford A Barrister is made Recorder of that Citty in Place of Sr Geo: Pudsey

This day is Come forth A Proclamation to Prevent the Exportation of wooll &c Assureing one Moyety to the Prosecutr & ordering all seized to be brought to London Hull or Exeter & there sold to Prevent the owners buying Againe as has been hitherto frequently Practised

The discourse has been Renewed that the Buckaneers have offered the King 200000 L for Pardons &c

They write from the Hague that the Comrs of their E India Company were sent for to Advise Abt drawing up An Answer to o[ur] Ambrs memoriall which would be Completed in A few dayes & he only stays to Receive it before he Returnes for England

+They write from ffalmouth they heard greate shooting at sea & supposed 7 Algeir men of warr that lay off the lands end were Engaged with the Dutch E India fleet

+A Parliamt is to be speedily Called in Ireland

L. c. 1833 London 19th July 1687

+They write from ffalmouth they had Advice by A ffrench vessell the greate shooting was Caused by some ffrench meeting with the Algereens who tooke 2 of them & Carryed them into Brest

some of the Apprentices haveing been Comitted to New Prison for the late Ryott, Last sunday the Rabble Rose Againe in far greater numbers & demanded them out some of the Militia endeavouring to seize them were knockt downe with Brick batts & stones & forced to quitt the feild & Major Parry hurt Then the E of Craven Appeared & seized 11 & Comitted them which soe Enraged them that they Ran Abt the streets in A Rebellious maner but without Armes The E of Craven was forced to lye all night in the feild to Attend their motions & Yest went to New Prison & Examined them & sent 11 to Newgate

+Last weeke A Popish Chappell was Consecrated in Borge yard in Bucklers Bury

This day all the horse goe to Windsor & Attend his Maty to the Campe & Invest Buda The ffoot breake ground to morrow & make their Approaches as Regular as if A Reall seige

The King has given the Gardners widdow whose Husband was killed by the 5 souldiers 10 L p year dureing her widdowhood & declares he will pardon neither officer nor souldier found Guilty of Wilfull murther

The Turks are far more in number then the Christians yet Act only defensive Exspecting A warr Among the Christians next year They seem to slight the K of Poland on Presumption ffrench money Passes Currant there

Our Holland letters say 10 men of warr are fitted & lye before the

Maas to Attend the states orders our Ambr there has An Answer to his Memoriall & is dayly Exspected here

L. c. 1834 London 23d July 1687

+Yest mr Penn Published A booke which he Calls Seasonable Advice to the Church of England dissenter & Romanist Abt the Penall Lawes & Test Endeavouring to Prove its their Interest to endeavour to Repeale them soe as never to Rise Again

his Maty has sent An order to the ffellows of Magdalen Colledg in Oxford not to Admitt any one into any of the places of the Colledg lately vacant & were usually filled up upon St Mary Magdalens day Till the affaires of the Colledg shall be Adjusted by the Ecclesll Comrs

There is A talke of Purgeing all the Corporations of the Kingdome & Putting in such as were Called whiggs

Yest at the Court of Aldermen mr Lea paid 520 L fine After which A messenger tis said was sent into the Country to the Ld Chancellr & Another Person of quality the buisness yet unknowne

+The Mobile are quiett & wee hope will soe Continue

Yest at the Campe A Gunners Arme was shott off The Cartidg takeing fire as it was Chargeing, On Tuesday the Genll Assault of Buda is to begin Tis said the horse will decampe on the 4th August & the ffoot on the 10th

The q Goes to the Bath Abt the middle of August & his Maty will then vissitt Portesmouth &c

The d of Berwick is by the Emper[o]r made Coll of A Regemt of Curiassers, his Brother is on board the D of Grafton his Inclinations being for the sea On Tuesday the d of Grafton sayled by the Downes & the q of Portugall on board him

The D of Lorraine beseiges Esseck & if that Bassa has the Temper of the late Bassa of Buda the seige may be as famous some say the Grand vizier is Prepareing to Relieve it others that he is ill at Belgrade The D of Bavaria is makeing Hast to joyne Lorraine while the Rest block up Agria Mongatz & Alba Regalis

L. c. 1835 London 26th July 1687

+Last sunday Major Arnold Releiving the Company neer mr Griffiths in the afternoon Posted his men in all the Passes which drew greate Numbers of boyes &c which only Gazed But the souldiers Comanding them to be gone & offering to seize some they Resisted & threw Brick Batts stones &c & A greate Ryott Proceeded in which A woman belonging to sr Jo: Banks was shott dead & many hurt The sheriffes Came & made Proclamation but some Indignity was offered them & their officers beaten but some of the Kings souldiers Came & disperst them

Yesterday & this day hath been greate doings at the Campe To morrow the seige of Buda is to be determined & on munday the Campe breaks up

Last Satureday Came A Courrier to Windsor with the newes of the death of the ds of Modena Mother to o[u]r queen & next sunday the Court goes into Mourning

The Treasury have ordered the E of devonshires estate to be Extended for the Kings fine of 30000 L

+Our E: India actions are at 205 L Affrican 220 Hudsons bay 220 L p Cent

Tis said dr Burnet hath Printed in Holland Coppies of the 2 Libells Agt him & Added thereto his defence in which he disowns all layd to his Charge & in Conclusion Inserts some letters the Originalls of which he sayes were sent to his Maties Principle secretary of state

This day mr Mordant gave bond to serve sheriffe but mr Ingram & mr Mort [?] paid each 420 L fine & the Court Proceeded to Choose new Aldermen

+Our fforreign letters say the d of Bavaria & Genll Dunewall are joynd
the D of Lorrains Army which are now 50000 men in good heart

Just now is talke An Expreffe from the d of Lorraine is gone to
Windsor the Contents not yet knowne
[Some figures in another hand appear in left margin of first recto and
on outside of letter.]

L. c. 1836 London 28th July 1687

+On Tuesday Abt 3 A Clocke the Cittadell Represented Buda with all the
stepps of warr which lasted till sunsett, his Maty giveing all the
Comands & all performeing to his greate satisfaction There being noe
Accedent but only A souldier much torne in his members The Cittadell
was not taken but will be preserved till next Campaigne & made more
Regular in which some few souldiers will be all the year

+There are 4 students at Eaton Colledg Turned Romanists which hath
occasioned much talke & some Animosities among the members

Yest Came forth A Printed sheet Asserting the Church of England
were not loyall in setting up q: Elizabeth that had noe Right nor was
Legitimate also another sheet being An Invective Abuse of the Church of
England

Our scotch letters say that since the Proclamation for liberty of
Conscience many meetings have been there

That the Presbiterians of the 2 Lothains had A Provinciaall Assembly
& Its Reported Intend A Generall Assembly in septembr next

Last Munday the Ld Coventry died here leaveing An estate of 20000
[?] L p An with his Barony to his kinsman A merchant

The Answer the states gave to o[ur] Ambrs memoriall Abt Bantam was
That Abt 12 months since they Recd the like memoriall from mr shelton
but never heard more of it till now & that the same Comrs were Ready to
debate it whenever his Maty pleased

The dutch Ambr here hath delivered in A memoriall Its said to
demand A dutch ship which Ran away from the Algerines to the English
shoar whence the Algerines got her off Also to desire Assistance of 20
men of warr Agt the Algerines by vertue of An Article of the defensive
league or to declare them Piratts & soe to have noe Protection

They write from Venice the Turks are very formidable in Dalmatia
That they have Advice the Emper[o]r Inclines to A peace & they are
assured that state will strike in with the Emper[o]rs opinion

L. c. 1837 London 30 July 1687

+Yest the Oxford Gent Appeared before the Ecclesll Comrs & soe fully
proved upon oath all the Articles Agt mr ffarmer that Its thought his
Maty will Recall his Mandamus

The ffellows of the Colledg also Appeared by Delegates to Answer
the Contempt & Attend next ffriday

Yest the Ld Mayor & c Recd his Maties pleasure to have 6 of their
Aldermen Removed vizt sr Wm Turner sr Wm Pritchard sr samll Dashwood sr
symon Lewis sr Ben Thorowgood & sr Jo Chapman There are 6 new ones
named

This day the Ld Mayor & Aldermen Carried An Adresse of thanks to
his Maty for his declaration of Liberty of Conscience

The Report is Renewed that sr John shorter will be Ld Mayor next
year

At Glocester According to Annuall Custome they Chose A new Mayor in
Place of mr Hill A Romanist but his Maties pleasure is signified that he
hold another year

The horse march from the Campe next Tuesday & the ffoot on Thursday
& the Court Returne hither next Weeke & on the 10th the King goes into
the West to view his Ports & c & the queen to the Bath shee being

Indisposed & her Phisitians vizt Sr Chr: scarbrough Sr Tho Witherley dr Browne dr Bradly & dr Walgrave Adviseing it

Wee hear from E India the warrs Continue betwixt the English & the greate Mogull who Its said hath seized suratt & c which newes Abates o[u]r E India Actions

+Our fforreign letters say the Pope & c are much Allarmed by the Arrivall of 17 Gallies & some men of warr before Civita Vechia who Its said have orders to Bombard that Place & c unless the Pope Recede in the affaure of the ffranchises; Our fforreign letters say the d of Lorraine & the Turks are in sight of each other & on all hands Its Agreed our next letters must bring Account of A Battle

L. c. 1838 London 2d August 1687

+Its said the occasion of displacing the 6 Aldermen was for opposeing some Expressions in An Adresse brought to the Court of Aldermen Ready drawne by mr Recorder

They were sumoned to Appear this day where the Comission for their dismissal was to be Read But they not Appeareing it was not Read nor the 6 new ones nominated But 4 new Aldermen formerly elected Appeared vizt Sr Jo ffrederick mr John Bawdon mr samll Thompson & mr Ivott The last Paid his fine The other 3 were sworne & sate

Tis said Sr Robt Clayton sr Patience Ward sr Jo Lawrence sr Jo shorter & c will be Called Againe to be Aldermen & sr Jo Moor sr James Smith & sr Robt Jeffries are displaced

Last sunday was another Greate Ryott in Red Lyon feilds where severall were Wounded & A scrivener shott through the Legg which Its said is to be Cutt off severall of the Ryotters are Comitted

+Its said A Comission of Oyer & Terminier is Ishuing to Enquire the Cause of the late Ryotts & for tryall of the Ryotters now in Custody

his Maty Intends to vissitt Portesmouth Wight Plimouth Exeter & Bristoll & then be some time with the queen at the Bath Then to make A Progress to Glocester & some other Neighbouring Counties

This day the E of Rochester set forwards for the spaw in Germany

Sr Robt Peytons estate being Extended A ffieri facias is Ishued to seize the Proffitts since last Terme

+The Cargoes of o[u]r 2 last E India ships are 12000 L of Indico 50000 L of Redwood 150000 L of saltpetre 20000 L of Pepper & 60000 Peeces of stuffs, many English have lost their lives in India by joyneing with the K of syam Agt his Rebels There are 5 more ships Exspected home

The dutch have Advice their E India fleet are safe & they hourelly Exspect their Arrivall

+Wee have yet noe further Account from Hungary

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

L. c. 1839 London 4th August 1687

+The 6 Aldermen to succeed those dismiss are Its said mr Jo: Parsons A Brewer mr Basill ffirebrass merchant mr Wm Kiffin the Anabaptist mr Jo Eyles & mr Humfry Edwin merchants & mr Mead A quaker Also Its said Sr Jo shorter & mr Hawkins A scrivener are made Aldermen

Its now noe longer questioned but that Sr Jo shorter will be Ld Mayor next year & his Maty hath knighted mr Parsons & mr ffirebrass in order to their being sheriffs

Sr Robt Viner formerly Ld Mayor is dead

Letters from Oxford say last Tuesday morning mr Atterbury fixed on Magdalen Colledg gate & oxford Chappell Gate The late decree of the Ecclesll Comrs in 2 Papers The one for vacating the Election of mr Hough President & the other for depriveing mr Alworth from being vice President & dr ffairfax from his ffellowship

Yest the left wing at Hunslow heath decamped & the heath will be

Cleared by the end of the weeke

This morning the E of Castlemain Arrived here from Rome

On Wednesday the d of Albemarle Goes for Portesmouth to Embarque for Jamaica

+Our scotch letters say that on the 20th Past the E of Perth Ld High Chancellr Marqs of Atholl Ld Privy seale & D of Gourdon Constable of the Castle of Edenbrough were Invested knights of the most noble order of the Thistle on the 23d the Presbyterian masters prsented An Adresse of thanks for liberty of Conscience to the Ld Chancellr to be prsented to the King

+Wee have nothing from Hungary

L. c. 1840 London 6th August 1687

+his Matyes Progress is Appointed on the 16th August at Portesmouth & stayes there the 17th The 18th at Bath & stayes there the 19th 20th & 21st 22d Glocester 23d Worcester 24th Ludlow 25th shrewsbury 26 Whitchurch 27th 28th & 29th Chester 30th Newport 31st Litchfeild Sept 1st Coventry 2d Banbury 3d & 4th Oxford 5th Cirencester & 16th Bath In which Progress some of the Nobles will every night keep open table

+Yest the ffellows of Magdalen Colledg gave in writeing to the Ecclesll Comrs why they did not Publish their sentence Agt the President & c The substance of which was That they were not for disobeying any of their Lordships orders But were not legally served with their order & c which Answer was Accepted & the Gent dismiss

Tis said the Bp of Oxford is to Execute the Power of President of Magdalen Colledg till further order & the Court Adjourned till the 6th octobr

A Comission of Oyer & Terminer to the Ld Chancellr & c is sealed for tryall of the late Ryotters

mr Covett Attorney of Chichester found in 100000 L damages to the K when d of Yorke, mr Best Called the Protestant Hop merchant fined 1000 L for A misdemeandr for drinking to the Pious memory of Stephen Colledg in Returne to one that began the Popes to him & mr Baker fined 500 L are all 3 discharged upon paying into the Exchequer 500 L & matters are prepareing for dischargeing many more of the Kings Prisoners

his Maty hath granted A Pattent to one mr ffox to furnish his Army & Navy with Bulletts for 15 yeares

+They write from Vienna they suppose the Turks suffered the D of Lorraine to Passe the drave out of designe he meeting with such dificulties as will force him to Hazzard A Battle on disadvantageous Termes noe supplies Can Come to his Army but by the Drave

L. c. 1841 London 9th August 1687

+The Ld Chancellr is made Ld Lieft of the County of salop Ld Mulgrave Ld Lieft of the East Rideing of Yorkshire Ld Huntingdon of Leicestershire Ld Viscount Preston of Cumberland Ld Aston of staffordshire & Ld Walgrave of somersetshire

sr ffran Ratcliffe is made Baron of Langley Viscount Tindall & Earle of Darwent water

+This day was A Court of Aldermen before whome Came Sr Jo shorter mr ffirebrass & mr Manson but were not sworne mr ffrederick paid his fine of 420 L

This day sr Jo Moor & sr James smith Recd their quiettus

Letters from the Imperiall Campe at syclos on this side the drave Give Account the d of Lorraine made the late Attempt by speciall Comand from the Imperiall Court Contrary to his owne sentiment being to Passe over the drave on 6 Bridges & on 3 others over the Morasses for all which severall of their waggons were forced to swim & their horsemen for more then A League to march up to the saddle skirts

Being Come before the Turks Campe they found it defended with A morass A Pikes Lengh deep in water & mudd & found it Imposible to force it soe Repassed the drave with little loss & Came to syclos where severall Parties of Turks have Appeared before their Campe Agt whome detachments were sent

+The ffrench ffleet in the streights have taken An Algereen man of warr which they keep till they give satisfaction for the ffrench ships & goods taken by the Piratts of sally & sold in Algeirs Contrary to the Articles of Peace

L. c. 1842 London 11 August 1687

+Yest sr Hen Tulse & sr Robt Jeffries had their quiettus & sr Jo: Shorter mr Mostin & mr Parsons were sworne Aldermen, mr Kiffin Appeared & desired he might Attend his Maty before he tooke the oaths which was granted

Precepts are Ishued to Regulate the Livery men of each Company as Its said that those formerly Excluded may Act in the same Capasity with others & lay all distinctions aside

The Marriage of the son of the late Sr ffran: Ratcliffe now E: of Derwent to the Lady Mary Tudor will suddenly be Consumated

Its said his Maty will build A Collegiatt Church at St Winifrids well in fflintshire & will view it in his Progress

Our Holland letters say the Christians Retreate from before Esseck was with greate dificulty That they lost 1000 men That 200 ffrench officers quitted the Imperiall Army & went to the Turks That the Turks were Reinforced with 30000 Tartars

That Teckley hath made A New Alliance with the Grand seignr by which Teckley is to be Crowned King of Hungary & after his death the states to Elect themselves A King That the Tribute of 40000 Crownes shall never be Augmented That the Hungarians shall enjoy their Ancient Priviledges That the Grand seignr shall take them into his Protection & shall not treat without him & them That the Jesuitts shall be banished Hungary with other Articles of like Tendancy

The English & ffrench Comrs Concerning Hudsons bay have mett 3 times & the ffrench Pretend it A dependance on Canada

Yesterday Oates stood in the Pillory at Westminster & this day at Charing Cross

L. c. 1843 London 13th August 1687

+There is A discourse of A vissitation at Oxford on the 4th Septembr when the King is there

Its said Wm Penn Esqr is made Treasurer of the Navy & very faire for another greate Employ Also that mr Wade who was in the West with Monmoth is made Recorder of Bristoll

Also that Sr Jo shorter is Chosen President of Bridewell

+The Precepts Abt the Livery men Requires the Masters & wardens of each Company to send Coppies to the Ld Chancellr of their Livery men as also of those that were before the Proceedings Agt the Charter In order to have the old members put in Againe & to Reduce them to the same state they were in

Yest Oates stood in the Pillory at Temple barr & the King Comeing to towne to vissitt the queen Dowager as he passed looked out of his Coach & smiled

The Ld spencer son to the E of sunderland is to goe to Modena to Condole upon the death of the queens mother

Yest the Ld Ch J: Reswore mr Glover marshall of the Kings bench

The 13 Dutch E: India ships Arrived are Prodigiously Rich 800 Tun of saltpetre 700 Tun of Pepper & of Callicoos silks & spices An Incredible quantity

+Our German letters say that the D of Bavaria lost bag & baggage That he was alwayes Agt Passing the drave The ill successe of which has Caused A greate misunderstanding betwixt him & the d of Lorraine That the Turks are marched over the Bridg of Esseck with their Artillery & are 150000 strong & as it were Pursue the Christian Army & Its thought have their eye upon Buda but the d of Lorraine Resolves to fight them

L. c. 1844 London 16th August 1687

+This morning their Maties went from Windsor for their Progress

Yesterday P: George Arrived at Windsor & Its said staves there with the Ps who is with Child

This day the Ld Chancellr designed for Tunbridg but An order Came from his Maty to Require his prsence in Towne dureing the absence of the Court

+This day in the Court of Aldermen the Comission for new Aldermen was Read where sr Basill ffirebrass sr Richd Hawkins sr Jo. Ives [?] mr Ashurst mr Gardiner mr Underill & mr Berry were sworne But mr Paull & mr Radbert who were in the same Comission did not Appear nor did mr Kiffin soe Its thought he has his discharge from his Maty

His Maty hath given Sr Jo: shorter A Pattent to Create him A Baronett without ffees

+The Answer of the states Genll Concerning dr Burnet Its said is That they should at all times be Ready to serve the K of England But as to dr Burnet he hath voluntarily become their subject & by the Constitution of their Government they Could not deliver him up but if the Printer be found he should have suitable Punishment

Its said there is Printed in Holland

The life of his late Maty

An Answer to Thompsons new Test of the Church of Englands Loyalty & A discourse of the prsent Tolleration in England All 3 written by dr Burnet

They write from Ireland their Harvest is soe Extrary that the like hath not been knowne in that Kingdome

some letters say That upon the Executing 2 or 3 Hungarians in the Imperiall Campe That nation soe disgusted it [sic] that 10000 are gone over to the Grand viziers Army

L. c. 1845 London 18th August 1687

+Tis said the Ld Chancellr will be made vicar Genll of England Also that 3 or 4 Comrs will sit In the Citty to Inspect & Regulate the Livery men by Direction from the Ld Chancellr & Its said sr Nicholas Butler Jo: Trinder Esqr & mr Brent will be Inspectors herein

The Court of Aldermen being now Compleate are Sr Jo Peake Ld Mayor Sr Wm Hooker Sr Jo shorter Sr Jonathan Raymund sr Peter daniell Sr Wm Gosling Sr Peter Vandeput Sr Tho Kinsey Sr Jo Rawlinson Sr Tho ffwowles mr Jolliffe mr Thompson mr Bawden Sr Basill ffirebrass Sr Jo Parsons mr Edwin mr Moston mr Paull mr Ashurst Sr Richd Hawkins mr Gardiner Sr Jo Eyes mr Underhill mr Radbert mr Berry & mr Kiffin

+Tis said the Ld Deputy of Ireland has orders to meet the King at Chester Also that soon after his Maties Returne he will spend some time at Newmarket A ffox hunting

Our German letters say the Imperiallists lost 4000 men in their march between Esseck & Mohatz That many Hungarians deserted & went to the Turks That the Turks had soe good Intelligence In the Emper[olrs] Army that they knew their Resolutions which they take in their Councells of warr

Our fforreign letters yesterday Confirme A New Alliance between the Muscovites & Tartars & between the K of Poland & the Muscovites who gives the K of Poland 1500000 Livers for some Townes &c

The Cargoes of the 13 dutch East India ships Cost 600000 L sterling
In India & are now worth 2 Millions & there is 1200000 L Proffitt & 3
other ships are dayly Expected

L. c. 1846 London 20th August 1687

+his Maty tooke with him for his Progress 50000 Guyneys besides Abt
20000 Peeeces of Gold for such he toucheth for the Evill

Tis said his Maty designes to Erect A Cittadell at Chester & some
thinke shrewsbury will be garrisoned

The Ld fferrors is made Ld Lieft of staffordshire & the E of
shrewsbury hath obtained leave to goe into Holland

Last Munday his Maty delivered to the Ld Brandon Gerrard A Pardon
under the Broade seale

His Maties Comrs for the Navy have Adjudged the ships Triumph
Unicorne & George to be broken up

Tis said his Maty Intends to Impower Certain Persons in each
County to give Licences to all Publick houses & the Proffitts to be
paid into the Exchequer

Tis said mr Wagstaffe o[ur] towne Clerke will be displaced & that
mr Redding will succeed

Our letters from the Imperiall Campe of the 10th say the d of
Lorraine to draw the Turks out of their Campe Caused the d of Bavaria to
draw off to the Right & another Party to the left & the Turks spyes gave
Advice the Christians were Running away as at Esseck The Turks beleived
it & fell on the d of Lorraine who waited to Receive them & fought 4
houres In which time the d of Bavaria &c wheeled Abt & Charged the Turks
in both fflanks who fled towards Esseck The Christians makeing it A
Terrible slaughter 8000 being killed & Abt 9000 drowned & many Prisoners
taken together with the Artillery & baggage & the Christians in
Pursuite of the Rest Also the Venetians have taken the strong ffortresse
of Lepanto from the Turks

L. c. 1847 London 23d August 1687

+The Bp of Oxford hath his Maties letter to be President of Magdalen
Colledg

This day wee have Advice of Another ship Come home with 40 Tun of
Plate fished out of the Spanish Galleons

When his Maty was at Portesmouth he viewed his new storehouse which
is 220 yards long & is takeing in stores which are there Provided to A
Prodigious quantity each ship hath her perticular Roome

There is Arrived there A ship from New England with 17 Masts big
enough to serve the best ship the King has besides lesser & say 6 ships
more are Comeing thither with Masts &c

His Maty is building A new storehouse at Portesmouth

some houres after their Maties Arrivall at the Bath the Ld dover
brought A message to the Ld Mulgrave forbidding him by his Maties order
the Court & his presence

The E: of dorsett is displaced for being Ld Lieft of sussex & the Ld
Abergaveny in his Place

A Pardon is Passing for Sr ffran: drake Accused for words spoken
Agt his Maty when D of Yorke

They write from dublin the Ld deputy was Prepareing to Attend his
Maty when at Chester & that many of the Nobility judges &c will Attend
him thither

Our Holland letters seem to make the defeate of the Turks In
Hungary much greater then was at first Reported 100 Cannon & 2 Millions
of Treasure &c being taken Also Its Confirmed that the Venetians have
taken Lepanto & therein 120 Brass Cannon 14 Galleons & A vast booty &
defeated 18000 Turks in one body & 6000 in Another & tooke severall other

Places & are become masters of all the Morea

L. c. 1848 London 25th August 1687

+The Plate ship stands off to sea & Its said will not Come in here till the Proprietors have waited on his Maty & have Agreed with the d of Albemarle &c that have A Pattent from his Maty to goe Againe in search of the said wrecks others say Its money belonging to the Buckaneers sent from Bermudas by one Capt Bee & Its thought if shee Cannot make her Termes will Putt off to Holland & unlade there

The E of Mulgrave is Come to towne suspended his office yet walked yesterday in st James Parke with his white staffe The E of Carlingford is Gone with A letter to the King in his behalfe

His Maty was Recd at Worcester with greate splendr The Ld Plimouth who is Ld Lieft of that County with the Nobility & Gentry went to meet him & was entertained by the Bp at his Pallace & all the Gent by the Ld Plimouth who kept open Table dureing the Kings stay

This weeke the Ds of somerset was brought to bed of A son

The E: India Actions Continue at 206 Affrican 220 & Hudsons bay at 180 L which before the ffrench seized 2 of their factories was worth 300 L In which his Maty has declared he will see them Righted

+Our ffrench letters say the Grand vizier with much dificulty Retreated to Esseck where he is Rallying all the forces he Can to defend that Place, wee have A Report this day that the K of Poland is dead

L. c. 1849 London 27th August 1687

+On the 22d the Ld deputy of Ireland Arrived at Chester with Abt 200 Noblemen &c next day he was Invited by the Bp of Chester & on the 24th went for shrewsbury to meet his Maty

Our scotch letters say that on the 18th A Comittee of Councell sate & the Ld Chancellr sent for some of the Presbyterian ministers who subscribed the Adresse lately in o[ur] Gazett & delivered them his Maties Answer which was sealed & directed to one of the ministers vizt

Wee love you Well & wee heartily thanke you for your Adresse Wee Resolve to Protect you in your Religion liberty & Property all o[ur] life & wee shall lay downe such methods as shall not be in the Power of any to alter thereafter In the meane time wee desire your prayers for o[ur] Person & Government To which the Ld Chancellr Added

+Gent my master ordained mee to tell you That I am to serve you in all things within the Compasse of my power

Letters from Algeirs say that on the 14th Past the dutch ship taken between England & Rotterdam was brought thither with 164 persons of which 47 English were Imediately delivered to the English Consull But 63 ffrench Protestants who had their Choyce to be delivered to their Consull or to be slaves Chose the latter they not forceing them to Mahomett & masse being to them Equall to it

+Letters from Vienna of the 17th Confirme the late victory but say the horse Escaped to Esseck some Presse the Emperor to make use of this Conjuncture for A Peace Tis said that before the Battle A Party of Turks tooke Abt 30 English voluntiers of which 2 sons of George Pitts Esqr & that the d of Berwick is brought to Vienna sick

Letters from Poland say their King was in Good health & Prepareing to goe to his Army of 36000 men Encamped neer Camimeck

L. c. 1850 London 30th August 1687

+His Maty haveing sent A Mandamus to the Bp of Oxford to Require him to demand the Admittance of mr ffarmer President of Magdalen Colledg Last saturday his Lordship being Indisposed sent one mr Collins as his deputy with the said Mandamus & A letter to the seni[o]r ffellow & in his Absence to the most seni[o]r ffellow to demand the Admittance The Answer was Plenas Locus

Wee have these further Particulars of the Battle in Hungary
That both Armies Came fairely to A Pitcht battle

That the Turkish horse being beaten left their ffoot which most of
them Perished That it was An entire defeate of the whole Army & of
15000 old janizaries 50 did not escape They tooke their Campe with
Tents standing all their baggage & Artillery & kild above 20000 on the
place besides those drowned

They write from shrewsbury that on the 25th Abt 5 A Clocke his Maty
arrived & was mett at the Gate by the Mayor &c who prsented him with A
Gold Purse filled with Gold the Bells Rung all night & Bonefires &c
that few went to bed

Three E India ships are Arrived Richly laden vizt the Josiah George
& Rainbow & say A peace is Agreed with the Natives

His Maty has sent An order to the Ld Mayor & Aldermen to Pay off
all those Orphans who have not above 100 L In the Chamber of London one
of the fines Already Recd & this day they began & Paid 9 or 10 off This
day mr Edwin mr Paull mr Kiffin & mr Radbert were sumoned to take the
oaths of Aldermen but did not Appear

L. c. 1851 London 1st Sept 1687

+Yest o[ur] sessions began at the old Bayly where mr Griffith was found
guilty of Manslaughter A Record was Produced that Abt 20 yeares since
he was Indicted of Murther found guilty of Manslaughter & burnt in the
hand severall of the Ryotters were also Indicted & will be severely
Punished

Sr Christo Wrenn has orders to Hasten the finishing of St Pauls
+Last weeke Sr Jo Narbrough went with some ships for the wreck in the
west Indies

The duke & ds of Albemarle are both ill of A feaver

A Comission of Grace for Poor Prisoners which his Maty has Promised
to signe at his Returne hither is Granted to Continue dureing the Kings
Pleasure & directed to all on [?] Comission of Peace any 3 of which may
Act in their severall jurisdictions

+That mr Heywood or mr Arnold the Registers shall Cause the Names of all
such as desire Releife to be put in the Gazett 30 dayes before to save
prisoners Charges & that Credittors may be without excuse

That Goalers shall be Credittors

That the Comrs have the same Power as the Act for Poor Prisoners
gave them

That the Prisoner shall make oath of his Condition & effects &
shall be discharged of by A Certain day the Credittrs disprove not the
said oath

+That the Comrs shall Allow According to their discretions to the
Prisoner out of his effects & that if any Action be brought Agt Prisoner
or Goaler they shall plead the Generall Ishue & give this Comission in
barr thereto

+They write from Vienna that such Abundance of Rice Oates &c is taken as
will more then supply their Army this year That the d of Berwick fought
at the head of his Regemt & is to be A Major Genll & that the Archduke
Joseph is to [be] Crowned K of Hungary on the 20th octobr

L. c. 1852 London 3d Sept 1687

+His Maty haveing sent A 2d letter to the heads of Magdalen Colledg
Requireing them to Admitt the Bp of Oxford for their President

They Returned Answer

They were sorry they Could not Comply with his Maties Comands But
haveing Already Invested dr Hough it was noe longer in their Power to
Admitt any other

The University of Oxford have ordered the heads of all the

Colledges (Except Magdalen Colledg to Avoid offence) The masters of Art &c to meet his Maty some miles out of Towne

Yest Oates stood in the Pillory before the Royall Exchange Also it being the Anniversary Humiliation for the Burneing of London it was most sollemnly observed Especially at mr Baxters & all dissenters Except quakers

Tis said there is stolne out of the Press & Privately sold in towne A booke of 2 1/2 sheets Intituled A letter to A dissenter upon occasion of his Maties Gracious Indulgence said to be A Paper of Greate Remarque

Sr samll Barnadiston being Removed to the ffileet Prison & Lodging in the old Bayly in the late enlarged Rules Last Thursday the warden had orders to Call him into the Prison house

Yest the sessions ended at the old Bayly Griffith the Cowkeeper was set by till next sessions he Claimeing his Clergie which the judges will Consider But 9 of the Ryotters are to be whipt from Holborne barrs to Red Lyon feilds to pay each 5 L To be kept 3 months in Bridewell at hard labour & be of the good behaviour afterwards, one mr stafford that Rode in the Guards is found Guilty of Murther for killing A watchman & wounding another since dead Its thought he will have noe pardon

+Tis said the d of Grafton is dead at Lisbone

L. c. 1853 London 6th Sept 1687

+Upon the Request of the University of Oxford to the D of Ormond their Chancellr to nominate A new vicechancellr he hath Nominated dr Ironside one of greate Learning & spiritt & in whome they are Extreamly satisfied

On sunday Abt 5 at night his Maty Came to Oxford & was Recd with all the Expressions & Marks of Loyalty & joy Imaginable

The Recorder in behalfe of the Citty prsented him with A Purse of Gold & the vicechancellr in the Name of the university with A Bible of Abt 50 L vallue

Tis said his Maty has declared the university his High Resentments of their disobeying his Mandamus & that unlesse they doe forthwith Admitt unto the Presidentship of Magdalen Colledg mr ffarmer or the Bp of Oxford they shall feele the effects of his Anger &c

The queen is soe Extreamly well pleaded with the Bath as to Continue there till the 21st Instant & Its said his Maty makes A further Progresse to Taunton Tiverton Exeter Plimouth & Returnes to the queen & then goe together for Windsor

Tis said 40 of the lesser ships of warr will be suddenly fitted out of which A squadron to Goe with Sr Robt Holmes to West India

This day the D of Albemarle went for Portesmouth Sr Jo Narbrough stayer his Comeing & then they Intend for Jamaica

Yest the Lieutenancy sate & the new Comission was Read in which are all the new Aldermen & the Comrs of the Customs & Excise but the quondam Aldermen & Lieft Coll stephenson are left out

The Recorder hath Caused Execution to be suspended on those sentenced to be whipt for the Ryott till his Maties pleasure be knowne

Wee long to hear how the newes from Morea & Hungary is Recd at Constantinople some beleiving it will put that Government Into A Convulsion if not A Revolution

L.c. 1854 London 8th Sept 1687

+Last ffriday when the King Came to Banbury A Greate Bull dog Ran full at his Maties horse nose & Riseing to fasten the King shott him dead The noyse startled the E of Abingtons horse & threw him whereupon he was let blood

When the King was at Oxford he heard Masse & A sermon in the new Chappell at Christchurch which is finely Adorned he vissitted University Colledg & Recd mr Walker with all Grace & kindness

He sent for all the ffellows of Magdalen Colledg & Required the Admitting the Bp of Oxford for their President To which they Answered on their knees they Could not & prayed him to hear their Reasons

But his Maty being Highly moved said he would not hear anything more from them & Wished them not to disobey their Prince &c They] offered A Petition to the E of sunderland to prsent to the King who was very gracious to the Rest of the university

Tis said his Maty has Altered his mind as to A further Progress & will be at Windsor next saturday Also Its said writts will suddenly Ishue for A Parliamt

The E of Mulgrave is Restored to their Maties favour

Sr Tho Jeffries the Ld Chancellrs Brother is gone back for Spaine who being A Romanist & haveing marryed in Spaine that King has made him A knight of Calutrava

+His Maty has made Major Walker deputy governr of Jamaica

Last saturday the Countesse of stamford died

The E India Company have given leave to 3 Interlopers to trade to India under some Regulations & Its beleived will to more to Increase trade Tis said the Mogull is dead & that he hath made his 3d son Emperor +The d of Berwick Recovered & is made A Lieft Genll in the Emper[ors Army

L. c. 1855 London 10th Sept 1687

+On Munday the King & queen goe to Bristoll after which his Maty will goe to Winchester & Hunt there 3 or 4 dayes & be at Windsor on the 17th Instant

The queen will Continue at Bath Abt A fortnight longer

The Addition to his Maties Chappell at Whitehall is Almost finished & A Curious Organ to be set up there severall other Alterations are makeing perticularly the guard=Chamber is now wainscoated & Hung Round with Armour like that at Windsor Castle

Our scotch letters say dr Burnet was on the 9th Past declared fugitive for not Appeareing to Answer the Charge of High Treason

They write from Paris that King hath Published A Placaert Comanding all Protestants of what quality or Nation soever to depart his dominions within 3 months under Penalty of Imprisonmt & Confiscation of their Estates

Our Holland letters say the Spolnes [?] & Tartars in the Grand viziers Army in their flight quarrelled & fought where severall on both sides were killed

Its now on all hands Agreed there were killed & drowned 25000 Turks That all their Cannon standarts & Tents were taken with A vast quantity of Amunition & Provisions

+In the Grand viziers Cabinet was found A letter from the Prince of Transilvania desireing 10000 Turks to assist him Agt the Imperiallists Count Taffe hath surrendred his Regemt to the Emper[or] & Its said will be sent Ambr for England

They write from Venice that Genll Morisini hath taken Corinth In which he found A Rich treasure by which the Venetians are masters of all the Morea

L. c. 1856 London sept 13th 1687

+On Munday the King & queen dined at Bristoll & were Magnificently entertained by the said Citty

His Maty haveing by Pattent Comanded the D of Norfolke to Execute his office of Earle Marshall of England by Holding A Court of Chivalry to Releve Abuses which Cannot be done in any other Court & hath been discontinued ever since 1641 [?] his Grace will hold the said Court next saturday in the Painted Chamber at Westminster

Our fforreign letters say the D of Lorraine hath destroyed the
Bridg of Peter Waradine, Beseiged Temeswarr & Guila, Blockt up Greate
Waradine & sent 5 Regemts to Reinforce the Blockade of Agria

Also that Genll Dunewalt hath Passed the Drave with 20000 men &
Its beleived will make some Attempt upon Esseck

The Regemt of horse that was Count Taffs is given to the D of Barwick
The said Count being Called home by his Maty & Its said will have A
Considerable Comand in Ireland where Its Certain there will be A
Parliamt before next Christmas

Our ffrench letters say they have Account of another Battle fought
by the Venetians in which the Turkish Genll & 4000 men were killed on
the place

+That the ffrench K: was taken with A fitt of An Ague & feaver which
Continued some houres but it was hoped the jesuitts Powder would soon
Remove it

The ffrench E India Company have 3 ships Richly laden Arrived at
Roane from suratt syam & Bengall

Those Interested in the silver ship said to be Come lately from
America have made Application to the states of Holland to be Recd there
but have yet noe Answer

L. c. 1857 London 15th sept 1687

+They write from Oxford that last Munday there was An Extrary
Convocation for Proposeing the Graces for degrees for mr sparks & mr
Boitue Chaplains to the Ld Chancellr & mr Wickens & mr Collins Chaplains
to the Bp of Oxford to be drs of divinity & his secretary to be A dr of
the Civill law but were all denied

+They Add that the deane & Cannons of Christchurch have Recd A Citation
to Appear before the Ecclesll Comrs on the 6th octobr

The Pamphlett Intituled A letter to A dissenter seemes to designe
the diswadeing the takeing off the Penall lawes & Test laying before
the dissenters 2 things:

ffirst the Cause they have to suspect their new ffreinds

2dly the duty Incumbent on them in Christianity & Prudence not to
hazzard the Publick safety either by desire of ease or Revenge &c

This weeke A Printed sheet Came out in Answer in which the greate
question is Put

Whether the Penall lawes be just & Equitable lawes & Consistent
with the law of god

That it is quite Contrary to the Principles of Christianity to
Impose or Inforce mens Consciences or Inflict Penalties for meer matters
of Religion

+Our Paris letters say their King has had 2 fitts of An Ague was
blooded & tooke the jesuitts Powder & Resolves to Remove to Marli for
Change of Aire hoping it may Contribute to his Recovery

The Place of sergt Trumpeter vacant by the death of mr Price is
succeeded by his son but his place of Ranger of St Jameses by Lieft Coll
Legg

The D of Albemarle went on board the 12th Instant & will saile with
the first faire wind

L. c. 1858 London 17th sept 1687

+On the 4th Instant the Court being at Oxford the E of sunderland sent
An order to Magdalen Colledg that it was the Kings pleasure they should
Attend him

Accordingly dr Pudsey & 20 more Attended The dr being Appointed by
the Rest to give his Maty Answers

His Maty began as followeth

What is your name are you dr Pudsey

Yes May it please yo[ur] Maty

Did you Receive my letter

Yes sr Wee did

Then you have not dealt with mee like Gent you have done very uncivilly & undutifully

upon which they all kneeled & the dr Tendred A Petition with their Reasons but the King Refused it & said

You have been A stubborne & Turbulent Colledg I have knowne you soe myselfe these 26 yeares, you have affronted mee is this your Church of England Loyalty one would wonder to see soe many Church of England men in such A buisness Goe back & shew your selves Good members of the Church of England, Get you gone Know I am your King & I Comand you to be gone. Goe Admitt the Bp of Oxford President let them that Refuse it looke to it they shall feele the weight of my displeasure

Hereupon they withdrew but dr Walker telling the King they had Admitted A ffellow since the Inhibition they were Called back

I hear you have Admitted A fellow since my Inhibition is this true One of them Answered there was noe new Election or Admission but only the Confirmation of A former Election

The Confirmation of A former Election is downe Right disobedience Get you gone I say Get you gone & Imediately Elect the Bp of Oxford or else you must Exspect to feele the heavy hand of An Angry King

They A 2d time Tendred A Petition on their knees but the King said Be gone I will Receive nothing from you till you have obeyed mee

upon which they all went directly to their Chappell where dr Pudsey demanded whether they would elect the Bp of Oxford To which 18 Answered one by one They were Ready to obey his Maty aswell as any of his subjects But this being directly Contrary to their oaths they Conceived it was not in their Power to obey But mr Dobson Answered doubtfully he would obey in any thing he Could & mr Charnock A Romanist said he was Ready to obey in this

Tis said dr ffairfax is dead in Yorkshire & Coll Kirke at Exeter +This day the King Returned to Windsor

L. c. 1859 London 20th sept 1687

This day his Maty dined with the queen dowager at somersethouse & Returned to Windsor

The queen will be at Windsor on the 1st octobr & Remaines there till the 10th

The Prince & Ps of denmarke are Removed to Hampton Court where her Highs Intends to be brought to bed which is Exspected within 30 dayes

Tis said A quo Warranto is to be brought Agt Magdalen Colledg which was founded by Wm Wainsfleet Bp of Winchester in 27th Hen 6th who gave maintenance for A President 40 ffellows 30 students & 4 Chaplains &c

Yest was Published A 6 d booke being A discourse for takeing off the Test & Penall lawes by Hen Care

Tis said the letter to A dissenter hath given greate offence +A man neer falmouth with Assistance of his whore hath Burnt his wife in An oven

mr Griffith is Pardoned

The workemen at st Pauls have in digging found very Ancient Medalls & the bones of beasts offered when it was A Temple to diana &c

The Ld Chancellr of scotland D Hamilton D of queensbury 2 Bps &c are Arrived from scotland Tis said they Come with Reciprocall Complaints to the King

+The Presents given by the K of Portugall to the English that Conducted his queen are all vallued at Abt 20000 L sterling

At the ffrench Protestant Church in the savoy severall Lds dayes

last Past severall Terified into An Abjuration in ffrance made their Publick Recantation with Teares bewaileing their weakeness want of faith &c Imploring all to be Constant in their Religion & that they had noe peace of Conscience since their Abjuration &c

L. c. 1860 London 22d Sept 1687

+Wee have A discourse A Parliamt will begin at Westminster the 10th of december next & Its said A Grand Charter for the Kingdome is to be Passed which shall Include the Kings Prerogative & the peoples Priviledges & Repeale all the lawes which Infringe either & give A Perpetuall liberty of Conscience to all perswasions

+The Ms of Powis is made Ld Lieft of Cheshire

Its belevied the E of Castlemain will have some greate Employt

Lieft Coll Kirke Br to Coll Kirke is dead & not Coll Kirke

They write from the West that ffrancis Coventry Esqr died suddenly there sitting upon A Close stoole A Batchellor & master of 2 vast estates left by Sr Wm Coventry & mr Secretary Coventry his uncles

+The Ld Arrundell of Trevire lyes at Point of death & Sr Gilbert Gerrard being overturned in A Coach Its feared is hurt Mortally

The Comrs of the Customs seize such sugars as will not pay the full duty ffor whereas the Act sayes Muscovadoes or unpurged sugars shall pay such A duty but sugars fit for use soe much They thereby demand for what they say is fit for use the Highest duty vizt 12 4 d p Cent

Wee have Account from Barbadoes that by Reason of the greate drought there all the sugar Canes in the ground are spoyled that there will not be A quarter soe much sugar as was last year which with the High duty will Advance sugars

+The E: India Actions are at 220 L p Cent They Intend A divedend of 30 L p Cent in A few dayes The Affrican without the late dividend 220 L p Cent Hudsons bay 180 L p Cent

This weeke 3 ships Arrived from scanderon in Turkey Extreemly Rich

Tis said the E of shrewsbury is to marry the Countesse of Arran daughter in Law to the d of Ormond

L. c. 1861 London 24th sept 1687

+Yest A disperser of the letter to A dissenter was seized & gave bayle to Appear, Tis said A Proclamation will Come out to give A greate Reward to those who shall discover the Authr, This day is Come out Another Answer thereto & on Munday will be Published one more

Tis said the Court Returne hither the 4th octobr

The Cannons of Christchurch & ffellows of University Colledg in Oxford are sumoned to Appear the 6th octobr before the Ecclesll Comrs

The Corporation of Cambridg Elected their Mayor at the usuall time, A few dayes after one mr Blackly who is one of the Aldermen & hath declared himselfe A Romanist Produced the Kings Mandamus to be Mayor upon which A Councell was Called last Wednesday & it was put to the vote whether to Admitt or not & there were above 30 Negatives & 4 Affirmatives soe they declared they had Already made election & Could not Admitt any other & the Aldermen are Come up to Informe his Maty thereof

mr Jo: Collins A Councellr being Turned Romanist his Maty hath knighted him & made him A judge in Ireland

The schooles of the savoy by mr Parker mr Hall mr Polton & mr ffloyden Jesuitts have An Excellent Method In teaching &c

There are above 500 youths Instructed in the lattin tongue most Protestants Children, when they first began wee had A Report some Protestant Noblemen Bishops &c were upon setting up some free schooles but wee hear nothing more of it

+The Emper[o]r haveing set forth An Edict the Hungarians shall enjoy the

free Exercize of their Religion Its not to be Exprest with what joy it was Recd & they Imediately Resolved to Assist the Emper[o]r with their lives & fortunes

L. c. 1862 London 27th sept 1687

+On sunday was A Councell at Windsor where A Comission Passed for sr Jo shorter to be Ld Mayor which will be Read next Thursday in Guildhall & Its said there is A Clause to Impower him to have what Chaplain he pleases to preach before him in Publick

The Councell had also the list of the Liveries as they were formerly & as they are now which were Regulated, some old ones Put in & some new ones Put out

Also the E of Castlemain was sworne of the Privy Councell

The Calling of A Parliamt was not in debate but Its said his Maty declared he Intended to Call one suddenly

The Mayor Aldermen &c of Cambridge have waited on the King & given A satisfactory Account why they Could not Admitt mr Blackly Mayor & his Maty hath Recalled his Mandamus

Yest died the Ld Arundell of Trevire & Its said sr Gilb Gerrard is dead in the North who being overturned in A Coach had his skull broke & one of his eyes beaten out

Our E India Company sold the last sale to the vallue of 400000 L sterling

Within these few dayes 500 ffrench Protestants Arrived here Wee have now 7 Congregations of them very full vizt Threadneedle street jewen street savoy soehoe & 3 more

This day is Published A booke by mr Hen: Care Intituled Animadversions on the letter to A dissenter In which he beares hard on the Church of England for Persecuting the dissenters

The ffortifications of Hull are ordered to be Repaired & Enlarged & the Ld Dumbartons Regemt & Coll Cornwalls Regemts are to worke by turnes thereon

L. c. 1863 London 29th sept 1687

+Yest sr Jo: Parsons & sr Basill ffirebrass were sworne sheriffs at Guildhall who demanded to have the oaths of Allegiance & supremacy given them & were Answered the Court had noe order for it But seeing it was their voluntary Request it should be done

This day the Ld Mayor Aldermen Recorder &c mett at Guildhall where the Kings Comission Constituting sr Jo: shorter Ld Mayor was Read & the usuall Ceremonies Performed

Addressing to the King hath been debated in the Court of Aldermen but not yet determined

Tis said the prsent Ld Mayor old sheriffs &c will be dismiss as Aldermen & that but 3 of the old Aldermen are to Continue vizt sr Wm Hooker sr Peter Daniell & sr Wm Goslin Almost 200 of the masters of Companies & Livery men have been altered within these few dayes

A 3d Mandamus is gone to Oxford to Admitt the Ld Chancellrs & Bp of Oxfords Chaplains & his secretary &c to be drs

Tis said the Bp of Oxford is dangerously Ill or dead

Wee had A Report the d of Ormond is dead of the Gout in his stomach at the d of Beauforts but Its not Confirmed

The dutch have Comitted some Hostillity on the ffrench in Guyney but the Circumstances wee hear not

+The ffrench have made a New sort of Cloth which by that Kings Example is become the Mode & will hinder the vend of English & dutch Cloth

Yest A boate was found Adrift & in her the skin of A Man New taken off but the hands & Privy members still to it the Murtherer or Murthered not yet discovered

The Ps of Denmarke is in good health & looks not till decembr next
L. c. 1864 London 1st octobr 1687

+Upon A 2d Mandamus to the University of Oxford to Admitt the Chaplains
to be drs they Called A Convocation A 2d time Refused & have drawne upon
their Reasons for it

A Youth of Protestant Parents being sent to the Jesuitts schooles
at the savoy hath since turned Romanist

On Thursday was A Conference at the Request of the Parents betwixt
some Jesuitts & dr Tenison minister of st Martins of which Parish the
lad was but it broke up without any satisfaction to them & in some heate
Wee heare the Ld Howard of Estrick is dead in the North

Last saturday at night A Virginia ship at ffalmouth tooke fire in
the hold & burnt 7 or 8 houres till the tyde Came in at A hole made in
the keele of the ship & stopt it, some of her ladeing was on shoar but
400 Hogsheads of Tobacco on board are all spoyled, Its said to [have"
happened by Carelessness of A waiter who dropt A Candle betwixt some of
the Hogsheads & supposing it went out left it

A Muscovite Ambr is landed & lodged neer the Court & Allowed 50 L
p weeke for his Maintenance

+They write from Hungary Genll Dunewaldt in 4 dayes forced Butzin to
surrender at discretion tooke therein 800 Prisoners & hath secured Good
winter quarters for 20 miles About it

+The states Genll have Renewed A Placaert to Banish all Bishops Monks &
Preists who are not natives or Naturalized which occasions A Report that
all Papists shall be banished thence & their estates Confiscated

L. c. 1865 London 4th octobr 1687

+Next Thursday the queen Comes to Windsor & on Tuesday after the whole
Court Returnes hither

Tis said that the next Councill day after the sheriffs are Prickt
Writtts will be Ishued out for A Parliamt to sitt the latter end of January

Amongst others discoursed to be made Barons Its said sr Edw Hales
will be Baron of Tunbridg

+The Answer of A letter to A dissenter written by sr Roger Le Estrange
Price 6 d occasions noe small talke

sr Tho: Rawlinson & sr Tho ffowles o[ur] sheriffs the first master
of the vintners & the other of the Goldsmiths are dismiss Tis said 50
of the Grocers Assistance are dismiss & that there are in all above 800
to be turned out

A Comission is granted for the Tower & Liberties wherein the Ld
Dartmouth is Custos Rotulorum sr Tho. stringer Chaireman The Principle
officers of the ordinance Mint &c justices of the Peace to keep sessions
&c & to morrow is to be their first meeting

Last sessions A Maide was hanged for setting her masters house on
fire & last Satureday an Apothecaries maide without Cripplegate was
Comitted to Newgate for setting her masters house on fire that day at
noon shee Pretends A Person unknowne gave her 5 s to doe it & Promised
her 45 s more

mr Cooke the Marshall of the Kings bench is not yet Returned out of
the Country with the E of devonshire who Its said Refuses to be his
Prisoner Alledgeing his Right of Peerage not to be Imprisoned for any
debt whatsoever

A yatcht is ordered to fetch over the d of Berwick Count Taffe &c
Returneing from Hungary

L. c. 1866 London 6th octobr 1687

[Letter is addressed:] To mr Jeremy Wise/in Nuneaton/prsent/Nuneaton
+The Ecclesll Comrs sate this day at Whitehall & severall from Oxford
Appeared before them but wee have not yet the perticulers

Yest the d of Norfolke held A Court of Chivalry in the Painted Chamber at Westminster the heraults in all their formalities Attending his Grace from Westminster gate to the said Chamber & back, The Comission being Read some officers of the Court were Appointed & orders given for sumoning divers to Appear the next Court & then Adjourned till saturday next

+The house of the E of salisbury in this towne is makeing Ready for him Duke Hamilton & severall of the scotch Nobility Arrived here on tuesday night & are gone to Windsor

Two Irish Regemts are said to be Arrived at Chester
sr Wm Davis Ld Ch. Justice of Ireland is lately dead

They write from Dublin that the late Continuall Raines & greate ffloods hath made such spoyle of the Hay & Corne in the Adjacent County that A greate scarsity is like to ensue

They write from Rochell & Nantz they had such unseasonable Weather for the vintage that Clarett is like to be very bad this year but the Whitewine something better

Those of Geneva are sumoned by the Parliamt of Dyon Concerning some Ecclesll Revenues which Its Alledged they have noe Right to But they will Rather judgment to goe Agt them then by makeing their Appearance to owne the jurisdiction of that Parliamt But in the meane time that they might not give his most Christian Maty any offence they have at the Request of the Resident now there Published that all ffrench Protestants fled to that Citty shall depart thence

+The present motion of the Danish forces & Progress of that King neer Hamburg hath given that Citty A fresh Allarme & Caused them to Augment their Garrisons The said King has sent to forbid those Majestrates from Exposing to sale the library of Mounsr spooleman being Reckned the best in Europe

+The Imperiallists are disperseing themselves into winter quarters

L. c. 1867 London 8th octobr 1687

+On Thursday the Court of Aldermen sate In order Its said to draw up An Adresse to his Maty & on ffriday A Comission Came to the Towne Clerke Appointing Charles Chamberlain Gregory Page Wm Jolliffe Christo Lattimer & Robt Bristoll Esqrs to be Aldermen & dischargeing sr Tho: Rawlinson sr Tho ffowles mr Vandeput mr Jolliffe & mr Paull

+The Ld Elland eldest son of the Ms of Hallifax is dead

Our scotch letters say they have had mighty floods

Tis said there has been in scotland some feild Conventicles 5 or 6000 in A body where they heard A sermon & Renewed the Covenant but some of them are taken the Rest dispersed themselves home

The Noblemen of scotland are to be heard to Morrow in Councell some Report the occasion of their Comeing is for that the Romanists would have all the Hereticks Corps Removed out of the Chappell at Edenbrough which D Hamilton & other successrs oppose

The Ld Brandon Gerrard is Arrived in Holland & Its said there hath brought A Pardon for his ffather the E of Maxfeild

The states Genll have Appointed severall Collections for the ffrench Protestants In Geneva & switzerland The Majestrates of Geneva bestow above 3000 Dollars p weeke In Charity on them The last letters thence say that in 4 dayes time above 8000 of them Passed through the Citty for switzerland

Our fforeign letters say the Grand vizier & Teckley are both sumoned to the Post but Its beleived will neither of them goe That the Turks offer the Emper[o]r Hungary The Venetians Morea Negropont & Dalmatia The K of Poland Camimeck & 800000 duckets & Muscovy some places & 1500000 duckets but Its beleived each Exspect more

L. c. 1868 London 11th octobr 1687

This day their Maties Returned to Whitehall

The Court of Aldermen have Agreed on An Adresse to the King & Its thought will in A body Attend his Maty with it on ffriday next & Intend to Invite his Maty at their owne perticuler Charge to dine at Guildhall on the Ld Mayors day when the Companies will give the usuall Attendance

The King by letter Appointed the Corporation of Kingston upon Thames to Choose Coll Legg for their Mayor But they Chose another which gave offence & thereupon Coll Legg is Appointed to be Mayor But the members of the Corporation not likeing it layd aside their formalities & went to Church as Private persons

In Cornwall & those Parts it hath Rained 6 weeks without

Butler (one of the Comrs of the Customs) were sworne of the Privy Councell

The Ld Mayor & divers Inhabitants of Wapping Attended the Councell with A Petition to the King Agt A Pattent granted by his late Maty to the E of Clarendon for all Incroachments made upon the Thames from High to Low water betwixt London Bridg & Blackwall setting forth the greate mischeifs that Attended it by molesting & discourageing seamen &c That what was Prevented were Incroachments being built was [sic] now worth 100000 L p An & by the grant is to Pay the Crowne but 30 L p An His Maty heard the Councell on both sides with much Patience & at last declared that the Publick good was his & his the Publicks & ordered A scire ffacias to Ishue in order to Reverse it

+Wee have Account from st Christophers that all the ffrench Protestants on that Island have quitted it & Embarqued for Carolina

mr Howard is made governor of Carlisle in Roome of sr Christo Musgrave

L. c. 1871 London 18th octobr 1687

+Last weeke the Ecclesll Comrs had their Comission Renewed which gives A more Ample Power & the Bp of Chester The Ld Ch: Justice Wright & Baron Jenner are Added They are to vissitt Magdalen Colledg & begin their journey to morrow

Last weeke dr Vernon mr of Baliol Colledg In Oxford died & Its said mr Bernard A Romanist ffellow of Brazen nose Colledg hath A Mandamus to succeed

mr Hill A Romanist the Kings printer being made mr of the stationers Company yest they Prsented An Adresse & severall others newly Modelled are Prepareing to doe the like

When mr Cooke was sent A 2d time to the E of devonshire into the Country he had A warrant to the High sheriffe to Raise the Posse Comitatus but he declined it

Last weeke the Earle & mr Cooke Came to towne & mr Cooke Attended him at his house & Intreated him to goe over to the Kings bench he being his Prisoner

The Earle told him he was not his Prisoner nor would be That he knew noe law in England that would hold his Person in Prison for debt The Marshall then besought him to give it [?] under his hand & also to save him harmeless from escapes which he did since which hath Another warrant to o[u]r undersheriffe to Raise the Posse which he declined & mr Cooke hath made Affidavit of all the Ishue is Exspected

L. c. 1872 London 20th octobr 1687

+Yest morning the 3 Comrs for vissitting Oxford Recd their Instructions from the E of sunderland & went directly for Oxford with dr Hodges the Kings Advocate & some Tipstaves

This day the Ecclesll Comrs sate & mr Massey deane of Christchurch dr Ratcliffe & dr Aldridg 2 of the Cannons were Called in & asked what statutes Rules & Customs they governed by They answered they had noe statutes but governed by Presidents & Customs They Comanded them to Put their Presidents & Customs in writeing & Attend them

The d of Norfolke Appeared & Prayed longer time between him & his ds which was granted

Last Tuesday his Maty sate in the Treasury Chamber & ordered the Pattent to Passe the seale for only 400 Hackney Coaches each to Pay 10 L the first year & 6 L p An after This day his Maty viewed his Guards in Hyde Parke being 1000 horse & 3000 foot

Tis said his Maty Agt the Parliamt will Create 26 Barons & that sr Nicholas Butler will be Baron of Hogsden

severall from New England Jamaica & Bermudas have been at the Wreck sr Wm Phipps left & got A Prodigious treasure from that & Another wreck

they found but sr Wm is A 2d time forced Into Plimouth to Refitt

This day the Ld Mayor & Aldermen attended the King to know how he would be Recd on the Ld Mayors day His Maty told them he Intended not to see the show but would dine with them to bear the Charge of which the Ld Mayor hath given 300 L The Sheriffs each 150 L & each Alderman 50 L & if it will not doe will pay the Rest Proportionably

A Pardon is ordered for mr Papillon

+Ps Ann will lye in at Whitehall

L. c. 1873 London 22d octobr 1687

+This morning Ps Ann was delivered of A dead Male Child But its hoped she her selfe is in noe greate danger

This night is A Report from Oxford that those of Magdalen Colledg Conveyed away all the Records books Papers &c & shutt up the Gates & withdrew

Last night mr Cooke the Marshall Acquainted the King & Councill he had watched opportunites to seize the E of devonshire but Could not he being soe well Attended & had been with the sheriffs who would not Adventure to take A Peer

dr Tenisons Reply to mr Poulton the Jesuitt is Published being A true & full Account of their Talke for that mr Poulton would not fix to any Point to demonstrate it A Conference To which mr Poulton hath Again Replied but Its said to little Purpose

+There are to be 5 Pageants on the Ld Mayors day one Representing Liberty by A Beautiifull young lady Attended with Riches Plenty & ffreedome &c

Our Scotch letters say there have been severall feild Conventicles one of above 3000 some of which are Apprehended of which one mr Boyle being Examined by the Councill Acknowledged he was there in Armes also at the Rebellion at Bothwell Bridg &c That it was A Lawfull warr disowned the Kings Authority saying there was not Legally any king of Scotland for that the King had not taken the Covenant he is to be Proceeded Agt for High Treason

+Yest the Court of Honour sate & mr Perry put in his Claime to the earledome of Northumberland The heraults say the son by whome he Claimes had only one daughter The 2 Leighs also Appeared & are to Appear Again on Munday seavenight

L. c. 1874 London 25th octobr 1687

+The Ps her Condition Considered is very well Its judged the Child was dead some weeks

On Thursday the Ecclesll Comrs Came to Oxford being Conducted by 3 troops of horse Next morning they mett in Magdalen Colledg hall where the Bp of Chester in speech told them disobedience to soe good & Gracious A Prince Caused that vissittation

They Proceeded & the Bp of Chester demanded why they did not Admitt mr ffarmer

dr Hough Answered because he was uncapable &c The Bp Replied why did you Proceed to A new Election before his Maties Pleasure was further knowne

The dr Replied because they were obliged by their statutes to Choose within soe many dayes which statutes they Produced

The Bp said it was in those statutes they should goe to Masse why did they not doe it

The dr Answered because it was An ungodly thing Agt scripture & Agt the Lawes of the Land which Exempts them from it

On saturday the Bp Passed sentence on dr Hough not to Act as President &c And the Mandamus for Choosing the Bp of Oxford President was Read but the ffellows all Cryed A Hough A Hough Except mr smith & mr

Churnock who are Romanists & dr Hough Read A Protestation Agt their Proceedings & the schollars gave A greate huzza which the Comrs said was A Breach of the Peace & bound the dr in 1000 L & 2 sureties each 500 L to Appear at Westminster the 16th November & Razed his name out of the books

+On ffriday night last o[u]r sheriffe Raised the Posse & searched the E of devonshires house & broke many doores but Its said he is gone beyond sea, Yest his fine was ordered to be Estreated [sic] into the Exchequer & A Tipstaff sent for sr Paull Jenkinson sheriffe of darbyshire for not Raising the Posse

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

L. c. 1875 London 27th octobr 1687

+The queen Dowager &c Interceded that last night the E of devonshire kissed the Kings hand & signed A bond to Pay his fine when demanded

The Ecclesll Comrs at Oxford after takeing dr Houghs bond tooke his Appeals & Plea under Consideration & Resolved to overrule it because +ffirst they have power to Act as vissittrs

2dly are not obliged to be Answerable to any Inferi[o]r Court they being Constituted High Comrs under the greate seale

Tis said more forces will be Raised before Christmas

The Religionaries of Whitehall somersethouse &c are ordered in & Abt their Precincts to Wear the Proper Habitts of their orders & the Monks of st James Comply therewith in Whitehall &c

Tis said the Ld Bartletts house at st Johns neer smithfeild is Purchased for A Monastery

They write from dublin the Ld deputy sent for A Coppie of the statutes of dublin Colledg

That in their whole Comon Councell there are but 4 Protestants & that the sessions at Trim have Assessed the County 400 L to build A Towne house haveing first given the old one for A Convent of Dominicans

This day mr Kiffin tooke the usuall oaths of Alderman

Their Maties Come by Coach on saturday into the Citty

+Ps Ann Recovers

L. c. 1876 London 29th octobr 1687

+This day his Maty the Popes Nuntio &c had the Richest treatate at Guildhall that ever was yet knowne The queen being Indisposed was not there

Last Tuesday the Ecclesll Comrs at Oxford Installed the Bp of Oxford President of Magdalen Colledg which was done by Proxie The Bp being Indisposed his Chaplain tooke the oaths for him

dr Hough still denying the keyes his Lodgings were broke open & Possession taken for the Bp

In the afternoon the ffellows &c were Required to Answer whether they would owne the Bp of Oxford President

They answered they would as far as their statutes & the lawes of the land would Allow soe it might not Prejudice dr Hough

This answer was not Accepted the last Clause being Excepted Agt by the Lds Comrs

At last they left the last Clause out dr ffairfax & the juni[o]r Proctrs Excepted who Refused it & were turned out

But dr ffairfax made his Protestation Appealeing to his Maty in his Court at Westminster hall But was stopt by the Comrs who told him they would hear noe learned speeches but he might deliver anything in Writeing

The Lds Comrs spoke very kindly to the ffellows & Promised to Represent them fairely to his Maty. If dr ffairfax would have owned the Bp President his former suspension would have been taken off

On Thursday his Maty vissitted the Jesuitts schooles at the Savoy

where severall of the schollars made Speeches & were kindly accepted
[A few scribbles in another hand appear on address side of letter.]

L. c. 1877 London 1st Nov: 1687

+The discourse of A Parliamt Continues Persons of Interest have orders
to goe into their Respective Counties to Inspect the Inclinations of the
Electrs & Influence A good Choyce

On saturday night the Ecclesll Comrs Came from Oxford haveing
Adjourned till the 16th Instant

dr Walker head of University Colledg hath fixt up A Printing house
there by one Henry Crittendon who hath the Privy seale to be Printer to
the Army

A booke Intituled A manuall of Prayers is said to be by his Maties
order Printing to be given to the souldiers who are Romanists

This day being the first of Christmas it was sollemly observed at
Court & this night the Gent of the Middle Temple of which are many Irish
began their Revelling in An Extrary manner

There is A discourse of A new Call of sergeants & An Alteration
Among the judges

The P of Orange hath fitted out 2 ships to goe to the Wrecks

The Bermudas ships last there got 80000 L & left there neer 100
sayle fishing for gold &c

The Progress of the Emperors Armies is wonderfull

The d of Lorraine hath Posest himselfe of many ffortresses In
Transilvania & the whole Province is brought under subjection to the
Emper[o]r & Its beleived Valachia & Moldavia will follow, wee have it
also Confirmed the Turks have Abandoned all their fortresses on the
Danube & also between the Drave & the save & Genll Dunewaldt in Posession
of the Rich & fruitefull Province of scavonia abounding in Corne wine
&c Their Conquest Proceeding from the Mutiny of the Turkish Army who are
marched towards Constantinople

L. c. 1878 London 3d Nov: 1687

The queen being supposed to be with Child was yest let blood some say
to Prevent miscarriage

Circular letters are sent to the Ld Liefts in all the Counties & to
such as are in towne forthwith to Repaire to their seates & to give
notice to the deputy Liefts justices &c of his Maties pleasure as to the
Election of Members which makes it beleived A Parliamt will be sumoned
before Aprill

There is A discourse 4 dukes will be Created before the Parliamt &
that the E of Devonshire & Ld dover will be 2

This day the Ld Chancellr judges &c Prickt 3 of each County out of
which next sunday his Maty will Prick one for High sheriffe Those
Prickt are generally dissenters or Romanists but Those for Warwickshire
are sr Jo Bridgman sr Wm Boughton & sr ffran ffisher

This day the Aldermen mett & Agreed to observe the 5th of Nov: &
ordered the Livery men to be sumoned to appear then in their gownes

The d of Bucks being supposed to dye without A will the Ld Purbeck
Claimed his estate but this weeke A will is found wherein the Duke left
sr Wm Villers his Estate his debts being first Paid which Its said will
be 5000 L p An Clear

+Yest one Colliverd got some to serve An Execution on mr Glover in
the Kings bench & assisted by 12 souldiers were Carrying him off But
the Debtors of the Mint Rose & Rescued him & many were sore wounded &
one of the souldiers killed on the spott

The d of Berwick is Exspected here this night

This day wee hear the Turks have quitted Belgrade & that Its in the
Posession of the Imperiallists

L. c. 1879 London 5th Nov: 1687

+This morning the Bells Rung shopps were shutt & sermons in the Churches & meeting houses The Bp of Ely Preached at Whitehall An Excellent sermon on the occasion & dr stradling Preached before the judges The Ld Mayor went to Bow & stayd in the vestry till service was over & then heard A sermon Preached by his Chaplain

+Last Thursday the Ld Mayor & 7 of o[ur] Aldermen were sworne of the Lieutenancy

Yest Coll Titus kissed the Kings & queens hands

The E of Macclesfeild haveing Recd his Pardon is dayly Expected from Holland

Last Thursday died the E of Plimouth who was A Coll of horse Governr of Hull & Ld Lieft of Worcestershire some say the Ld scarsdale will be governr of Hull & That the d of st Albans will have his Regemt others say Lieft Coll sunderland the E of devonshire or sr Jo: ffrench

The seale of the d of Buckingham will is broken soe its doubted whether it was not Cancelled

Last week mr Anthony ffarmar who had the Mandamus to be President of Magdalen Colledg went for ffrance to Goe into A monastery of Benedictine Monks

The ffrench K forbid Certain Games on Paine of death which the Ds of Portesmouth Continuing in her house the K sent for her & told her the honour he bore to the Memory of him that Advanced her saved her head & Comanded her Imediately to Retire into A Monastery or to her seate in Brittain dureing life & denyed her leave to goe for England

+since the ffrench K: has given leave to the New Converts in Dauphine to depart above 16000 have Arrived with Pasports on the ffrontiers who leave all for Religion

This day is Advice the d of Grafton is before Algeirs & demands 5 things that Its said will not easily be granted

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L. c. 1880 London 8th Nov 1687

+Last sunday the Ld Mayor sheriffs & Aldermen mett not at Bow Church as formerly but every one at his Liberty mr Kiffin Preached himselfe at a meeting

The Ld Mayor held A Conventicle at Grocers hall where mr Mead the greate Independant Preached in the morning & mr How who lately Came from Holland in the afternoon

After mr Mead had done the Ld Mayor went to Alhallows staying & there Recd the sacramt where were also sr Wm Ashurst Ald: Gardiner Edwin & Bawden & yest they all tooke the oaths & Test at Westminster

Our Churches begin to be thin & the meetings thick

This day mr Cha: Chamberlain was sworne Alderman

On saturday ffather Peters was sworne Clerke of the Kings Closett

The Ld Chancellr is made Ld Lieft of Buckinghamshire

The Ld fferrors haveing declared himselfe to the deputy Liefts & c of staffordshire Abt the Penall lawes is Put out & the Ld Aston Ld Lieft in his place

sr Jo: ffenwick is Coll of the late E of Plimouths Regemt & the Ld Langdale governr of Hull

Tis said mr Williams formerly speaker will be Attorney Genll

Judge Powell is very ill & the Bp of Oxford soe very ill that his Recovery is dispaired of

His Maties Genll Pardon to all Except 5 is Ready for the seales

Last weeke one mr Davis & mr Black 2 Cambridg Gent were brought up for High Treason being Accused by An Innekeeper of Newmarket & his man That one of them was to Pistoll his Maty while the other delivered An

Addresse The Gent Giveing satisfaction of their Inocency & the Malice of their Accusers The Ld Ch Justice by Cross Examining the witnesses discovered their wickedness & Acquainted the King & the Gent are discharged but the witnesses Comitted & will this weeke be Prosecuted for Perjury

L. c. 1881 London 10th Nov 1687

+On Munday the Ecclesll Comrs Returne to Oxford & sit there on Wednesday

The Ld Carrington is Ld Lieft of Worcestershire in place of the late E of Plimouth

His Maty hath given the young E of Plimouth that Troope which was the Ld Ellands son to the Ms of Hallifax

Tis said the Ld Cornbury haveing his Regemt quartered at Norwich demanded the keyes of the Mayor which he delivered but is Come up to know if it was his Mayies pleasure

There are Comrs Appointed throughout the whole kingdome for Regulating Corporations

The late Attempt to take mr Glover the Marshall is found A Ryott for that there was noe warrant nor Legall officers & the man killed is found Murthered & mr Mathews & mr ffitzgerald are Comitted to the County Goale which last is An Irishman in Prison on A scandm Magtum at the d of ormonds suite

They write from Algeirs that Govermt have Agreed to all the Demands of the d of Grafton & Recd him with Extrary Respect

The ffrench K hath declared he will not make peace with Algeirs but Proceed till they are Ruined haveing already taken & sunke 11 of their best ships

+They write from Paris An order is Ishued in that Kingdome that none shall wear any Cloth but of the Manufacture of ffrance & for example that King hath Cloathed himselfe with it Also that they are sending ships to fish for silver in the West Indies

Tis said sr Nicholas Butler will be made one of the Lds Comrs of the Treasury & sr samll Bernadistons fine Remitted & he to succeed sr Nicholas in the Custome house

L. c. 1882 London 12 Nov 1687

+Yest ffather Peters was sworne of the Privy Councell & tooke his place at the Board

It was the last night said at Court his Maty hath made Bp Layburne Ld Almoner in Place of the Bp of Ely

This day dr Hough Appeared at the Kings bench & was ordered to Attend die in diem to Answer what may be brought Agt him

+Tis said mr Williams has kist the Kings hand & will goe with the Comrs to Oxford

The Ld Molinax hath sumoned all of 20 L p An or above in Lancashire to Appear before him on the 15th Instant

The Ld Leift of dorcetshire sumoned the Deputy Leifts Gentry &c The Major Part desired to be Excused for giveing their opinions at that time

some sober scotch Gent affirme they Cannot hear there were 100 together in any of the late feild Conventicles & that they were such as neither tooke the sacramt or Covenant That the sober sort there judge James Renwick their Preacher &c as Jesuitts

The Ld Mayor & Aldermen Intend to Put the Act in Execution Agt Travelling on the saboth day & frequenting Tavernes & alehouses in which they will be very severe

This weeke A Gent of the guards haveing An unruly horse which he had severely Chastised & Comeing after to the Manger the horse fastned on him with his mouth & with one of his knees kept him downe Then tore him sucking his blood & makeing A dreadfull Noyse which bringing helpe

Rescued the Gent who is soe torne that his life is dispaired of The
Chyrurgeons have Cut off An Arme to Prevent Gangring

Tho: Hobdon who Robbed the Diamonds hath surrendred himselfe & hath
his Pardon & 10 L p Cent for all the diamonds he delivered

[On outside of letter in another hand:] Blumsbury Square/Goat Tavern.

L. c. 1883 London 15th Nov 1687

+The Ld Leifts have in most places Given obedience to the Kings letters
but missed of their Intended effect

The Ld Chancellr Ld Powis Ld Castlemain & sr Nichols Butler are Comrs
for Regula[t]ing Corporations & tis said the Ld President & ffather
Peters are added They sit this afternoon & begin with Gloucester & Exeter
+Tis said mr Sacheverill & c who did Concerne [?] in many Charters are
sent for to Assist the Comrs

The Comissions are drawing up for some to Inspect in each County
what money hath been Levyed on dissenters of all sorts & into whose hands
it Came for 14 yeares Past Tis said mr Graham & mr Burton will be made
to Account for greate summes Come to their hands

Yest the Ecclesll Comrs went for Oxford

Her Maty is in Good health & by all beleived to be with Child

This day Madam Gwin died

Last sunday the Ld Mayor & 7 or 8 Aldermen heard mr Oates Preach in
Grocers hall

Yest Came forth the Ld Mayors order Agt Prophaneing the Lds day &
for Punishing Drunkenness sweareing & c in A strict order to every
Alderman Constable & c & the severall lawes Agt those Crimes Anexed
+The Hudsons bay Company have lately had A heareing before his Maty who
hath Promised to see they shall have satisfaction from the ffrench who
have also endeavoured to seize New Yorke by surprize But the Governr
Coll Dungan haveing notice forced them to Retreat with the loss of
severall of their men

There are 5 ships Arrived from Russia Richly laden on whome greate
Insurance hath been made

L. c. 1884 London 17th Nov: 1687

+Yest his Maty was hunting & fell from his horse but was let blood &
Recd noe harme

Order is gone to the Ld Mayor that the Companies shall be
Compleated & A dispensation to such as please to suspend the oaths &
Test

There are now 5 Jesuitt schooles in the savoy & 3 more will be
finished before Christmas

The Comission of Grace is Engrossed & now before the Ld Chancellr

The life guard man that was Torne with his horse is dead

Madam Gwin hath left the d of st Albans 6500 L p An & 20 L p An to
the Poor of st Martins & the Attorney Genll Executr & Guardian
+mr Pen hath Acquainted the King of some Male Administratrs who manage
the Revenue of hearth money on Tuesday the Comrs Appeared before the
Lds of the Treasury the King Present

Tis said the Pope has ordered the ffrench Ambr not to be Recd
unless he declares his Master quitt his Pretensions & that the ffrench K
declares unless it be Allowed he will make A Patriarch of the Gallican
Church & it shall be death for any to Appeale to Rome

The Emper[o]r of Morocco is marched with 50000 men to beseige
Tremistan & the dey of Algeirs is on his march with all his forces to
oppose him

The states of Hungary at Presburgh oppose that Kingdome being made
Hereditary Insisting to have it Remaine Elective

L. c. 1885 London 19th Nov 1687

+On the 16th the Ecclesll Comrs sate at Madgalen Colledg in Oxford where 20 ffellows Appeared the other 8 sent Excuses of their being ill which was allowed of

The Bp of Chester told them their manifold disobediencies Caused this vissitation That this Colledg had ever since his Maties Restauration been troubled with factious spiritts & had Proceeded to affront his sacred Maty, he Added their Refuseing the Mandate to Choose the Bp of Oxford upon the old state Pretence for Rebellion vizt Conscience & yet his Maty was soe kind to Pardon those who should Imediately signe An Instrument that was Tendred them

Which all prsent Refused & sentence was Past

That whereas it Appears to us his Maties Comrs That dr Alsworth dr Pudsey smith Bayliffe stafford Almond Hamond Rogers strickland Bayliffe Dobson Bugshaw ffariour Bateman Pomiston Craddock Yarbury Gilman Hunt Hide Tulman, Holden & Wilks ffellows of Magdalen Colledg have been Guilty of disobedience &c Wee Pronounce them Expelled & deprived of their ffellowships & wee deprive & suspend them Accordingly

dr Busby master of Westminster schoole being dead Its said mr Poulton or the Bp of Rochester [sic] Brother will succeed

mrs Cornish petitioning to have her husbands quarters taken downe Its granted

The Ld ffairfax is made Ld Leift of Yorkshire in Place of the Ld ffauconbridg

L. c. 1886 London 24th Nov 1687

+The Apprehensions of A Parliamt hath occasioned many Corporations to make greate Numbers free who are not dissenters Tis said Hartford hath made above 100

One mr Hennings Mayor of Newcastle under Lime hath opposed all Conventicles in that Corporation & going into Another to disturbe A Conventicle The Mayor thereof Comitted him for want of sureties

In southwarke are 9 Constables one of the Precincts Chose one Brooker A quaker who Refuseing the oaths mr Baker the steward of the Bridghouse Refused to Admitt him

But A speciall dispensation was sent [?] But the steward Caused Another to be Chose & Admitted But some thinke the steward & Bayliffe will be put out

This day the Ld Mayor & Aldermen ordered that the Constables have orders to Attend that Court to Receive directions for the Better observation of the Lds day

A Proclamation is ordered for Putting in Execution the Additionall Act for Tillage

+At Edenbrough is A Proclamation Prohibitting any fforreign Apples Except from ffrance

The Mortars in A vessell made for them have been tryed & some Bombs shott 2 miles before they broke Also some Mortars were tryed at Blackheath one of which was Charged & discharged with Bombes 24 times in 2 Minuitts

+Yest Nath Thompson the Printer died

L. c. 1887 London 26th Nov 1687

+The Calling or not Calling of A Parliamt hath been of late the Controverted discourse of the Towne the latter Ariseing from the little disposition of the Nobility &c to Consent to matters Intended But Its Certain A Parliamt will be Called to sit in ffebr next

The sheriffs are not yet made Publick some say they are to be discourst first

+All the Considerable officers of the Army In towne are to Attend his Maty this Evening

Tis said his Maty will Raise 2000 men more to be Added to the Regemts already Raised

The King is upon Raiseing A Troope of Guards of 400 all Gent & to be Comanded by the d of Berwick to Attend the Kings person aswell on foot as on horseback To have Extrary pay & each Gent his man & horse Tis said the King will Constantly Exercize them himselfe & from them as occasions offer draw officers

+Yest was A Tryall in the Exchequer between the King & the merchants whether Muscovado sugars should pay 3 farthings p C as being fit for use or only [illegible number or symbol] p C The jury gave A verdict for the Merchants

One Gettings who formerly said the Ps of Orange was A Bastard & Pleadeing drunkenness & submitted has his Crime Remitted

This day Came forth the Proclamation for Putting in Execution the Act for Tillage That all justices after Michs & Easter Termes doe settle the Prizes of all Graine on the oaths of 2 sufficient men &c

Tis said the Comrs for the diocesse of London have Appointed Guildhall Chappell for the Ld Mayors Publick use

ffather Lewis sabrian A Jesuitt at Chester haveing written to A Protestant Peer Reflecting on dr stillingfleet This day Came forth the drs Answer & the said ffathers mistakes further discovered

Some Highwaymen have discovered 80 of their Confederates This day A Gent in Hatton Garden & his wife are Comitted to Newgate on that Account

L. c. 1888 London 29th Nov 1687

+Her Maty being something Indisposed was yesterday let blood

Yest dr Hough Appeared at the Kings bench & was discharged

The Ld Mayor &c Continue their meetings at Grocers hall to the greate offence of many Cittizens, Last sunday dr stillingfleet Preached at Guildhall Chappell before the sheriffs & some Aldermen The Ld Mayor Invited the dr to dine with him & sent his Coach but he Answered he had Promised the sheriffs

Tis said A Comission is sent into this Citty to Excuse the severall Companies for takeing the oaths & Test

Tis said the officers of the Army shall have new Comissions & if any afterwards shall take the oaths & Test they may perhapps loose their Comissions

That there shall be Added to each Regemt of horse one troope To each Regemt of ffoot 2 Companies & to the E of Cravens 6 Companies

Wee have Account from severall Parts in the West that they have had very Tempestuous Weather & 4 greate shipwrecks

Last satureday died mr Belvin Prothonotary of the Comon Pleas which place is worth 5 or 6000 Guyneys & fell to the Ld Ch: Justice of that Court & yest mr sterney of Clements Inne was sworne in his place

Our letters from Hungary say Teckley is still Abroade with 4000 men & his designe supposed to Releive Mongatz which keeps the Imperiallists which forme that Blockade Continually on their Guard

A Greate Number of ffrench are Arrived in & neer Rome which strike A Terr[olr] into that Citty But the Pope seems Resolved to Adhere to his Bulls Agt the ffranchises of Ambrs

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L. c. 1889 London 1st dec 1687

+Her Maty being with Child is the Currant discourse at Court

Tis said his Maty for satisfaction of the world hath Comanded the Bp of Oxford to Print the whole Narrative of the Proceedings at Oxford

On Tuesday the Ld Chancellr went into Buckinghamshire of which County he is Ld Leift

+Tis said the E of Winchelsea is dismiss for being Ld Leift of Kent & c
Yest being the feast of St Andrew it was observed in An Extrary
manner in the Court & Chappell His Maty as the soveraigne of that
Ancient order Appeared in the Proper Habitt as did the knights
Companions now here & all the scotch Gentry with Crosses in their Hatts
Our scotch letters say Mr Boyle is banished that kingdome
That mr Anderson A Nonconformist minister of dalkeith is sumoned to
Appear before the Councell for Preaching without giveing notice to the
Bayliffe of that place & that An order is made that all Marriages &
Baptizeings in the meeting houses shall be Registred & that all
Collections made there be delivered to the Towne Treasurer throughout
the kingdome

The Pope his ministers seem still obstinately bent on Abolishing
the ffranchises of Ambrs

+The ffrench are Prepareing 20000 Bombes at Thoulon & the Genll of the
Bombardiers is gone to the ffrench Court with A Project by which he
hopes with Bombes to Ruine in one Campaigne the Citty & Port of Algeirs
It being said to be that Kings Intentions to destroy the very
foundations of that Citty

Three or 4 Newcastle ships are lost & one laden with figgs & one
with Brandy

The Burdeaux shippes Arrived say the wines this vintage are
Generally small & bad

L. c. 1890 London 3d dec 1687

+Last night his Maty Prickt the sheriffs vizt

Berks sr Tho: Wolerscott
Bedford Jo: Wagstaffe Esqr
Bucks sr Edw Longerfeild
Cumberland Edw Cuen Esqr
Cheshire mr Lee of Adlington
Cambridg Jo: Truckan Esqr
Devonshire Jo: Row Esqr
Dorcetshire Jo: Gold Esqr
Darby sr Hen Harlock [?]
Yorke Tho Rookesby Esqr
Essex sr Jo Manly
Glocester sr Hen Hill
Hertford Wm Hertford Esqr
Hereford Robt Masters Esqr
Kent sr Wm Rooke
Lancashire sr Wm spencer
Leicester Wm Palmer Esqr
Lincolne Anthony Eyres Esqr
Monmoth Phillip Jones Esqr
Northumberland Nichols Thornton Esqr
Northampton Tho Andrews Esqr
Notingham Geo: Willoughby Esqr
Oxford sr Hen Browne
Rutland Wm stafford Esqr
someset Edw strode Esqr
stafford Wm dracott Esqr
southampton sr Hen Hooke
surrey Lee Maine Esqr
sussex sr Jo Gage
Warwick Ralph shelden Esqr
Worcester sr Walter Bland
Wilts sr Jeremy Craine

His Maty hath made the d of Berwick Governr of Portesmouth Ld Warden of New fforest & Ld Leift of Hampshire all vacant by the Removall of the E of Gainsbrough & Its Againe discoursed he is to marry one of the d of Newcastles daughters & the E of ffeversham the other

The E of scarsdale is dismiss for being Coll of A Regemt of horse & Ld Leift of darbyshire & the d of st Albans succeeds him in both
L. c. 1891 London 6th dec 1687

Tis said An Envoy will be suddenly sent hence for Modena to Acquaint that Court with her Maties being with Child

The d Norfolke the Earles of Bath Ailesbury &c are Prepareing to goe into the severall Counties where they are Ld Leifts to signify his Maties pleasure to the Deputy Leifts &c Concerning the Penall lawes if they should elect or be elected members of Parliamt & to know if they will Acquiesse in his Maties declaration for Liberty of Conscience by liveing peaceably among their Neibours of all persuasions as good Christians & subjects of the same Prince ought to doe Tis said they are also to signify his Maties Willingness to Passe any further Act for security of the Established Religion

+The young Ld Purbeck hath desired his Reasons may be heard to justify his Pretensions to the Earldome of Buckingham & his Maty hath Appointed it to be heard the first time the Councill sit in ffebr

Madam Purbeck his mother is lately marryed to mr ffeilding

Last ffriday the Ld Townesend died here

Two ships from ffalmouth were lately lost neer Wight with Tynn worth 7000 L & all the men in one of them lost but they hope to Recover the Tynn

+Tis said An Instrument is signed by his Maty & the ffrench Comrs that matters in Hudson bay shall Continue as they are for 6 months after which A finall end to be made to the satisfaction of o[ur] merchants

+The ffrench King is Increaseing what shipps he hath out to 70 men of warr some thinke he hath more in designe then Bombarding Algeirs The dutch are also Prepareing for sea Resolveing not to want men shipps or money

+Yest his Maty hunted in Essex

L. c. 1892 London 8th Dec 1687

+The discourse of Calling A Parliamt is Renewed his Maty frequently speaks of it

There is An Alteration of some more Ld Leifts but wee have not Account of their Names

Tis said the greate seale will after New yeares day be managed by Comrs

Our Irish letters say they speake of A Parliamt to sit there in May next

ffrom Plimouth &c in the West wee have Account of most dreadfull stormes

This weeke 2 more Notorious Highwaymen were taken neer Aldgate by Captain Richardson They being discovered by one of their Gang who hath given in A list of neer 100 that are now on the Pad

The Carryers &c dayly bring newes of Robberies

On ffriday 11 boates were Robbed on the Thames between London Bridg & Blackwall

The Gent of the Inner Temple have not yet Chose A Comptroller nor those of the Middle Temple A Treasurer it being mightily opposed by the Benchers & discouraged by greate men of the society that its beleived there will be no Revelling at either this Christmas

+The ffrench K Continues his severities to the Protestants Except in the Province of Dauphine to the Regrett of the Clergie But they begin

to Misse their Protestant seamen that they are got into the Dutch & Venetian service

The matter of The franchises is further off Composing since the French Ambassadors Arrivall at Rome then before The Pope Resolving to maintain his Bull

L. c. 1893 London 10th dec 1687

+On Thursday the Ecclesiastical Comrs sate to debate the Contumacy of the fellows of Magdalen Colledge lately disciplined & its believed if they Persist therein after A time that shall be Prefixt some further suspension will be of their Ecclesiastical Preferment in General

Tis said 17 New ones have grants of fellowships The Lord Mordants Brother & one Mr Clarke that was at the siege of Buda being two of them

Yest John Trenchard Esqr was Introduced into the presence was Graciously Recd & kist the Kings hand

Our letters from the West speake of Extrary stormes & Tides & yest was soe High A tyde at London Bridg the like scarce ever knowne The Inhabitants on each side the Thames suffered much the water was 14 Inches High in Whitehall

They write from Edenbrough the Councill had set out 2 Proclamations one Agt the Exportation of Oysters The other for Registering Marriages & Baptizings made in meeting houses

There is A Whispering the King will this spring goe for Scotland to be Crowned there

+This day the Ms of Abbeville his Maties Envoy set forwards for Holland to presse the affaire of Bantam to A speedy determination

The E of Bath Lord Leift of Cornwall & Lord Warden of the stannary is gone thither to meet the Convocation or Parliamt of Tinners Its supposed it will be Proposed to ffarme the Coynage of Tynn got in Cornwall & Devonshire or else to their dissolution

[These Latin words appear in another hand on outside of letter:]
memorandum/Imprimis Venera:/re [?] Deum Sit/in omni/ille.

L. c. 1894 London 13th dec 1687

+Last saturday the Ecclesiastical Comrs declared That all Expelled out of Magdalen Colledge should be uncapable of Enjoying any Ecclesiastical Benefice

None of the vacancies are yet filled up but severall Romanists have Mandamusses

Tis thought the Bp of Oxford Cannot live many dayes

some of the old fellows that were not at the Contest are Returned & the seni[or] fellow Claims the office of President In the absence of Dr Hough

The Affaire between the Duke & Ds of Norfolk is Put off by the Ecclesiastical Comrs till the 12th Janr

sr Tho: Powis sollicitor Genll is made Attorney Genll In place of sr Robt sawyer & Mr Williams formerly speaker succeeds him as sollicitor Genll whome his Maty hath knighted

Last night the Dispute Abt Guildhall Chappell Came to A heareing before the King & Councill Dr Exton managed it for the Bp of London & sr Wm Williams for the Lord Mayor & it was ordered the Lord Mayor should have the disposall of the Chappell

The French Protestants Come over dayly & this morning the King gave order for A 2d Collection through the kingdome for them

The E of Scarsdale is dismissed for being Groome of the stooles to P George

Our letters from Dublin give A dreadfull Account of the ffloods on the 4th Instant which overflowed the keyes filled all their Cellars & Warehouses drowned severall people & broke down 2 Arches of Essex Bridg the draw Bridg &c

+Last ffriday there was A duell in st James square between mr Seymour Wolseley & mr Wm Wharton 3d son of the Ld Wharton occasioned by some verses they Lashed each other with Tis said they were neither Mortally wounded

+Wee hear the ffrench have taken New Yorke

L. c. 1895 London 15th dec 1687

+Yest mr Wharton died of his wound in the duell with mr Wolseley

They write further from Dublin that the ffloods drove downe severall houses in that Citty drowned A greate many men & women & did in all 500000 L damage

sr Wm Williams has of late had greate Practice in the Chancery Tis said he will be made speaker to the next house of Comons

Yest the King went to see his statue in Brasse that is to be set up at Newcastle Also tooke A view of the Mewes & the houses & stables Adjacent that were the late d of Monmoths in order to Purchase it & tis thought there will be another Guard house built for more horse Guards

Tis said sr Robt Holmes voyage to the West Indies is delayed because the Spaniards are to Advance money & have failed

The New Breife for ffrench Protestants is Passed the seale

Tis said the greate Number of ffrench Protestants that Abandon their Country much allarme that Court The successe not Answering Exspection that it has been Proposed to Restore them to their Ancient Priviledges

The ffrench K makes greate Preparations both by sea & land & designes to have 30000 landmen on board his ffleet, greate offers have been made to the ffrench seamen in England Holland &c but have not Prevailed

L. c. 1896 London 17th dec 1687

+Tis said that Imediately after the holy dayes his Maty will Ishue A Proclamation for A Parliamt to meet in Aprill

Tis said the Mewes will be made A Lodgment for 5 or 6000 men

To morrow the Ld Mayor will be at Guildhall Chappell but in the same manner as at Grocers hall

They write from Exeter that on sunday last their new Mayor was at A Conventicle where was A very greate Appearance many whereof for Novelty

The queen Dowager being taken with A quinzie upon looseing 14 ounces of blood is perfectly Recovered his Maty gave her 3 vissitts & this day the 4th

+sr Jo: Buckworth one of the Comrs of the Customs is dead & tis said sr Wm Wiseman will succeed

Yest the Bp of Oxfords booke for Abrogating the Test Came out being 135 Pages in quarto & the whole Impression of 2000 sold off before night

The English students of the middle Temple Chose A Comptroller & Resolved to hold the Revelling without Gameing But the Irish Gent Pretended to have An order to have both, A greate quarrell Arose at supper in which severall are sore hurt

+A Match is Concluded betwixt the E of Arran Eldest son of d Hamilton & A daughter of the E of sunderlands

Tis said sr Jo Earnly will be dismist for being Chancellr of the Exchequer & sr Nichs Butler succeed

L. c. 1897 London 20th dec 1687

+Upon the dutch Placaert Agt the Popish Preists there have within these few dayes some hundreds Come over hither & more Exspected

Tis said An Alteration will be made forthwith in the officers of the Army & Navy & that before next Terme will be A Change Among the judges & A new Recorder of the Citty

+Tis said the Ld Bellasis is laying downe his office of first Comr of the Treasury & that sr Nichs Butler will not only be made Chancellr of the

Exchequer but also one of the Lds of the Treasury

Yest the Benchers of the Middle Temple Acquainted the Ld Chancellr that the Irish Gent forced the English part of the Temple hall & kept gameing till sunday morning &c upon which he ordered the Irish Gent to quitt the hall & Abt 3 in the afternoon they marched out & the English entred in at which was A greate shout

Yest was Published the Kings Proclamation Prizeing Canary wines from the 1st ffebr at 18 d A quart & 28 L A Pipe

Letters from Jamaica say the d of Albemarle is safely Arrived there

Wee have Account of severall shipwrecks on the Coasts of ffrance &c +Our ffrench letters say their fleet fitting out is 50 Capitall men of warr 32 Gallies 40 Galliotts & 28 Tenders

Tis said the ffrench K hath layd A duty on all wines & Brandies Exported to England & forbid all English Draperies to be Imported at any other Ports but Callis & st Valare

Yest the King hunted in Essex & at his Returne vissitted the queen dowager

L. c. 1898 London 22d dec 1687

+Yest being St Thomas day the head officers were Chose According to Ancient Custome & at every Ward mote the Kings letter was Read forbidding Apothecaries quacks &c to Practice Physick & that the Colledg drs will supply all Indigent Persons Gratis

In o[u]r Generall Bill of Mortallity from the 14th of decembr 1686 till the 13th decembr 1687 is Christned 14950 & Buryed 21460

The Spanish Ambr hath given in A very sharp Memoriall demanding Restitution of the silver taken up at sea & some speedy Care taken to suppress the Buckaneers who are said to be 30 stout vessells & mightily Infest the Spanish Plantations upon which his Maty ordered the Spanish merchants to Attend him yest in Councill

some of the Lds of the Councill were for sending some men of warr into the south seas But his Maty having heard the Reasons of the merchants how Prejudiciall it might be to the trade of both nations & might soe Allarme the Spaniards as not to bring their silver downe the King declared the Contrary

On Tuesday died mr verving Leift Coll of sr Jo: Talbotts Regemt & that Comand is given to Sr Edw Powdrey late Governr of the d of Berwick in Hungary

The E of Huntington is made Groome of the stoole to P: George in Roome of the E of scarsdale

The Lady Ann spencer is to be marryed to the E of Arran is to be Lady of Honour to the queen in Place of the Lady scarsdale & tis said the E of Arran will be made Ld Chamberlain if the E of Mulgrave be dismiss

The ffrench Ambr at Rome hath 3 times demanded Audience & threatens to force it 10000 ffrench are marched into Piedmont &c tis thought to be master of all the Roades & Passes

L. c. 1899 London 24th dec 1687

+Last night in Councill it was ordered that the 10th of Janr in London & the 24th Janr all England over be generall thanksgivings & Publick Prayers made for the queens being with Child

The stormes have been very dreadfull on sunday last the ffloods & Tyde overflowed & Compossed [?] the whole Towne of Harwich & In North wales severall Perished in the snow & Its feared it had A more dreadfull effect in Holland

his Maty hath given leave to the Presbiterians in scotland to build or hire houses for their Worshipp where they please Except st Mary Magdalens Chappell & mr Herriotts Hospitall

Tis said sr Jo: Treby formerly Recorder of London hath been sent for

& offered the Recordship Againe but humbly Prayed to be Excused & c
The Ms of Hallifax hath kissed the Kings hand

They write from Cornwall that his Maty as farmer hath offered the
Tinnars at their Convocation 3 L 10 s 3 d C at 120 L to the hundred
which Its said they have Accepted

The E of Carlingford is to goe his Maties Envoy to Vienna to
Congratulate upon the Coronation of the New K of Hungary

Yest mr Redding A Councellr Appeared at the Court of Aldermen with
Proposalls to pay the Orphans 15 L p C but desired A Private Comittee
Alledging that A greate Part of the Orphans money was in Private hands
The Court Answered they were A Private Comittee & if he would make his
Exceptions any could withdraw he then Accused the Towne Clerke of
some misdemeanrs but he standing on his justification they have deferred
the further debate till the 17th Janr Many writts of Appeale are Come
to the Court of Kings bench from Ireland Relateing to Estates there

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L. c. 1900 London 27th dec 1687

+Last sunday his Maty went to Chappell Attended by all his servants where
he heard High Masse & Recd the sacramt as did 5 or 6 English & scotch Lds
& some Prayers were offered for the queen who Continues most in her
Chamber to prevent A miscarriage

The Ld Chancellr Recd the sacramt at Aldermanbury Church & the E of
Bedford went the same day at grovers hall & heard mr How preach before
the Ld Mayor

The Ld Mayor would not make use of Guildhall Chappell nor let none
else but ordered the Doores to be kept shutt

The English Gents of the Middle Temple went to Church in greate
state The Comptroller & Treasurer being in very Rich Habitts haveing A
guard of 30 Halberdiers led by A Capt all in Buffe

Yest the Ld Chancellr was taken ill with the stone

Yest the d of somerset was at Whitehall & Kissed the Kings hand

his Maty has ordered that noe officers servants shall have the
priveledg of souldiers as to ffredome from Arreste

+They write from Paris that Comissions are given out there for Raising
12 Regemts of dragoons

ffrom transilvania they Confirme the Advice of the deposing the
Grand seigni[or] & his Brothers being put up in his stead They write
from Hungary the Emper[or] has nominated 4 Comrs in his Name to Adjust
Greivances with the deputies of Hungary The Turks in Alba Regalis are
said to want only the Appearance of 4000 Germans before it that the
Colour of A seige may justify their surrender

L.c. 1901 London 29th dec 1687

+Last sunday his Maty declared the queen is quick with Child & that he
would have Publick Thanksgiving dayes in scotland & Ireland as well as
England

The Bps of Oxford Durham & st Davids are Appointed to draw up the
forme of prayer to be used on the dayes of thanksgiveing in England

The Celebrated health at Court is Hause en Kelder

sr Roger Norris & other Justices in Northamptonshire are out of
Comission & A Comission is past the seales for new justices in somerset-
shire & divers are prepareing for the like Regulation in other Counties

Tis said at Court the Ld Hallifax is the Ld High Treasurer & the E
of Powis Ld High steward of the household In place of the d of Ormond

his Maty hath signed An order for the E of Bathe Coll Trelawnies
& Coll Kirks Regemts to goe for Ireland in ffebr next

The Ld Walgrave is Expected from ffrance Tis said A League is
Renewed between England & ffrance

The dutch have within 2 months Past taken into Pay 10000 seamen most or all subject to England

In ffalmouth were lately heard for some nights most dreadfull Cryes & Grones some in Pendennis give out tis the ghost of A souldier lately killed there & is A Proofoe of Purgatory &c

On Tuesday A Gent in the Guards of the E of dovers troope at Play in the Temple Revells threw at more money then he had to Pay & According to Custome they put him in the stocks which makes A greate Noyse Among the Guards & Its thought will occasion some secrett mischeife

Last weeke Olivers Porter died in Bedlam very Aged

L. c. 1902 London 31st dec 1687

+The queen hath been for A day or two somewhat Indisposed but is this day somewhat Better Tis said the Thanksgiveing day is Put off till the 15th ffebr

The schoole for Maides which some Call A Nunnery set up by the queen in st Martins Lane is to begin on Munday next There are 4 Mistresses in the Habitt of Nuns

An Answer to the Bp of Oxfords booke is Come forth said in the Title Page to be written by A Person of quality

Our Irish letters say A fire in Dublin hath burnt 200 houses

We hear of greate shipwrecks on the Coasts of Holland & A dreadfull Inundation there to the loss & Ruine of many thousands

The E of Salisbury is Arrived here after 3 yeares travell in Italy &c & Imediately went to waite on his Maty who Recd him joyfully

Our letters from Barbados say 2 shippes fitted out by English & Dutch on Private mens Account have brought from the Wreck more money then sr Wm Phipps did

The President &c of Christchurch Hospital have waited on the King with the Blewcoate boyes of the Mathematicall school & prsented a list of Almost 70 Put forth this year Past to Captains of E India & Turkey shippes

Tis said the English Ambr at the Hague hath given in 2 memorialls abt dr Burnet & Bantam

Our fforreign Advices Confirme the deposing the Grand seigni[or] & setting up his Brother that the imperialists have Agria in possession & that the Moldavians offer to Come under the Emper[or]s Protection

+The diferences Continue betwixt the Pope & ffrench The English & spanish Ambrs have had a long Audience of his holiness

L. c. 1903 London 3d Janr 1687

+The queen being very well Recovered & it being Generally beleived shee is now in a hopefull way of going out her time This day the Proclamation Came forth for the Thanksgiveing on the 15th here & on the 29th elsewhere

is said his Maty declared on sunday he would Call a Parliamt the beginning & that a law be made to settle liberty of Conscience as firme as Magna Charta The Lds Leifts shall make a Regulation Among their deputies & other officers Last sunday night the E of Pembroke was dismiss from all his offices

mr Charnock & 2 more of the ffellows of Magdalen Colledg are Returned Tis said with Mandamussees for 12 new ffellows that were Romanists & that the other 11 vacancies be for some in the savoy schoole

Tis said Coll stradbury & Coll Markham are new Connverts

sr Roger strickland is made Rere Admirall of England in Roome of sr Jo Herbert displaced

Yest the Comptroller &c of the Temples Came to Whitehall in greate state in 3 of the Kings Coaches & Invited the King & most of the

ministers of state to dinner & delivered An Adresse the substance being to wish his Maty A Happy new year A Prosperous Reign & Numerous Ishue

The Ld Chancellr hath had A very Terrible fit of the stone which hath much weakened him

They write from Paris that King hath sent 7000 horse & dragoons to seize Castro within 20 miles of Rome which will be followed by 25000 at sea & orders are sent to seize Avignon A Citty of the Popes in ffrance +Wee much Exspect to hear the dutch Answer to his Matys Ambrs memoriall Abt Bantam & to Banish all his Rebell subjects Peticulerly dr Burnet & the Printers of his booke

L. c. 1904 London 5th Janr 1687

+The late sad fire in Dublin began by some Theives haveing got into A house & for Hast left Lights which fired it & Burnt 159 houses In Castle street & other Principle Parts of the Citty

The queen Dowager is soe well that she this weeke gave the queen 2 vissitts & diverted her selfe in st James parke

Abt 60 Corporations are Regulated & in all of them the most part of the Magistrates are dissenters

mr Harper of the horse guards who was put into the stocks by the Comptroller of the Inner Temple Acquainted the Ld Dover Coll sarsfield &c & they Complained to the King who hath heard the matter face to face but made noe Determination

Tis said mr Harper & others are resolved to have personall satisfacion & had not Coll sarsfield layd A severe Comand on all the troope Abt 40 had gone next night to the Temple

The Mandamus for 12 new ffellows for Magdalen Colledg is Carryed to the Bp of Oxford by mr Charnock to Admitt them with A Non obstante to the oaths &c Their names are dr Richd Crompton mr Tho: ffairfax mr Edw Meredish mr John Dreyden juni[o]r mr Phillip Lewis mr Alex Cotton Mr Tho: Guilford mr Wm Plowden Mr John Christmas mr Lawrence Wood mr John Rosse & mr Augustine Belson Also for mr Robt Hall & mr Causen to be demies

Our ffrench letters say all their sea officers are Hastend to Thoulon Marselles Brest &c to Hasten out their shipps with all speed

since the Expiration of the Act for 400 Hackney Coaches then Increased to 900 but are now Reduced to 400 But Its thought 400 more will be Licenced this weeke

L. c. 1905 London 7th Janr 1687

+This weeke A 6 d booke is stolne out of the presse Intituled samll Ld Bp of Oxford his Celebrated Reasons for Abrogating the Test & his notions of Idolatry Answered By samll Parker Archdeacon of Canterbury In page 54 Its better to Indulge mens lives then their Consciencs Its Reported the booke is Collections out of the booke here Cited

A son of sr Thompsons being sent to Oxford & Refuseing the usuall oaths pleadeing his Matys declaration for liberty the vicechancellr Threatened to Expell him whereupon 3 ffathers presented A Petition to the Ecclesll Comrs & its said at their next meeting it will be decided

One mr stroud High sheriffe of somersetshire haveing A Liveing ffallen into his hands hath presented A Nonconformist minister thereto who refuseng what the Lawes enjoyne The Bp hath denyed him Induction & soe the Patron will try the Cause

The Ld Chancellr being Recovered of A fit of the stone is gone to his Country house & wee had for some dayes A Report he would be Removed & the office Executed by 3 Commrs vizt ffather Peters Justice Allabone & the solicittr Genll but as yet it proves A mistake

The E of Dorcet is dismist for being Ld Leift of sussex & Its said either the Ld Privy seale or Ms of Powis will succeed

The Kings Comrs at the Tower have Contracted for 10000 ffire Armes

The Comrs for Regulating Corporations sit here & Act as they have Information The Corporation of Totness is dissolved haveing Refused the Contents of the Kings letter

Tis said the ffrench marching towards Italy are not Agt the Pope but Geneva

Tis said Ps Ann is with Child

L. c. 1906 London 10th Janr 1687

+mr Charnock A Romanist is made vice President of Magdalen Colledg in Oxford The new ffellows are to Continue dureing the Kings pleasure mr Lewis is made dr of divinity mr smith mr Meredith & mr Hollis masters of Arts

Tis said Hugh Boscomen Esqr of Cornwall hath not only discharged some Nonconformist ministers who have been A long time very Acceptable to him & his Table but also forbid from his house telling them they had deceived him in their Constant opinions of the Bishop & Clergie of the Church of England who he now saw Acted more like Protestants then dissenters & the next Lords day tooke the sacramt at the Parish Church

On Thursday the Ecclesll Comrs sit & on ffiday will be A greate Councell

Tis thought his Maty will have a greate fleet Ready this spring

Tis said orders are given this day for killing 3000 oxen

The Ms de Abbeville finding the states delay to give Answer to his Memoriall hath Pressed them by Another Adding his Master Cannot but take it Amisse they Answer not his demands on things soe just & Reasonable

The ffrench Equippage by sea hath very much Allarmed the states & their Prohibition of their Herrings Cloth & Iron Guns Given greate jealousy of A Rupture They hasten their men of warr & have 18 Capitall ships now Ready

+Letters from smirna of the 5th dec say the late Grand signi[or] & his son are both strangled

L. c. 1907 London 12th Janr 1687

+The Regulation of Corporations proves A work of longer time then Exspected Tis now thought there will be noe Parliamt till winter

severall dissenters in Corporations Refuse to Accept of places in the Majestracy

There is A sheet stolne out of the Presse Intituled A letter written by Myn Heer ffagell Pentioner of Holland to mr James Stewart Advocate Giveing Account of the Prince & Ps of Oranges thoughts of the Repeale of the Test & the Penall lawes which tis said has given greate offence at Court

Last Tuesday the Buisness of Guildhall Chappell was debated in the Court of Aldermen & it being found the said Chappell belongs to them they determined that the sermon formerly Preached at Pauls Cross & lately at Mary Le Bow shall be Preached there

some shippes from Virginia & Maryland bring word the Cropp of Tobacco will be very short this year

Tis thought there has been at the spanish Wreck 100 sayle from Jamaica 70 from Bermudas & some from Barbados Holland &c that its Concluded most of the silver was got up before sr Jo Narbrough Could Arrive there

This day the the Gent of the Temple gave A Magnificent entertainmt to the Ld President D of Berwick

Our ffrench letters say there is A greate diference Arrisen between Mounsr Louvois & the Jesuitts that Influenced the King to Prosecute the Protestants of whome Abt 2 millions are gone which hath much lessened the Kings Revenue

+The Cardinall ffurstemburgh being Chose Coadjutor of Cologne & the Pope

Excommunicating the ffrench Ambr makes many Conjectures of the successe
L. c. 1908 London 14th Janr 1687

+Last Thursday the Ecclesll Comrs sate where mr Thompson Complaining
that dr Mills hath wrongfully Expelled him out of his Colledg The dr was
Called in who Answered it was for divers misdemeanrs Conteyned in his
plea which being Read the dr was dismiss

They write from Cornwall that on the 31st Past Abt 11 at noon 2
sunns were seen by neer 30 persons togather travelling neer Bodman it
being Abt 30 degrees Eastward of the true sun & Appeared the most glorious
but with A very fiery Aspect Its duration to them was full halfe An
houre

The Report of some Regemts to be shipt for Ireland is Contradicted

The King hath at the desire of the E India Company Incorporated
Bombay in India to have A Mayor Recorder sheriffs Aldermen &c & the
Company are Provideing A Rich sword & Cap of Maintenace Maces &c Its
designed for the English Metropolis in India & the Courts of Law
Admiralty &c are to be there kept

They write from New Yorke that in Aprill last Coll dungan their
governr sent 60 men with some Indian Guides to make A discovery to the
Northwest who haveing proceeded A good way on their journey were seized
by the ffrench & Carryed Prisoners to Canada But the Indian Guides
escaped & gathered A Body & killed 300 ffrench upon Notice of which Coll
dungan went forthwith for albaney & sumoned all the Inhabitants to be
Ready to defend that Province

The ffrench K demands of the Pope the Restitution of Castro for the
d of Parma & also to Produce by which Title he holds Avignon

L. c. 1909 London 17th Janr 1687

+Last sunday being the Thansgiveing the Bp of Rochester Preached before
the Ps & one mr Loaves An Independant before the Ld Mayor

Tis said mr Richd Baxter is on the Point of death

Last saturday dr Mountague was sworne vicechancellr of Cambridg

The Minister of Andover in Hampshire hath embraced the Romish
Religion & Its said A dispensation is Passing for him to Receive the
Proffitts though he doe not officiate

Tis said 5 new judges will be made the first day of the Terme

On Thursday the d of Berwick goes for Hampshire as Ld Leift

The Ld Abergavenny is made Custos Rutulorum of somersetshire in
Roome of the Ms of Winchester

The Parliamt of Paris have ordered the Atturney Genll to draw up
An Appeale Agt the Pope That his holiness has abused the Power that
the Church has Entrusted him with by making use of it to mantaine A
Temporall Right that doth not belong to him That the King be most
humbly besought to Continue to mantaine the Rights & Imunities that
belong to his Ambr & Provide Agt the mischeifs the ffrench Church
suffers & grant A Nationall Councill & in the meane time that
Prohibitions be made to Rome

This night Its Reported the ffrench K hath Caused some hundreds of
Protestants to be Released

+A vessell that Came from Dublin the 16th of decembr with 2 Mayles of
letters & some Passengers is now yeilded to be lost it being A Terrible
storme that night

L. c. 1910 London 19th Janr 1687

+On the 16th the 30 demies of Magdalen Colledg were sumoned before the
Bp of Oxford as President but 17 in the University Refused to Appear soe
mr Charnock the new vice President struck out the names of 14 out of the
Buttry booke & the 3 Exspect Expulsion The 14 are going into other
societies

dr Ironside the vicechancellr hath A Contest with the 11 new
ffellows Abt the Gownes of the under Graduatts to whose demands he will
not alter the Custome of the University

TIs said A quo Warranto will be brought Agt the deane & Chapter of
st Pauls for Claiming ffellons goods whome the King hath Pardoned as in
the Case of Griffith the Cowkeeper

sr Edw Hales Leift of the Tower hath given notice to all the
officers under him to surrender their places & Retake them durante Bene
Placito without takeing the oaths & Test

Last sunday the master & wardens of the stationers Attended his
Maty in Councill & had A severe Reprimand for their Neglect of the
Presse for that the Paper Called fflagells letter & others Reflecting on
the Govermt are almost Publick since which A strict search hath been
made in all the Printing houses

some Persons are taken up for disperseing Papers Reflecting on the
queens being with Child & the thanksgiveing day & unless they Produce An
Authr will severely suffer

Tis said the E of devonshires son is to marry the late Ld Russells
daughter

His Maty hath declined ffarmeing the Tynn & the Tinnors in Cornwall
offer it at 64 s p Cent & the merchants Refuse it

+Yest Arrived A ffrench Mayle the Passengers Report that before they
left Callais An Account was Come that Strasburgh had Revolted &
Massacred all the ffrench

L. c. 1911 London 21st Janr 1687
+Wee have nothing Abt Strasburgh

Yest the Ecclesll Comrs sate & ended the Buisness of the d of
Norfolke his Councill pleaded that by Reason of some debts Contracted
by his Ancestors his estate is but 4000 L p An soe they ordered the
dutchs only 1500 L p An

Tis said his Maty Intends to Ishue out A 2d declaration for
Removeing Prejudices his subjects may have entertained from the many
Pamphletts dispersed tending to Render his Intentions as to the Repeale
of the Penall lawes & Test Ineffectuall & therein to Assure all & In
Peticular the Members of the Church of England that nothing shall ever
be Attempted to disquiett their Rights or Posessions when at the same
time his Royall pleasure shall be Complied with & shall be further
Re Assured by as firme A law as they Can forme to secure it to their
Posterity

Leift Coll Eaton of his Maties Regemt of ffootguards is dead & Its
given to Major sr Tho stradling A new Convert

+The Ld ffanshaw is dead at Aleppo

Last night the queen Removed to the new Buildings by the Privy
Gallery that noe Noyse may endanger miscarriage

Last night was A heareing in Councill between dr Barebones & the
ffreindly society both Claimeing by vertue of his Maties letters
Pattents An office of Ensurance of houses from fire The dr Claimed
Priority of Pattent the other a more Publick Benefit by their method
but the King declared in favour of dr Barebone

+All o[ur] Advices from ffrance Confirme their greate Preparations &
Exspectations of some mighty enterprise this spring but whether to
Genova Avignon Holland or the Palatinate is A mistery even to the most
Curious

L. c. 1912 London 24th Janr 1687

+An Answer to the vindication of the Proceedings Agt the Bp of London
& Agt Madgalen Colledg Also Another Answer to the Bp of Oxfords Reasons
for Abrogating the Test & the Penall lawes are Crept out Privately & soe

ill Resented at Court that its under Consideration to forme A method
for Printers & booksellers to Prevent such Practices

A greate Reforme will be made throughout the Kingdome among such
In Publick Employes who have sallaries from the Crowne unless they give
good demonstrations to Comply with the Repeale of the Penall lawes &
Test

Comissionrs are Constituted for all Counties to Enquire what
moneys have been Levyed on dissenters since 1678 & not Returned into
the Exchequer to make Restitution

Last ffriday the d of Berwick Arrived at Portesmouth to take
Possession of the govermt thereof & was joyfully Recd

The d of st Albans goes in A few dayes for ffrance
+Last sunday the Attorney & solicittr Genll Recd the sacramt of the
deane of Paulls & yesterday the solicittr Genll tooke the oaths & Test

Last sunday his Maty declared in Councell that he had some
Intentions to Recall his troops out of the service of the Dutch & Its
said order is given for it

Capt Clarke is Arrived from New England laden with Masts & yards
for the Kings Capitall shipp & hath on board 20 Masts 120 ffoot long
He says the ffrrench attempted by land to take new Yorke but the Governr
of New=England Raised the Militia &c & Prevented it

The Welfare of London is Arrived at Plimouth from E India & the
Herbert & Resolution Exspected

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

L. c. 1913 London 20th Janr 1687

To morrow the Comrs for Inspecting what money hath been Levyed on
dissenters in London & not Legally dispersed sit the first time with
Power to send for Persons & Papers

Many Informations Agt justices Constables Informers &c are
Preparing that Levyed money on dissenters & dispersed it not According
to Law one is signed by the Attorney Genll Agt Joshua Gilliard Esqr &
others of Barnet

+A Messenger is gone into somersetshire to fetch up A Gent who Affronted
mr stroud the prsent High Sheriffe with the name of Rebell

The Ld Chancellr is soe ill that his Phisitians are Affraide of him

At dublin A Proclamation is Ishued for Rectifying the Coyne of that
Kingdome & the greate trouble in Counting their money

The dutch will neither surrender nor Banish dr Burnet

An Expresse is gone to Comand all his Maties 3 Regemts in Holland
to Returne Imediately

The dutch Ambr here hath Complained to his Maty that his men of
warr search their shipp on Pretence for English seamen

The K of sweden the dukes of saxony Brandenburg Lunenburgh &
Hessen have made An Alliance offensive & defensive

The Army at Constantinople Comitt Robberies & all sorts of outrages
at noon day with the same heate & violence as if they were in An Enemies
Country

The Turks have seized Teckley & sent him to Constantinople to be
sacrificed as the Cause of the warr his Countesse desires A
Capitulation & the Emper[o]r Promises to Pardon her & the whole garrison
& Assigne her lands suitable to her quality

L. c. 1914 London 28th Janr 1687

+This weeke has Crept out of the Presse A 12 d booke Called An Impartiall
Account of the whole Proceedings at Magdalen Colledg

Some Cart loades of Popish Catechismes & Other Popish books which
have been noe small time lodged in Grayes Inn were this day Removed &
will be Exposed by Auction

The Mewes is now measured out for A New guardhouse & the Kings Coachhouses & stables are to be built neer st James house
+A Proclamation is Exspected for Calling seamen out of the fforreign service

stores are ordered out of the Tower & Its said 20 men of warr are forthwith to be fitted out

Its beleived there will be noe Campe this yeare at Hounslow heath but Rather that the ffoot will be Employed in sea service

Our scotch letters say his Maties letter was Read in the Privy Councill Prohibitting the Levying souldiers for the dutch

The dutch Answer to the memoriall Abt Bantam is That they leave it to the determination of the 2 E: India Companies

Two of o[u]r E India shippes are Arrived but have but halfe ladeing & lost 100 men by the Contagion as they Came home

The League between sweden saxony Brandenburg Lunenburgh & Hessen is not only for security of their dominions but also of their Religion

They who have A Prospect into the Intentions of the ffrench K say he Intends to throw off the Popes Authority Also to Cause the Dauphine to be Crowned Emper[o]r of Rome

+This day the Court of Honour sate & mr Perrie put in his Plea to Prove himselfe Lawfully descended from the Earles of Northumberland

Yest the watermen prsented A very Acceptable Adresse to the King +sr Tho: sheridan secretary to the E of Tirconnell is dismiss

Tis said 2 of o[u]r sea Captains have fought A duell the occasion being that one said the ffrench K had more & better shippes then the K: of England & the other Averred not

L. c. 1915 London 31st Janr 1687

+Last night upon A search for stolne goods was found upon A Dunghill in Parkers Lane near Little queenstreet The body of A man wrapt in A blankett The Armes & Leggs Cutt off which were found in the Thames at Low Ebb Abt the Middle of the savoy wall

This morning thousands have been to see it & it makes A mighty noyse & not the lesse for some letters lately sent to the earles of Dorcett shrewsbury & Hallifax &c of A very strange & Menaceing Import which some of them showed his Maty That to the E of Dorsett tis said was vizt

It were pitty that one of the best of men should be lost for the worst of Causes, doe not sacrifice A life every body Vallues for A Religion you your selfe dispise make your peace with your Lawfull Sovereign or know that after the 17th Janr you have not long to Live take true warning from a ffriend & Repent before Repentance be too late

The Report is Renewed of his Matys going this spring to be Crowned in scotland

mr Wade who was in the West but pardoned is made Towne Clerke of Bristoll

The D of Modena Intends to Reside here with the queen his sister & Preparations are makeing for his Reception

mr Boyle eldest son to the E of Burlington is marryed to Madam Noell Neece to the E of Gainsbrough

The ffrench are upon their March in 3 bodies one towards Italy one towards Alsatia & A 3d for fflanders

They write from Rome the pope is very much Indisposed Also that the Cardinalls pretend that in matters of such greate Import as the ffranchises they ought to be Consulted at the Privy Councill

The Ld Chancellor Continues Extreame ill

L. c. 1916 London 2d ffebr 1687

+The Corps without A head &c is not yet owned The waterman that first found the Armes & Leggs sayes they lay just under the Publick Privy of the savoy & lay cross on one another as if they had been throwne out peece by peece The Armes seemed to be bruised & by the hands it seemed to be some gentleman the skin very clear &c

Yest by order of the E of Craven the body & Limbes were decently put in a Coffin & Exposed to view in st Giles Church yard & at night set in the Charnelhouse & this morning to be set out Againe & soe to be Exposed for 7 dayes

Yesterday An Irishman A joyner in Drury Lane was Comitted to Newgate Tis said for dropping words Construed as being Accessory to the Laying the body in Parkers Lane The King & Councell have heard of it & it being suggested it might be one of those executed at Tyburne their graves were this day opened & their bodies found soe tis said A Proclamation of A Greate Reward will Issue to morrow to any that shall discover it

Tis said the queen Dowager Returnes to Portugall next may to spend the rest of her time there & will carry but few domesticks & leave 6 or 7000 L p An to be paid dureing her life to such as shee leaves dureing their Lives

sr Wm Williams is made Ld Ch: Justice of Chester in Place of sr Jo Charlton & is yet solicittr Genll

The Herbert is Arrived at Plimouth from E India vastly Rich haveing been some time missing & greate Insurances made on her

They write from Rome our King hath made the Cardinall de Este Protector of the English nation with An Allowance of 20000 Crownes p An

Mongatz is surrendred to the Emperor & Its said Alba Regalis hath Capitulated

L. c. 1917 London 4th ffebr 1687

+Yest severall were Examined by sr Roger Ld Estrange Abt the late Murther & words dropt proved one of them vizt The wife of the Murthered

ffranchises

L. c. 1918 London 9th ffebr 1687

+The Archbp of Canterbury hath Recd An order to Conveen all the Clergie of the diocesse Abt 20 dayes hence Tis said his Maty has ordered his Grace to write Circular letters to all the other Bishops to Acquaint them that he Intends to Call A Parliamt next May & to direct them to order their Clergie to use their Interest to Choose such as shall Answer those good ends his Maty designes & Its said such letters are written by his Graces directions

+The Comrs for Enquireing what money hath been Levyed on dissenters have now Power to Examine Report & determine all matters before them which last was omitted in their Comission they sit Againe to morrow

Tis said some thousands of books are seized from Holland written by dr Burnet Intituled Memoires of state in his late Maties Reign

Letters from Dublin say that on the 29th Past A fiery Meteor Came in the skyes Abt 10 miles till it Came over Dublin & broke at Rings end & gave 2 distinct Cracks as Loud as Cannons It gave A Greate Light & Appeared Abt the bigness of the Moon & was seen by hundreds & Carryed with it A Circle of A fiery Colour

The dutch have Consented to send over the English & scotch Regemts severall shippes are Prepareing which are Called by his Maty Salamanders to lye off any place & throw Bombes into it in Case of A warr & yet be out of the Reach of any shott as hath been Proved & 5 of them are neer finished of 100 Tuns each

+sr Roger strickland is made Rere Admirall of England

Letters from Hungary Contradict Teckleys being Prisoner & say he Continues to make Incursions on the ffrontiers with 2000 Rebels & some Turks

L. c. 1919 London 14th ffebr 1687

+mr Hill the Kings' Printer is in the new Comission of Peace for Middx Among the 43 left out are the Ms of Winchester E of Thanett The Lds Newport Newhaven Maynard Dalawarr & Osulston sr Cha: Gerrard sr Wm Bowyer sr Jo: Leader sr Jo: Cutler sr Jo: Banks sr Tho: Wolstenholme sr Jos: Williamson sr Robt southwell sr Christo Musgrave sr Jo: Elwayes sr Hen Johnson sr Jonathan Raymund &c

+sr Jo Tate o[u]r Recorder is displaced & sr Bartholmew shoar deputy Recorder in his place

The Bp of Oxford is dangerously ill & Its there discoursed if he Recover he will leave the Presidentshipp of Magdalan Colledg & dr Walker succeed & mr Bernard succeed the dr

mr Charnock hath Expelled 3 demies more

The Bp of Durham is gone Its said to Influence An Adresse among the Clergie of his diocesse

This day Came out the Proclamation Comanding noe Pedlers of books be suffered unless Licenced & qualified

Yest the master & wardens of the stationers searcht many booksellers shops for unlicenced books & found many sorts at mr Hindmarshes in Cornhill

Last saturday the Mayor &c of Rochester surrendred their Charter his Maty Returned it without makeing the least Alteration wishing them to Live in unity & when A Parliamt is Called to Choose such members as shall Concurr for makeing his declaration as firme as Magna Charta

+mr sheridan secretary of Ireland hath made some Complaints of the Ld deputy & Complaints are Come from Ireland Agt mr sheridan & Its to be fully heard in Councill

L. c. 1920 London 25th ffebr 1687

+Last Wednesday the Popish ffrench midwife was tryed who murthered her

husband & then Cut him in Peeces shee pleaded Guilty & was next day sentenced to be burnt

They write from Nevis the D of Albemarle was Arrived there it being within 4 dayes sayle of the wreck In Company with sr Jo: Narbrough & sr Wm Phipps he haveing sent his Ds direct for Jamaica

They write from dublin ffather Terrell Titular Bp of Cloghen is made secretary to the Ld deputy in mr sheridans place & one of that Privy Councell

They write from Vienna of the 19th Past that Genll veterani had for the present Adjusted the diferece between the Imperiallists & Transilvanians Abt fforrage & Prince Abafty with Consent of the states hath ordered A larger Portion of fforrage from the 1st of ffebr

That 20000 Turks are Come to Belgrade with designe to march Into upper Hungary to Attacque the Imperiallists in Transilvania & that An Envoy was Come from Constantinople to Prince Abafty to Acquaint him with the setting up of the Grand seigni[olr] & to desire him to joyne his forces with the Turks the next Campaigne & that if in the meane time he wanted troops he would forthwith Assist with Considerable forces

They write from Rome of the 4/14 Instant the Pope keeps his bed by Reason of Cold though otherwise very well & Remaines Imoveable either by Prayers or threats neither will he doe anything but According to his owne way The spanish Ambr &c have had Audience but none Can make any Impression on him he Resolveing not to doe anything Contrary to his Conscience let what will happen which he sayes Allowing the ffranchises is [letter ends]

L. c. 1921 London 28th ffebr 1687

+The Ms De Abbevill hath put in another memoriall In which he urged That the states Refusall to send the Regemts back breaks A treaty between England & Holland as Ancient as their state it selfe That when the late King was in Exile & demanded his subjects they were sent into their soveraigns service though it were to the Reinforceing of An Enemies Army

That the states are at Peace with the whole world

+That if they have been at Greate Expencc in Raiseing & Instructing them Its sufficiently meritted by the soe many battles & seiges in the late warrs wherein 1500 of his subjects have been lost since 1674 That their Comeing without leave into the said service Cannot dispense their not Returneing upon summons without being traytors &c

Tis said mr Atterbury the messenger Carryed into Holland above 30 Privy seales Peticulerly to the Ld Coot Grandson to the famous sr Chas Coot in Ireland &c who are Comanded upon their Alleigance to Returne

The states Refusall hath very much Allarmed the spanish Netherlands who are very Apprehensive of A warr

Its the Comon discourse at Paris of A warr with Holland 20 troops of the Kings household are ordered to flanders & more to follow

The K of Denmarke hath layd A new Imposition on Dutch shippes which they forbid their subjects to pay

The discourse is Renewed that the E of salisbury will be made d of Bucks

They write from scotland mr James Renwick the feild Conventicle Preacher was Executed for disowneing the King he was severall times offered his life if he would owne the K & his Govermt but he Refused to the last moment

L. c. 1922 London 1st March 1687

+They write from Holland that 35 of the English & scotch officers have Pasports to Returne for England

That the d of Brandenburgh is fortifying all his ffrontier places & Recruiteing his Regemts he aswell as the dutch Exspecting A storme from

the north

The dutch are Equipping with all Possible hast & the Prince hath orders to treble the seaport Garrisons &c & Add 20 to each Company of their land forces & they have desired some Regemts of horse from the d of Brandenburg

The Princes Gent of the horse & Capt of the Guards desired leave to quitt & A Passe for England which was granted but by order of the Prince was followed & his baggage searcht

The queen Dowager is Prevailed with to Continue in England till after the queens lyeing in

Tis said mr Goad formerly of Merchanttaylors schoole mr Constable mr Bernard mr Chettlebrough & mr Clarke are made new ffellows of Magdalen Colledg & mr Blockswell mr Woolhouse mr Galloway & mr Hungatt Batchellors of Art

Three Preists are Arrived here from Ireland who Its said are to Returne Bishops

dr Tillotsons Treatise Agt Transubstantiation is put into ffrench & Greate Numbers disposed of in Rome & most parts of Italy

mr Redding haveing Attended the Court of Aldermen with Proposals for Regulateing their Expences in order to Pay the orphans debts He this day Attended them Againe To Whome they gave Answer That A Comittee to Inspect & Regulate their Expences sit dayly & they doubted not but in A few yeares by the Methods the Comittee had layd downe to be able to give the orphans in greate Measure such satisfaction as should Content them

L. c. 1923 London 3d March 1687

+Yest the ffrench midwife who soe Barbarously Murthered her husband was burnt in Leicester square, Its Affirmed shee in Private Confessed the Murther of her owne son & 12 more gotten out of Wedlock & was guilty in ffrance of 3 times as much

The Bp of Oxford is given over by the Phisitians & Recd the sacramt According to the Church of England

sr Wm Booth A sea Comander is made one of the Comrs of the Navy & Its said hath Changed his Religion

Yest A Councill of warr sate at Whitehall to Receive misdemeanrs from the Army & are to sit some dayes each weeke his Maty being uneasy of Complaints made to him

This day A Proclamation Came out Prohibitting his Maties subjects to enter into the service of any fforreign Princes or states & Its said another will Ishue for Calling out of the said services

The dutch have ordered their last memoriall to the English envoy to be psented to his Maty by their Ambr here

Our E India Company have Appointed A generall sale to begin next Tuesday when Its thought their goods will sell at very High Rates

The Algereens have sent 2 Ambrs to the Dutch who Its supposed are Put into Plimouth or ffalmouth by Contrary winds

They write from Rome there was A Report there would be An Accomodation with ffrance & that the K of England was offered A Mediatr But their hopes are Clouded by A Rumour lately spread abroad That there is A bull of Excommunication in the Presse Agt the Parliamt of Paris for dareing to dispute the holy ffathers Authority

They write from Edenbrough the Noblemen there seem desirous to have A Parliamt

L. c. 1924 London 6th March 1687

+Most of the Boroughs that send members to Parliamt are Regulated & some will have it his Maty will Call A Parliamt to sit in May

The Ld dartmouth is gone to vissitt the Ports & Inspect the Numbers of seamen

The Mobile at Yorke have offered some Rudenesse to the Popish Chappell there & some of them in Custody

His Maty haveing granted A 2d Breife for Releife of ffrench Protestants very Liberall Collections have been made Perticulerly at the quakers meetings & this day the Parish officers began from house to house

There was Collected by the former Breife Abt 40000 L by which 15500 were Releived According to their qualities of which 140 families of Persons of quality 143 ministers 144 of Lawyers Phisitians & Considderable Cittizens the Rest Artificers & Husbandmen Also 15 ffrench Churches have been Erected 3 in London & 12 in the Countries

+This day mr Redding Attended the Court of Aldermen who were very Angry at his Publishing Proposals to sumon the Orphans to subscribe Telling him they will have noe more to doe with him but will shortly Publish A Paper which they doe not question will be very Acceptable to the orphans

The Wreck from which the Plate was got was A Galleon of 2200 Tun lost 48 yeares since & had 60 Tun of gold & silver which if all silver was worth 5 millions sterling

They write from Bermudas that on the 5th octobr there was at the Wreck from Barbados &c 2000 men & all they got was Carried to A heape & at night shared amongst each Crew

Tis said Ps Ann is with Child

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

L. c. 1925 London 8th March 1687

+One mr Lacy A Romanist being High Sheriffe of Hartfordshire, Last Munday assoon as the judges had Read their Comission A Pulpitt was brought in & A Preist made An oration on the occasion to the High sheriffe the E of salisbury & other Romanists but the judges went to Church & heard A sermon The Ld Ch: Justice gave the Charge & said he had in Charge from the King to give notice he Intended suddenly to Call A Parliamt & hoped they would send such members as should Comply with him in serviceing Liberty of Conscience &c A justice A Churchwarden & A Constable were found guilty of Levying money on dissenters & not disposing it as the Law Requires

An order is said to be sent to all the seaports that all officers there or in the Customs that will not be for Repealeing the Test shall be discharged as also the officers of the Army

Tis said it was yesterday debated in Councill that 21 shippes of warr be forthwith Equipped

They write from ffrance their fleet will be Ready very suddenly & that the dutch by their Preparations give jealousies there

They write from Holland the states are settling A ffond for setting out their fleet on which all hands are at worke & for building 18 new men of warr

On Tuesday our E: India Company began & ended their Publick sale The Coffe Indico &c they sold in Private Contract which being not Customary has much disgusted the Intended buyers at the Candle Their Auctions are 170 Affrican 200 Hudsons bay 250 L

On Tuesday night the Ld Breretons brother Comeing out of A Taverne neer Charing Cross in A Rage with drinking & A drawne sword in one hand & A Pistoll in the other vowing death to the next man he mett which was one of his Maties letter Carryers who was Ran through & soon died

L. c. 1926 London 10th March 1687

+Our last letters from Oxford say their Bp is as yet very weake & that there died this weeke dr Newland president of Corpus Christi Colledg

The d of Newcastle hath surrendred up his places of Ld Leift of Northumberland & Notingham Tis said the former will be given to the Ld Derwent water & the latter to the Ld Tho: Howard Br to the d of Norfolk

A greate Alteration is makeing in the Customehouse Excise & hearth money office

+They write from scotland many greate Alterations are makeing in that Govermt

Part of the spring garden being gravelled for Rideing the greate horse Yest the dukes of Northumberland & Berwick diverted themselves Running at the King which Exercize is Intended to be there almost dayly

When the E of Ossory was Genll in Holland he made An Agreement with the P of Orange dated 24th Janr 1678 That if the K of England should at any time Recall them they should be permitted to Returne &c upon which the English Ambr gave in A ffresh memoriall To which the states have given answer much to the same purpose as the former

They write from Rome of the 29th ffebr the pope Remaines very unmoveable Notwithstanding the greate endeavours to persuade him To whome he Positively declares he will never yield to the ffranchises On the other hand the ffrench Ambr there hath spread severall Papers That unless the Pope Revoke the Excommunication Agt him & Confirme the Coadjutorship to the Bp of Cologne his master will not hearken to any treaty The Pope hath sent to know the sentiments of all the Princes of Italy Tis believed there will be An Excommunication Agt the Parliamt of Paris

L. c. 1927 London 13th March 1687

+The Archdeaconary of Canterbury being held in Comendum by the Bp of Oxford his Maty hath given it to mr Chetwood

Last sunday dr fframpton Bp of Glocester Preacht at Whitehall her R: Highs &c being prsent from 135 Psal from 14 to 18 vers of the vanity of Idolls

There is A prospect on foot for Setting Registers of the names & Habitations of all seamen & watermen

Dr Burnet Continues at the Hague & 2 Centinells at the door which is In sight of the Court of guards who have orders to be his defence if occasion Requires

Our E India Company are Raising souldiers for India their Auctions are 186 Affrican 200 & Hudsons bay 235

The ffrench Ambr at the Hague hath signified to the states they should not thinke it strange if his master attacque the Palatinate to maintain the Right of the Ds of Orleans That being noe Infraction of the 20 yeares truce he haveing noe other designe then to maintain the peace of Europe

The ffrench K hath seized the dutch effects at st Valary without any Reason as yet given

His Maty hath ordered 1500 L out of the Treasury for the ffrench protestants on the 2d Breife Yest sr Tho: Clargis Collected in one of the 6 wards of the new Parish of st James 423 L The Ms of Hallifax gave 50 L Countesse of Essex 50 L Countesse Dorchester 40 L E of Ossory 30 L Ld Bellasis 5 guyneys

Last saturday the Ld Mayor & Aldermen attended his Maty humbly desiring A stop may be put to the building A Bridg over the Thames at Putney To which the Ld Chancellr declared his Maty had not only put A stop to that Bridg but would also take perticuler Care of all the Concernes of the Citty

L. c. 1928 London 15th March 1687

+Dr sherlock published A 12 d booke Intituled A Preservation agt Popery An Answer is Come out but to some that Read it nothing to the Purpose

Yest Dr sherlock preacht before her R: Highs & An Extrary Assembly of Nobility Gentry & Clergies from 24 Luke 47 vers without Nameing the P---- yet a greate blow to their opinion Abt Remission of sins

The Comrs for Inspecting what was Levied on dissenters in
Hartfordshire vizt sr Wm Cooper Coll Titus &c sit next munday of which A
Paper was Affixed on the Market place which was twice Pulled downe &
one Caught at A 3d & Comitted

The Pulpit in which ffather Pursell the Jesuitt Preached at the
Assizes was by the Mobile broke

At Chelmsford Assizes A schoolemaster Consented he should Preach
in the schoole but the People would not suffer him to goe in & were on
the edge of A Ryott

Last night in Councill A Proclamation was ordered Requireing all
souldiers & seamen in the dutch service to Returne & all officers at sea
to bring away such as they find in their service His Maty declared he
would Raise 3 New Regemts one in England one in scotland & one in
Ireland to be officered by those that Returne from Holland & Comanded
by Coll Walcup Coll Hales & Coll Marray Also Coll Porter is gone into
the Country to Raise another Regemt

The ffellows of Corpus Christi Colledg have with the Kings Consent
Chose dr Turner Br to the Bp of Ely

Dr Clayton President of Merton Colledg is dead

They write from Jamaica the D of Albemarle was Joyfully Recd That
12 ships arrived there from the wreck with 200000 L but soe distributed
his Grace will have but little of it That other ships are gone to
Bermudas &c with Plate but now Sr Jo: Narbrough is on the wreck & hath
forced all others from it

L. c. 1929 London 20th March 1687

+A Reward is said to be offered to any that Can discover the Printer of
A seditious libell lately dispersed Called A letter from ffather Peters
to ffather La Chose the ffrench Kings Confessr & greate dilligence is
used to find out the Authrs &c

The E of Bath Intends to discourse the Gent in Cornwall Concerning
the Penall lawes & Test but the Corporation officers will not be altered
in that County though they send 44 members to Parliamt

+This day the King Exercised his Guards in Hyde Parke

The d of Berwick is taken ill & Its thought it will prove the small
Pox

The E of salisburies Countesse is not turned Romanist as was said
but was last sunday at Convent Garden Church

The E India Actions Continue at 186 Affrican 220 Hudsons bay 245

mr Chudley one of the Comrs of the Customs haveing quitt that
Employment his Maty Continues to him the sallary of A Comr of the
Customs which is 1200 L p An

+The states of Holland have ordered 4 millions of Livers to be paid
for Repaireing the fortifications & the ffrontier townes & ordered the
Admiralties to Hasten the building of 18 new ships the Remainder of 36
ships ordered to be built some yeares since Also to Equippe with all
speed all such ships as are fit for service & have ordered Evertson to
be Comander of their fleet set out this summer

They write from fflanders that on the 21st Instant A fire Happened
in the Carmelites Convent at Gaunt which burnt it & of 26 Gentlewomen
Prisoners therein 22 were burnt in their bedds & 2 leapeing out of A
window broke both their Armes & Leggs & died A few houres after

Tis said his Maty has ordered An Account to be taken of the Cases
& Conditions of Prisoners for debt in the severall goales of this
Kingdome In order to lay their Case before the Next Parliamt to afford
them Releife

L. c. 1930 London 22d March 1687

+Yest morning the Bp of Oxford died

The D of Berwick hath the small Pox & Its hoped he will Recover
Tis said her Maty will lye in at Windsor & Remove the 20th May
The Charters of 44 Corporations that send Burgesses to Parliamt are
Expediting with all Possible dispatch that they may be Regulated before
the election of Members

Its ordered that 5 out of every Company be drawne out of the ffoot
to forme A new Regemt

Yest being the feast of st Benedict of which order of Monks are
a Convent at st James They Celebrated the morning with Musick &c In
the afternoon the superior Preacht A sermon the King & queen prsent
Highly Extolling their order above any

The disturbance of the Massehouse in Yorke on shrove Tuesday
Appeares to be as followeth, some boyes Playing at span farthing neer
the Chappell in time of Masse one Came out & beate them & tooke away 2
of their Hatts upon which the boyes Pulled downe 2 Poles & broke 2 or 3
Panes of Glass in the windows of which they Complained to the souldiers
who beate the boyes & Tyed them neck & heeles till the blood Gushed out
of their eares & Noses & also set them on the Wooden horse upon which
mr Moor who belongs to the spirituall Court & others that suffered
Indicted the Capt of the Company & other officers at the Assizes & the
jury found them guilty of A Ryott The officers hereupon Indicted the
boyes but the jury Acquitted them

The Religious house burnt at Gaunt was An English Nunnery

They write from Paris the diference between the Pope & that King
is upon Termes of Accomodation

Two of o[u]r ffriggotts haveing taken some English seamen out of
A dutchman of warr in the Downes Its said the states have sent the Capt
A very severe Reprimand & have made it death to deliver up voluntarily
any men in their service & Pay

L. c. 1931 London 24th March 1684 [i. e., 1688]

+A Private Cittizen of London hath at his owne Charge built A meeting
house in Gravell Lane neer the ffaucon in southwarke which is supplied
Gratis twice every sunday by the most eminent dissenting ministers & in
the Weeke dayes is used as A free schoole for that Poor & Populous
Neighbourhood The schoolemaster & usher Teaching them with greate Care &
Paines being sufficiently Encouraged by the monthly Contributions of A
Numerous Assembly

+The Jesuitts have taken A house next their Chappell in Limestreet to
make A schoole of for youth

Tis said the d of st Albans hath declared himselfe A Romanist

The King in the Bp of Oxfords sickness gave the Archdeaconry of
Canterbury to mr Chetwood who not being Admitted & the Bp dead Its now
in the Archbps Gift who hath given it to dr Battley one of his Chaplains

The deane of Chester & dr Thompson are said to be Candidates for
the Bishoprick of Oxford

+The vulgar talke much of A warr with Holland But men of Prospect
beleive it not, yet the Navall stores are Prodigious & those of
Provisions very greate & yet they kill [sentence ends]

Yest the Ld Mayor Attended the Councill with A Petition Agt
makeing A Bridg over the Thames at Putney but Its Referred to A jury
to Enquire what damages & make Report before his Maty determine it

The Comittee of Aldermen sit twice A weeke to Consult the Raiseing
money for the supply of the Cares & wants of the widdows & Orphans &
have made A Considerable Progress therein

+They write from Chester 2 Ensignes in the E of Huntingtons Regemt
fought In which one was killed & the other fled

+On Thursday the King Rode A ffox Hunting into Essex & yesterday

toucht for the Evill

[On outside of letter and in another hand:] 4 years Newes Letters viz/
from Lady day 1684 Inclusive/To Lady Day 1688 Exclusive/Note. In ye year
1685 most are wanting.

L. c. 1932 London 23d Octobr 1688

+On saturday the Bps Nobility judges Ld Mayor &c were sumoned to appear
yest at Whitehall where the Archbp Bps M of Hallifax &c Appeared & his
Maty spoke to this effect

+My Lds, I am well assured my kingdoms are Intended to be Invaded & am
Resolved to goe in person & knowing that Bulletts make noe distinction I
thinke good to settle the succession & assure on the word of A King that
the P of Wales is my son & borne of the queen & to satisfie you all here
are 39 persons some of whome are Protestants who were in the Chamber
when the queen was delivered Their depositions shall be taken before
you which was done & the q: Dowager M of Powis &c deposed as to the
queens being with Child & that the Child was taken from the queens body
&c Tis said the depositions will be suddenly printed

+A Proclamation is Exspected to make it High Treason to question the P
of Wales

On sunday night ffather Petre was dismiss the Councell Also mr
Wickstead & mr Greenwood were Comitted to the Tower for High Treason
being accused of Comeing over to engage [P]ersons to the P: of Orange &
Tis said warrants are Ishued to take up many

A ship from Rotterdam that saw the dutch fleet say They are greate
& small Abt 600 sayle & themselves say have above 50000 landmen on board
+Tis said all the judges Except the Ld Ch. J Herbert have sued [?] out
their Pardons, sr Tho: stronger is judge in place of Judge Allabone

L. c. 1933 London 8th Novr 1688

+Wee have severall Expresses from the West That the P of Orange is
marched from Torbay towards Exeter His Army According to o[ur] Gazett
being Abt 14000 Men

The Citty of Exeter have sent to his Maty that they will defend the
place to the utmost & are prepareing for it

The E of Bath hath put himselfe into Plimouth which he hopes to
defend by the helpe of the Tinnors & Gent of the Country which come in
great Numbers to him

Yest his Maty Recd An Exprese from the Ld Dartmouth from the
sussex Coast that he hath been hindred by the winds from Attacquiring the
Dutch But tis said orders are sent him to Returne into the downes the
1st wind

The suburbs of this Citty are very full of horse & ffoot from the
North & east in order to march into the West This day A Councell of
warr was Called The King prsent & tis said the Genll Randevous of the
Army will be on salisbury Plaine

On Thursday the Archbp of Cant & Bps of London Peterbrough &
Rochester Attended the King who exspected A Paper of Abhorrance &
demanded it But they brought none which gave noe small offence & told
them it Concerned them to doe it But they used some Reasons why it
Could not be exspected from them at that time

This weeke Ald Lacey & Ald Jeffries died Also sr Tho: Exton judge
of the Admiralty

L. c. 1934 London 13th Novr 1688

+Last Sunday the Ld Lovelace with Abt 60 horse marcht from Henley
westward Also mr dore & Another of Limington with A greate party of
horse are gone westward as tis said are the Ld Colchester Coll Godfrey
Capt Brewer &c

Tis said the P of Orange stayd in Exeter but 4 houres but layd out

10000 L in Cloathing & that the van of his Army Arrived on satureday
morning at Homton [?] 15 miles on this side Exon Its beleived designes
directly for London & that both Armies will meet Abt salisbury

he desired them to declare the Prince & the queen Regent dureing his minority

His Maty hath ordered all the Popish Chappells to be supprest
Except the Royall families & the fforreign ministers

The Ld Lovelace is in Glocester Goale

some from Holland say the states are shipping out more men & horses

L. c. 1937 London 20th Novr 1688

+His Maty is got safe to salisbury & found the Army in A Chearfull & Loyall posture

Yest wee had Account the Ld delamere in Cheshire sumoned his Tennants & ffriends to meet him on Thursday last To whome he declared he designed for the P of Orange & Comanded them to get horses & be Ready to march with him to be at Notingham next Thursday

+They write from Darby that last satureday Came thither severall Gent of that County & Notinghamshire &c with Abt the Number of 2 troops of horse & that night Came unto them the E of devonshire well Attended

Letters from the West say the Gentry of the 1st Ranke in devonshire are gone unto the Prince That he was at Taunton on Thursday & dined at sr Wm Portmans That he Caused the drums to beate for voluntiers & had A greate Number Come in of which he pickt his men

That he designed as yesterday to march from Exeter with his Army haveing taken up all the horses he Could to draw his Cannon & Carriages & leaves in Exeter Abt 500 men under sr Wm Waller & hath Appointed Comrs to order the Collecting of the Excize &c

There is A Talke of An Army of 20000 Scotts to march into England under the Dukes of Gourdon Hamilton & queensbury 2 Marquesses & 12 earles all Resolved to Hazzard their lives in defence of his Maties person & Govermt

The P of Wales is Carryed to within 6 miles of Portesmouth to Reside there

L. c. 1938 London 22d Novr 1688

+On Munday 2 Regemts of the P of Oranges foot marched from Exeter & he designed to march himselfe on Tuesday He sumoned all the Gentry in Cornwall Dorsetshire & somersetshire to declare themselves or he should treate them as Enemies & they write sr Wm Portman mr seymr that was speaker The deane of Exeter sr ffran & sr Wm drake sr Nath & sr Robt Napier Coll strangwayes &c are gone to him They write there was last satureday 3000 of his horse at Wells he allows his foot 12 d a day & horse proportionably but Refuses to list any more men

The d of Beaufort is at Bristoll with the Militia of the Adjacent Counties The Ld Lovelace is still in Glocester Goale

They write from Plimouth the Prince hath ordered some men of warr to Cruise in the Irish seas to prevent any Comeing to his Maty from Ireland

They write from Exeter An Exprese was Arrived there with Account that Plimouth & the fforts are surrendered to the Prince But not being mentioned from Plimouth Its hoped Its not true

Tis said the Prince prints at Exeter 2 Gazetts A weeke & hath printed Another Declaration & letters that have passed between England & ffrance

They write both from Holland & ffrance the former hath taken 400000 L sterling bound for England

Tis said the Prince will suddenly be sent into ffrance

Wee heare the Ld delamere hath seized the Excize & Hearth money That A Company at Manchester Raised for his Maty offered him their service but he Refused them saying as yet he would not accept of any but horse

L. c. 1939 London 24th Novr 1688

+They write from Exeter that on Munday & Tuesday most of the Princes Army marched eastward & on Wednesday the Prince himselfe havinge tis said left in Exeter 4000 men under mr seymr late speaker In the march he seized the Castle of Dartmouth & put 80 men into it

Coll sarsfield engaged A Party of them 18 miles from salisbury Killed 30 & hanged 4 who tis said were Revolters But tis said young schomberg meeting A party of the Kings horse near Dorchester Killed 53 out of 65 Refusing to give quarter in Reveng as is by Report Charged on Coll sarsfield

The King hath been A little Indisposed & some drops of blood fell from his nose upon which he was let blood & is now perfectly well

at A Councell of warr at salisbury it was Resolved Its his Matys Interest to Return to London with the Army & they are on their march hither

His Maty hath ordered the Mortars planted in the Tower to be taken downe that noe jealousy should be given to the Citty

The E of Darby Ld Dunblaine &c have seized on the Citty & Castle of Yorke & the Governr & declared for the P of Orange & A Parliamt & the Protestant Religion & turned all Papists out of the Citty & tooke their horses Armes & money

Our ffleet are Returned to Portesmouth haveing suffered much in the stormes & as said A 4th Rate is lost

Tis said the P of Wales Countess of Powis ffather Peters &c are safely Arrived at Diepe in ffrance

+Yest mr Philpott An Attorney was sworne Marshall of the Kings Bench in Place of mr Ellis

L. c. 1940 London 27th Novr 1688

+On sunday morning Came An Expresse to the queen That the d of Grafton Ld Churchill &c with A greate Brigade of horse are Revolted to the Prince At night Came another expresse That p: George The d of Ormond [E of] Arram Ld Lichfield Coll Berkeley &c are gone to the Prince who was on saturday within 20 miles of salisbury & makes greate marches up

Coll Kirke was seized at the head of the Revolt All the officers &c of Coll Trelawnies Regemt are Revolted

Yest the King Came to Whitehall Tis said his Returne was hastened by the discovery of A designe to Carry him to the prince & that 2000 of the Princes horse lay in Ambuscado & his Maty being perswaded by some since Revolted to view An Advanced Guard had fell into it but that his nose bleeding soe elapsed the time that he went not

+On sunday night Ps Ann The Lady Churchill & Madam Berkley went from Whitehall Agt whome a warrant was designed to have seized them It Appeares they knew of their Husbands Revolt

This day the Ld Mayor &c waited on the King & Assured him they would stand by him in defense of his person & Govermt his Maty tooke it very kindly & told them he had put the Tower in a safe hand that they might Confide in vizt Coll Worden A Protestant This day the King ordered the Noblemen & Bps in towne to Attend him this evening where tis said the Calling of A Parliamt will be Resolved on

The Reports of A Massacre in Ireland are false

L. c. 1941 London 29th Novr 1688

+On Tuesday night the Nobility & Bps Attended his Maty who gave them account of the present state of his affaires The E of Oxford Ms of Hallifax &c Advised to a ffree Parliamt The E of Clarendon Complained 2000 Papists were Armeing Abt towne & Refused to Receive any among them but such & was very sharpe in his Expressions his Maty said he would Consider till next morning

+Yest the Ld Chancellr declared his Maty will Call A free Parliamt to meet the 15th Janr Next also Passe A Genll Pardon & send Comrs to the Prince & tis said the Bps of Ely & st Asaph The Lds Hallifax Godolphin Notingham & Rochester are named

Letters from the North Say the E of Danbies party Increase Dayly at Yorke & have seized scarbrough Castle & declare for the Protestant Religion & A ffree Parliamt at Notingham the E of Devonshire sr scroope How &c declare for the like as doe the E of northampton Ld Grey of Ruthven Ld Manchester &c at Northampton & others at Oxford

The Kings troops that Came to take away the Ld Lovelace from Glocester have submitted to his Comands & Its said he Acts as governor of that Citty

on Tuesday night the prince lay at Crookhorne his Army march 3 Roades towards London The van of them reached salisbury on saturday night

+On Tuesday dr Oates died

+The head quarters of the Kings Army are now at Reading

The d of Albemarle is dead in Jamaica

L. c. 1942 London 1st Decr 1688

+The Proclamation for A ffree Parliamt is in Print

At Plimouth the E of Bath haveing seized the E of Huntingdon &c in the Cittadell where his Regemt lay & declared for the Prince both in towne & Cittadell &c & they dayly Exspect the dutch fleet there Also Pendennis Castle & st Mans [?] & the Tinnners [?] have declared for A ffree Parliamt

The Newcastle ffriggott put into Plimouth & declared for the P of Orange

Hull is seized by some Lds & tis said Newcastle is seized

On the 28th the d of Beaufort left Bristoll & some of the Princes foot are Exspected there

Capt Berkley with Abt 100 horse marched from Oxford to joyne the Ld delamere but was by A Party of dragoons defeated severall taken but the Capt Escaped to Oxford whither severall of the Nobility dayly Resort & whither the Prince Intends who dined last Tuesday at the E of Bristolls 30 miles from salisbury, Greate Crouds of people flock Abt him aswell Gent as others

At ffalmouth was A ffrench man of warr The Leift made Enquiry of the Cornish Ports & said his master had 100000 men at the King of Englands service

That A dutch man of warr Chased A ffrench ship into Dartmouth in which was found 7 Chests of long knives 3 Inches broad & with the handles 15 Inches long some upon Examination said they Came to Hang the doggs from the Bitches & Wast the Whelps