

L. c. 1943 London 4th Dec 1688

+There are only 3 Comrs to goe to the Prince vizt The Ms of Hallifax E of Nottingham & Ld Godolphin The Prince hath sent A letter by the Trumpetts sent for Pasports he would Consult the Nobles & c his Allies & by his owne trumpetts answer further

The Writts were sealed on sunday & yest sent by Messengers to the High sheriffs

My Ld dartmouth haveing Recd A letter his Maty would Call A ffree Parliamt Called A Councell of warr where An Adresse of thanks was signed by him & the officers of the ffleet & that they are Agt Popery & for the Protestant Religion

The P of Orange & P: George stayd at the E of Bristolls till last ffriday & thence designed for Bristoll which Citty the E of Shrewsbury entred the 1st Instant with 200 horse & 500 ffoot & was mett by the Mayor & Aldermen & delivered them A letter from the Prince assureing them he was Come for the Protestant Religion & c & In Confidence of their fidelity sent noe more souldiers, which the people Recd very willingly Tis said the d of Beaufort is gone into Wales & declares for the Prince & that the d of somerset E of Clarendon & c are gone to the Prince

The Report of the ffrench landing in the West is false as Also that Hull & Newcastle are seized

The Prince hath put out A 3d declaration Requireing all officers to disarm Papists & that all Papists found in any other Posture then the law allows them shall be treated as enemies

+Yest the E of Melfort one of the secretaries of scotland withdrew & Its said is gone into ffrance

Its the Currant discourse at Court the queen is with Child

On the 1st Instant Ps Ann was joyfully Recd at Nottingham

L. c. 1944 London 6th dec 1688

+The Prince hath sent Pasports & Its supposed the Comrs will meet him at salisbury where he & P George The E of Clarendon & c were Exspected the 4th Instant

The E of Danby is fortifying Yorke The Ld dunblaine hath taken A greate quantity of Armes from the d of Newcastle The Ld delamere is gone to Bristoll with the E of Argile & c & Abt 500 horse The Ld Herbert sr Jo: Morgan & c are at Hereford with Abt 300 horse

At Norwich the d of Norfolke with Abt 300 Gent declared for A ffree Parliamt The Protestant Religion & the lawes & liberties of England

At Ipswich the seamen burned all the Popish trinketts in Judge Miltons Chappell & at Sudbury the Mobile did much mischeife to papists

At Cambridg the Mobile Pulled ffather ffrancis out of his bed & also mr Bassett & divers new Converts & Pulled them through the dirt Also Pulled mr Blackwell the Popish baker late mayor out of his bed & burnt his scarlet gowne upon A Pole at Bury the Mobile disarmed some new Raised forces & divers were killed The like wee hear from divers other parts

Yest at the old Bayly the Grandjury prsented A bill of Complaint that divers souldiers quartered in the suburbs put the Cittizens into greate feares & Terrors Constraining them to drinke healths to the Confusion & Damnation of the Protestant Religion &

The Grand jury of Middx have found A Bill of High Treason Agt the E of salisbury for being Reconciled to Rome & like Prosecutions are formed Agt others

+Tis said the Prince is sending 2000 horse & 6000 foot into Ireland to joyne the Ld Inchequin & c who are Risen for the Protestant Religion & are on their guard some haveing been murthered Abt Wexford

L. c. 1945 London 8th dec 1688

+Last Tuesday the P of Orange & P: George Came into salisbury being mett by the Mayor &c & the next day went to Ramsbury to give Audience to his Maties Comrs

The Prince observes very strict discipline in his Army, one was hanged for stealeing at salisbury & 6 more Condemned & had been Executed had not some Noblemen Interceded

Tis said the Kings Army Retired from Reading & that the Prince with 10000 horse entred last ffriday

On the 3d Instant Capt Copley the deputy Governor of Hull with sr Jo: ffarmer &c surprized & Imprisoned the Ld Langdale the Governor The Ld Mongomery & all the Papists & secured it for the Prince The Ld Lumley is gone to Newcastle

The Ld Lovelace is Come to Oxford with Abt 200 horse

This weeke 7 barks of Irish were sent to Tilbury & Sherness But the souldiers in Garrison threatned to fire if one man Came on shoar soe the Bargemen were forced to land them at Gravesend

Tis said the Townesmen & English at Portesmouth have killed & disarmed all the Irish & declared for the Prince

The Ld Mayor hath Ishued out Precepts to Enquire what Inmates are in the Citty & An Account is ordered to be taken of the Number of Roman Catholicks & they are to be disarmed

The Jesuitts schooles in the savoy are shutt up & the Jesuitts &c more then the Articles of Marriage Allow are on the wing & the Popes Nuntio is gone

+The Lds Bellasis & dover are out of the Treasury & Its said all the judges are turned out Except street & stringer

Last night the queen & P of Wales Returned hither

L. c. 1946 London 11th dec 1688

+On sunday Came Advice that dover Castle declared for the Prince

Yest morning at 2 A Clock the queen P of Wales E of Peterbrough & of salisbury &c went hence & Its supposed are by this on the Coast of ffrance

Yest Came An Expresse from Portesmouth that the Ld Dartmouth & the fleet & that Garrison declared for the P of Orange

Last sunday the Princes foot fell on some Irish horse at Reading & killed 50 of them, 600 scotts were to keep Twifords Bridg but all went to the Prince Except 113 who were all killed Also A whole battalion of Douglasses foot went to the Prince

This morning at 3 A Clock the King in his barge went through the Bridg Tis said for Dunkerke & with him the Ld Chancellr E of Murray ffather Peters Bp of Chester &c

Abt 10 this morning the E of Craven & other greate officers of the Army &c went into the Citty where A Comon Councill was Called & A Messenger sent to mr shelton the Leift of the Tower to Attend with the keys which he did & surrendred them up in Court Then they unanimously Chose the Ld Lucas Governr of the Tower to be kept by the Citty Trayned bands The Comon Councill are yet sitting & have Agreed on An Adresse of Invitation to the Prince that they will defend him with their lives & fortunes

+This evening 20000 of the Mobile Pulled downe A New erected Massehouse in Lincolns Inn feilds

Last night the Citty of Rochester was almost burnt

L. c. 1947 London 13th dec 1688

+At Tuesday at Uxbridg were Abt 5000 horse & ffoot who were disbanded by the E of ffeversham

Letters this night from Kent say his Maty was on Tuesday night by

stress of Weather forced into the east swale & on Wednesday was stopt at ffeversham

Tis said ffather Peters the E of salisbury E of Peterbrough sr Edw Hales 3 judges mr Burton & mr Graham are seized in Kent

The Lds have Agreed on sending A Comittee of Lds to the King

Yest the Ld Chancellr was seized in Wapping & by A strong guard brought to the Ld Mayor through the most bitter Curses of the people that were ever heard of & thence sent to the Tower after A Multitude of Reproaches &c

The Rabble have destroyed the spanish Ambrs Chappell burnt Cart loades of books & Choyce Manuscripts Robbed the house of Money Plate &c to An Incredible vallue for that many Papists had sent in their money jewells &c thither Thence to mr Hills to Bucklers bury to Limestreet to the fflorence Ambrs Chappell where A Capt of the Trayned band was killed

The Lds have ordered the Cannons in Whitehall to be loaded to secure it & the Leiftenancy have ordered the Trayned bands to be in Armes & Cannons to be planted at o[u]r Gates being Allarmed last night that the disbanded Irish were Cutting throats

L. c. 1948 [Handwriting changes here.] 15th Decr 1688

They write from ffeversham that rabble seized a vessell & found therein sr Edward Hayles & 2 others all whome they rifled & forced them to shoare where the King was known they had taken from him his sword pistolls & 300 guyneys but when known they proffered him his money wich at the The 1st he refused The King sent for the E of Winchelsea & is now at Canterbury & has been taken with a bleeding & yesterday Sr Cha scarbrough & Mr Hobbs went downe

The Lds have ordered abt 200 horse to goe downe to the King Comanded by the Ld ffeversham & with him are the Lds Middleton Yarmouth & Alisbury most judge his Maty will not come back

The P of Orrange is at Windsor & Its thought will stay there 3 or 4 dayes

Mr Williams the soliccettor is gone to the Prince & the attorney genll another way Its said above 50 Criminalls are taken vizt the Earl of salisbury E of Peterbrough Mr Brent Mr Graham &c

A massacre was Intended in Ireland which caused the protestants in the north to arme & Tirconnell sent the forces from Dublin towards them after which the E of Grenard Ld Mountjoy he being sure of the Citty seized Tirconnell as he was sitting in the Councell surprized the guards & the Citty rose & Tirconnell &c are made prisoners & a revolution of all into protestant hands in a few houres

The Dutch fleet are still at Plimouth

L. c. 1949 [Handwriting changes here.] London 18th decr 1688

+On sunday night Abt 5 A Clock the King in his Coach Came with Abt 500 horse to Whitehall The people shouting all the way, At night the Papists were very High & made bonefires &c The King sent the E of ffeversham to the Prince to Invite him to st James who was by the Prince Imprisoned Tis said Coll Kirke Produces his orders for Hanging those in the West That the Prince Charges him with disbanding the Army without orders & without Paying or disarmeing them & others somewhat Abt the late E of Essex death

+This morning the King in his 12 oare barge Attended by the E of Arran & some few more & A guard of the Princes men went towards Rochester Tis said Its Caused by A letter the Prince sent to the Ld Mayor That the Kings Returne was without his Approbation & that he had sent to him to depart & Come noe neerer then Rochester

+This day the P of Orange Came to st James & his Army are quartered in & Abt southwerke &c & the Kings forces are quartered 20 miles off That soe

the Prince & his Army may be here Intire

severall vessells Come from ffrance say they are shipping men & horses & that they pretend An order from our King dated 9th Novr to seize all who have not his Passe & Amongst others seized A guyney ship killing all but A dr & A boy

This day the Companies mett at Guildhall to Choose members of Parliamt but Adjourned till the 2d Janry

+Yest sr Roger Le Estrange was seized & Comitted to Newgate for Treason
L. c. 1950 London 20th dec 1688

+On Tuesday the Lds Hallifax shrewsbury & delawere were ordered by the Prince to desire his Maty to goe to him To which he not being Inclined went to Gravesend & thence to Rochester Attended by some of the Princes Army where he was Recd by the gentry with greate joy

On Tuesday night for Joy of the Princes Arrivall here were such bonefires Burning of Popes shouts & Huzzas as are not to be Exprest

This morning o[u]r Alderman & c in Abt 40 Coaches went to Congratulate the Prince in the name of the Citty where sr Geo: Trebe o[u]r Recorder Congratulated him as the protectr of o[u]r Religion & Lawes & that greate deliverance was wrought for the Churches of god throughout the world & in the Kingdoms in perticuler The Prince Returned most hearty thanks to the Citty assuring them he would live & dye with them in defense of their Religion & Lawes

+Yest the Prince sent A Garrison of his owne Army into the Tower & hath ordered A garrison to Portesmouth

Yest the Prince & Ps of denmarke Arrived here

The Ld Churchill & Coll Kirke are to Modell the Kings Army & dismissee such as are unfitt

Yest mr Davis A Preacher one of the late Regulatrs of Corporations was seized

This day the Prince dined in Publick & all at Table Covered with him of which Abt 40 Lds

+Last night A Councill was held at st James & A Proclamation ordered to Remove all Papists 10 miles from London

The writts for A Parliamt are superseded

L. c. 1951 London 22d Decr 1688

+Yest the Lds mett at st James & the prince told them he ventured his all to serve them That god hath hitherto abundantly blessed him & them That now Its in their owne power to save themselves their Religion & Country if they tooke speedy & proper measure & united herein & Appointed to meet them this day in the Lds house of Parliamt Also that mr Polixfen sergt Maynard Baron Atkins & c Attend to Advise in points of Law

This day the Lds mett & Chose the Ld Hallifax Chairman & Agreed on A speedy Parliamt & the Ld Chancellr haveing Attempted to escape They ordered him Close prisoner also ordered the Papists to be disarmed & All his horsetroopers to be banished 10 miles from London & the Irish officers to be kept Hostages till they know what Tirconnell doth & Adjourned till Munday

His Maty is in good health at Rochester and mr ffitzJames his Naturall son is Arrived in the downes from the Streights

The queen & P of Wales ffather Peters in womans Cloathes & c Are Arrived in ffrance The English dare hardly Appear at Callis The ffrench being Ready to beate out their brains

In Cornwall they still fear An Invasion from ffrance

The dutch fleet are Come to the spithead & o[u]r ffleet to the buoy in the Nore

The Ps of Orange is dayly Expected here

Yest dr Burnet Introduced the Bps of st Asaph Ely Bath &

Peterbrough to the Prince who Recd them very kindly Also the Bp of London Introduced the Clergie of his diocesse who Returned with greate satisfaction & Chearfulness

L. c. 1952 London 25th dec 1688

+On sunday morning Abt 2 A Clocke the King went from Rochester but was not missed all the usuall houre of Riseing Tis said he went directly for Deale to goe on board the sedgmore the wind being very faire to goe into ffrance but tis said is stopt at deale

sr Rogers strickland is escaped into ffrance & sr Edw Hales from Madeston Also Its said the Bp of Chester mr Graham & mr Burton are escaped

Yest the Lds sate Abt Calling A Parliamt & Its said voted the King 100000 L p Ann for Maintenance Also that 12000 horse & ffoot & 20000 Armes be forthwith sent to land in the North of Ireland where the Protestants are up in their owne defence The Ld Mountjoy in Ulster & the Ld fforbs in Munster

They also voted An Adresse to the Prince to pray him to take the Administration of the Govermt &c till A Parliamt which tis said is to begin the 23d of Janry & that all writts for Elections shall be Returned by Coroners [sic]

The Prince hath in Print desired all such as were members of Parliamt in the time of Charles the 2d Also the Ld Mayor Aldermen & 50 Comon Councillmen to Attend him to morrow at st James & the Comon Councill have Chose 50 to Attend &c

The ffrench Ambr hath orders to be gone

+On sunday dr Burnet Read Comon Prayer & Preached before the Prince & declared his judgment that the Church of England was nearest to the True Christian Patterne of any in the world

L. c. 1953 London 27th Dec 1688

+Its Certain the King was seen under sayle & Its Concluded is in ffrance

On Tuesday the Lds Attended the Prince with their Adresse subscribed by 89 Peers desireing him to take upon him the Govermt till A ffree Parliamt & that he would take the state of Ireland into his Imediate Care Also to Ishue out Circular letters to all the Coroners to elect & Returne Members of Parliamt for the 22d Janry

+The Prince Replied he Could Resolve on nothing till he heard what the Comons would say

Yest Abt 200 that were members of Parliamt in the time of Charles the 2d with o[u]r Aldermen & 50 Comon Councill men Attended the Prince who gave Sr Tho: Allen A Paper saying his mind was therein & wished them to goe to the H of Comons & Consider thereof, Whither they went & Chose mr Poole of Glocestershire their Chaireman then Read the Paper which Recommended to them speedy Resolutions &c Then the Princes declaration was Read Then they Concurred with the Lds & ordered A Committee to draw up An Adresse

This day they in A body prsented the Adresse The Prince desired them they would meet againe to morrow in the House of Comons & then he would give his Answer The Ld dartmouth is sent for home with 2 squadrons of ships & the 3d to be kept at sea

Dr Burnet is made Bp of durham in place of dr Crew who hath displaced himselfe

The Bp of Chester & mr Brent are in ffrance

Tis said scotland will be governed by Comrs

L. c. 1954 London 29th dec 1688

+His Maty lay at Bologne last Tuesday night where he was mett by the d of Berwick & mr ffitzJames & went with them next day for Paris

The P of Orange hath Returned Answer to the Lds to this effect

That he will endeavr to secure the Peace of the Nation till the 22d Janry & will forthwith Ishue out letters for Elections & will Employ the Publick Revenue to the most Proper uses & endeavr to secure Ireland &c

This Caused An universall joy & all the guns in the Tower were discharged &c

This day the Prince mett the Lds of the Treasury Abt settling the Revenues & the Kings forces will be paid till the 1st Janry & then some of them disbanded or sent to the Confederates

The Prince will vissitt the stores & shipyards to know the Condition of the Navy Also will speedily send some forces into Ireland, our last Advices thence say all things are in quiett But the Protestants in greate fear of the Papists & that the Ld Inchequin will suffer noe Papist to Come into Londonderry

They write from scotland that the E of Perth Ld Chancellr & his Countesse &c were Abt to escape but were seized & brought Prisoners to Edenbrough

The Archbp of Glascow & divers of the Scotch nobility &c are Come hither & others on the Roade & Its said Intend in A body to wait on the Prince

The E of Danby is Come hither from the North

L. c. 1955 London 1st Janry 1688

+On sunday the P of Orange Recd the sacramt with the Ps Ann of the Bp of Asaph

They write from Ireland that London derry & Bandon are in Protestants hands That upon the newes of the Kings leaveing England The E of Tirconnell brought all the Amunition into the Castle of dublin which he is fortifying & delivering Armes to the Papists But 7000 men & some ships of warr are ordered by the P of Orange Imediately for Ireland but what Regemts & by whome Comanded wee yet hear not

+Our scotch letters say the Councell there have ordered all Papists to be disarmed But the d of Gourdon still keeps Edenbrough Castle but Its thought will surrender it in A few dayes

The Mobile in Norfolke suffolke &c have Comitted many Ryotts & Robberies on the Papists & others they had displeasure at, At the E of Dovers house near Newmarket they Comitted Incredible damage not only to the furniture but to the house parke pales deer &c Amongst other things was A Rich Damaske bed with Gold ffring Cost neer 2000 L which they cut in peeces & Converted to their owne use, some have been whipt at Norwich & others in Custody will be proceeded Agt next Assizes

Also the officers for the Revenue have been at A stand persons haveing denied to pay them ffor Remedy of which his Highs hath this day Published A declaration Requireing all officers not Papists to Act till the 22d Janry

The Ld Chancellr is allowed Pen Inke & Paper which he hath used much

The E of salisbury E of Peterbrough sr Edw Hales Charles Hales Esqr Judge Jenner mr Graham mr Burton mr Walker the Popish master of University Colledg in Oxford are prisoners in the Tower ffather Poulton subran & 6 Jesuitts in Newgate

The Ld Ch: J: Herbert is in ffrance

The E. of Huntington is Released at Plimouth by order from the P of Orange

L. c. 1956 London 3d Janry 1688

+Yest A greate number of Presbyteran ministers Attended on the Prince Introduced by Marshall schomberg & Major Wildman, After they had Congratulated his Arrivall & successe & given their humble thanks &c His Highs told them he Kindly Accepted their Vissitt & heartily thankt them withall assureing them it should be his steady endeavour to unite &

Cement Protestants of all persuasions soe as to make them safe to them selves & formidable to their enemies

Tis said the Prince hath Declared no one shall suffer on Account of Religion

The Justices of Peace now Act Againe & are putting the Lawes in Execution Agt Papists

Tis said the E of Essex the young Ld Rochester &c are seized in France till they see how the Catholicks will be dealt with in England The Prince hath Released the Ld ffeversham without bayle & he was yest at st James where are A mighty Confluence of Nobility & Gentry

The Prince hath desired the Bp of London to Accept of being Deane of whitehall Chappell

In Pursuance of the Treaty of Nimeguen 8000 men are ordered for Holland & the Ld Churchill hath the disposall of officers to Comand them

They write from scotland the P of Orange was there Proclaimed Protectr of the Religion & liberty of that Kingdome & the Lds of the Councell have sent An Adresse to his Highs for Instructions

L. c. 1957 London 8th Janry 1688

+Yest Arrived 4 Irish Posts which bring Account the Ld Tirconnell Refuses to deliver up the Govermt but makes new Levyes & puts Armes into the Papists hands, The Protestants in the North of Ireland are in A good Condition to defend themselves & helpe others

The P of Orange hath sent A letter to the Aldermen & Comon Councell to Raise some money by way of Loane for the Affaires of Ireland he giveing security which they Agreed to & A Comittee is Appointed to meet the Comrs of the Revenues The Aldermen & Deputies of each ward are to goe to each house for subscriptions The least to be 25 L in money to be Repaid in 6 months with Interest

Yest the d of queensbury & the Rest of the Scotch Nobility here Attended the Prince After they had Congratulated his Arrivall & Returned thanks &c his Highs thankt them & wisht them if any animosities were among them to forget them & unanimously Joyne in Prosecution of their Comon Interest In which he would Assist them with his life & Interest & Advised them to Repaire to the Councell Chamber at Whitehall & Consider how to Act in this Conjuncture &c

The d of Gourdon still keeps Edenbrough Castle

+The ffrench treatie both dutch & English with very severe usage

Guernsey hath declared for the P of Orange

L. c. 1958 London 12th Janry 1688

+On Thursday the Comon Councell men tooke the subscriptions of Loane to the Prince some subscribeing 100 L some 500 L 7 in one Precinct 1000 L each, sr Patience Ward for himselfe & Company 60000 L Ald Duncomb 20000 L & mr Mead the quaker 500 L & by last night above 150000 L was brought to Guildhall & Its thought the subscriptions will be 3 times asmuch & this day 6 Cart load of money was sent thence to the Exchequer to pay Army &c

The 2d Troope of guards are gone for Ireland & the Ld dartmouths ffusiliers are to be shipt Imediately for Holland

Tis said the scotch Nobility have Addressed the Prince to take on him the Govermt till the 14th March that A Convention may be Called

Last Munday 200 of Coll Butlers dragoons were brought to Portesmouth being all that were left Their horses sold & they sent Prisoners & Hostages to the Isle of Wight Also Coll Mackillicutts Regemt of ffoot & Coll Hamiltons are disarmed & in like manner sent thither

Coll Beamond is made Governr of Portesmouth

The ffrench have taken 2 English Prizes one of 20 guns from Malaga & one of 16 from Maderas & the dutch have brought into ffalmouth A ffrench ship of 22 guns

Some men of warr are ordered from Plimouth to Clear the Channell
Our ffrench letters say that on the 8th the K of England was with
the ffrench K above An houre in his Cabinet

When the Mobile were at the E of Peterbroughs besides the Armes hid
in ffishponds were found ffireballs Iron shells &c

L. c. 1959 London 15th Janry 1688

+Yest Arrived 2 Irish Males with Account the Ld Tirconnell is still
Armeing & Intends to fix his standard The Protestants are all on their
Guards though as yet noe Acts of violence are Comitted The Principle
places are posest by Papists

There is Already sent from Guildhall to the Prince 836000 L

This day sr Wm Waller tooke mr Brent the Eminent Popish Councellr
+The Ld Chancellr is Extreame ill

Last weeke in the scotch Convention here the E of Arran in A
speech Proposed the sending for the King but was not seconded some say
his greate Alliance prevented An affront They Addressed the Prince to
take on him the Govermt till A Convention the 10th of March next

Tis said the D of Gourdon hath sent to the Prince he will deliver
Edenbrough Castle to whome he shall Appoint

They write from Paris the d of st Albans hath been to Complemt
their Maties That his Maty hath made the Ld Powis A duke

Tis said the d of Berwick hath A Comission to Raise A Regemt of
English scotch & Irish there

The ffrench K offered his Maty 1500000 Livers yearely for his
household Expence but he Accepted of only 500000 Livers

The Prince is Invited to morrow to the Affriccan house where he
will be prsented with 1000 Guyneys, at the meeting of the Convention he
withdrawes his forces to Windsor

+dr Burnet had A long Conference with severall Bps at Ely house which is
yet unknowne

The Dutch fleet are Past by Dover

L. c. 1960 London 17th Janry 1688

+They write from Ireland Comissions are given out for 64 new Regemts &
the new Levyes goe on Apace That the E of Tirconnell hath 50000 men in
Armes That the Ld Galway hath seized the d of Ormonds Castle of Kilkenny
for A Magazeen & Garrisoned it with Papists

That Coll Hamilton Arrived there on the 8th with the Princes order
& went to the Ld Tirconnell who Its said held A Councell who Resolved to
send the Ld Mountjoy & the Ld Ch. Baron to his Maty to know whether they
shall lay downe Armes on the offers made to them which are the Enjoymt of
their Religion & Properties

In the meane time the Prince takes all Care posible for Ireland
haveing ordered besides English 5000 dutch under old M. schombergh for
Liverpoole to Embarque there

Yest the Ld Dumbarton Ld Stafford & Ld Widdrington went for ffrance
Also Abt 60 Irish officers went off from deale for ffrance

+Soe many Irish are sent to the Isle of Wight that the people are
fearefull of them

The Ld Dartmouth hath given up his Comission Also the Ld fforbes
& Coll Legg have Layd downe their Comissions

Yest & to day was sent from Guildhall to the Prince 31925 L

Last Tuesday dr Oates Attended the Prince who Recd him very kindly
The Councell of Scotland have ordered Corporations shall have the
free election of their majestrates

They write from Plimouth A ffrench man of warr tooke 3 English Cole
ships which the Newcastle ffriggott Retooke & the man of warr also which
last they delivered to 2 dutch Capers who brought her to Plimouth & also

A ffrench Privateer of 12 guns

This day the Prince dined with the E: of Bedford, The E of Clare is dead

L. c. 1961 London 19th Janry 1688

+Admirall Herbert is gone with 5 men of warr & 5 yachts to fetch over the Ps of Orange

Yest the Ld Mayor & Comon Councell mett at Guildhall To whome the Recorder made A speech That the prince being neer the Exspection of his Regency it might be proper to Invite him to dinner upon which they ordered the 2 sheriffs & Recorder to Invite him

The Recorder Acquainted them with the security they have for their money vizt The Excise & the Princes bond That he takes it as A Kindness & assures them he will grant them anything they desire

The Irish society mett at Guildhall To whome it was proposed To send Armes for 4000 foot & 2000 dragoons to London derry They answered though it was Called a seaport it lay far in the Country & they might be seized

Tis said there are in the North of Ireland 40000 protestants in Armes but want able officers

Our ffrench letters say that King hath established the K of England A Councell Composed of some Councillrs of state officers & masters of Requests That A Courier is sent to Madrid to Know the Resolutions of that King as to A Neutrality

Wee hear from ffrance all the English scotch & Irish ships that had been sometime detained there were at liberty That the King has fotbid any English scotch or Irish ships to be taken for 6 months

The Ld Chancellr is soe ill that this day it was Reported he was dead

L. c. 1962 London 22d Janry 1688

+This day both houses mett The Comons Chose Hen: Powell Esqr speaker & voted An Adresse of thanks to the Prince & to pray him to Continue in the Govermt till both houses Should Consider thereof

The Lds Chose the Ld Hallifax Speaker & Agreed with the Comons to Returne the Prince thanks &c & A letter from the King being brought into the House it was Rejected & ordered to be layd aside unopened Tis said it was directed to the Prince who sent it to the Lds

This afternoon both houses Delivered An Adresse which his Highs Accepted & both houses Appointed the 31st for A thanksgiveing in London &c & the 14th for the whole Kingdome

The Lds have ordered mr Baron Mountague Holt Atkins Levintz Bradbury & Whitlock to supply the place of judges but there is like to be noe Tenure

Last night were seized & Comitted Close prisoners mr Russell A warden in the Tower who had the Custody of the late E of Essex & 3 others Concerned

They write from Ireland that A Convention was held by the Popish Titular Ld Primate who Resolved That 40000 men be forthwith Raised to be maintained by the whole of the Rents of such Protestants as are now in England & Addressed the E of Tirconnell That if the King be not able to protect them to offer the Kingdome to the ffrench King &c

L. c. 1963 London 24th Janry 1688

+The Prince Answered the Adresse as followeth

+My Lds & Gent, I am glad what I have done pleases you & since you desire mee to Continue the Administration of affaires, I am willing to Accept of it. I must Recomend to you the Considderation of affaires abroad which makes it fit for you to Expedite your buisness not only for makeing A settlemnt at home on A good foundation but for the safety of all Europe +since which he hath sent them A letter wherein he Recomend Ireland to them as wanting A Large & speedy succour That the states will want their

troops now here & the early assistance England is bound to give them &
Resolved by the Comons that the state of the nation be taken into
Consideration next Munday

Those seized on Account of the late E of Essex are mr Hawley master
of the house where he was Confined mr Russell the warden mr Webster who
sumoned the Coroners Jury & the Centinell who are all in Newgate & their
Examinations Carried to the Lds house who have Appointed A Comittee to
take Informations &c

Tis said the Ld Chancellr Cannot Recover

They write from Ireland that 2 vessells with some disbanded Irish
souldiers were Cast away near Ireland that some of the seamen were found
Cast up on the shoar tyed back to back Tis judged they served the
protestant seamen soe when they thought themselves past danger & were
after all Cast away

Tis said the K of poland is in like Case with o[ur] King & now at
Paris

L. c. 1964 London 26th Janry 1688

+Yest the Lds upon the petition of the E of Peterbrough permitted him
to walke in the Tower for his health but denyed him to be bayled

In the afternoon the Comittee sate Abt the E of Essex death The E of
Devonshire Chaireman & Examined ffloyd the souldier mr Webster mr Cadman
the Coroner mr Ralphson mr Meakes & mr Munday A warden whome they Comitted
tis said the examinations will be Publick in the Lds house on Munday

On Tuesday the Lds sit Abt settling the Nation

The Comons have Appointed 4 Comittees for Religion for trade for
Judicature & for Greivances & Elections

All the discourse in towne is Abt settling the Governmt some are for
sending for the King some for Treating with him to Returne under such
Legall Restraints as shall preserve o[ur] Lawes &c some to have the Governmt
dissolved & begin anew & make the Prince King or Crowne the Prince & Ps

The Ps of O. is hourly Exspected

Yest were seized in Bolden Garden 7 Barrells of Gunpowder 5
basketts of hand Granadoes & some weapons All the woman will say is
they were left by A Lodger who is now in the Country shee is Comitted

In Ireland Tirconnell Continues his Levyes his Muster Rolls are
64800 men of which 20000 to be neer Dublin 20000 in Munster & Ulster &
the rest in Garrisons &c

They write from scotland all is quiet there only the Mobile
Continue their Rudeness to the Conformist Clergie in the Western shires

Our E: India Actions are 135 Affrican 194 Hudsons bay 165

L. c. 1965 London 29th Janry 1688

+Yest the Comons after A long debate Resolved into A grand Comittee &
then Resolved

That K James the 2d haveing endeavoured to subvert the Constitution
of this Kingdome by breakeing the Originall Contract between him & his
people & by Advice of Jesuitts & other wicked persons haveing violated
the fundamentall lawes & withdrawne himselfe out of his Kingdome has
thereby Abdicated the Governmt & the throne is thereby vacated

Ordered that mr Hambden Carry the same to the Lds to morrow for
their Concurrance

mr ffinch moved for Recalling the King & spoke much to it & was
seconded by sr Robt sawyer Ld ffanshaw & sr Christo Musgrave but was
opposed by sergt Maynard mr Polixfen & mr Trebe but sr Edw seymour late
speaker said nothing but when the question was put there were but 8
votes Agt the Resolve

This day mr Hambden went to the Lds with the Comons Resolve & they
Resolved into A Grand Comittee & Chose the E of danby Chaireman & were

long debateing the words Originall Contract & Abdicated & did not Approve of the wordeing of it & put it to the question whether A Regent or noe Regent dureing the Kings life & 49 were for A Regent & 51 for noe Regent

This day the Comons drew up An Adresse to the Prince for An Imediate Embargo to ffrance Also Resolved That it is Inconsistant with the welfare of the Kingdome to be Governed by A Popish Prince mr Polixfen gave in A paperr of 8 heads to Consider before the disposall of the Crowne & they Appointed A Comittee to Consider of them & make Report to morrow

L. c. 1966 London 31st Janry 1688
+An Envoy is Arrived from the Electr of Bavaria to Congratulate the P of O: upon the successe of his Armes & signifies that his Master & the E: of Brandenburgh have both declared Perpetuall warr with the ffrench K & will never make peace without perticipation thereof to his Highs & the states Genll

Wee hear from Lancaster that divers Papist Gent of Estates are turned Protestants & made A Publick Recantation in the Church

Yest morning the House of Comons mett & heard dr sharpe & being Reassembled at 2 in the afternoon some greatly offended at the drs Positions Abt the deposeing power as also his Praying for the King at A season when they had Prevoted That K James the 2d haveing broke his Originall Contract had Abdicated the Govermt & thereby the throne was vacant & some were for Censureing him but others Considering that he had been one of the suffering Clergie let it fall & the Comittee to whome the Preliminary points were Referred for settling of Greivances before they fill up the throne declared they were not yet Ready to make their Reports soe they Adjourned

The Lds mett in the afternoon & Carryed it Agt the Regency the day before by 2 voyces & this day Came to the question whether the King had broke his Originall Contract or not & Carryed it in the affirmative by 8 & Changed the word Abdicated to deserted & Adjourned the Consideration whether the throne was become vacant to this afternoon

This day mr Gee Preacht before the Lds & dr Burnet before the Comons from 144 Psalm last vers & the Comons will to morrow order him to Print it

+mr Brent is bayled out of the Counter himselfe in 500 L Recognizance & his 3 sureties in 250 L each

Yest one shartby A Preist was seized by A messenger & Comitted

L. c. 1967 London 2 ffebr 1688
+On Thursday the Lds sate till neer 12 at night at last put the question whether the throne was vacant yeas 41 noes 50 of the latter were 14 Bps The Bp of London & Ld Danby Comeing over to the Bps side

Yest the Comons ordered the thanks of the house to dr sharpe & dr Burnett for their sermons & that they be desired to Print them Also ordered their thanks to the Clergie who preached & writt Agt Popery & Refused to Read the declaration & that opposed the Ecclesll Comission, Also to the souldiers & mariners & to all Gent & c that tooke Armes & c

Yest the Lds ordered the 6th ffebr shall be noe more kept A day of thanksgiveing

This day the Ld Lovelace Carryed A Petition to the Lds from greate Numbers of Cittizens & c desireing the Prince & Ps may be speedily settled in the throne but none had signed it soe the Lds gave it back unread to be signed

This day the Comons ordered A Comittee to draw up Reasons why they Cannot Agree with the Lds Amendmts sr Geo Trebe Reported from the Comittee to Inspect Greivances 20 heads vizt noe dispenseing Power,

dispensing with Ecclesiall Courts, noe money but by Parliamt The Militia Act Army, Armes for Protestants Noe pardon Pleadable to An Impeachmt, Electing of Parliamts secureing Corporation not to marry A Papist, Oath & Coronation Oath, A liberty for Protestants Treasury, judges & Comissions, Bayle fines, Punishmts, jurors, sheriffs, Informations, Courts of justice which the house agreed to & ordered 5 more

L. c. 1968 London 5th ffebr 1688

+Yest the Lds upon the debate of the Comons Reasons put it to the question whether to joyne with the Comons in the word Abdicated & 51 were for Abdicated & 55 for deserted Then put the question whether to joyne in the words & the throne is become vacant yeas 50 Noes 51

mr Hayes that brought the Kings letter said it was delivered him on Munday last by the Ld Melfort by the Kings order

+This morning the Comons debated the Lds Reasons & put the question & 282 were for Adhereing to their owne votes & 151 for joyneing with the Lds soe to morrow they are to have A free Conference when wee hope to have A happy Ishue

sr James smith one of o[u]r Aldermen Appeared who bayled mr Brent who is since escaped & the house ordered him to Appear Againe to morrow for that they had somewhat Agt him besides The Cittizens Petition was to have been delivered yesterday backt by 10000 men but the Prince desired the Ld Mayor to forbid it for some time &c

When the order Agt the 6th ffebr was Passing the Bps said timely notice Could not be given but the Ld Lovelace undertooke it &c

The Comrs of the Presbitery of Edenbrough are Comeing with An Adresse to the Prince who are dr Tho: Burnet Br to the divine & 8 others

+They write from Ireland Tirconnell Requires all Protestants to lay downe Armes on Paine of being Prosecuted as Rebels

L. c. 1969 [Handwriting changes here.] Jovis 7e Febr 1688 Ord[er]ed That the Originall Warrtt of mr Brents Commitment be restored to ye Ke[el]p[er] of ye Counter

+Ord[er]ed That ye Comm[itte]e: for prparing Generall heads of such things as are absolutely necessary to be considered for ye better rendring our Religion Laws and Liberties &c distinguish between such heads as are introductory of new laws from those yt are declaratory of ancient rights & to draw up into form & consider of a Title to ye same be revived [?] & withdraw immediately into ye Speakers Chamber & finish there report.

The house then made some further progress in hearing ye merrits of ye Motion for Taunton.

A message from ye Lds yt they had agreed to ye vote of this house of 28th Janry last without any alteration.

It was resolved yt Sr Wm Portman & mr Sandforth were duly elected for Taunton upon a division of ye house.

+A message from ye Lords with a vote yt the Prince & Princess of Orange shall be declared King & Queen of England.

+And with ye form of an Oath of Allegiance & Supremacy & they be tendred to all psons who are by law obligd to take ye Oath of Allegiance & Supremacy.

A message from ye Lds that they were adjd till 4 a clock this afternoon.

And then ye house adjd/till 3 a clock.

[A different hand for this passage:] & met again & agreed the heads of grievances prepard by the Committee & adjornd till 9 to morrow

L. c. 1970 [Handwriting changes here.] [n. d.]

+To the first Amendmt. proposd by the Lords to bee made to the vote of the Commons of the 28th Jan. instead of the word (Abdicated) to insert

the word (Deserted) the Commons do not agree.

+Because the word (deserted) doth not fully esprese the Conclusion v[e]rily [?] inferred from the Prmisses wch yr Ldships have agreed; for yr Ldships have agreed ("That Kg Jam. 2 had endeavoured to subvert the Constitution of this Kingdome by breaking the Originall Contract between Kg & People, & has violated the fundamentall Laws, & withdrawn himselfe out of the Kingdome."[]) [Quoted passage covers just over four lines in manuscript; quotation marks appear at the start of the four lines.] Now the word (deserted) respects only the withdrawing but the word (Abdicated) respects the whole, for which purpose the Commons made choice of it

+The Commons do not agree to the 2d Amendmt to leave out these words ("that the throne is thereby vacant.")

1. Because they conceive that as they may well inferre from so much of their own vote as ye Ldships have agreed to, That Kg Jam. 2d had abdicated the Govermt & that the throne is thereby vacant; so yt if they should agree to ye Ldships amendmt "yt hee hath only deserted the Govermt yet even thence it would follow yt the throne is vacant as to Kg Jam. 2., deserting the govermt being in this Construction deserting the Throne

2. The Commons conceive they need not prove to yr Ldships yt as to any other person the throne is also vacant, Your Ldships as they conceive have already admitted it by yr Ldships addressing to the Pr. of Or. the 25th of Decemb. last to take upon him the Administracon of publick affairs both Civill & Military & to take into his care the Kingdome of Ireland till the meeting of this Convention, & to write his Lttrs for the meeting of it & for directing the choice of Commons thereunto, by yr Ldships meeting at this Convention in persuance of such Lttrs, by yr renewing the same Adresse to him as to the publicke affairs, & as to the Kingdome of Ireland since you mett & by appointing days of publick thanksgiving to be observed throughout this whole Kingdome All which acts the Commons do conceive do imply yt it was yo[u]r Ldships Opinion yt the throne was vacant, & to signifie as much to the people of this Kingdome

3. It is from those who are upon the throne of England when there was any such from whome ye people of Engl: ought to receive ptection, & to whome for this Cause they owe Allegiance. But there being now none from whome they expect Regall ptection & to whome therefore they owe Allegiance of Subjects, the Commons conceive ye Throne is vacant.

L. c. 1971 [Handwriting changes here.] Lond: feb. 7th 1688

+Yesterday was free Conference, on the Lds part were the Earles of clarendon & nottingam & sr John holt Councell, on the Commons mr Hambden sr George Treber & Counsellor summers in the midst of ther Arguments the E of Dorcett & Ld Churchill brought A message from Princess Ann praying her Concerns or Interest might not Hinderr ther Mutuall Concurrance for that shee was willing to submitt to whatever the[y?] should Conclude for the good of the Kingdoms & security of the Protestant Religeon which hastned the Conclusion and the[y?] Retourned & made Report

+then the Lds put the questione whether to Ag[ree] with the Commons In the word abdicated & the throne is vacant yeas 65 noes 45

+then the questione was put whether the Prince & Princess of Orange should bee Declared King & Queen of England &c. And itt went in the Affirmative

+this day the Lds Agreed to abrogate the oaths of Allegiance & Supremacy & Instead thereof I A: B Doe Certainly promise to bear A true & faithfull Alleigance to King William & Queen Mary so help mee god also

An other oath Against the popes jurisdictions &c and sent to the Commons
for ther Concurrance

+This afternoone the Commons had before them the Lords Message and the
Debates Ran High whether prince and princess or princess and prince, or
prince Alone as Also the new oath in none of which was A Concurrance

L. c. 1972 [Handwriting changes here.] London 7th February 1688
+Our Irish Letters received here yesterday Contradict the Reports of any
french ships having brought Ammunicon or Provision to Tyrconnels army It

the Dominions thereto belonging

A third message from the Lords for their Concurrence in a vote for abrogating the oaths of allegiance and Supremacy and instead thereof that all persons from whom the said oaths may be required by Law shall swear to be true and faithful to their Majesties King William and Queen Mary &c

Sir John Burlace a member of the Commons being dead orders were for a Letter to choose another in his room

Yet another message from the Lords that they had adjourned till four this afternoone and then would sit again upon which the Commons also adjourned till 3 a clock so yt both houses sitting very late this night you must Expect the great newes by next post I shall only add that 23 of the Peers 12 of which are Bishops have this day entred their protest against the said votes of the Lords house as to the vacancy of the Throne.

L. c. 1973 [Handwriting changes here.] London 9th ffebr 1688
+Yest the Comons debated the 28 preliminaries to be tendred the new King & Returned them to 13 heads & Agreed to the 2 new oaths & order of Succession & Agreed

That the Prince & Ps of Orange be declared King & queen The Administration to be solely in the Prince as King for his life Then to the Issue of the Ps of Orange by him or any other husband & for want of such Issue to Ps Ann & her Issue & in default to the Issue of the P of Orange by any other wife To this limitation they tackt the Preliminaries & sent them to the Lds for their Concurrence

This day the Comons Adjourned early till Munday for that the Lds were upon the 13 hands which they debated one by one & enlarged on them Abt 3 they had gone through 7 & Its thought will goe through the Rest before they Adjourned & on Munday agree the whole

Wee have A Report the ffrench K is dead Also that o[ur] late King is Incognito in Callis & dayly has Advices of the Proceedings of the Convention

They write from Ireland Tirconnell makes greate Preparations for warr which their Clergie preach up to be A holy warr That some Contribute 2000 L Apeece The Citty of Galway 30000 L soe that A banke of 500000 L is Exspected in 3 months

That A ship with 150 Armes & 50 barrells of Powder is Arrived at London derry from scotland who assure the Protestants they will send them 10000 disciplined men if the Papists offer violence to them Also that in Munster the Ld Inchequin declares for the Protestant Religion

L. c. 1974 [Handwriting changes here.] London ffeb 12th 1688
[Letter is addressed:] ffor the Honble The Lady/Newdigate
+Yest both houses of Convention mett The Lds haveing gone through the preliminaries sent a Message to the Comons to desire them to Continue sitting afterwards sent a 2d message for a Conference which was agreed & those studied them their heads of Greivances with 20 amendments & then adjourned themselves till 5 in the afternoone

The Comons continued sitting & agreed to all the Lds Admendmts except 6 4 of which wanted only explanation & the 2 remainder being that of the militia & dispenseing power a comittee was ordered to draw up reasons to offer to the Lds at a free Conference why they cannott agree to the Lds admendmts & then adjourned till next morning

Divers passengers from Ireland Say Tirconnell is almost come to open violence The Marquis du Pont is returned to ffrance & promises greate assistance from the ffrench K The d of Ormonds Estate is seized upon by Tirconnell & Killkenny Castle is getting ready for the reception of the late King of England

Last night arrived 13 dutch males one of them had been taken by a french privateer till in a storme the dutch man was called to helpe at the sayles takeing opportunity threw some of the french over board & conquered the rest

This morning both houses mett & had a free conference where upon debate the Lds agreed to the Commons reasons & soe entirely Concurred to proclaime the P & Princes forthwith & the rather for that the princes was upon her landing (which shee did abt 4) & a proclamation was drawn for that purpose & a warrant to the Heralds but they afterwards considering that the proclamation must be Engrosed & agreed to by the Commons & attend the P to know his pleasure they have put it off till Thursday next & both houses in a body have ordered to waite on the prince to morrow at the banquetting house

The prince went downe the River after to meet the princes

L.c. 1975 [Handwriting changes here.] London 14th ffebr 1688
[Letter is addressed:] ffor/The Honble The/Lady Newdigate att/Arbury/
prsent

+Yest both houses Came to the banquetting house & Abt 11 the Prince & Ps of Orange Came hand in hand & An officer Read the Proceedings of both houses & the Prince in A short speech signified their Acceptance Adding he should endeavour to his utmost to discharge the trust Reposed in him & Protect the Protestant Religion & Lawes & was Resolved to Pursue noe Councells but theirs At which was A mighty shout Also at their proclaimeing were such shouts as were scarce ever heard

Last night the King sent out his warrant for sumoning his Privy Councell vizt The Archbp of Cant D of Norfolke Ms of Winchester Ms of Hallifax Earles of Lindsey Oxford shrewsbury Bedford Dorcett Devonshire Bath danby Notingham & Maxsfield Viscounts ffaunconbridg Mordant & Newport Bp of London Lds Wharton Delamere Mountague & Churchill Mounsr Benting sr Robt Howard sr Hen Capell Hen Poole Esqr Speaker Hen sidney Edw Russell Richd Hambden & Hugh Boscomen Esqrs

The E of Danby is President of the Councelle & Its said will be Ld High Treasurer The E of Devonshire Ld High steward E of shrewsbury Principle secretary Mounsr Overkirke mr of the horse mr Poole mr of the Rolls mr Polixfen Ld Ch Justice of the Kings Bench & sr Jo Holt of the Comon pleas & the Ld Mountague Ld Ch Baron

Last night the late Ld Ch Justice wright was taken in the old bayly & Comitted to Newgate

L.c. 1976 London 16th ffebr 1 88

+Yest morning both houses being assembled it was Exspected the King would Come to the House of Lds soe that the Peers Caused their Robes to be brought but his Maty sent them A Message that they would Adjourn till Munday Tis said that the reason was that the Robes which the King desired were not found in the Wardrobe & that new ones must first be made

The Comons Recd the like message who ordered A Committee to draw up An Adresse of thanks to his Maty for his Gracious Answer to the declaration of both houses & Adjourned till Munday

Yest the Ld Mayor Aldermen sheriffs Recorder & the whole Comon Councell went from Guildhall in Coaches to Whitehall In the Name of the Citty to Congratulate their Maties Accession to the throne & the safe Arrivall of her Maty & had Accesse to their Maties in the banquetting house where sr Geo: Trebe made An Excellent speech & It was Graciously Recd & they had the Honour to kisse their Maties hands

The Ms of Hallifax is made Ld Privy seale E of Dorcet Ld Chamberlain & Its said the Ld Lumley Ld Mordant sr Hen Capell sr Robt Howard & mr Whitlock are made Comrs of the treasury & that the Greate seale will be Entrusted with 3 Comrs

This morning An extrary Councell was held at Whitehall Abt Ireland as likewise the nomination of judges for the Kingdome & the Councell is to present A list of the most able lawyers &c fit for it

30 ffrench men of warr & 80 small ships are fitting out at Brest & Reported to be designed for Ireland, Wee hear the E of Tirconnell Intends to Call A Parliamt in Ireland

The danish Envoy in the ffrench court is Returned home haveing signified to the ffrench K that the Change in England occasions his Master Can noe longer correspond with him

L.c. 1977 London 19th ffebr 1688

+Yest was published An order of Councell for Altering the Prayers for the Royall family vizt

That to the word King be Added queen To the word souveraigne Lord be Added & Lady That Instead of the words o[u]r souveraigne be used their Maties & for the Rest of the Royall family thus vizt Catherine queen Dowager her R Highs the Ps Ann of denmarke & all the Royall family

Yest both houses being assembled his Maty Came to the Lds house & sent for the Comons & spoke as followeth

My Lds & Gents I have lately told you how sensible I am of your kindness & how much I Vallue the Confidence you have Reposed in mee & I assure you I shall never doe anything that may justly lessen your opinion of mee

I thinke it necessary to Acquaint you that the Condition of o[u]r Allies Abroad & perticularly that of Holland is such that Unless some speedy Care be taken they will run A greater hazzard than you would have them Exposed to

you might be sensible that A good settlemt at home is Necessary for the support of the Protestant Interest & the state of Ireland is such that the dangers are too greate to be obviated by any low Methods.

+I must leave it to you to Consider of the Most effectual wayes &c

The King then Returned & the Comons to their house & voted thanks to his Maty for his Gracious speech

The Lds recd A Bill for Removing all doubts Abt the prsent Parliamt & ordered it A 2d Reading at 3 A clock & this morning they Passed it

This morning the Comons Resolved that the Act for takeing the oaths & Test be voyd They Recd the bill from the Lds which runs thus

Be it Enacted by the Kings & queens most excellent Maties &c That the Lds & Comons now sitting at Westminster are the 2 houses of Parliamt & soe shall be declared & Adjudged to all Intents & Purposes whatsoever & soe to have been from the 13th ffebr notwithstanding any want of writt or summons or any other defect or default whatsoever

L. c. 1978 [Handwriting changes here.] London 21st ffeb: 1688
+Yest the Comons were in a Committee on the bill to make the Convention a parliament & recomitted it

This day the Lds did nothing by reason the Commons had not returned the said bill

This day the Comons ordered that his Maty be Desired to give a donative to the dutch souldiers that are going home & ordered sr Robt Howard to Inspect the treasury accompts & bring in what money hath been paid for secret service in the reigns of the 2 last Kings & mr Graham & mr Burton doe prosecution of Law suites Yest the Clergie of London were to Congratulate their Matyes being Introduced by the Bishop of London

Tho: Wharton Esqr & sr John Lowther are sworne of the privy Councell

The Ld Dartmouth continues mr of the Ordinance & tis said major Wildman or major manly will be governour of the post office

Our scotch letters say a declaration of his highness the P of

Orange was there published to call a meeting of the states in March next
CLL [?] which was proclaimed there with great acclamations & the same
day by his Highs Comand all the standing forces were disbanded

The[y] write from Ireland the Protestants in the North have recd a
good quantity of armes & ammunition That the Ld Blany a protestant hath
seized on Armagh & in it a troope of dragoons whome he disarmed That
Tirconnell hath got an army of 40 or 50000 such as they are & sends to
severall for money & one Mr Key refuseing to send him 400 L some dragoons
came & burnt his house & his wife Endeavouring to save something was burnt

L. c. 1979 [Handwriting changes here.] London 23rd ffebr 1688
+Yest the Comons ordered that humble Application be made to his Maty to
Ishue forth his Proclamation for A Reward to any that shall Apprehend
mr Brent & that the Highest Punishmt of the Law be Inflicted on any
that shall entertaine him

An Account was given to the house that above A million Applied to
secrett services since 1677 of which 80000 L to mr Graham & mr Burton
sr Robt Howard Acquainted the house of A letter he Recd from mr
Graham wherein he desired to speake with him which he would not doe
without the Consent of the house

Ordered that sr Robt Howard Imediately goe to the Tower to Examine
mr Graham & mr Burton

A Bill for Reviveing the Termes & Proceedings at law Read & ordered
A 2d Reading

The Comittee to whome the bill for makeing this Convention A Parliamt
was Referred Reported it & the house Past it & sent it up to the Lds

This day sr Robt Howard Reported he had been in the Tower with mr
Graham & mr Burton who had made some discovery to him of the money they
had Recd & Promised A more Ample discovery Agt Tuesday but he desired
that 2 members more might goe with him & sr Jo Holt mr Polixfen & the
said sr Robt Howard are Appointed

Then they were sent for to the Lds house where his Maty gave his
Royall Assent to the bill for Enacting this Convention to be A Parliamt
& the Comons Returneing to their house gave leave for bringing in A
bill for takeing away the Courts of the Marshes of Wales & Adjourned
till Munday

Divers of the Clergie were this weeke to Congratulate their Maties
Accession to the Throne & Its said his Maty said as followeth

I am throughly sensible how well you have behaved your selves in
these late times I thinke myselfe deeply obliged to give you all
possible ease of assurance of my kindness & affection to the Church of
England & this you may depend upon

L. c. 1980 London 26th ffebr 1688
+Yest in the house of Comons the Kings speech being Read it was ordered
the house would goe into A Grand Comittee as this day to Consider
thereof

The bill for takeing away the Courts of the Marshes of Wales Read &
ordered A 2d Reading

Ordered that A bill be brought in to Repeale the statute of the
13th of King Charles 2d Abt Corporations

Ordered that all the members doe take the oath of Alleigance to the
King & queen Instead of the oaths of Alleigance & supremacy & that next
saturday this house doe take the said oath & Test

Ordered that A Comittee be Appointed to Consider of the Coronation
oath & what Amendments are fit to be made therein & make Report thereof
to the house which Comittee was Accordingly named

This day the Comons ordered A bill to be brought in to Regulate
elections

Leave given for sr Phillip Musgrave to Attend the house of Lds to give some evidence Relateing to the E of Essex

Ordered that A sergt at Armes seize any stranger who presumes to Come into the Gallary when the house is sitting in A Grand Comittee

Yest Capt Holland was seized at his Lodgings in Essex street & is this night to be Examined before A Comittee of Lds being Accused to be the very person that Cut the late E of Essex throate

A declaration of the King & queen is Published Relateing to Ireland Promiseing all those of the Romish Church now in Armes that if they will

London was illegall

+3dly That the like prosecutions Agt other places were illegall

+4 That the Regulating Corporations were illegall

+5 That the Promiseing votes to take off the Penall lawes & Tests illegall

+6 The Collecting of the Customs & part of the Excise between the death of Charles 2d & the Parliamt after illegall

+7 The Levying money otherwise then the Law allows The disarmeing Protestants & quartering souldiers Contrary to Law illegall

+8 That the house be moved to Appoint A Comittee to Examine into the matters aforesaid & who were the Authrs & Advisers thereof all which the said Comittee Agreed on Nemine Contradicente

Yest in the H of Comons sr Robt Howard Reported from the Comittees to Inspect the Revenue That the yearly vallue of the Revenue of the Kingdome was 1500000 L p An besides the Additionall duties of sugars & Tobaccoes

mr Wharton delivered A message from the King That he found the Chimney money Greivous to the subject & left it to their Considderation either to Regulate or take it away not doubting but they will take Care of A Revenue for the Crowne

mr Hambden Reported from his Maty there were divers Private Caballs Agt the Govemt for which some are already seized & if he should set them at liberty it might not be safe soe desired the Advice of that house therein for both which messages the thanks of the house was ordered to be Returned

A Message was brought from the Lds that they had Agreed to stand by the King with their lives & fortunes

The Comons spent this day in takeing the oaths

Tis said the judges will be for the Kings bench sr Wm Dolben sr Jo Holt sr Geo: Powell mr Wallup for the Comon pleas sr Robt Atkins sr Creswell Levintz sr Edw Nevill & sr Geo: stroud for the Exchequer sr ffran Winnington samll Eyres Giles Eyres & Peyton Ventis Esqrs
+Warrants are out Agt divers greate persons both of the English & scotch Nations Concerned in A design to bring back the late King but none are sent yet to the Tower but the E of Arran

Our ffrench letters [say?] the designes of K James for Ireland are much obstructed for want of health

L. c. 1983 [Handwriting changes here.] Martis 5th die ffebruary 1688
+The Lds insist upon the first Amendmt of the word (Deserted) instead of the word (Abdicated)

1 Because the Lds doe not find that the word (Abdicate) is a word known to the Common Law of England & the Lds hope that the Commons will agree to make use of such words only whereof the meaning may be undrstoode according to Law And not such as will be lyable to doubtfull Interpretacion

2d Because in the most Common acceptacion of the Civill Law Abdication is a voluntary exercise[d] Act of renunciacion wch is not in this Case & does not follow from the premisses That King James 2d by haveing withdrawn himselfe after haveing endeavored to subvert the Constitution of the Govrmt by breaking the originall Contract between King & People and haveing violated the fundamentall Lawes may be more expressly said to have deserted then have abdicated the Govrmt

+The Lds insist uppon the 2d Amendmt to leave out (and that the Throne is thereby vacant)

+ffor that although The Lords have declared That the King hath (deserted) The Kingdom & therefore have made Opposicon to ye P: of Orange to take upon him the Administracon of ye Governmt & thereby to provide for the weale & Safety of the Kingdom, yet there can be no othr inference drawne

from thence but only the exercise of the Governmt, by Kg James the 2d was ceased So as yt the Lds were & are willing to secure the Nation agt the Returne of ye said King into this Kingdome, but not that there was eithr such an Abdicacon by him or such a vacancy in the Throne as that the Crowne was thereby become Elective, To wch they cannot agree

1st Because by the Constitucon of the Governmt the Monarch is hereditary & not elective

2dly Because no Act of the King alone can barr or destroy the right of the heires to the Crowne And therefore

In Answer to the 3d Reason alleadged by the house of Commons if the Throne be vacant of King James 2d Allegeance is due to such psons as ye right of Succession does belong to.

Mercury 6 ffebr: 88

+Sr Wm Waller appearing according to ye order yesterday was called in & being wthdrawn Sr James Smith appeared & was called in & brought ye Coppy of ye Comitmt & bayle of mr Brent

And being withdrawn

Ordrd That Sr James Smith be comitted to ye Sergt of ye house for his offence in bayling mr Brent who was Comitted for high Treason

Ordrd That ye sergt doe search for mr Brent & take him into Custody

Mr Dolben went to ye Lords to desire a free Conference upon ye subject matttr of ye last Conference

And being returned Reported yt ye Lords had agreed to a prsent free Conference

The Painted Chambr being full of strangers so as ye Managers could not get to ye Table

The Sergent was ordered to goe thither & require all the Membrs to return to the house in order to ye clearing ye Painted Chambr of all strangers

A message from ye Lords yt ye Painted Chambr was cleared & yt ye Lords expected ye Membrs of ye house

All Comees are Adjorn'd & then ye house adjorned till 9 to morrow morning

Martis 5th ffebr: 1688

+Sr James Smith attending was called in and ordered to attend to morrow morning with the Coppy of the Warrant of the Comitmt of mr Brent and ye recognizance entred into by him and his Bayle And Sr William Waller to attend att ye same tyme and that ye Keeper of the Compter doe also attend

+Then the matttr of the Eleccion of Taunton came to be heard at the Barr & afrtr some time spent in heareing it It was Adj'd till Thursday morning.

+A message from the Lds that They desire a prsent C[onfer]ence with this upon the subject matttr of the las[t Conferen]ce

The Comtee went up to mannage ye Conference [space for about five letters blotted] returning the house mr Hambden reported the Reasons urged by the Lds for their Amendmts to the vote of the house of 28th Janry last.

+That the back Dore of the Greate [?] Chamber be every morning (during the sitting of this house) lockt up by the Serjt, & the Key to be layd on the Table, & not delivered without leave of the house.

The Amendmts being read to ye house The 1st Amendmt was not agreed to & the Question being putt that the house doe agree with the Lds therein the house divided

Yeas 121

Noes 282

Resolved

That a free Conferrence bee desired wth ye Lds on the subject matttr of the last Conferrence And a Comtee bee appointed to mannage it

Adj'd till 9 to morrow

L. c. 1984 [Handwriting changes here.] London 5th March 88/9
+His Matie has order'd 26 Regimts of foot to be raised for ye service of Ireland; divers Lords of ye Honble privy Councill have offerd to raise ym att yeir own Charge; allready divers of ye Colls are named (viz) ye Marquisses of Winchester & Hallifax raises each 2. ye E. of dorsett 2. Ld. Herbert of Cherberry 1 Ld Castleton 1. D of Ormond 2. Ld Drogheda 1. Ld: Delamere 2. Ld: Blessington 1 E. of Montg 1 Ld: Lisbon 1. Ld. Fitzharding 1. Ld: Roscommon 1. Sr: Oliver St George 1. & Sr: Henry Inglsly 1. & yey doe say yest [?] ye Army shall be Raised and ready to March by April next such Noblemen being to raise yem in yeir Interested Countries.

At ye same time an order was sent by ye Councell to ye Comrs of ye Navy to provide shipping at Liverpool to Transport 2 Battalions of foot Consisting of 12000 men 5000 Armes and proportionable Ammunition for Londonderry in Ireland and yere are others sending to ye ports.

Mareschall Schomberg yesterday rec'd an Expresse from Paris yt ye late King James in his way to Brest was taken wth a paralytick distemper & 12 howers bleeding at ye rest & [?] was under ye physicians hands

Yesterday ye H of Peers swore 15 Lords yt were absent on Saturday, among ym 5 Bpps. (viz) ye Archbpps of York. Bpps of Winchester Rochester Landaff & St Asaph & yere is none in either House yt [?] differ in yeir sentimts wch ye rest has refused to sweare were [?] true to K: Wm & Q: Mary.

Yesterday morning Burton & Graham were brought from ye Tower before ye Comtee to be examin'd as was also Sr. Ja: Smith for Bailing Mr: Brent.

A Complaint is brought to Court yt some of ye late King's Troopes in Bucks have forc'd ye Mayor to drinke ye late K. James's health on his knees.

The Regimt of Scotch Guards who quarter'd at Chester in order for Ireland have broke yr: way and are gone upon yeir march home, all ye Inne keepers on ye Scotch Road have directions to stopp all persons as yey believe are goeing for Scotland till yey gett passes from above.

The Ld: Griffin wth a great many others in ye late Conspiracy are gone for yt. Country & its feared Cannot be overtaken.

The King designes this summer to have a fleet of 50 or 60 saile at sea.

Yesterday ye Comtee reported this following Adresse Wee ye knights &c in this Parliamt assembled being sensible of yr Maties most Glorious Conduct & valour to deliver us from Popery Considering the Restlesse Spirits of yo[u]r Enemies to draw back againe to Popery Wee Resolve to stand by yre. Matie Order'd yt ye Lds. Concurrence be desired to ye said adresse.

+A Bill was brought in for taking up of suspicious persons & keep ym in prison notwithstanding ye Habeas Corpus Act and order'd to be Engrossed & to Continue to ye 1st Day of next Terme.

+The Bill for Raiseing an Aid for his Matie read a 2d time.

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+This day the House of Lords agreed to the Commons Address.

Ordered that a Bill be brought in to take off the Chimney Money &c The E of Nottingham is made the other Secretary of State. Dr Burnet is made Bp of Salisbury.

L. c. 1985 [Handwriting changes here.] London 7th March 1688

+Yest in the H of Comons mr speaker Reported the Kings answer to their Adresse Abt the Hearth money vizt

+Gent. I am very glad I have done what is soe Acceptable to you I shall alwayes be Ready to doe anything that may be for the ease of the subject aswell as for the safety & glory of the Kingdome

The sergt at Armes delivered in Coppies of the Comittments of Prisoners in the Tower &c for the matters of state

Resolved that the Committee for Inspecting the Accounts of mr Graham & mr Burton Examine the Respective Cases of the Prisoners aforesaid & as they find occasions prepare Accusations or Impeachmts & Report the same to the house

This day the Comons were in A Committee on the bill for the Aide & A Clause was agreed on to Enable his Maty to borrow money on the said Act +A message from the Lds Returneing the Engrossed bill to Enable his Maty to detain Prisoners &c with some Amendmts to which the house agreed.

A bill from the Lds Banishing all Papists 10 miles from London Except fforreigners &c Read & ordered A 2d Reading

Th E of Nottingham is made one of the Principle secretaries of state & dr Burnet Bp of salisbury

Wee hear from Dublin the Protestants there are disarmed & their Churches seized for the use of the souldiers +Tis said his Maty will forthwith send envoys Extrary to Holland sweden Denmarke switzerland & Geneva

Coll Ludlow who hath been neer 30 yeares in switzerland is now sent for by his Maty

L. c. 1986 London 9th March 1688

+Yest the Lds & Comons Attended his Maty with their Adresse to which his Maty gave A Gracious Answer

This day upon A motion that the votes of the house might be printed the yeas were 144 noes 180 soe it was Carryed in the Negative

The house ordered the Kings Answer to the Adresse to be taken into Consideration on Munday & in perticuler that branch of the Answer Relateing to the Revenue

This day the Lds ordered the bill for Reverseing the Attainder of the late Ld Russell to be Engrossed

The d of Beaufort & the E of Ailesbury tooke the oaths

One Downeing A Printer was brought before the house at A Complaint of the Ld Gray of Warke for Printing A false & scandalous Rumour that his Ldp was taken in A ship going for ffrance & is fined 100 L & Comitted

A Master of A ship Arrived in Cornwall has sent up his Affidavit that the late K James sayled from Brest on Munday the 25th ffebr with 6 men of warr & 7 Tenders for Ireland but on Wednesday was driven back & Remained there on thursday the 28th & he beleives is there still the wind being still Agt him The master Adds A greate many English Gent are with him but noe ffrench souldiers but only some officers

severall Regemts are ordered towards the borders of scotland to secure the peace of that Kingdome & all posible hast is here for Raiseing the New Regemts

Wee have Advice the Ld Inchequin is escaped out of Ireland & landed in England our Irish letters say the Protestants take all opportunity to make their escapes feareing Dublin will be fired or themselves Massacred

Letters from scotland of the 3d Instant say that d Hamilton the Ld Preston & others of the scotch Nobility were Arrived there being followed by divers English to endeavour to make some broyle on the Coast & have A message from the late King But his Maty hath ordered 10 Regemts of horse & ffoot to march to be quartered in Berwick Carlisle &c

Tis said Coll Oglethorpe & some other disaffected persons are Createing disturbances in the North

L. c. 1987 London 12th March 1688

+Yest the house of Comons Considered of that part of the Kings speech

Relateing to the Revenue & ordered those Tempory Branches settled on the late King for life be the like on this & that A bill be brought in Accordingly [In left margin near the end of this paragraph is written "untrue" in another and perhaps much later hand.]

The Comittee of Greivances have before them the former election of sheriffs in this Citty & this evening sr Jo Moor sr Wm Pritchard sr Dudly North sr Peter Rich &c are to give evidence as to the Managemt thereof

+Yest the house of Peers Read the Comprehension bill the 1st time

Leave was given to bring in A bill that those of both houses who shall Refuse to take the New oaths be Refused sitting in the house & all Ecclesll persons who will not pray for K: William & q Mary to be suspended their spirituall liveings

dr Oates Petitioned for A Maintenance but they have not Concluded on any as yet

This day in the H of Comons the bill from the Lds for Reversing the Attainder of the late Ld Russell was Comitted

The bill for An Aid to his Maty was Reported

+The d of Graftons Regemt being ordered for Holland many of the officers have layd downe their Comissions & many of the souldiers deserted

The E of sunderland who was made Prisoner in Holland is at liberty They beate up here for souldiers for Ireland

sr Wm Dolben is made one of the judges of the Kings bench sr Jo Powell of the Comon Pleas & sr [space for about four letters left blank] Nevill of the Exchequer

They write from Paris that the late K James A little before his departure for Brest sent mr skelton to the Courts of savoy Genoa Venice fflorence & Bavaria

The ffrench K has with A greate summe of money purchased A peace with the Algerines & Its said obliged them to break with the English & dutch & already begins to take o[u]r Merchants ships

The Kings of denmarke & sweden are Concludeing A peace for 10 yeares & A Marriage is Proposed between the eldest son of the K of denmarke & the Ps of sweden

+The d of Brandenburg is sending his envoy into England to Complent their Maties happy Accession to the Throne & the states Genll have Appointed A Genll day of thanksgiveing throughout all the United Provinces for the same

L. c. 1988 London 14th March 1688

+Yest in the H of Comons the sheriffs Attended with An Adresse of the Citty which was Read & the thanks of the house ordered for it & the Adresse & the speakers Answer ordered to be Printed

Leave given to bring in A bill to Punish Mutineers & deserters in the Army

This day the Comons were in A Comittee to Consider of his Maties Speech & more Especially that part of it Relateing to the Repayment of the states of Holland the Charge they have been at upon his Maties Comeing hither &c An Account being delivered in of 600000 L the perticulers whereof were Read in the house who thereupon ordered they will Againe be in A Comittee to Consider of A supply to Enable his Maty to Repay the states

A Temporary bill Agt the Exportation of wooll Read & ordered A 2d Reading

The bill for takeing away the oaths of Alleigance & supremacy & takeing the new oaths Comitted

Tis said the d of somerset is Chosen Chancellr of the University of Cambridg

They write from Paris An Expreſſe Arrived to their King from o[u]r late King That on the 14th he Embarqued A 2d time for Ireland & was forced back by Contrary winds But they have A Report that the occasion of his Returne was An Information of 17 men of warr which lay Cruizeing off of Cornwall

The ffrench K hath sent A letter of his own writeing to the Pope wherein he desires him to Accomodate matters between him & the Emper[or] on such Termes as his Holiness shall see fit, Except only in the warr Agt Holland which he is Resolved to Prosecute till he hath Reduced them to the same Condition they were in In 1672 & to A Much worse then that if they will not Call home the P of Orange that o[u]r late King may be Restored to his Crowne

L. c. 1989 London 16th March 1688

+Yest in the H of Comons mr Harbord Acquainted the house from the King of the defection of 2 Captains & some hundred souldiers of the Ld Dunbartons Regemt quartered in & Abt Ipswich that had seized 4 peeces of Cannon & the money sent downe to pay the souldiers in those parts proclaimeing K James the 2d & declareing they had noe other King

The house Resolved that An Adresse be prsented his Maty to take some effectuall Course for the speedy suppressing & bringing to justice such Mutineers & in the meane time to Ishue out A Proclamation declareing them & their Adherents traytors & Rebels

& such An Adresse being drawne was sent to the Lds for their Concurrance

A message was brought from the Lds they had Agreed to the Adresse & last night 2 Lds & 4 Comons prsented it

The house were in A Grand Comittee Abt the Repayment of the states & Resolved

That A supply be given his Maty not Exceeding 600000 L to Enable him to pay the Charge of the late Expedition into England

This day in the H of Comons A bill was ordered for the more speedy Conviction of Papists sr Hen Capell Reported the Kings Answer to the Adresse & that his Maty had sent 3 Regemts of horse & 1 of dragoons to suppress the Rebels

The Amendmts to the bill for the new oaths being Reported it is ordered to be Engrost

The bill for Reversing the Attainder of the late Ld Russell past & Returned to the Lds

The King Came to the H of Peers & the Comons being sent for The bill for secureing such as are suspected to Conspire Agt the Govermt past the Royall assent

Upon A Report from the Comittee of Greivances A bill ordered to be brought in for Restoreing all bodies Politick & Corporations to the state they were in the 29th May 1660

They write from Rome the Pope was taken with A violent fit of An Appoplexie & his Recovery much doubted of

+The Ld dunbartons men that deserted were shipping for Holland & were Abt 1000

Also 7 Companies of the Ld Cravens Regemt shipping at Gravesend mutinied & are disperst

L. c. 1990 London 19th March 1688

+Yest in the H of Comons the bill for Restoreing the Termes & the bill for the new oaths were Passed & A bill for takeing away the hearth money & A Temporary bill to Punish Mutineers were Read the 1st time

This day the Comons Read A bill for Exportation of Corne & ordered it A 2d Reading

The house then Considered what the Charge of 20000 horse & foot for

Ireland with the Trayne of Artillery would amount to

+This day the Coronation was Published to be on the 11th Aprill

Wee have noe Account that the 4 Regemts sent after the Mutinous souldiers have Reached them But 300 of them upon the Proclaimeing of K James deserted their Companions & were sent on board & wee hear most of the Rest are dispersed & the Country people have killed some of them

Yest Abt 100 journeemen shoemakers with A master shoemaker at their head offered their service if his Maty would give the said Master A Comission

+On sunday sr Jo: Chapman o[u]r Ld Mayor died & to morrow A Comon hall will Choose A new one which lies between sr Thomas stampe & Ald Pilkington

They write from Paris that on the 10th Mounsr de Avaux Arrived there from Brest being sent by o[u]r late King to Represent to his Maty what Equippage there wanted for soe greate An Expedition & that they heard the English & dutch were upon the Coast to Intercept them But was sent back to Brest with Peremptory orders to sayle the 1st wind & some vessells Come from Brest say o[u]r late King was there on o[u]r [sic] 10th & Intended to sayle in 2 dayes after

+Tis said this evening that K James landed in Ireland last Wednesday

Tis said An Exprese from scotland brings Account the Convention mett on Thursday & were very well disposed to his Maty & will Proclaime K William & q Mary

Our dutch letters say the states have ordered 75 men of warr to be out this summer & the English will be as many & Act Conjunctly Agt ffrance

L. c. 1991 London 21st March 1688

+Wee hear the Rebels Came Abt 700 strong neer Wisbich [?] in the Isle of Ely & were there overtaken by his Maties Regemts of horse & Required to lay downe their Armes They at first Refused unless they might have Assurance of their lives But the officer in Cheife Replying he had noe such orders & in Case they yeilded not he must engage them After 5 houres debate among themselves the souldiers prevailed Agt the officer & they yeilded themselves Prisoners of Warr

+Yest in the H of Comons the bill for takeing away the hearth=money was Comitted, A Petition of Edmund Prideaux Esqr Agt the Ld Jeffries for Exacting 15000 L from [sic] Referred to A Committee to be Examined

The house were in A Grand Committee & Resolved that A Revenue of 1,200,000 L p An be settled on their Maties for the Constant Necessary Charge of supporting the Crowne in time of peace & A Committee Appointed to Consider how much of it the Charge at sea & of Garrisons &c will take up in time of peace

This day the Comons had An Estimate of the Irish Expedition Computed at 714116 L 15 s 5 d & Resolved that A supply be given for Reduceing Ireland

This day his Maty Past the Aide bill

Wee hear from Scotland the Convention mett on the 14th & Chose d Hamilton their President & Agreed on An Adresse to the King to Continue in the Administration of the Govermt till further Application & Adjourned for 8 dayes

+Yest the Comon hall mett to Choose A new Ld Mayor & Came to A Poll which ended this night & mr Pilkington had 1973 votes but sr Tho stampe had 1975 votes

The Committee of Greivances have declared sr Jo Moor to be A betrayer of the Rights & liberties of the Citty

L. c. 1992 [Handwriting changes here.] Veneris 22d Martis 1688

+Mr Medlecot [?] repts from ye Comee appointed to review the Coronation the fform of the Oath

+Ordered That it be Comitted

Mrs ffitz Harris Peticon Read

+And Mrs ffitz Harris & sevrall others were called in & declared wt they had to say

+Ordered That the further Examinacon of the matter be adjd till thursday next And that ye Cl of the Crowne doe then attend wth ye Records of the Tryall of Mr Edward ffitz:Harris

A Message from ye Lords wth ye Bill for reviving the Term wth the Amendmts

The House was acquainted yt one Capt Motley had spoke words agt the Govermt And that a person was at the door to attest it He was called in & gave Informacon thereof

Ordered that Capt Motley be taken into Custody

+Ordered That Mr ffinch have leave to attend as Councell at the bar of the House of Lords in a Cause there

+The Order for ye day read & the House resolved [into] a Comee of ye whole House for considering a Supply for reducing of Ireland

And Mr Hambden tooke ye Chair of ye Comee

Mr Speaker resum'd the Chair

Mr Hambden repted from ye Comee of Resolves agreed

- 1 That a Supply be given to his Matye of 202361 L: 17 s: 10 [?] d for maintaini[n]g 22330 men & Officers & contingencys for 6 monthes towards the reducing Ireland
- 2 That a further Supply of 27451 L 10 s 4 d for Levy money & Transportacon be given
- 3 That a further Supply of 819835: 17 s: 3 d for providing an Artillery be given
- 4 That twill be necessary yt the like Supply of 202361 L 17 s 10 d be hereafter granted for pay[ing?] the said forces for other 6 months if the war in Ireland should soe long continue

To all wch the House agreed nemine Contradicente

+Resolved yt the House will tomorrow resolve into a Comee of the whole House to take farther consideracon of His Matyes Speech

That the Calling over the House be adjd till Wedne[sday]

That all Comees be adjd

That the Comee of Eleccons sit tomor in ye afternoon

Adjd till tomor 9 a Cl

L. c. 1993 [Handwriting changes here.] London 23d March 1688

+It being the Custome of this Citty that the Comon hall prsent 2 persons to the Court of Aldermen & they Choose which of those 2 they please for Ld Mayor The Comon hall prsented sr Tho: stampe & Thomas Pilkington Esqr & the Aldermen Chose Tho: Pilkington Esqr for Ld Mayor & he was yest sworne Ld Mayor accordingly

Yest the Comons were in A Grand Comittee Abt Ireland & Resolved That A supply of 307361 L 17 s 10 d be given his Maty for Maintaining of 22330 men officers & Contingences for 6 months towards Reduceing Ireland 2dly A further supply of 27351 L 13 s 4 d for Levy money & transportation Also 81935 L 17 s 5 d for provideing Artillery

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Also that it be necessary that the like summe of 307361 L 17 s 10d be hereafter granted for paying the land forces other 6 months if the warr In Ireland shall soe long Continue To all which the house Agreed Nemine Contradicente

This day the Comons Agreed with the Amendmts the Lds had made in the bill for Renewing the Termes & Comitted the bills for Exportations of Corne & for takeing away the Courts of the Marshes of Wales & Read A bill to prevent symony

Resolved that his Maty be humbly desired to direct An Estimate may be given what fleet may be Necessary for this summers service & 2dly what the obligations are by any treaties between this Crowne & the states of holland

By A ship Arrived at Liverpoole wee have Account that the E of Tirconnells forces sent into the North of Ireland have been Engaged by the Protestants & that some thousands are slaine on each side but the Protestants got the better

Wee hear from scotland that A letter from the late K James being brought to that Convention before the Reading thereof they voted themselves to be A free & Lawfull Convention & that they would Continue sitting till their Religion Lawes & liberties be secured notwithstanding what might be Contained in the said letter & Passed the same into An Act

L. c. 1994 London 26th March 1689

+Yest morning Abt 2 A Clocke A fire happened near the Hermitage Bridg burning up towards East smithfield above 40 houses & then was suppress

Yest in the H of Comons the bill for Erecting Courts of Conscience in Southwarke Westminster & other out parts of the City was recd & ordered A 2d Reading

a Message was brought from his Maty by mr Hambden Importing his Maties earnest desire of a Genll Act of Oblivion to passe & the house Resolved that their thanks be given his Maty for his Grace & favour & ordered A Committee to Inspect the Journall of 1660 how the Convention then proceeded in the Act of Indempnity

The house went into a Grand Committee Abt settling the forme of the Coronation oath & putting the question whether that Clause should be Incerted to preserve the Church of England as by law established it was Carryed in the affirmative

Being Returned into A house A Committee was Appointed to prepare A bill for Establishing the Coronation oath

This day the said bill was Read twice & Comitted & the Committee to Inspect the Journall in 1660 made A Report

The bill for the more speedy Conviction & Armeing Papists Recd & ordered A 2d Reading

mr Hambden brought in the state of the Navy for the summers service & also An Abstract of the Articles with Holland

A motion being made for some settlemt on the Ps Ann of Denmarke the house Resolved it shall be taken into Consideration at the same time with the Revenue

Wee have here much discourse Concerning the Archbp of Cant his not Comeing into the house of Peers when sent for & Its said also he declines his High function at the Intended Coronation & the Consecration of dr Burnet

Tis said the Ld John Hamilton is Comeing from the scotch Convention with their thanks for his Maties gracious letter & that he will be followed by some to treat of An union with that Kingdome.

L. c. 1995 London 28th March 1689

+This day the Comons past the bill for Naturalizing P: George The bill for Banishing Papists 10 miles from London The bill for the Coronation

oath & the bill for punishing mutineers & sent them to the Lds & Adjourned till Munday

Yest the Bps of Carlisle & st Davids Appeared in the H of Lds & tooke the new oaths & the Lds Adjourned till Wednesday

Its Generally believed the Late K James is dead or past Recovery at Nantz & that the d of Berwick &c are Arrived in Ireland to Represent him

Last night 19 scotch officers with their hands tyed on horseback & Abt 20 souldiers in A Waggon guarded by A party of Dutch dragoons & this day 500 foot were brought to towne & are Comitted to Newgate &c

On sunday dr Burnet is to be Consecrated by the Bp of London Assisted by the Bps of Rochester & st Asaph &c Dr Hornert is to preach the Consecration sermon

On Wednesday morning sr James Caldwell Came Expresse to his Maty Out of the North of Ireland through scotland & Called at that Convention & Acquainted them with the state of the Protestants there who were 10000 strong & Resolved to dispute it with Tirconell part of whose Army Attempted to suppress them but the Protestants maintained the Passes & they were driven back with loss

But wee have since An Account from Ireland The Papists have broke through the Protestants & made A Greate slaughter & are in Posession of all the Country Except London Derry & Its feared will massacre all in Armes

Wee hear from Lancashire that a ship put to sea with 50 Considerable Papists on board designed for Ireland but by Contrary winds are driven back & seized with their Armes & sent to Lancaster goals

Admirall Herbert is sayled out of the downes with above 20 men of warr

L.c. 1996 London 30th March 1689

+Wee had Account from scotland The D of Gourdon Agreed to surrender the Castle to the Convention on the 22d But by letters of the 23d Instant wee understand he broke that Agreeemt hanging out A flagg & Causeing his Cannon to be discharged on that day for joy of the Newes he pretended to have that the late King was Arrived in Ireland & 2 or 3 persons have been since wounded by small shott from the Castle for Attempting to make A ditch before the Posterne gate

However the Convention which are there stiled the states proceed vigourously & have made severall Acts vizt To Levy such Taxes as are already due To Raise the Militia & to settle officers in the Militia & to Enjoyne An oath to be true to the Estates & ordered the sending 5000 Armes to Glasgow & the sending to Holland to buy 10000 Armes

The Ld Claverhouse designing to seize Sterling Castle was prevented & is sumoned to surrender himselfe or be declared Guilty of High Treason

On the 22d they Agreed on An Address to King William Importing the Gratefull sence they have of his understanding desireing his Protection & they will with all posible speed settle the Governmt to his satisfaction & security of the Protestant Religion

+In the house of Comons on Thursday the house gave leave to bring in A bill for better paveing the streets & Highwayes in & Abt London

sr Wm Williams Reported some few Amendmts to the Adresse Abt the Genll Pardon & it was Agreed to & the members of the Privy Councell ordered to Attend the King with the said Adresse & Adjourned till Munday

Letters from Brest say some ships sayled out of that Port for Ireland but the late K James not finding such A Number of ships Armes & men as he was promised declined Embarqueing besides was taken ill & Its thought he Cannot Recover

The defeate of the Protestants in Ireland is Confirmed yet not soe bad as Reported

Some Regemts are sent to the North Information being brought to the King that divers disaffected persons are Raiseing A Tumult & the Papists in Lancashire are somewhat uneasy

Tis said the Bp of London will be Bp of Durham & the deane of st Pauls Bp of London

+The Leiftenancy have Affixed 6 Colls for the Citty vizt the Ld Mayor sr

The Lds were in a Grand Committee upon the Comprehension bill & divideing on the question whether kneeling or not at the sacramt yeas 30 noes 31. dr Burnet Bp of sarum Comeing the 1st time was the Casting vote

P: George is to be D of Cumberland mr Henry sidney viscount Chippy The Heer Benting E of Portland The Ms of Winchester A duke The Ld Mountague An earle & sr Jo Lowther A Baron

Tis said his Maty has Agreed with the states for 3 Regemts of sweds or Brandenburgers for as many English in Exchange which he will make use of in Ireland & that all souldiers aswell English as others assoon as they land there will be Allowed 12 d p day & besides have some land shared to them after the Conquest

L. c. 1999 London 6th Aprill 1689

+They write from scotland That on the 29th the Comrs for settling the Govermt Came to this Resolution

That the late K James
ffirst by his Nominating Provosts Bayliffs &c of Corporations
2dly by putting Roman Catholicks into places of trust & Honour
3dly by Causing schooles to be erected for Educating youth in the Popish Religion
4thly by Incroaching upon the Property of the subject in disarmeing Protestants & Armeing Papists hath forfeited the Govermt

Divers of the Committee were then for the Imediate Proclaimeing of K Wm But that was overruled by the Majority who thought it were more Adviseable Preliminaries be first Tendred to the K of England
1st That An union with scotland & England should be Concerted by Comrs of both Kingdoms in which the K to be umpire
2dly that the fundamentall lawes of scotland shall not be Changed
3dly that the Religion settled by this Convention shall not be Altered for the future

The E of dundee is Proclaimed Rebell unless he Come in by the 14th Instant

This day the house were in A Grand Committee on the bill for the New oaths & Agreed that all Clergy men Refuseing to take the new oaths shall be suspended for 3 months & persisting afterwards to forfeit their benefice all officers Civill & military shall loose their places & others for the 1st offence pay 40 s for the 2d 10 L for the 3d to be bound to the Good behaviour from sessions to sessions till they have taken them

This day the Comons Past the bill for takeing away the hearth money & sent it to the Lds

On Thursday the E of Radnor was marryed to sr Jo Cutlers daughter with whome he hath neer 80000 L

L. c. 2000 London 9th Aprill 1689

+Yest the Comons gave leave to bring in A bill for Exportation of Lether & the bill for Exporting beer Ale & Mumm was Comitted with Instructions that sider be Inserted A bill of Comprehension was Read & ordered A 2d Reading

This day the Engrost bill from the Lds for the ease of Protestant dissenters was Read & ordered A 2d Reading on the 16th Instant

A Committee Appointed to draw up An Adresse to his Maty for his Gracious declaration for the defending the Church of England as by Law established & to desire him to Call A Convocation & that its not their Intention thereby to hinder the ease of the Protestant dissenters

This day the King passed the Act for the Coronation oath The Act for Naturalizeing P: George & for Naturalizeing M. schomberg &c

The Bp of Bath hath sent word he will Come to towne & take the oaths

The ships with Powder Guns &c which were sent for London derry are Returned & bring Account they safely landed them there & saw 19 Cannon

planted & That the people were in good heart That the Ld Kingston was at the head of A seperate body of Protestants Abt Colraine & slego & being sent to by those of London derry to joyne their forces he thought himselfe able to make good his Post & by letters yest from Edenbrough wee hear those Abt Colrain had given 2 defeates to some of Tirconnells forces

Our scotch letters Relate sr Geo: Lockhart Ld President of the session was barbarously murdered being shott into the back with A Pistoll by one mr Cheelsey who is by the Convention ordered to be tryed & is Condemned to be hanged & his body to be hanged in Chaines

Considered whether the P of Wales or any other had A Right But it was Carried for the Right & that the Kingdome was Returned in the same state as before the Reigne of ffergus the first

On the 6th the Committee for settling the governmt sate & voted Episcopacy to be the Greate Agreivance of the Nation & ffoundation of all their other Agreivances In the debate of which it was Insisted That Episcopacy might better be Continued in England then there because first settled after the Reformation But then Presbtery was first after the Reformation & hath been found most for the Interest & best to suite the Constitution of that people 2dly they voted the Comission Court An Agreivance as depending on Episcopacy

None of the Bps being in the Convention either on the 5th or 6th A motion was that A Presbiterian minister might be sent for to say prayers but Upon Another motion of the Ld President it was deferred till the 8th

The garrison within the Castle Continue dayly to fire on those in the Towne but have as yet done little Execution, The preparations for stormeing the Castle Continue

L. c. 2003 London 16th Aprill 1689

+Yest the Poll bill was Read A 2d time & Comitted & the Bill for ease of Protestant Dissenters Read & ordered A 2d Reading the 22d Instant

This day the Comons ordered A Committee to Draw up an Adresse to his Maty To Represent That if he shall thinke fit to enter into a warr with ffrance they will give all such assistance in A Parliamentary way as shall enable & support him to goe through with it

An Embargo is layd on all ships outward bound & the greate Expectation of A warr with ffrance hath in one day Advanced the Price of ffrench Comodities

Our Irish letters Confirme the Defeate of the Papists before Colraine That the late King is gone North & that Abt 40 Protestants are executed for High Treason The late Kings motto in his standard is now or never tis said he designs for scotland

Our scotch letters say the Convention have ordered d Hamilton & Genll Mackay to Call in what forces they please

6 Regemts are ordered forthwith to be Embarqued for Holland

Yest the merchants of this Citty were sent for to the King who desired to Know How they Could secure their effects in case A warr should be Declared Agt ffrance To which they gave his Maty some heads in writinge

On saturday 300 men were shipt at Tower wharfe & to morrow will be as many this weeke 20 peeces of Cannon will be sent for scotland & some gunners

L. c.2004 London 18th Aprill 1689

+Yest the Comons past the bill Agt symony & this day were in A grand Committee Abt the Poll bill & Agreed that all Practiceing Lawyers pay 3 L p C for 3 yeares All servants that Receive above 4 L p An Wages to pay 1 s 6 d p C & all servants that Receive under to pay 6 d p C, All moneys at Interest to pay 10 s p Cent A Baronet 15 L A Knight 10 L A Esqr 5 L & A Gent 1 L

+The Ld Jeffries haveing been severall weeks in a very Languishing Condition died this morning in the Tower

In scotland the estates Concur with the Committee that the Governmt of the Church by Bps be Abolished

Yest being the first of easter Terme the several Courts in Westminster were Recontinued & a Judge in each court sate & heard some motions & Its said the Rest of the Judges will be Added next weeke

The E of Oxfords Regemt is ordered forthwith to Embarque for holland & 6 Regemts more are ordered for scotland & 7 for Ireland Also 12 Regemts of horse & 2 of Dragoons are forthwith to be Raised for

Ireland

Yest 20 stout merchants ships were taken up to make men of warr & An order for an Embargo sent into all parts & the Lds of the Admiralty have ordered 60 more men of warr to be speedily Equipped & the Holland fleet & o[ulrs will this summer Compose 150 men of warr
+A vessell Arrived from Brest sayes there are in & neer that port 45 men of warr designed to transport men & Ammunition to Ireland

L. c. 2005 London 20th Aprill 1689

+Yest the Lds & Comons prsented An Adresse to thanke his Maty for standing by the Church of England & to pray him to sumon A Convocation To which the King Replied he would send tham An Answer in writeing this day

away the hearth money

Resolved that on Munday the house will be in a Committee to Consider of A Genll Pardon

Its Reported Admirall Herbert hath taken Kingsale

Our scotch letters relate the Convention to be busy in settling the Militia An Embargo is there layd on all ships outward bound The greate Cannon were drawne out the 16th Instant to be planted on the batteries Agt the castle & A proclamation was to Come out next day to warne all the Inhabitants of Edinbrough to keep within their houses for 4 dayes

On sunday night the person that threw himselfe into the Thames out of A boate was taken up & proves to be mr Temple son of sr Wm Temple who was newly made secretary of warr by the prsent Maty The Coroners Jury found he was distracted

His Matys Answer to the Adresse of both houses of thanks for preserveing the Church of England is in Print In which wherein his Maty assures he is Resolved to support this Church That he hopes the ease they designe to dissenters will Contribute very much to the establishmt of the Church which therefore he earnestly Recomend to them & that assoon as Conveniently may be he will sumon A Convocation

L. c. 2007 London 25th Aprill 1689

+Yest the K sent the H of Comons 7 letters of K James taken in scotland 2 of them writt with his owne hand but had noe direction The other were directed to the Ld Dundee Ld Belcarris & c & were in substance to signify he had 80000 good souldiers & would Come suddenly into scotland wishing them to Raise what forces they Could

His Maty gave the Royall assent to 6 Acts mentioned in the Gazett

A bill for settling the Crowne Read A 2d time & Comitted & the bill for better Collecting the Revenue ordered to be Engrost

This day the bill for takeing away the Court of the Marshes of Wales was ordered to be Engrost

The house were in A Committee to Consider of A supply for the Navy & Resolved

That 600000 L p An be settled out of the standing Revenue for maintenance of the Civill govermt The q: Regent & q Dowager & the Prince & Ps of Denmarke & That the summe of 700000 L be Raised for A supply for the Navy

Our Irish letters say that Kingdom is Totally subdued & all places in the Papists hands & Coll Richards & Coll Cunninghams Regemts Returned to Chester

Divers Regemts are ordered Northwards & all the dutch forces Except those of the Guards & greate store of Warlike provisions are shipping for scotland

Yest near 1000 foot were sent for Holland & among them the late scotch Rebels

A Warrant was signed yest to presse 2000 seamen to send more ships after Admirall Herbert who is now in Milford Haven

The Irish souldiers that were in the Isle of Wight are shipt for Hamburg the K haveing prsented them to the Emperor

The E of Oxfords Regemt of horse being ordered for Holland were at first Mutenous but the said Earle makeing A speech at the head of the Regemt soe prevailed that most of them Complyed but the horse & Armes being first put on board Abt 50 of the men Ran away

They write from Rome that the Pope has Remitted 400000 Crowns to the Confederates to Carry on the warr Agt ffrance but has Refused to send anything to K James

L. c. 2008 London 27th Aprill 1689

+Yest in the H of Lds 2 writts of Error brought by dr Oates to Reverse

the sentences Agt him were Argued & their Lordships Resolved they should be Reversed accordingly

Yest the Comons Past the bill for Collecting the Revenue & the Poll bill & ordered the bill sent from the Lds Exempting protestant dissenters from Certain penalties & the bill of Comons for Indulgence be Read on Tuesday nothing to Intervene & that the Adresse to his Maty to make warr with ffrance with the Kings answer to be printed

This day sr Robt Howard gave Account of the pentions Charged by Patent on the Revenue by K Charles & K James 2d which amounted to above 300000 L The house Agreed That the q: Dowagers & Ps Ann of Denmarks Pentions should Continue & Resolved that the summe of 600000 L & part of the Revenue of the Crowne goe to the charge of the Navy & that on Munday they will be in A Comittee to Consider how to Raise this 700000 L for A supply for the Navy

some letters from Ireland say that though Lundy the Governr of London derry Refused Coll Richards & Cunninghams Regemts yet Coll Kirke with other Regemts sent also thither would not take Refusal but entred the place

Marshall schomberg is marched downe to the North & the King will in few dayes have An Army of 20000 men There are 5 Regemts at Newcastle

Yest was greate pressing of watermen on the River for the fleet to ffollow Admirall Herbert who will in A fortnights time have 40 men of warr

They write from ffrance the late queen of England Recd A letter from K James that he Designes with 30000 men to Passe out of Ireland into scotland & march that way into England to make A Conquest thereof

They write from scotland That the Cannon planted Agt the Castle were Dismounted by the D of Gourdon That a Trayne of Artillery some Mortarpeeces & A greate many Bombes were brought thither from England but the D of Gourdon has seized the Magazeen under Ground & his Gunners prove more expert then was Reported

L. c. 2009 London Aprill 1689

+Yest the Comons past the bill for takeing away the Courts of the Marches of Wales & Resolved That all the forfeitures of those that tooke not the Test According to Law shall goe towards the 700000 L for the Navy Also A tax on the new buildings since 1660 & An Additional Excise upon beer & ale

This day the Comons Read A bill for Restoring Corporations Also A bill from the Lds makeing it Treason to Correspond with the late King & ordered An Adresse to his Maty to be Expeditious in settling the Militia

They write from Paris the P of Wales hath the small pox which tis thought will prove mortall They also say the ffrench K Designes to have a fleet of 100 Capitall ships

On saturday the Ld Blany gave the King An Account of the Affaires of Ireland which is wholly upon declineing & believes that London derry Cannot hold out much longer Hamilton being before it with A Considerable Army & that Lundy the Governr is made A Prisoner & they have made one Wallington A person that ffanned the Mines at Coltrain Governr in his stead

That K James being on his March to the North Receiving Advice of his Comissions sent into scotland being siezed is on his Returne to Dublin to Consult new Measures The small Pox is very mortall in the Irish army

This day A Proclamation was Published Prohibitting the Importation of all ffrench Comodities

They write from scotland the D of Gourdon Apprehending A designe in the beseigers to drayne the springs which supply the Wells of the Castle he on the 23rd Instant beate A Parley & threatened that Unless it was granted he would turne the Cannon upon the Citty

L. c. 2010 London 2d May 1689

+Yest the Comons gave leave to bring in a bill to Charge the Mannrs of Dolbie & Broughton in Leicestershire bought by the late Ld Jeffries with the Repayment of 15000 L Extorted by him from mr Prideaux Also ordered the Members of the severall Counties to bring in An Estimate what the 500 L fforfieture on the Test Act may Amount to

The bill for Releife of the Orphans of London ordered A 2d Reading on saturday

This day the Comons ordered that sr James smith be prosecuted in the Kings bench for bayleing mr Brent

Coll Cunningham is Come to towne & has been with the King who seemes greatly displeasd thereat & Causes him to Hasten back to London derry with the 2 Regemts & 3 more & Remaine there for defence of the place & that Coll Kirke Preside there as Governr with Assurance they shall be supplied

A ship Arrived at Plimouth sayes there are 50 men of warr At Brest Ready to sayle the first faire wind

Admirall Herbert is in Milford haven & when Joyned by 10 ships from Portesmouth will vissitt the ffrench Coast

The Dutch have ordered 100 men of warr to be Equipped this summer & those designed to Joyne the English ffleet are Ready to sayle

The 3 Comrs from scotland are Arrived here

An Envoy is Arrived from Denmarke to desire his Maty to be Moderator betwixt him & the d of Holstein & he will quitt all Engagemts with ffrance & lend his Maty 20000 men & 20 men of warr for Reduction of Ireland

They write from scotland Edenbrough Castle Cannot hold out many dayes

L. c. 2011 London 4th May 1689

+This day the Ps Ann of Denmarke was brought to bed of A boy

Yest An Additional Poll bill was Read a 2d time & ordered to be Engrossed

This day the Comons ordered A 2d Reading to A bill to make voyd all Gifts & Grants to Papists

On Munday the late Judges Holloway Wright & Jenner are ordered to be brought up to the H of Lds to show their Reasons why they gave their opinions for the dispencing Power Also Judge Withins to give Reasons for the Judgmt Agt dr Oates

Yest came An Expresse from Admirall Herbert that he is Joyned by 5 English & 6 Dutch men of warr which makes him 36 sayle & he was Makeing for Brest haveing fitted 3 or 4 fflyboates with stones & Gravell to sinke in the Mouth of the harbour to keep the ffrench in Port

Coll steward & sr George st George are Posted away to secure Cunningham & Richards to be tryed by A Court Marshall & Passe with all Expedition with those Regemts & others for London derry

Wee hear from Ireland K James designes to have 2 Camps one of 35000 between Kingsale & Corke the other of 25000 in Kildare That the bloody fflux Rages in the Army also many of their horses dye

This morning sr Robt Peyton died This morning the Greate seale of England was taken out of the Thames near ffoxx hall by A ffishermans net & Carryed to the secretaries office

They write from Edenbrough The states have Appointed A day of thanksgiveing for their Deliverance from Popery & slavery That some of the Clergye Persisting in their Refusall to Pray for K Wm & q Mary The Estates have not [been?] only Deprived but Declared their Churches vacant & Accordingly 3 ministers of Edenbrough are Deprived & others put in their places

+The Castle still holds out

This day the 16 new sergts at Law mett at Grayes Inn & walked to Westminster

L. c. 2012 London 7th May 1689

+Yest the late Ld Ch: J Wright J Withins & J Holloway were before the Lds to Answer their fineing the E of Devonshire 30000 L & are to Attend againe to morrow as also sr ffran Withins &c Abt dr Oates

Yest the Comons ordered sr James smith to be Discharged he haveing given bayle

This day the Comons ordered A 2d Reading to the bill to Encourage the Woollen Manufacture

Letters from Ireland say London derry had Rejected the Pardon of K James whereupon it was debated in presence of Mounsr de Avaux what Proceed to make upon them & he was of opinion for destroying men women & Children when they got it in possession

An Advice is sent by the King to them to signify if they hold out some few dayes they shall have all Posible succour there being 6 Regemts designed thither

The d of Northumberland goes A voluntier

+Yest the d of Grafton went for the fleet

The Ld Berkley goes to morrow to Comand A squadron in the streights Tis said mr Wm Jennings is gone over to K James

Wee hear from staffordshire the Rabble of that County got into A body & seized the Ld Aston & A Considerable number of Papists & desire they may be secured

Last sunday the Ld Montgomery the Ms of Powis Ld fforbes & Ld Castlemain were Comitted to the Tower

+The scotch Convention is Adjourned till the 21st may

sr Hen Goodrick is made Leift of the ordinance in place of sr Hen Tichburne

L. c. 2013 London 9th May 1689

+The Engagement between o[u]r ffleet & the ffrench fleet in the bay of Bantry in Ireland is in the Gazett upon the whole wee were not able to hinder the ffrench landing in the west of Ireland

Yest the Comons Past the bill for Enacting the Declarative Rights of the people & sent it to the Lds as also the bill for Annulling the Attainder of Algernon sidney Esqr

This day the Comons were in A Committee to Consider of A supply for the Navy & ordered A bill for the Additional Excise & A bill for taxing Ground Rents to be brought in to morrow & that the house will then Consider of wayes for Raiseing the money Already voted

In the H of Lds J Wright & J Holloway being Examined as to the E of Devonshires fine Seemed to Justify it as going by the meritt of the Case & dictates of their Conscience & that they were Influenced by noe persons to the same But sr Jo Powell Declared that since he Considered the Case he found it was Erroneous & Extravagant for which he begs the house & the Earles Pardon & being asked if they were Influenced Confessed they were 2 houres with the Chancellr & that there was first A fine proposed as he was Ashamed of & to morrow Its further to be Examined

Tis said the Lds of the Admiralty & Comrs of the Navy have promised the King to have 60 sayle of men of warr in A fortnight

A Gent Come from London derry on Munday was 7 night & sayes the Garrison there being forsaken of most of their Comanders play each the master & though there are 12000 in the Towne Its found they will not hold out if succour Come not speedily he sayes that just before he Came away the Enimie swam their horses over the River before it & were Resolved to Attack it But mr Walker the prsent Governr is very

Resolute in the Defense That they store up salmon which they Catch in abundance Tis said the late King Causes all the Protestants that are seized & were in Armes Agt him to be stript naked & shot to death

L. c. 2014 London 11th May 1689

+This day the King gave his Royall Assent to these bills vizt

An Act for the more speedily Converting & disarmeing Papists

An Act for Naturalizeing Henry Nassaw &c

An Act for Reversing the Attainder of Algernon sidney Esqr

This day A declaration of warr with ffrance was Published

This afternoon the King & queen Accepted of the Crowne of scotland & tooke the oaths

Admirall Herbert is Arrived at Plimouth & the Report of A 2d Engagemt is false

They write from Holland the states will Equippe 40 men of warr besides others for Convoy & designe to Put 10000 landmen on board to Assist the K of England in makeing a descent upon Ireland & Resolve not to stay for the ffrrench Comeing into their Country but meet them on the ffrontiers with 45000 men & give them battle

On Munday the King goes for Portesmouth to see some of his disabled ships & to Hasten the Rest of the fleet to Joyne the Admirall

The Advice Yatcht sent by the King to London derry to Exhort the Protestants there to hold out & they shall have assistance is Returned & brings Account they are very Vigorous & Resolved to defend the place to the last Extremity & lately made A sally 5 miles into the Country with 2000 men & drove the Papists before them killing above 300

A woman who is seized for one of those that burnt the Towne of Ailesford near Winchester has made A large Confession that there are Abt 60 persons sent by K James Under the Conduct of Capt Talbott out of Ireland to set townes & Citties on fire The said Capt is gone for the north & the said woman hath discovered severall of their Accomplices who are since seized & put into Winchester Goale

+Yest the E of Marlborough went for Holland as Genll of the Kings Army & the D of Ormond goes within A fortnight as Genll of the Kings horse

L. c. 2015 London 14th May 1689

+Letters yesterday from Holland Confirme the defeate of the Papists by A sally of those of London derry haveing kild near 1000 & had Ruined the whole Army had they not began to Plunder too soon The Royall Regemt of horse was Intirely Cut off & above 20 persons of note of the papists slaine Parson Walker the Governr has hanged up 3 men for desireing to Capitulate

Coll Lundy late Governr of London derry is Come to London & was last night sent to the Tower

+This day the King went for Portesmouth & Carries with him A Considerable summe of money to bestow among the seamen & all ships designed Convoys are Countermanded & Comanded to joyne the fleet

A ffrrench Advice boate sent to give Account of the Action is seized by the English which sayes sr Roger strickland K James vice admirall was kild on board the ffrrench That they lost near 1000 men besides A fflag ship & had 4 ships soe disabled as not to be kept above water

This day M: schomberg & the E of Devonshire are Installed Knights of the Garter at Windsor

Yest being the last of the Terme many persons bound over Appeared & nothing being offered Agt them were discharged but sr Roger Le Estrange mr Wm Penn & some Popish Preists

Sr Jo ffenwick is brought in Custody to towne from the North

On saturday the H of Lds Chose the d of somerset their speaker for the prsent the Ms of Hallifax being sent for by the King

Yest the Ld ffanshaw & sr Hen Morrison were Turned out of the H of Comons for Refuseing the oaths

Resolved that the lands belonging to the Citty be sold for Payment of Orphans

This day the Comons Resolves That before they proceed on the bill of Indempnity the Crimes shall first be declared for which some shall be Exempted for Vindication of Publick justice

L. c. 2016 London 16th May 1689

+Yest the Comons Read the Engrossed bill from the the Lds to Exempt Protestant dissenters from Penall Lawes with these provisoes
1st none to have benefit of the Act that keep their doores lockt or bolted at their meetings

2dly to secure the Paymt of Tythes

3dly Those that scruple the oaths shall subscribe A declaration

4 all lawes to be on forme Agt such as goe neither to Church or meetings

Then the bill for Tolleration was Read after which both bills were Read A 2d time

mr Papillion Reports the forfeitures of those that Acted & not qualified Amount to 40000 L besides some Counties not brought in

This day the house Considered of Crimes for which persons should be Exempted out of the Act of Indempnity & Resolved That the dispenceing power & suspension of the Execution of the Lawes is A Crime for which persons shall be Exempted The late Ecclesll Court is A Crime for which persons shall be Exempted Also the Adviseing the Receiving the Customs &c after the death of K Cha: 2d The Adviseing the Comittment of the Bps And the tryall of the Bps are Crimes for which some shall be Exempted

Letters from Liverpoole say the forces designed for London derry were shipt with all Expedition 2 Expresses are Come to the King from the Protestants therein which not only Confirme the late Advantage over the Irish but also declare they shall be able to hold out some Considerable time longer

A Gent new Come from Ireland sayes K James made A speech to the Councell setting forth the Kindness of the ffrench K in Assisting him for Recovery of his Kingdoms which he doubts not but to effect That he hath Caused all suspected English Protestants to be seized haveing in Custody Abt 300 which if they are not Redeemed by as many out of England which he shall demand he will put them to the sword

Parson Hooke Chaplain to the late d of Monmouth who embraced K James his Pardon is seized in Cheshire there being Abt him letters & Instructions from K James to create disturbances in the Kingdome

On Munday sr Hen Goodrick & others belonging to the ordinance went to Woolwich to see 2 large Peeces discharged each weighing 5000 L Carrying A shell of 250 L weight for sinking of shipping & proved to good effect Also 4 new Mortarpeeces with 4 Cylinders each discharging as many Bombes at one & the same time The fuzzees being all Enkindled with the fflash

L. c. 2017 London 18th May 1689

+Yest mr Hambden Reported Amendmts to the Lds bill for A Tolleration vizt To subscribe to owne the Religion of the Church of England That noe preacher or Teacher shall bear the office of Constable &c A Proviso for quakers to subscribe instead of sweareing Then the bill was Read A 3d time & Past

This day the house Considered further of the Act of Indempnity & Resolved That the Adviseing the surrendring of Churches & takeing them away & makeing men promise to take away the Penall lawes & Test That the illegall way used to take away the freedoms of Elections are Crimes

to Except persons Also the Adviseing the 2 late Kings not to Call Parliamts is A Crime & are to Consider further of it on Wednesday

The bill to settle the Militia was Read & that A 4th part of the horse & foot be drawne out to secure the nation for A Certain time this summer The whole body of the Militia is neer 100000

Complaint is made Agt on[e?] Parson Adrews of Cardiffe in Wales who not only Refuses to pray for K Wm & q Mary but Creates disturbances

Yest the King Returned from Portesmouth where he was aboard the fleet & Knighted Capt Cloudesley shovell & Capt Ashby Also hath Created Admirall Herbert E of Torbay his Maty was Extrary Bountifull to the seamen through the whole fleet & gave 12 L to the widdows or Relations of those mariners kild 6 ffireships have joyned the fleet as will in A few dayes 20 men of warr but as yet noe Dutch fleet is on the Coast

Tis said a squadron is forthwith ordered for the West of scotland

Two men in Womans Apparrell are seized Abt Brentford on suspition of being Employed by K James to fire townes &c

They write from Paris An Exprese is Come with Account the Garrison of London derry sallied out & kild many Considerable officers Also Another Exprese & of the Engagemt between their fleet & the English & owne they lost 500 men & that their fleet will take some time to Refitt

L. c. 2018 London 21st May 1689

+Yest the Comons Comitted the bill for Erecting A Court of Conscience at Newcastle upon Tyne

This day the Comons past the bill for Reversing the Attainder of the Lady Lisle & that for Exportation of Leather & Comitted the bill for settling the Militia

Our scotch letters of the 14th say the E of Dundee with 60 horse seized the Lds of Blaine & Pollock 2 of the Convention in their bedds & Carryed them away prisoners & Capt Mackdonnell seized the Majestrates of Inverness & threatened to hang them Unless they provided him with 1000 L & with some hay & oates

The d of Gourdon hath shot some Cannon upon the Citty of Edenbrough which affrights the Inhabitants The Comittee have sent for 3 Regemts more of English into their Kingdome, Genll Maccay hath sent for more forces & hath sent back A greate many English horses The scotch being better used to the Highlands

The Comittee hath Imprisoned Sr James Grant Advocate for holding Correspondance with the d of Gourdon & Endeavouring to Prevaile with A Carpenter to get into the Castle

Wee hear from Leverpoole Coll Kirke with 3 Regemts were last ffriday morning under sayle for Ireland

Two Expresses Came yesterday from Chester with newes from Ireland but they were speeded away to Hampton Court

Letters from Holland say they are Equipping their fleet with the utmost dilligence & have now sent away 15 men of warr with some ffireships to joyne the English fleet at the Isle of Wight & they are getting Ready all their flatt bottomed boates to send hither in order to make A descent upon Ireland

Also that 6000 sweds & some other fforreign forces be Ready to be Embarqued on the Rest of the Dutch fleet which will be made use of towards the Reduction of that Kingdome

On sunday night sr Robt Wright late Ld Ch Justice died in Newgate of A High fever

L. c. 2019 London 23d May 1689

+Yest the Comons Read A bill Agt Bankrupts & Comitted the bill for discharge of Poor Prisoners & Recd A message from the Lds to desire A prsent Conference upon their Amendmts to the bill of Tolleration to

which they Agreed Also Resolved that sr Mathew Andrews sr Jo Banks mr Papillion Enquire what stocke the late K James had in the E: India Guyney & Hudsons bay Companies & Report it this day

This day the bill for Raiseing 12 d p C on all lands houses & offices & Places Except in the Navy & Army was Read with A Clause to Enable the King to borrow money & ordered A 2d Reading to morrow

The bill to Enable his Maty to secure persons A month longer Read A 1st time Major Wildman Reported from the Comittee Abt Burton & Graham that the latter ownes he had 41000 L out of the Exchequer to Prosecute suites at law & tryalls That they Recd joyntly 4000 L & by perticuler Cash 8000 L which was for the tryalls of the Ld Russell sidney Armstrong delamere Hambden Devonshire & Barnadiston

That they found the late Ld Chancellr undertooke the Prosecution in the West & Recd 1400 L of Burton & Graham That he Granted Comissions to persons unqualified as Peters Bellasis Allabone &c

Our scotch letters say dundeas Party is Abt 700 foot & 120 horse & keep moveing from place to place That noe more forces were landed from Ireland 3 of the Kings ffrigotts being in those seas to Prevent any forces Comeing thence

Yest in Councill divers letters were Read from Ireland with Account that the Protestants at London derry made Another sally on the 7th Instant more succesfull then the former haveing kild greate Numbers of the Papists

That some dayes before were sent to the Army 80 load of Match Powder & Bombes & Musquetts for the Army before London derry, K James Continues in dublin That Tirconnell lyes sick of A feaver & is given over by his Phisitions The Protestants have taken most part of their Cannon & Mortars

The Privateers have seized A Virginia ship at Anchor in the downes & Carried her off

L. c. 2020 London 25th May 1689

+Yest the King past 3 bills vizt for Tolleration for Annulling the Lady Lisles Attainder & for sayle of mr secretary Coventries house

This day the Engrost bill to enable his Maty to secure persons till the 23rd octobr was past by the Comons

This day dr Oates was Comitted to the Marshalsea for Affronting the Lds by petitioning to the Comons also

A Gent is Come to Whitehall who left dublin the 11th Instant & Confirmes in some measure the defeate of the Papists before London derry but sayes K James Comanded them to Raise the seige themselves & draw the army off to A place of more plenty till the Rest Could joyne them with Cannon & Mortars & in their drawing off the garrison sallied out & killed a greate many

On ffriday Evening A messenger Came at the head of 6 dutch troopers with pistolls Cockt into A Coffee house in Buckingham Court neer whitehall & tooke thence An Irish gent & Carried him prisoner to Whitehall

Marshall schombergs Comission of Genll of the Kings forces will be delivered him this day & within A fortnight goes himselfe for Ireland

Yest Advice was brought to the Lds of the Admiralty That sr ffran Wheeler in the Rupert had taken neer Brest A Large Rich ffrench merchantman of 20 guns from the West Indies laden with Indico &c

A greate many fflyboates are dayly taken up in the River for transporting the forces into Ireland, A Trayne of Artillery is already taken on board at the Tower & Its said all the forces will be Carried thither in A months time

mr saywell the Kings messenger makeing his escape as he sayes out of the Bastile in Paris & going to the secretaries office was seized & Comitted prisoner to the Gatehouse it being believed he has betrayed his

message to spaine to the ffrench King

L. c. 2021 London 28th May 1689

+The King has made dr Humphreys Bp of Bangor

Letters from Barbados say his Maties letter has been Recd & well Approved of by that Govermt & Coll sterd [?] their prsent Govermt Resetled therein who has held A meeting of all the Inhabitants of the Island who had Returned their Maties a Congratulatory letter for his happy Accession to the throne of England promiseing to stand by him with their lives & fortunes & hath seized sr Tho: Montgomery & his Brother & mr Chamberlain all papists not only as suspected persons but also discovered A Correspondency they held with some ffrench Papists of the Neighbour Islands

Yest the Commons Read A bill for laying A tax on New foundations & ordered it A 2d Reading & Resolved that An Adresse be drawne up to the King to distribute 15000 L for the present subsistence of the Irish Protestants

The Lds have Agreed to the bill for Impowering the King to detaine persons till the 23d octobr & this day the King past the said bill Also An Act to Enable the d of Norfolke to build in Arrundell street

Letters yest from Bristoll from one who left London derry the 21st Instant & is makeing what Hast he Can for London to give his Maty An Account of the state of that place Assureing that it holds out vigorously & that they have not Raised the seige as was Reported but had made some late Attaques & A Considerable one the day before his Comeing away throwing in A greate many Bombes which did noe Considerable damage But the beseiged enkindled straw &c in divers places of the Citty whereby the Irish believed their Bombes had set the whole Citty in A flame & gave at the same time an assault & the beseiged made for some time but faint Resistance letting abt 50 get into the Towne & then not only Cut them off but made a Vigorous sally killing above 300 bringing in some Prisoners of Note

Wee hear from the North that Coll Langston has seized the Ld Griffin & Coll Legg who had Abt them some letters in Ciphers

Divers Irish Papists have within these few dayes been seized & will be kept in Custody by way of Hostage for st Tho: southwell under Condemnation in Ireland

Yest 4 dutch Extrary Ambrs Arrived here & on Thursday receive thier Audience of their Maties

L. c. 2022 London 30th May 1689

+Yest the Comons ordered A 2d Reading to A bill for An Additional Excize & Resolved that the bayleing of persons Impeached by the house be another Crime for which some persons may be Excepted in the Act of Indempnity

The E India Company were further bound & some displeased with them for Transferring 3000 L stock to Graham of the Privy purse to K James since his going into ffrance & are to be heard further on ffriday seavenight

+This day the house made some progress in the subsidy bill & ordered that the deane of Cant be desired to Preach before them at the fast

This day the Ld Preston was sent to the Tower

One Cox the late queens Linnen Draper is brought hither from his Country house being Accused for uttering very dangerous words

Yest A greate many of the English Nobility dined with the dutch Ambrs Their Errand is said to be to desire the 600000 L Expended in the late Expedition for England & then promise to enter into A strict league offensive & defensive Agt ffrance

The King hath nominated the Ld Pagett to goe his Envoy Extrary to the Emper[o]r The Ld Lexington to the D of Brandenburgh sr Jo Duncomb

to sweden Coll Molesworth to Denmark & sr Wm Colt to the d of Lunenburgh

A ship Arrived at Minehead from Ireland Confirms the late sally at derry the d of Berwicks being taken Prisoner Adding the Protestants have made An Encampment without the Towne Also that the Protestants of Iniskilling have Cut off A Considerable party of Irish

L. c. 2023 London 1st June 1689

+Yest the Lds Argued the Reversing the judgment of dr Oates & heard the opinion of all the judges therein & carryed it in the Negative by 12

Yest the Comons ordered dr Tennison & mr wake to Preach before them on Wednesday

This day the Comons ordered the bill for An Additionall Excize of 9 d p barrell to be Engrost & ordered A Comittee to Enquire into the affaires of London derry & why Coll Lundree Cunningham & Richards Came thence & other miscarriages Relateing to Ireland & why Admirall Herbert when he fought the ffrench had but 19 men of warr when he should have had 30 & why the Regemts Raised for the P of O: were disbanded & the late Ks Army kept on foot

A motion was made to Adresse the King to Remove from his Presence such as have been Impeacht by Parliamt but Referred till Munday

Major Cunningham is Comitted to the Tower for bringing back the Regemts from London Derry but Richards will Come off pleading Cunningham was the head Comander

A greate many warrants are sent to take persons into Custody there being discovered in Cheshire An Associated Conspiracy of Abt 500 persons for K James & Its said the Originall subscription is seized by the Ld Delamere

An Irish man is seized in Chester & Confesseth he Came from K James & some letters are found Abt him of dangerous Import & he is ordered to be brought up hither

Wee hear from Ireland K James looks suddenly for the English forces to land & is divideing his Army into 2 Encampments one in the North & the Remainder neer Dublin

A vessell Arrived from Brest gives Account there are 60 men of warr Manned & Equipped in Port with some landmen on board Ready to sayle the first wind

The merchants have the Good newes that the ships Angell & Merry from smurna & scanderon are safely Arrived from the streights vallued at 400000 L

L. c. 2024 London 4th June 1689

+Yest the H of Peers Argued the writt of Error brought by the Ld Mayor Agt Boldsworth the Powderman for 800 L damages Agt him but they finding noe error in Matter of Law Affirmed the Judgmt

The Comons have ordered A bill to be brought in to Reverse the sentence Agt dr Oates

Yest the Comons ordered that his Maty be desired to transmitt to the Comittee Relateing to Ireland A Coppie of all the Comissions & Instructions Given in Relation thereto & also that Lundee Richards & Cunningham who are prisoners in the Tower & Gatehouse may attend the Comittee

This day A bill to transport all English Liquors past the house Then they Considered of severall parts of the Act of Indempnity & Agreed that noe pardon shall be pleadeable in An Impeachmt

A petition is handing Abt towne haveing 7 heads most in substance with the Comons preceedings on saturday

Dr stratford deane of st Asaph is declared Bp of Chester mr Ashburnham made Baron Ashburnham

This morning Admirall Herbert now E of Torrington setts forward for

fleet which is to Randevous on ffriday & will be above 40 & with the dutch will make 70 sayle

Wee hear from Liverpoole that Coll Kirke with his Regemts sayled on ffriday morning The wind Continued faire for 20 houres then shifted westward but was faire Againe next day & wee hope he is Arrived

The Comittee of Councell for Irish Affaires sit every day & had before them many masters of ships to be Employed in transporting forces for that Kingdome The King has Account from London derry they Can hold out A month longer but presse very much for Releife

To morrow the D of Ormond with the Ld ffairfax & Some voluntier Gent goe for the Army into Holland The E of Pembroke Ld Ambdr to the states Accompany them

L. c. 2025 London 6th June 1689

+Yest the Fast was strictly kept The Bp of st Asaph Preacht before the Peers & the Bp of salisbury before their Maties

This day the Comons ordered their thanks to be Returned to dr Tennison & mr Wake for their sermons & to desire them to print them

Ordered that the Clerke of the Crowne bring in Coppies of the Indictmts & Judgmts Agt dr Oates & mr Johnson next satureday

Wee hear from Portesmouth that most of the dutch fleet have joyned ours at spithead

Yest the King Recd An Exprese that A ship mett Coll Kirke near the Rivers mouth of London derry & his landing is Exspected to be heard of every houre

The Portland ffriggott Cruising in those seas went up the River to find if the passage was Clear & to send Advice to the Towne that succours were on their way Coll Kirke Carries with him 3000 men & Provisions for 10000 men for divers months & Proportionable Ammunition

The Court Appointed to distribute the money Collected for the Irish sit twice A Weeke in st Martins & have Already disposed of 6000 L

On Tuesday evening dr Betts in Limestreet was seized with 3 Preists in his house with A greate many papers Agt the Govermt & they are all Comitted to Newgate

The d of schomberg hath declared his Resolution to Depart with the Army for Ireland the 5th Instant & 25000 men are ordered to March forthwith to the sea Coast vizt Coll Earles Regemt Loveston Gowers Ld Castletons Ld Hewetts d of Boltons Ms of Hallifax & Ld drogedas to Milford haven & the Rest at Leverpoole Windhead Bristoll &c & above 400 vessells are taken up for their transportation

Wee hear mr skelton sent by K James to venice to desire Aide is dismist with this Answer that they have nore need of succour But the d of Modena is Raising A Regemt for his service

Yest the Ms de fflora A ffrench protestant arrived here Envoy Extrary from the K of denmarke on some Important Message to this King

The Inhabitants of Lorraine have sent to their duke to Invite him to his owne Country that they may shake off the Tyranny of the ffrench

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

L. c. 2026 London 8th June 1689

+Yest the Clerks of the Crown of the treasury & of the Kings bench Attended the Comons with the Records of the Bps tryall & of sr Edw: Hales Case The deputy Governrs of the Tower attended but said the Originall Warrants of the Comitments of the Bps were taken away by sr Edw Hales with other Books. They ordered the Councells books to be viewed & Coppies of what Concerns the Comitments of the Bps

This day A bill from the Lds to give the 2 universities the prsentation of all Papists liveings was ordered A 2d Reading

A message from the Lds with 2 bills one Concerning the oaths in

Relation to those going into the Kings service The other for transporting English liquors to which the house agreed without any Amendmts

Yest a Comittee of the Commons had before them Coll Lundee Cunningham & Roberts & Confronted them together where Appeared manifest Cowardice & treachery & that Lundee shut the Gates upon some thousands of Poor soules & suffered them to be killed under Pretence that Provisions were scarce when there was greate store both in Publick & private houses & when they held their Councells of warr obliged all the officers prsent not to Reveale what was done that they might make their escape

The King has ordered 400 horse to be forthwith sent to derry with Provinder

Yest the King Returned Answer to the H of Peers Request Concerning dr Oates that he had given order for it

Yest the d of schomburg tooke his seate in the H of Peers

The Ld Ch: J. Polixfen was sumoned to Attend their Ldps for A Breach of Priviledg by Complaint of the d of Grafton upon Account of the Treasury office which the d Claimes A Right to by K Charles Pattent

This morning the D of Ormond E of Pembroke & d of Northumberland went for Holland

Neer 40 sayle of dutch men of warr are Come into the Channel to joyne o[ur] fleet which will be 40 sayle & have set ashoar 2000 dutch & have double the number on board for his Maties service

Yest the K of Denmarks envoy went to Hampton Court & Confirmed that the King his Master will Restore the d of Holstein & offers to send his Maty what men & ships he shall have occasion for

+On Thursday was A tryall between Esqr Denton & mr Jo: smith son to sr Wm smith A Justice of Middx & for Lyeing with the said mr Dentons wife & the Jury brought in 5000 L damages

Tis said a ffrench man of warr of 40 Guns is taken & on board 150 ffrench officers for Assistance of Dundee

L. 2027 London 11th June 1689

+Yest the H of Lds Read A bill A 2d time to Reverse the Attainder of Ald: Cornish

Yest the Comons were on the Aide bill of 12 d [?] p C & ordered the Comrs have power to Give oaths to the Assessrs & to fine the Refusers

This day the Comons proceeded on the said bill & A proviso was offered to make it A Premunire to Refuse Paymt or to say the Parliamt have not power to grant the Taxes & Referred to A Comittee

Resolved that the 2 judgmts Agt dr Oates were illegall & Cruell & A bill ordered to Reverse the said judgmts Also the judgmt Agt mr samll Johnson

This day their Maties Come to towne & stay till satureday to be In Councill Abt the Irish affaires

Two gent of each County of Ireland are Appointed to meet & give in the Names of all persons Come out of that Kingdom their estates & qualifications to the end they may be Employed both in Civill & Military Capasities there being already 4 Regents ordered to be Raised only of Protestants of that Country

some lately Arrived from Ireland say K James is formeing 3 Camps one neer Dublin one neer Corke & the 3d A fflying Army to assist either upon occasion & Add the ffrench fleet last Arrived brought 2000 barrells of Powder 1500 Armes 100 ffrench officers & 1600 English scotch & Irish 10 feild peeces 2 Mortars & 15000 L in money

Wee hear noe certain account of Coll Kirks Arrivall at London derry Yest an expresse brought Account of his sayleing from the Isle of Man

last Tuesday with a quarter wind

Two persons are Comitted for handing About K James declaration & the like hath been done among the Army Designed for Ireland

A Warrant is Come to Watermens hall to Presse 600 more watermen to man [?] out the Remainder of the fleet

Wee hear from the Emper[o]rs Court that he hath at last determined to send An Envoy to England to Complemt their Maties Accession to the throne & make A League with the King

The K of spaine Resolves the Like & hath sent Instructions to his Ambr here to enter into A Negotiation with the King but the Ambr is unwilling till he be satisfied for the Damage he Recd by the Rabble at Wildhouse

L. c. 2028 London 13th June 1689

+Yest the Comons Appointed A Comittee to Inspect the Journalls Relateing to the Popish plott & what Alterations have been made in the Journalls & Reports

The Kings Letter Abt the bill of Indempnity was Read & the first head of Exceptions touching the dispenceing power & the Record of sr Edw Hales tryall Read

This day the Comons ordered the late Kings Declaration to be burnt by the Hangman & ordered An Account to be brought in who sate judges in the Case of sr Edw Hales & the Bps & that those Judges that were formerly turned out & are not now judges doe Attend the house to morrow

The Gent who were seized Abt Distributing K James declaration are some of them Comitted to Newgate vizt dr Ely A Phisitian Capt vaugham & Capt Mold Yest the Comons Resolved they be Impeached of High treason Also sr Adam Blair & others are seized

Yest Arrived A letter from London derry by way of scotland that on the 2d Instant the Garrison with Assistance of A Vessell from scotland Attaqued & tooke the fort of Kilmore & made A sally on the Irish Army & forced them to Raise the seige takeing from them 4 brass & 4 Iron Guns with most part of their baggage & provisions Killing 2200 on the place & pursued the Rest 4 miles & are now masters of the feild 20 miles Round through the Assistance of the Protestants of Ballishannon & Iniskilling who have been noe less succesfull & that the Irish Army was on A full march for dublin

Wee doe not yet hear of Coll Kirke landing at derry

They write from Paris a list is printed there of 106 merchants ships they have taken since the warr without Reckning 20 at Dunckerke Their fleet at Brest are Abt 50 sayles & were Abt to sayle for Ireland but are Come back Into Port

L. c. 2029 London 15th June 1689

+Yest the Judges formerly put out were Called into the H of Comons & gave their several Reasons why they were turned out

This day in the H of Comons A motion was made for A bill of Attainder Agt the Late Ld Ch: J: Jeffries & the Ld Keeper North Then they proceeded on the bill of Indempnity & the first hand, Abt the dispenceing power Read & the question whether any should be Excepted upon it as to life & Carried in the Negative Then the question was put whether any should be Excepted upon it as to Paines & Penalties & Carried in the affirmative

one mr Vernon who left Dublin the 8th Instant gives Account K James is very busy in Marshalling his Army & that the Parliamt there are still upon the bill for disposing the Absenters estates That K James declared he would besiege London derry with 25000 men & Iniskilling with 15000 and hazzard the loss of his Army but he would take them, he sayes

the Papists themselves owne they have lost above 30 officers & 3000 Comon souldiers before that Citty

ffour Magazeens are ordered forthwith to be settled at Bristoll Minehead Chester & Leverpoole with one to be stored with greate quantities of Provision & necessaries to be transported from time to time to the Army in Ireland as they shall need it

Our Paris letters say the ffrench K has Comitted to the Bastille Abt 16 potent men Especially those of the New Converts on the sea Coasts on Pretence of holding Correspondance with some of his declared Enemies The Ld Mountjoy being prisoner therein who Came on An Embassy from Tirconnell out of Ireland Petitioned for his Enlargemt setting forth the greate services he had Rendred to the Crowne of England but was answered that if he would abjure his Religion he would write in his favour to K James

On the 20th the ffrench Recd An Express from the K of Denmarke that he was obliged to quitt his Engagemts with him upon which that King Resolved to Return An Expresse with larger offers to Continue him firme to his Interest otherwise he will denounce warr upon him.

L. c. 2030 London 18th June 1689

+Yest the Comons past the subsidy bill then proceeded further on the Indempnity as to the dispenceing Power

This day the debate arose who should be Excepted out of the bill of Indempnity touching the dispenceing Power & sr Edw Herbert sr ffran: Withins sr Richd Holloway & sr Robert Wright Excepted out of the bill of Indempnity on that head

our scotch letters Confirme the newes of the surrender of Edenbrough Castle

The King has Recd An Expresse of A discovery in Genll Mackays Army to betray him & Coll Ramsey to Dundee his Page being seized with severall letters Abt him whereby Capt Murrey his Leift & some officers of dragoons are seized

The Ld Kingston has sent the King an Expresse that he has discovered in Notinghamshire A greate many of K James Comissions sent to severall of that Country to Raise Comotions

Another Account was yest brought to the King that A small Vessell was seized with 15 persons aboard & greate number of K James declarations & Comissions & were all secured

One white An Irish Papist for some Plotting is sent to Newgate & one Montgomery brought before the Lds for drinking damnation &c to all Protestants & was secured, one Crosby son of sr Thomas was secured at Leverpoole haveing Abt him divers Comissions from K James

some persons who left Dublin the 10th say that some Acts are passed there vizt An Act to Grant the King 15000 L p month for 12 Months Another to settle the Popes jurisdiction & A 3rd for Attainder of Absenters & Confirme the detachment sent to Iniskilling & London derry to Reinforce the seige & give A pleasant Account of the defeate of the Irish before Iniskilling that haveing brought before it 2 Prodigious Cannon threatening the Towne to beate it downe if they did not surrender it Coll Hamilton with 2 thirds of the Garrison sallied out & beate them from their guns & 2 of his men brought them into towne on their shouldiers they being made of Tynn & Covered with leather

They write from Paris mr Parker has brought from the ds of Tuscany Modena Parma & savoy 86000 Pistolls for K James Also that the ffrench K has Caused the P: of Wales & the dauphins daughter to be Contracted & hath made A greate Ceremony abt it

Tis said the d of schomburg goes for Ireland on ffriday, 50 vessells are Already laden on the River from the Tower

L. c. 2031 London 22d June 1689

+Yest a letter Arrived from Edenbrough that Came from Inock in scotland to one mr Gray A scotch Gent belonging to the Ds of Richmond dated the 15th Instant That Genll Kirke had landed his forces at London derry & the said mr Gray was yest with his letter before the H of Lds who believed the verity thereof & that his Correspondant being the Towne Clerke was A Honest person

But the d of schomberg hath A letter from Kirke himselfe of the 12th that he was then in the Mouth of the Lough & was Resolved the first spring tide to endeavour to force the Boomes

This day the King gave the Royall Assent to An Act for the subsidy An Act for Transportation of Leather Beer Ale & Mum & An Act to Reverse mr Cornishers Attainder

On Thursday evening the Ld dunblaine A member of Parliamt was taken into Custody of A Messenger but set at liberty upon bayle & the Comons have ordered he Attend the house in his place on Munday to give Account why he was taken into Custody

The Comitee of Commons sate yesterday & have Compleated the Impeachmts of dr Elliott & Capt Vaughan &c for dispenseing the late K James declarations & will bring in A bill of Attainder Agt dr Gray & sr Adam Blaine who Escaped mr Piggot & lane to whome the late Ks letters were diverted are in Custody

The States forces being joynd with 2000 scotts & 7000 English Compose above 50000 men & are Arrived in Brabant & will Advance to the ffrontiers of ffrance

Count Mansfield who is Appointed by the K of spaine to fetch to that Court the Empresses sister takes his way through England to Compliment their Maties Accession to the throne & to Request o[ur] King to transport her some part of her way with A squadron of shippes

Two Boxes of the late Ks Declarations being sent to Cambridg to 2 heads of Colledges there one of them sent them to London & the other delivered them to A Magistrate The Papists designing by this Artifice to Create A beleife in the people that those Reverend divines espouse the Interest of K James but they declare their Abhorrance

Above 100 Musketts are found packt up in A Warehouse in the Kings Head Inn in southwarke & some are Comitted on it but say they belonged to the disbanded Regemt of the E of Litchfield

L. c. 2032 London 25th June 1689

+Yest the Commons proceeded in the Act of Indempnity & Resolved that noe more persons be Excepted as to the dispenceing Power & Resolved that the estates of such as are in Armes with K James in Ireland or in his service in ffrance be prsently seized

This day the Comons Read A bill A 2d time to make the Militia more usefull

Yest According to Custome the Citty of London Chose mr Jo Holland & mr Christo letholice sheriffs & mr Leonard Robinson Chamberlain displacenge sr Peter Rich & Concluded A Petition to the King & Parliamt to pray them to dispense with takeing the sacramt upon entering into offices which petition was this day prsented to the H of Commons

Yest in Cuncell the D of schomberg Recd his Comission of Generalissimo of all his Maties forces in Ireland with A power to Act as he shall Judge most Convenient But takes Some Gent of that Kingdome to Conduct the Army He designed to have gone the last weeke but not knowing the Condition of London derry does Retard & Alter the measures of the Campaigne but the Regemts are marching to the Randevous

The E of Macclesfield being Ld Leift of 16 Counties departs within few dayes & will make some stay in each to settle the Militia

Our scotch letters say the d of Gourdon is to Come for London That a ship was seized neer Kintice with some ffrench officers on board for the Assistance of dundee There is now 10 men of warr Cruising between scotland & Ireland

Our Paris letters say That the ffrench K Recd An Expresse that the Diferences between Denmarke & Sweden Abt Holstein was not like to be Accomodated & that the K of denmarke will Continue his Alliance with his most Christian Maty That the ffrench K hath sent secrett Instructions to his Admirall at Brest & to prepare 10 ffireships more designing his fleet shall Consist of 56 men of warr 12 ffrigotts & 22 fireships being Ready to Put to sea on o[u]r last of June

+Wee have noe Certain Account of Coll Kirks landing in London derry

L. c. 2033 London 27th June 1689

+Yest the Comons Resolved that An Adresse be made to his Maty That he would Acquaint them what ships & the men & guns of each ship That the states are bound to set forth in the Expedition Agt ffrance

The Articles of Impeachmt Agt Blaine were past & sent to the Lds

This day the house were in A Comittee Abt the Militia & Resolved that none should be Ld Leift of above 2 Counties at once

Genll schomburg only waites for Certain Advice of Coll Kirks being got into derry There are Accounts from severall places of his Arrivall there But the King has noe Account from his owne hands

Yest the King was 2 houres in the Treasury & ordered summes of Money for the Irish Expedition The Trayne of Artillery & officers are Already on board & are ordered to sayle Round

Yest 2000 horse & some foot landed at Debtford &c from Holland whome Generall schomburg designs to take with him

The King by Examining the letters & papers taken in fflinshire [?] has made a Perfect discovery & found the key that Unlocks those in misticall Characters. Besides one taken makes such A large Confession as Contributes much to the knowledg thereof upon which sr Cha: Claver of Hertfordshire & sr Robt Hamilton are Comitted to the Tower But some others mentioned in K James Papers are not yet taken

Our Paris letters say that King hath sent A greate many Engineers to view the sea Coasts bordering on England with orders to Demolish what townes they Judge not Tenable & erect others that may better hinder any fforeign Attempt.

L. c. 2034 London 29th June 1689

+Yest the Commons Resolved that the granting A warrant to Arrest the Ld Danby A member of the house is A Breach of the Priveledge of this house

This day the Comons past the bill for the more easy Recovery of small tythes, ordered that Instructions be given Abt the bill for Attainting all those that are in Armes with the late King in Ireland That A Clause be added to make voyd all acts of Parliamt made in Ireland since K James Comeing thither

The Lds have Agreed to the bill to take off the Courts of the Marches of Wales

+Wee have An Account from Canterbury that the Multitude Assaulted A ministers house broke the Windows & tooke away what things of vallue they Could find because he did not Publickly pray for their Maties

Private letters here Confirme Some thousands of ffrench to have deserted M. Humieres & are gone to the Confederates

Our last letters from Ireland say Coll Kirke was within A mile & halfe of London derry

mr Pen A quaker is in Custody of A Messenger & will be Examined Abt some matters Relateing to the late King

+our scotch letters say They had A strong Report that one of the favorites

of dundee had seized him & that he was bringing Prisoner to Edenbrough & that all the scotch & English forces there had orders from Genll Mackay to march to the sea Ports neerest Ireland

That the E of Argile &c Reported their Negotiation in England & produced the Original oaths subscribed by their Maties on which it was ordered that An Act Passe for Approveing the Managemt of that affaire & that the oaths with the Instrument of Government be Printed

L. c. 2035 London 2d July 1689

+Yest in the H of Comons mr Leveston Gower said the Bps were such good Christians they would not have any suffer for their Account,

Resolved that none be Exempted for the Comitmt & tryall of the Bps Then they debated the head Abt the Ecclesll Comrs & Resolved the late Ld Jeffries the Earles of Sunderland & Huntingdon the Ld Ch: Justice Herbert & Wright Bps of Durham & Chester & sr Tho: Jenner be as to that head Excepted

This day sr Hen Capell Reported the Kings Answer to the Adresse to Know the Number of ships the dutch are to joyne the fleet with that they are 30 of which 28 are joynd & 2 Comeing

An Expresse is Arrived from Genll Kirke in the Lough of derry that he would Attempt to Passe to the Citty the next spring tyde in the meane time and A Correspondance with the Citty & some of them aboard him who Came in some small boates in the night who gave Account the Garrison was Vigourous & had Recd A Considerable supply from Holland That he sent them severall small boates of Provisions & was Resolved if he could not force the Boomes to land his men & by A signall Agreed on the Citty was at the same time to make A Resolute sally

since which Advice the Preparations for Ireland are Expedited all they Can all the forces being in A full March to the Randevous the 12th Instant neer Chester & there are above 600 vesselles ladeing at Tower Wharfe with Tents &c

Tis said more ships & more men are sent to Genll Kirke & that 6000 men are shipping from scotland & that the Rest of the Kings forces will follow them

Genll schomburg goes away on Thursday

severall of the ffrench Refugents are forming into Companies Capt Killegrew with 8 men of warr & 3 ffireships is ordered to sayle for Dunkirke to keep on the ffrench Privateers &c

dr Thomas Bp of Worcester is dead & Its said the Bp of st Asaph will be translated to that see & dr Hall of Oxford will succeed him

sr Edw Villiers knight marshall of England is dead & succeeded by his son

L. c. 2036 London 4th July 1689

+Yest the Commons Read the Bill A 2d time to Reverse the judgmt Agt dr Oates

Resolved that A 2d Adresse be made to his Maty, that he would give leave to some members to Inspect the books of the Committee of Councell for Irish affaires & that it be A perticuler Instruction to them to Enquire why the Dutch fleet was not out sooner at sea to joyne o[ur] fleet & why o[ur] fleet was layd up & such A delay in Putting forth another

This day they Proceeded on the Excize bill

The Peers have taken into Consideration the Impeachmt of Capt Vaughan &c & held greate debates whether A Comoner should be tryd at their barr with or without A jury or be Referred to the Common Law & it was at Lengh Carryed by one vote that they should be Impeached before them without A Jury for the Comons being the Complainants it is not proper their prosecutrs should be their Jury But the Lds have not

Ascertained the Crime whether it be treason or High misdemeanor

ffoure Expresses are sent to Coll Kirke by Land & as many by sea & Yest An Expresse Came from him by way of scotland which some say is that he is Passed Kilmore fort

Yest 18 orders for as many Regemts were signed to march to the sea Coasts which will be neer 10000 & Comanded by Count Solines & the dukes Battalion of dutch Guards with 2 Companies of ffrench marched yesterday as part of those forces

The Diferences between the K of Denmarke & d of Holstein being Agreed The K of Denmarke has Already ordered 2 Regemts of horse to joyne the d of Brandenburghs forces & 6000 foot will suddenly follow them

some deputies from the Protestant swisse Cantons are Comeing for England to Congratulate their Maties Accession to the throne.

L. c. 2037 London 6th July 1689

+Yest the Commons ordered the bill for Releife of poor prisoners to be engrost

This day the Commons past dr Oates bill, Coll Birch Reports from the Comittee That mr Topham sergt at Armes had been sued & fined for takeing persons into Custody by order of the H of Comons & it was ordered that sr ffran: Pemberton & the Rest of the Judges Concerned therein be sumoned to Attend the house Then the house went upon the Orphans bill

Yest A Company of Miners was fformed with divers Companies of Pioneers & 90 ffly boates set forth for Ireland & are gone downe the River with the Artillery &c to joyne A greate number of others on the way

mr Anderton who was Employed in buying the Provisions sent with Coll Richards & Cunningham for Derry has been Examined by A Comittee of Comons

Parson Hooke the late D of Monmouths Chaplain being brought A Prisoner as Carrying on K James Interest is Comitted to the Tower

Yest some were brought Prisoners hither from out of Chester Castle & Among them An Innekeeper at holy head who entertained the Papists & persons from K James

On Thursday when Capt Vaughan dr Elliott &c were brought to the Lds barr They desired A faire Coppie of the Impeachmt & A weeks time to give their plea & that sr ffran Pemberton mr Bradbury & mr Ward might be their Councill & that their friends might have free Accesse to them all which was granted & they are to be Arraigned on Thursday next whose tryall will be A greate Curoosity since A Comoner for High treason has not been tryed before the Lds house these 400 yeares

Letters from Rome say the Pope Intended to vissitt the sea ports & ffrontier townes in Person to see whether they be sufficiently Tenable Agt A ffrench Invasion That he on the 12th Past sent An Expresse from the Emper[or] to Require some Remittances of money to Carry on the Pagan & ffrench warrs withall signifying that the Grand seignior was at the head of A Considerable Army from Adrinople & had Mahometts Banner displayed before him

L. c. 2038 London 9th July 1689

+Yest the Comons Resolved to proceed first on these bills vizt ffor settling the Militia settling the Revenue settling the Crowne & Declareing the Rights of the subject Corporations Attainting those in Armes with K James, ffor Releife of the London Orphans for settling A fond to pay money to the Dutch, ffor Review of the Poll bill, ffor the 500 L fforfeitures ffor Prohibitting ffrench Goods, for Additionall Excize ffor Customs of Coffee &c & for Indempnity

This day they were on the Militia & ordered that Papists shall not send men to serve in the Militia but shall pay for it vizt 10 L for A horseman & 50 s for A ffootman

Tis said 12000 men are to be first shipped at Leverpoole to Reinforce Coll Kirke who the letter of the 28 June say lay still in the Lough putting in what boates he Could with Provisions

Our scotch letters dated the 2d Instant say Dundee has got together Againe A body of 2500 men & had Comitted some outrages But Genll Murray with 4000 men had got before him & the E of Argile behind him soe that it was not Posible to escape

The Parliamt in scotland have made An Act to Incapacitate any one to bear any office or Employt that was an Abbetter to those that Adhered to K James or were Instrumentall in Carrying on the late transactions Agt their knowne lawes or had shewed A dislike to their prsent Maties Govermt or had spoke Agt the late votes of the house

His Maty has signed An order that all the Irish disbanded officers shall have halfe pay till otherwise Provided for

On sunday abt 11 at night hapened A fire at mr Laworths house A merchant in Mincing lane which in few houres burnt that & 3 more to the ground & not yet knowne how it Came

On sunday a Breife was Read in some Churches for A Collection for 400 houses burnt by the Papists at Bungy in suffolke whereof 3 were seized & 2 have Poysoned themselves in Goale

Our ffleet is upon the Coast of ffrance & 11 men of warr are in the downes who are ordered to joyne the 12 before Dunckerke

sr Adam Blaine & dr Gray are taken at A village 4 miles from Dover On sunday 3 persons were Committed for drinking K James health & Confusion to their prsent Maties

L. c. 2039 London 11th July 1689

+An Expresse is Arrived from Genll Kirke dated the last June in the Lough of derry that he has not been Able to force the Boomes there being 2 Platformes on both sides one of 28 the other of 18 guns That the Greyhound ffrigott which had Recd some shott at kilmore ffort Could not posibly be kept above water But all the men provision & Equippage saved That A man on board him undertooke to swim by night into the Citty & the signalls Agreed on were the next day made on the Church steephill that the garrison was well & Could hold out 7 weeks longer That K James forces thinking the stopping of the River will force them to surrender only made A Blockade whereupon the Garrison sallyed out upon one quarter & beate the Irish from their Posts & Cut in Peeces A whole Irish Regemt & Posest themselves of Windmill hill

ffifty ships are ordered forthwith to take in forces for derry & 4 men of warr to Convoy them

Yest sr ffran Pemberton & sr Tho Jones were Called into the H of Comons as to the Case of Jay & Topham & sr ffran: Pemberton made An Assertion touching the jurisdiction of the Court of Kings bench & it was Resolved that the jurisdiction of this house ought not to be overrided & ordered they Attend againe on saturday to show Cause why they gave judgmt in the Case of Topham

This day the Comons proceeded on the bill for An Additionall Excize & A Clause was Agreed to Agt Brewing with Molasses

Our ffrench letters say that King is Raising divers greate summes of money on Cittyes & Religious houses That he Recd An Expresse the d of Lorraine besieged Mentz The d of Bavaria Mont Royall & the d of Brandenburg Bonne & Another Expresse from M: Humieres that 5328 of his men had deserted besides 500 lost in the late Inundation & had but 12000 left & if he had not A speedy Reinforcemt must quitt the field

Yest 2 souldiers who ran from their Colours were to be shot to death at Tilbury & 2 others this morning at Hyde parke

L. c. 2040 London 14th July 1689

+Yest Capt Vaughan dr Elliott &c Appeared before the Lds & pleaded not guilty to the Impeachmt delivering in their Answer in writeing which were Read & Coppies sent to the Comons wherein they Humbly submitt themselves to their Lordships Arbitremt that what they are charged with amounts not to High Treason

The Lds made some Amendmts to dr Oates bill & sent it to the Commons

Yest the Commons ordered A bill to be brought in to Reverse the Judgmt Agt sr Wm Williams & Recd A message from his Maty that he hopes their buisness is soe neer finished that A Recess may be made & that he is willing noe further proceedings Upon Raising money should be till their meeting towards winter other then what this house have now designed & Reminds the house of the Act of Indempnity

This day the Comons Read the Lds Amendmts to dr Oates bill & disagreed to them all & made An order that the Auditor of the Exchequer should bring An Account of all money paid for secrett service since 1672 & to whome

Letters yest from scotland of the 6th Instant say that just then they Recd An Account from Grenoch by A vessell Come in thither That Coll Kirke giveing notice to derry of his Intention to force his Passage by land to them Accordingly landed his men within 4 miles of that place & had A sharpe Engagemt for 3 houres dureing which time the Garrison made A greate sally & at last beate them into the Country with A greate slaughter takeing the ffort of Kilmore & then marched into the towne & was breaking the Boome to make way for his ships They also say there are vessells arrived to other places that give the same Account,

The Parliamt there have passed An Act for Church governmt in which is a Clause that their Maties would maintaine Presbitery as the Ancient Reformed Religion being most agreeable to the Inclinations of the people

There are some letters from Leverpoole which give Account the Irish had driven 4000 protestantss to the Walls of derry saying they should there starve if the towne would not take them in thinking it would wast their Provisions

Our Paris letters say that King Can spare noe more succours for Ireland

L. c. 2041 London 16th July 1689

+Yest the Commons past the bill for the Additionall Excize Then they proceeded on the Act of Indempnity & Resolved that noe more be Excepted on the head of the Ecclesll Comission & the 4th head was Read touching the Collecting of the Excize & Customs after K Charles death & ordered that the books &c of the Customs be Inspected & ordered An Adresse to his Maty that the Ds of Mazarine be Removed beyond sea

This day the Comons past the Militia bill

The Genll officers are gone in order to the Releife of London derry 13 Regemts being forthwith to be shipt, Abt 60 Ketches & Hoyes are made into small men of warr with 8 & 10 guns & well manned & are to Clear the Coast of ffrench Privateers

Tis said they will make 3 descents into Ireland, The Scotch forces under Leift Douglass, An Army under Count solines & A 3d under d schomberg & that o[u]rs will Embarque at Torbay Bristoll Milford haven Minehead Chester Leverpoole & Whitehaven

Count solines set out last night & D schomberg Intends to Lye at Northampton on Thursday night

All the discourse is that the ffrench ffleet is out & Its dayly Exspected to hear of an Engagemt

Our Paris letters say that they very much fear A descent from England & Centinalls are set every quarter of A mile all along the sea Coasts

Our scotch letters mention A greate discovery of A plott Agt the governmt discovered by A letter dropt at A door & Carryed to the Councell & divers are feared that were with the d of Gourdon in the Castle & Abt 40 Gent Their designe being to kill d Hamilton & seize the Parliamt & to set the towne on fire in 7 or 8 diferent places & then joyne Dundee flattering themselves they should get 2 or 3000 men in and Abt that towne The Parliamt have ordered severall of them to be put to the Torture to discover the bottom of the designe & in perticuler some of the Dragoons in Custody who Confessed their Corresponding with Dundee.

L. c. 2042 London 18th July 1689

+Yest the Comons ordered some to Inspect the Minute books of the Comittee for Irish Affaires & Comitted the bill for settling the Revenue to a Comittee of the whole house on satureday who are then to Consider of the order for makeing A setlemt on the Ps Ann of denmarke

This day the house ordered the bill for Prohibitting ffrench goods to be Engrost & Resolved next Munday to Consider the bill for the 500 L fforfeitures

Yest sr Tho Jones & sr ffran Withins were heard at the barr of the Lds as to the Reasons that Induced them to give judgmt Agt sr Tho: Pilkington & the said judgmt was ordered to be Reverst

Our scotch letters say the Parliamt are very Busy Examineing persons Concerned in the late discovery That Coll Wilson was deeply Engaged in it & has made A long Confession That A Proclamation was Issued for all Papists & suspected persons therein mentioned to depart that Citty

Our Paris letters say severall persons of the best quality of that Kingdome are taken up upon suspition of holding Correspondency with fforeign Princes

The dukes of Modena & savoy are sending 3000 men each to assist the ffrench K to be chiefly Employed Agt spaine

Tis Said the Ld Cornburies Regemt is given to his Leift Heyford sr Paull Ricant Embarques Resident for Hamburg next weeke

Letters from Chester say Proclamation was made there that the Camps will be within 3 miles of that Citty & that the Country bring in Provisions accordingly

Yest 20 New Cast brass Cannon were brought to the tower & 60 small vessells from 8 to 18 guns went out of this River for the west in order to transport forces for Ireland

Count solines Encamps not at Chester with the Rest of the Army but ships Imediately with 8 or 10000 men to joyne Coll Kirke

Yest their Maties Came to towne & the spanish Ambr had his Congratulatory Audience & the King sate above 2 houres in the treasury

L. c. 2043 London 20th July 1689

+Yest the Commons Resolved That sr ffran Pemberton & sr Tho Jones in giveing judgmt to over Rule the Plea in the Case of Jay & Topham had broken the priveledges of this house & Comitted them for the same

This day the Comons Read the Orphans bill the first time

His Maty hath promised d schomberg 100000 L to Purchase An estate here in England & the King has lately sent An Expresse to sweden & denmarke for 20000 men which will be sent

The ffrench fleet Consists of 60 Capitall ships 24 ffrigotts & 28 ffireships 20000 men & 4000 Cannon

His Maty hath at sea & Ready to put to sea 104 men of warr besides the Dutch

Ten Regemts of horse & foot will be forthwith Raised The Ld Colchesters & Coll Langstons Regemts have orders to goe for scotland

Our scotch letters say 1500 Irish are landed in that Kingdome That the E of Argile with 8 Regemts of foot & 3 Regemts of horse was gone to

oppose them That the late King Intended to be there in A short time if the plot had taken effect

Private letters from scotland mention some of the dignified Clergie to have Absconded as also the E of Calender Ld Levingston Ld Maitland &c

Letters from Chester & Leverpoole declare Coll Kirke to be still safe in the Lough of derry That on Munday some thousands were shipt at Leverpoole to goe with Count Solines who Its hoped may be there by this time

Letters from Corke say not above 1000 men were left in that Country all the forces being sent to the north That A Proclamation was Ishued out that noe Protestants should pay any tythes to the Clergie but to the King & that they were dayly in Exspectation of the English forces

L. c. 2044 London 23d July 1689

[Letter is addressed to "the Lady Newdigate."]

+On sunday in the Evening Came An order from the King to the Ld Mayor The Contents not Knowne whereupon his Ldpp ordered Double watch in all parts of the Citty The Guards at Whitehall were also Doubled The genll voyce [?] was the King was to be kild The queen seized The Citty ffired & the Tower to be seized

This was by A letter left with the E of Monmouths servant which he Imediately Carryed to the Lord who went with it to the secretaries & he to the King They say it was not subscribed & that it gave notice of some Imediate Designes Agt the Governmt

Yest the Comons Read the Engrost bill for Releife of Poor Prisoners A 3d time & A debate ariseing upon it the debate was Adjourned

This day the Attorney Genll Reported the Amendmts to the bill for Regulating Corporations & the house went through some of them

They write from Chester greate numbers of vessells were Come thither & to the Neiboring ports for Transportation of the Army The Randevoiz is to be at the Isle of Man & d schombergs Army will be 22000 men Count solines 12000 besides Coll Kirks Troops & 22000 will be kept here in England

A small man of warr is taken that Came from Waterford & Aboard A Pacquet of letters from K James to the ffrench K

Our scotch letters say severall of the Irish who landed are seized who give Account they were forced on board

The same letters say Genll Maccay was gone to the Army That 1300 horse were taken up to Draw the Artillery &c & A Proclamation was Issued Comanding all officers to supply the Army with Provisions at Reasonable Rates on Paine of High Treason

Admirall Herbert hath sent Into Plimouth A ffrench man of warr & Abt 300 merchants ships laden with wine &c

L. c. 2045 London 27th July 1689

[Letter is addressed in another hand to "the Lady Newdigate."]

+Yest the Comons ordered mr Graham to Attend as A witness on the bill for Reversing the Judgmt Agt sr Wm Williams

This day they were in A Comittee on the bill for Prohibiting Comodities

The person that brought the last Expresse from Coll Kirke is An Able Swimmer who has been in London derry 6 severall times & the last within less then A fortnight to whome the Coll Referrs as being able to give the best Accounts & Informes the garrison Can hold out yet A month longer but wants some Necesaries & have more flesh then Bread & being soe long beseiged there is scarce one in twenty with A Pare of shoes on his feet

Letters from Leverpoole give some further Account that the Protestants of Iniskilling have had A sharpe Rencounter with part of

the Army before derry & tooke 800 ffrench Armes & 300 Prisoners upon which most part of the Irish Army were drawne off from derry to hinder them from Comeing thither

Coll Kirke designing to joyne the Protestants of Iniskilling & Attempt the Releife of derry by land hath sent to the City to signify his designe that they may not only make A sally at the same time but also may not be surpris'd at his withdrawing his fleet from the Lough & there are greate hopes of the good effect

Yest An Expreste Came to his Maty from the E of Torrington & brought A Pacquett of letters from the ffrench K to his Ambr in Ireland which shew his unwillingness to let K James Returne out of Ireland as he has pressed that Court

Our scotch letters say That the viscount Kilsith & his Associates have been Examined & one of them tortured with the Boot & Thumb & made A large Confession whereby they were all found Guilty & have all flung themselves on the Kings mercy for their lives

L. c. 2046 London 30th July 1689

+Yest & this day the Comons were on the Revenue bill & Resolved That the Customs be given for 3 yeares & the Excize for their Maties lives

The King has Recd an Expreste from Coll Stewart out of the Island of Jurrl in Ireland That haveing put Armes into the hands of 1000 Protestants & finding some Regemts of Irish were Posted neer them with Intent to Cut them off, he foarded over in the night when the Tyde was low & Came soe suddenly upon them that he made A greate slaughter & put them wholly to flight takeing some prisoners 100 Cattle 1000 Armes &c & seized A Causeway which they have Posted themselves upon & will be of greate service to the Protestants

The devonshire from the streights is taken by the ffrench & Carryed into Brest being laden with oyle silke &c & judged worth 24000 L Also the ffrench Toulon fleet is armed at Brest & now they boast they will Come out & fight the English & Dutch fleet They add some privateers have taken A Dutch man of warr of above 40 Guns

The 3 E India ships lately Arrived are Judged worth 22000 L They say the Peace with the Mogull is not yet perfected

On saturday the young Prince was Baptized at Hampton Court by the Bp of London his Maty & the Ld Chamberlain as Proxie for the K of denmarke stood Godfathers & the Marchioness of Hallifax Godmother his Name William & A Pattent is Passing to Create him D of Gloucester

L. c. 2047 London 1st August 1689

+Yest the Commons had A Conference with the Lds Abt the succession of the Crowne & Mayor Wildman Reported that the Lds Insist on their owne Amendmts That the Ps sophia of Hanover should succeed after the death of Ps Ann & her Issue &c Then the Comons Adjourned till ffriday

Wee hear from Chester that the Campe Increases But the ships being not Come Abt Its not Certain when they will Embarke The Genll had Advice some ffrench men of warr were discovered off of Whitehaven, fflower ffrench Privateers were soe bold as to Come neer the Rivers mouth & Carry away some Irish victuallers that were Advanced soe far before their Convoy

The King Recd An Account that Abt 30 of the E of Oxfords Regemt makeing A mutiny in the Campe under Pretence of want of Pay the Major Rode briskly Among them & Pistolling their spokesman the Rest were seized & will be Punished for the same

This day being the time Allotted by tne Act of Parliamt for the Bps & Clergie to take the oaths or be suspended The Bp of Durham on Tuesday Came to the Ld Mayor & tooke the oath at Guildhall & is gone to his Bp the Ld Crew at Hampstead

The Toulon fleet being got into Brest the ffrench King hath sent

Instructions to his Admirall which he is not to open till he is some Leagues at sea with the fleet who have 6 Regemts of souldiers on board

The D: de la fforme is put into the Bastille by Reason of the late queen of England on Pretence of Plotting Agt the P of Wales

The Pope is given over by his Phisitians

L. c. 2048 London 3d August 1689

+This day the Comons ordered a bill to be brought in to make the Refusall of the oaths to K Wm & q Mary more Penall The bill for prohibiting Commerce with ffrance past, ordered that An Adresse be made to his Maty to enquire why succours went not sooner to Ireland why the merchants ships were seized for want of Convoy why the Thoulon ffleet was suffered to goe into Brest without any opposition The question was put whether the Ms of Hallifax should be Charged in perticuler yeas 76 Noes 90

On Thursday advice was brought to the King that Genll Mackay was Attaqued by Dundee himselfe kild & his Party Routed but yest Came A 2d Expreste which tis said gives Account That last satureday the Genll & Dundee had A skirmish & Coll Macy & some other officers kild But on sunday Genll Mackay had A 2d Encounter which was mantained very obstinately but in Conclusion Dundee being slaine his forces gave way which if it hold true will put An end to those disturbances

Letters yest from Chester bring Account the Army begins to Embarke 2 Gent Escaped from Dublin Informe K James begins to be sencible of the English Invasion & hath Comanded all Protestants to depart the City in 6 weeks & hath taken into Custody the Ld Grenard & the Rest of the Considerable Protestant Gentry & Its said the designe is to send them all into ffrance & A Proclamation is Publishing for all persons to bring

had not Reliefe Come they Could not have held out many dayes longer
That the whole Irish Army is drawing off from before derry & A Campe
will be formed neer Dublin to oppose the Invasion of d schomberg

Wee hear from Leverpoole 12000 men under Count solins are shipt &
Its said are sayled for Ireland

Wee hear Admirall Herbert hath taken A ffrench Advice boate with A
Pacquett of Letters signifying the designes of their fleet which are
now bringing up & that o[u]r fleet is gone towards the Irish Coast to
favour the landing of o[u]r Army

L. c. 2050 London 10th August 1689

+Yest A bill to Prevent the Exportation of wooll past the Comons

This day A bill for Appropriating the New Imposition upon Tobacco
& sugar & the E: India & ffrench silks &c & the Additionall Excize to
Pay 60000 L to K Charles 2d servants & 600000 L to the dutch Read A 1st
& 2d time

Our scotch letters say Coll Ballfour is taken but Left Coll Mackay
kild being the Gent that Charged Dundee That Dundee is Certainly kild
The M: Genll Mackay is Advanced to st Johnstons staying for the Rest of
his Army which will be 10000 & will from thence March towards the enemy
who Continue yet in the Lowlands & have Encampt themselves & say they
Exspect A further Reinforcemt from Ireland

On Wednesday last the Ms of Atholl being at Tunbridg wells was
brought to towne in Custody of A Messenger

They write from Plimouth 15 ffrench prizes were brought in thither
That they have Advice from the fleet they have noe Intelligence the
Thoulon squadron is come into Brest notwithstanding soe many Reports

They write from Paris that King hath sent orders to all the
seaports that all Privateers above 30 guns gave sayle for Brest to joyne
his fleet Reckning they amount to 40 sayle Also An order to take all
English Prizes into his Possession Allowing A Reasonable Proportion to
those who fitted out their vessells at their owne Charge being Resolved
to make the best of them boasting they will Amount to 7 or 800000 L
there being in one of the ships they seized 114 bayle of fine silke 200
Tun of Oyle &c

Our fflanders letters say 2 Councells of warr have been held in
the English Campe one on the 29th where 9 souldiers were tryed for
Mutinously demanding their Pay 4 of which were shot to death & the other
on the 31st where mr Calvert & mr Nue of the E of Oxfords Regemt were
tryed for the like Crime when Mayor Board shot the Ringleader & were
found guilty but Repreived till his Maties pleasure be knowne

They write from Hamburgh our King is treating with the K of
Denmarke for 10000 of his men & some of his men of warr but it is not
yet Agreed on

L. c. 2051 London 13th August 1689

+Yest the Comons Passed the bill for Paying the dutch & ordered An
Adresse to his Maty That Coll Lundee be sent to London derry to be
tryed there for the Treasons Agt him

This day the Commons Past the bill for weareing Woollen

Eight first & 2d Rate ships are Equipping to put to sea

To morrow some forces march to the Campe at Hunslow heath where
will Randevouz 12 or 14000 men

Our ffrench letters say that on the 18th that King Recd An Expresse
from K James out of Ireland That London derry was Relieved & the Irish
Army decampt in order to draw in A body to oppose A descent by d
schomberg pressing him either to send him more succour for he began
to question the fidelity of some of his Irish Nobility or grant him
permission to Returne into ffrance which Expresse was soe surprizing

that the King had that evening A small Returne of his Ague next day
A Grand Councill was held & those forces sent by the Dukes of Modena
savoy &c ordered on board the fleet for the assistance of K James
Madam Montion Came to Condole the King on the bad newes But his Maty
told her, Walker was soe busy in his thoughts that he Could Admitt
him noe Rest

On the 17th the King had An Exprese from Rome that the Pope was
speechless

Our scotch letters say Genll Mackay is fortifying st Johnstons &
Dundee That sr Jo Laniers Regemt of Horse & the Ld Cornburies dragoons
are marched to joyne Mackay & the E of Argile is Comeing thither with
5000 men The enemy Remaine at Dumkell

That the Ld Levingston the E of Calender & Ld duffee with 60 horse
were discovered at Linlithgow going to the Rebels

L. c. 2052 London 17th August 1689

+Yest the Commons past the bill for better secureing the Govermt Agt
Papists with Amendmts That the Exceptions as to the dissenters should
be Confined only to quakers & Added A Clausse that all fforfeitures by
the E of salisbury shall goe to the makeing up his Protestant younger
Brothers & sisters Portions given them by their fathers will

This day a bill Agt Clandestine Marriages was sent from the Lds &
Read A 1st time

Ordered that it be Comitted to his Maties privy Councill to secure
Robt Diggs who was Comitted by Coll Sackville Abt the Tumult on Wednesday
that he could not be bayled

Yest letters Arrived from M: Gen Kirke to the secretary of state &c
giveing Account of the Progress of his Armes since the Releife of derry
That greate numbers of Protestants flock in to him & the Iniskilling
men joyned him & followed the enemy & defeated their Arreir guard tooke
15 peeces of Cannon & Part of their baggage & Ammunition & Continued
to pursue them towards dublin & tooke Coll Hamilton & Maccarty

26 men of warr have orders to fit out with all Expedition

Yest Came Advice the ffrench fleet is put to sea haveing 12000
landmen on board & designed for scotland

The Lds of the Admiralty have ordered our Colliers not to put to sea
without A good Guard & have ordered 9 ffrigotts to pursue the ffrench men
of warr gone out of dunkerke to take our Coale fleet

Our ffrench letters say that King Recd letters from Ireland wherein
his Ambr presses both for men & money

On the 21st A Person was brought Prisoner to Paris & Comitted there
being found Abt him letters from the P of Orange as they Call him & the
spanish Ambr in England & upon Purusall of them 12 persons were seized
& Comitted to the Bastille

On the 22d the Courier from his Maties Ambr at Coppenhagen brought
A Project of Neutrality between his Master & the K of Denmarke The
Count Meynard schomberg eldest son of the Genll is Arrived here from
Holland & gone to waite on the King & thence goes to Chester to Comand
the Regemt of ffrench Protestant horse & then follows his father

L. c. 2053 London 20th August 1689

+Yest the Lds Rejected the bill for weareing the woollen Manufacture

This day his Maty past these bills

1 ffor paying 600000 L to the dutch & 60000 L to the 2 late Kings
servants

2 Prohibitting Comerce with ffrance

3 To Prevent Exportation of wooll

4 for supplying defects in the late Act for 12 d p C

5 for Releife of the Irish Clergie

6 Repealeing the statute Agt Multiplying silver

7 Tanning leather & 2 Private bills

Then the Ld Privy seale declared it was his Maties pleasure they Adjourne till the 20th sept & then if there be noe occasion till winter

The Antelop ffrigott brought Account to Chester That on the 14th they saw Genll schomberg & all his fleet safe in the bay of Carrickfergus landing without any opposition & our letters from Highlake say all the horse & Ammunition have orders to sayle thither

his Maty hath Recd An Expresse from the fleet That they were last Thursday in view of the ffrench fleet endeavouring to get the wind but he did not beleive they should Come to Action

Our scotch letters say Genll Mackay writt to the Councell from Aberdeen That the enemy were within 16 miles of him & he suspected the Country would Joyne them & the Councell have given him leave to use fire & sword to all that shall oppose him or not Come to him

Letters from the Hague of the 16th say Just then Came An Expresse the P of Baden hath Routed the whole Turkish Army & Kild 30000 in Battle

Last satureday the Campe at Hunslow broke up

L. c. 2054 London 22d August 1689

+Yest was A greate Consult at Whitehall where the Reasons for & Agt the Kings declaration were debated designed for the Kingdome of Ireland as to the promiseing those Irish Papists who will lay downe their Armes their estates Most of the Irish Gent in towne being prsent declared their sentiments some whereof would have An Exception of 40 or 50 to make good the Damage they have sustained but others judge it more Conduceable to the prsent Reduceing Ireland to be Generall which is to be Referred to his Maties pleasure

+The King had A designe for Windsor but Its said has altered his Intention & Its said will goe some time to Newmarket

our scotch letters of the 15th say that after D Hamilton had treated mr Walker the Citty did the like & made him free thereof That a Proclamation was there published promiseing Pardon to those Rebels that lay downe Armes & take the oath of Alleigance &c

Our ffrench letters of the 26th say that on the 21st the Ld Tho Howard Arrived at Brest from Ireland in A ffrench man of warr & saw the English & dutch fleet upon the Coast & mett them on their way thither but say they Cannot posibly get thither without An Engagemt There are 8 Battalions of land forces in their fleet

On the 23d Mounsr Barillon late Ambr in England was nominated to goe envoy Extrary to the Court of sweden to treate of An Alliance of Neutrality haveing A Comission to make very Considerable offers

On the 24th the King treated at supper The Cardinall ffustemburg & 3 other Cardinalls & is speeding them to Rome to take Care of his Interests in An Election of A Pope his Holiness being Reported to be dead The same Evening his Maty Recd An Expresse from Marshall Humieres That the dutch pressed him very much to fight & if he had not A Reinforcemt of 4 Batallions of Infantry he Could not undertake for the success thereof

L. c. 2055 London 24th August 1689

+Our Paris letters of the 28th say they had Advice from Rome the Pope died the 12th Instant in the 79th year of his age & the 12th of his Popedome upon which the Kings dispatcht his Ambr to Rome to looke after the Election

On the 26th the King Recd An Extrary Courrier from Languedoc that the new Converts to the Number of 15000 have taken Armes & formed A Declaration Shewing the Reasons thereof & Its Concluded they have been prompted to it by Some Puissant stranger upon which the King hath sent

some horse & dragoons Agt them but not the Arriere Ban least they should Joyne them

They write from Vienna the Grand seignior has sent to his Ambr there to Returne home though the Emperor Should make Advantageous offers of Peace Advice is brought thither that the Tartars have defeated the Muscovites & obliged them to agree A Peace & the Cham has sent to Poland to Presse that King to doe the like on good Termes

The King has Recd An Account from D schomberg of his landing at Carrickfergus That he finds plenty of provisions A Bullock being sold for 14 s & A sheep for 18 d & thereupon he has Returned the King 70 vessells with salt Provisions Reserveing only Bisket & Beer That he has advanced 12 miles into the Country The enemy surrendred Belfast in 4 hours The Country Comes in Apace & they have A very good market there Tis said assoon as the Kingdome is Reduced The Ld sidney stands faire to goe Ld Leift & that his Regemt of foot guards will be Restored to the d of Grafton

A Regemt of horse another of dragoons & some foot are sayled from Highlake & the Rest will be speeded

The King has Appointed the Bps of st Asaph London & salisbury to Execute the office of the Archbp of Cant who Its said is Retired into the Country not haveing taken the oaths

This day the King hath Advice that the English & dutch Army in fflanders have engaged the ffrench & kild 2000 & the ffrench Retired to their Campe & the states forces kept their ground till night

A Comission is drawne to be sent to Coll Kirke to Constitute him Leift Genll of Ireland as A Reward for his good services

L. c. 2056 London 27th August 1689

+Our Advices from Dublin of the 18th say K James by Proclamation Required all from 16 to 60 to Come under his standard

Carrickfergus holds out Agt Genll schomberg & Its supposed K James will draw what forces he Can to Charlemont & endeavour to fight Genll schomberg before he be Reinforced from England

Wee hear from Derry there is Appearance of A very greate harvest but of A few people to gather it That M: G: Kirke had sent 3 ships for scotland to fetch back Gratis such people as fled from derry &c & hath made out of the Derry men 5 Regemts of ffoot who are established in the Kings pay

All the Townes & Gents houses in the Counties of Derry Donegall & Tyrone are burnt downe Except Dungannon Macherofelt & strabane That M: G: Kirke is marched to joyne Genll schomberg the Garrison of Colrane flying before him as sheep

Our scotch letters say the Rebels on the 17th sent A guard of 500 men with Cattle & other spoyle to Locticher & have sent all their Prisoners to the Island of Mull they are thought to be Come by this time to Angus burneing & spoyleing as they march being Abt 4000 men

The Presbyterian synod have deputed 3 of their Number to Come with An Adresse to his Maty humbly desireing that the Presbyterian Govermt may be seatld there

Our ffleet were on the 13th 7 Leagues off of Kingsale being 111 sayle

Capt Wright goes Admirall of the squadron his Maty is sending to the West Indies which Its said will consist of 14 men of warr & 6 ffireships

Those in New Yorke have set up their former Govermt like those in New England

L. c. 2057 London 29th August 1689

+Wee have Advice from Ireland that on the 18th D schomberg beseiged

Carrickfergus That he tooke the towne & was on the 21st stormeing the Castle That the Protestants are masters of all Ulster except Charlemont where all the Irish forces in that province lye & this day wee hear An Expreste is Come of A bloody Engagemt & that 2000 ffrench & Irish are Cutt off

Tis said the Declaration Intended Agt the Irish in Rebellion & the Indempnity offered all not therein Excepted is wholly layd aside & A Resolution taken to Prosecute here all Agt whome there is any evidence

Our scotch letters say the Ld Angus Regemt of 1200 men all zealous Kirkemen Comanded by Lt Coll Cleveland & Mayor Henderson being at Dunkell were Attacqued by 3000 Rebels 3 severall times but Repulsed them killing Abt 400 but with the Loss of Cleveland Henderson & Abt 40 more & 30 wounded after which the Rebels were seen to Cross the Hills with 1500 Cattle

On saturday D Hamilton &c Came to towne Tis said they came to Prepare the Preliminaries for An union & settling their Religion the next session of Parliamt

Our Reverend Clergie & the Chiefs of the Dissenters have had divers meetings & made A greate progress in order to a Comprehension & union

Our ffrench letters say their fleet Returned to Brest last saturday

This day Coll Walker Accompanied with the Archbp of Tuain [?] & tooke Coach for Windsor to waite on their Maties.

+They write from Rome the Conclave is open & that the heads of the faction are Altiery & Cibo

+The Countesse of sunderland is gone for Holland in one of the Kings yachts

L. c. 2058 London 31st August 1689

+Last night & this morning wee had A warme Report the 2 fleets were engaged but this afternoon Its quite Altered & Its said they have not soe much as seen each other & that o[u]rs is Come into Harbour some Attribute it to the want of provisions some one thing some another

This day An Expreste is Arrived from o[u]r fleet the Contents not yet knowne

The Bps of London & st Asaph have Comissions to Execute the Jurisdiction of Canterbury Norwich Ely & Peterbrough The Bp of Chichester is dangerously ill

On Thursday the Ld President Accompanied mr Walker to Court & Introduced him to his Maty who Embraced him with An Extrary kindness & gave him An order for 5000 L & assured him the beste vacancy in the Church in Ireland was at his election with other greate favours

Yest he dined with the Ld Mayor & the 13 Companies Intend to make him a prsent of 100 L apeece

We have Account of the loss of 3 ships from Nevis & 4 from New Yorke all Richly laden

Tis said there is A treaty betwixt his Maty & the K of denmarke by which the latter is to furnish his Maty with 12 men of warr 6000 foot & 1000 horse which Its beleived are designed for Ireland

They write from scotland that the Councill are busy in Removeeing such Clergie as Refuse to pray for K Wm & q Mary

L. c. 2059 London 3d sept 1689

+Our fleet is Come into Torbay sickly & in greate want of Provisions &c & there is going to them Provisions for 14000 men for 6 weeks & Its hoped they will be in A Condition to sayle againe in 8 or 10 dayes

The ffrench fleet is at Brest haveing orders only to guard their owne Coasts

Mr Walker hath given 1000 L of the 5000 L his Maty gave him to the

Widdow of Capt Baker who was Killed at the siege of derry

Letters from Ireland say Carrickfergus surrendred the 28th August being forced to it by the Bombes & Cutting off their water & 1500 men marched out with their Armes & c But after their guard had left them the scotch Protestants of the Country whome they had Barbarously used stript them & kild many of them at which d schomberg was Angry sr Hen Ingoldsby is made governr

The Genll Keeps his quarters at Belfast being 30000 strong & when the horse Arrive from England will march direct for dublin

some letters say K James is gone towards Gallway & hath left Tirconnell to make such Termes as he shall thinke best for himselfe & his ffreinds

Tis said dr Oates will be made A Bp in Ireland

On saturday died the Bp of Chichester Also sr Hen Tulse one of our Aldermen who Its said hath left to Christchurch Hospitall & c 10000 L

They write from scotland their Maties have discharged all ministers there for medling with any state matters either in their sermons or judicatures

The D of Glocester is troubled with fitts

L. c. 2060 London 7th sept 1689

+On Thursday night & since abt 46 persons have been seized Abt Charing Cross being Accused of some dangerous Conspiracy some say Agt the life of the King & of haveing A greate fond of money to Encourage A Rebellion & messengers are abt this day to seize others

Letters from the Genlls Campe at Belfast say they had Account the late Kings Army were Abt the Newry & were 50000

Our scotch letters say Coll Cannon is with 800 of the Rebels got into the Island of Mull with Intention Its thought to get into Ireland & the Rebels in A manner wholly disperst

Our Eastland merchants have notice that 10 daneish men of warr are Comeing with some thousands of souldiers to land them in scotland & to get their Eastland fleet Ready to goe under their Convoy back into the sound

Our fleet are at Torbay where Its said many of o[ur] men are sick & Complaine of Provisions Tis said the E of Notingham is sent downe to Examine some matters there Tis said they will goe suddenly againe to sea +dr Hopkins Bp of derry has Accepted to be Bp of Chichester & dr Walker will be Bp of derry

Tis said dr stillingfleet will succeed Bp of Worcester & that dr Tillotson will be deane of st Paulls

The ship burnt by the ffrench was the Jerusalem from Venice & the fidelity taken, also a smirna ship Called the Levanteen

Here is a Report P: Waldeck hath fought the ffrench under M: Humieres & that 8000 ffrench are kild & 4000 taken & their whole Army broke & the Prince Pursuing them

Tis said the Ld Colchester will be governr of Jamaica

L. c. 2061 London 10th sept 1689

+Divers more persons are seized Among which are the Lady Harmon Neice to the E of sunderland sr Patrick Trant lady mrs Nepho mrs sheldon & some other Popish ladies, neitherr their Accusations or Confessions are yet knowne though Its said some have made large ones upon assurance of Pardon severall are brought from Greenwich & messengers are gone into surrey to seize some persons of note

Wee have Account from Mentz that it was surrendred to the ffrench on the 8th Instant

Our letters from the Campe at Belfast say Genll schomberg Constituted 3 Comrs for the Revenue of Ireland with power to secure all

the Corne &c of the Rebels & such hath been their vigilancy & the peoples Compliance that Its in A faire way of settlemt

On the 3d the Genll decamped & marched towards Dublin The whole Army is in good heart & health & Impatient of Action Its supposed they Reached Lurgan Race last satureday where K James was with all his force

That 2 troops of the enemies horse had Come within 12 miles of the Campe & Carryed off 4 or 5 Protestants & some Cattle

Many of the Irish of note Come in Dayly to the Genll who grants them Termes

Our scotch letters say 1600 Atholl men have Capitulated & that A Party of Rebels Comanded by A Br of Dundees is totally Routed 200 Kild & their Comanders taken

Wee hear from o[ur] fleet Galls Coperas &c were found in their Provisions

L. c. 2062 London 12th sept 1689

+This day Arrived 3 persons from Ireland who all say D schomberg surprised a Considerable party of the Irish at Newry tooke the Pass & killed 500 that Resisted which newes put the whole Army into A Mutiny & being upraided by the ffrench for Running the[y] fell on the ffrench officers & slew them

That K James hastning to the army found them in A heate & bid Tirconnell make the best Termes he Could & Rode away with the ffrench Ambr & 40 more

Our scotch letters say that Kingdome is in A manner wholly Reduced the late opposers being either killed or in Prison or have Accepted his Maties Pardon The Highland & Atholl men are all dispersed Except A few desperadoes & Genll Mackay sends word he hopes in A few dayes to give A good Account of the Irish in the Isle of Mull

On Tuesday the Ld Bellasis died The late queen is sick & the Ld Dover lyes A dyeing & Its said Coll Birch is dead

Dr Hopkins Bp of Derry is made Archbp of Cassells in Ireland & minister of Aldermanbury in this Citty & dr stafford who enjoyed that benefice is made Bp of Chichester

The d of savoy is much Concerned at the Returne of the Protestants into Piedmont & his Envoy presses the ffrench K for some troops Alledging they are Countenanced by the K of England

L. c. 2063 London 14th sept 1689

+Wee have noe Expresse from Ireland since o[ur] last but Its hoped the Genll is by this master of drogheda if not of dublin

A Gent Arrived thence sayes the King & ffrench Ambr were Retired towards Gallway

That Genll schomberg hath put out A declaration in which he assures Pardon & equall Protection with all Protestants to all who shall lay downe Armes or have not 10 L p An lands by which Its beleived the greate men will be deserted by their followers

scotland being Reduced the English forces there are ordered for Carrickfergus

They write from Hamburg that 7000 danes are shipping for Ireland Also that the K of sweden is shipping 8000 men for the service of o[ur] King

Yest A messenger seized A Gent in st James Parke & the Day before A Preist was taken with A Considerable summ of money & some Papers & Its said orders are given for seizeing 3000 Irish & English in & Abt London being disaffected to the Govermt & most of them Papists

Yest Coll Cutts Regemt tooke Posession of the Tower

His Maty hath settled A very bountifull allowance on dr Oates

The Bp of Winchester is dangerously ill

The Ld Colchester haveing declined going governr of Jamaica his Maty hath given that Governmt to the Ld Inchequin

L. c. 2064 London 19th sept 1689

+Our letters from Ireland of the 9th say the Irish burnt the Newry & Genll schomberg Marcht through it the Iniskilling men leadeing the van who are much dreaded by the Irish who say they are devills & not men & fly from them as such & heareing they were in sight made such hast out of Dundalke that they burnt but 3 or 4 houses from whence the Genll was on his March for Dublin The Irish Army are 50000 but in greate Terror & Confusion

+Tis said Coll Ludlow is Comeing hither from switzerland

The Comission mentioned in o[u]r last is to be to the Archbp of Yorke & 9 other Bps & to 20 Deanes & drs in divinity

Wee heare from scotland that some Lds are Comeing up to Petition the King that Episcopacy may be Continued there

The Comon Councill of this Citty have ordered the Inscription Razed out of the Monument Abt the fireing of London to be Inserted Againe Also that their Maties be Invited to dine on the Ld Mayors day

Last Councill day the Merchants Petitioned his Maty setting forth the dangers their ships are in Especially Abt the Lands end & scilly &c Also how many ships the ffrench had Already taken, his Maty Readily ordered 12 ffrigotts to Cruise in those seas & was not pleased the Complaint Came soe late

They write from Vienna the P of Baden Pursued the Turks with his horse & killed 9000 of them & Its not Doubted but it will force the Turkes to A Peace

L. c. 2065 London 21st sept 1689

+Our Chester letters of the 18th say severall Arrived from Ireland Report The late K put the d of Berwick with 12000 men Into drogheda & Retired with the Rest some say to Dublin others to Athlone & d schomberg Advanced to drogheda before which Coll Kirke & the Iniskilling men are encamped on the Dublin side & d: schomberg on the other side

That the Genll sent A Trumpet to the late King that he was Informed the Protestants were under greate threate & feares & that the Papists give out they will burn Dublin & all other places they cannot keep which if they doe or that any Protestants are murthered he will not permitt quarter to Age or sex

The English Army are in good health & have plenty of Provisions & mr Herbert is Arrived with 100000 L Sent to d schomberg

Orders are sent to o[u]r fleet to put to sea & Its said they steer for the Irish Coast & that the ffrench fleet are out

Wee have Account Bonne is taken by storme & the Garrison put to the sword

Our Cittizens are Advanceing 400000 L on the late Act of 12 d p C & Its said 200000 L is Already subscribed

The merchants have letters that A very Rich English ship Called the Royall Mary was by some ffrench galleys taken out of the bay of scanderon supposed by Connivance of the Turks

Yest the Lds & Comons mett & Adjourned till the 19th octobr & Its said the Councill Resolve they shall then sit

L. c. 2066 London 24th sept 1689

+On saturday Lt Genll stravaence Arrived here from Ireland who left G: schomberg last Tuesday & sayes the Army is strongly encamped between dundalke & drogheda & the late K is at Ardee 8 miles distant his Army being 8000 horse & 28000 foot & the Genll waites for the scottish & Danish forces to Attack them

Our Army is in greate want of bread by Reason the Irish in their Retreate destroyed all the fforrage Provisions & Mills to the greate disappointment of o[ur]r Army who Carryed vast quantities of wheate with them But flower Biskett & Mills are sent them from Highlake Also many waggons & abt 500 draught horses of which they are in greate want But A ship with 300 Tun of meale was Cast away neer the Isle of man

On sunday morning Abt 3 A Clock A fire broke out over Agt the Ks bench in southwerke & it being faire time some booths Carryed it over to the Ks bench & burnt part of it & above 100 houses on both sides the way

A Considerable Number of Conspiratrs have been seized in the adjacent Counties & lye in the messengers hands of which many women

month

Tis said yt ye Royal volunteers Citty Regemt designe [to?] petition ye King yt his Matie would be pleased to signifie weather he expects yr atendance on his Royal pson to Scotland or yt they doe duty at Whitehall in ye absence of his guards either of wch they are ready to pforme as his Matie shall direct

Wee heare from ye Downes yt 18 Merchtmen who were blowen by ye late storme there out are in safety in Dover Roade. The Raynebow a shipp from [illegible port name] is not yett heard off being Driven away wth ye rest wch made insuurance yesterday runn heigh upon her

four Laden Colliers were in ye late storme drove ashore near ye buoy in ye Noare but tis beleived one of yem will be gott off this spring tyde yt shipp is arrived in Hull wch Came out in Company of 13 others but being seperated can give noe acco of yem & its feared some of yem are lost

Wee have further Lettrs from Ireland of ye 11th [?] Instant wch Confirme ye sicknes to be at Dublin there being 36 Houses shutt up They add yt Comessarye shales had been sent hence [?] sooner but was taken sick. one Le[e?] Bowles wth another was shott to Death for Barberously Killing 2 Masrs of victulers forceing into yr Roome at Belfast & Ravished one of yr wives

ffrench Lettrs say yt his most Christian Matie on ye 14th saw all ye guards of his Houshold drawn up in Battalia neare Verseillis & signified at ye head of yem yt he Esteemed ym ye best of all his fforcess. That he was suddenly goeing upon some exterordinary serviss & did not doubt but they would pforme Answerable to ye expectation he had of yr vallour & Conduct yt it was now a time to signalize yr Currage as well for ye glory as safety of his Dominions being attacqued on all sides by Hereticall & Austrian Enemyes therefore Excited yem to doe yr uttmost to repell ye Spanish & Belgik fforces he designeing those People for yr pticular Conquest promissing yem ye whole Plunder of ye townes & villages, yt they should be at Liberty to kill burn & distroy what ever they pleased and ordered yem 6 weeks pay advance, yt they be in readyness to March ye 4th of ffebr. His Matie further told yem he would follow yem in pson before ye latter end of yt month And psonnaly reward such as did pforme any notable Exploeytt by either advanceing yem to a Heigher degree in yr severall Regemt or bestow on yem a sume of mony The same Lettrs add yt above 200 Danish soldiers being taken by his Privateers Comeing for England and Carryed into Dunkirk

+His Matie had sent an Express thither to lett yem know yt they being soldiers of fortune & fell into his hands he would not treat yem as Enemyes but if they would be willing to serve undr his Banner he would give yem ye same pay as ye Switz have otherwise he would keep yem in that Garrison till ye warr be over Lettrs from Madride of ye 28 10br say yt ye King wth ye whole Court is gon from Hence towards ye groyne in ordr to attend ye arrivall of his Queen in ye English ffleett.

L. c. 2069 [Handwriting changes here.] London January 30: 1689 [Letter is addressed to Sir Richard, "a Member of Parliament/At mr Bakers in/Park Prospect over/Against the burd Cage/in st Jameses/Westminster." +Tis wrot from Madrid that ye King desired to sett forwards to Vallidolid to meet his queene by the 20th January, haveing first Caused ye Sacramt to be Exposed for 3 Consequitiave dayes & Continueall prayers made in the Churches for her prosperous Voiage.

Paris Letters of the first of february say that the night before ye Ld Mountjoye was released out of the Bastiele & the next day his Lordshp: payd his devoyers to the french King & Late queene of England for his deliverance

The 30th ultimo the King had the ill newes brought him from brest, that 2 men of warr with some other vessells in the Roade ware driven from their Anchors & blowen a shore in the Late voyalent storme & that Mounsr De Gulls in a ship of 70 gunns being seperated from 7 others was Ataqued and taken after 3 howers fight by a dutch man of warr & Carried into holland

The dover Letters of the 27 say that ye ship Greyhound Capt Sanders Comander Richly Laden for the Streights, being blown ou[t?] of the downes & supposed to be sunk, was driven a shore betwene Callis & Bullin where the men kept posesion some dayes, but findeing no Releife from England & bad weather were forsed to yeild to the french & they Are Imprisoned at Callis, the ship was lost but the french gott most of the goods.

The Pacquett boate arrived from Callis & bringes advice that all the seamen in that Port were the Last weeke sent to dunkirk In order to man the men of warr fitting up There who are to speed to the Rondevoues At brest to joyne the Rest of the ships designed for the Releife of Ireland,

Harwich ye 28th January sunday Last 15 fferkins of butter & some Cheese were driven a shore at Languard fort with a ships Long boat over sett whereby all the men were Drowned.

The same Letters Add that on Munday the Holland Pacquet boat Arrived & Brought Count Atfeldt & an Ambasedr from Denmark, who tooke Coach for London, they say that in their Passage they mett a ships Long boat sunk at sea, & as they fell in with the Land at Allborrow they saw 10 or 12 other ships boats, two of which they brought into Port with them.

They write from Portsmouth That the Queene of spaine was not gon Ashoare to the Isle of Wight but kept on shipboard at spitt head

There Is noe Accompt as yet of the Dk of Norfolks Complaymenting her Maiety, his Grace sending for new Instructions there being her Brother on boarde, whither He should Complayment him allsoe on parte of their Maities, which is ordered that he doe

Yesterday sr Edward Hailes And mr Robert obedia Walker were brought from the Tower by a Habies Corpious to The Kings bench & desierd to be Admited to Baile, The Court took time till to morrow to give their Resolutions in the Case but mr Burton Graham & sr Tho: Gower are at Liberty by vertue of the Prorogation they being in the Custody of the sergant [at] Armes attending the House of Commons vecates all proceedings before them

Yesterday a Cause betweene ye University & Citty of Oxford was tryed in the Common Please, wheither a person might matriculated [sic] in the University shall be Exempted from bareing offices in the Citty, and the stress of the decission was, whither the word in the originall statute did Compromise the trade of the man being A painter, & It was Aiudged in the Negative so went in favour of the Citty
+The Chester Letters wholly Contradicts the news of the late K Jameses Death & Contrareywise sayes that he was seen hunting the wolfe, about the 10th Instant but they bring this Accompt from Ireland that the mortality has been very sever in the Irish Army, that 10 Reagiments of Munster men haveing 18 Companies in a Reagmt being Returned into that proviance they are not 150 in A Reagmt, that the protestants in the proviance were sett at Liberty, that Colonel Dungan is made Governor of Limrick which place is greatly straightned & that all the people payes their Rent in Corne their being Little silver stireing
+All our discourses now, Is of the Kings goeing for Ireland & the pperations thereto whch are very great we are tould that there will be a Commis Apointed in the Kings Absence to Look after ye Administration

of affaires, & that the Lord Mayor & Court of aldermen: will with the Ld Lucas be Commisrs of the Tower &c

L. c. 2070 [Handwriting changes here.] London 20th March 1689
+Yest the Commons ordered An Adresse to his Maty that all Considerable Papists or soe Reputed be seized with their horses & Armes That if any Protestants Conceale armes or horses belonging to Papists they shall be taken as enemies

This day the Comons Reassumed the debate of the Lds Amendmts to the bill for settling the Rights of the people & ordered that the Clause of the bill whether upon the decease of the present King & Queen the Privy Councill give the oaths & Test & send to the next successr & or whether the Lds & Comons last assembled in Parliamt shall doe it be Referred to A Committee

The Army will be Composed of 24000 men & will be Encamped in Cheshire in 3 bodies each 8000 the King designing to see them before they be shipt off

The 3 Regemt of ffrench Protestant foot are on their march to the Randevouz

On Tuesday his Maty Recd An Exprese from mr Richards An Engineer on board the Portland ffriggott dated the 7th Instant from An Island in scotland that he had gone with the ship up the Lough to London derry but found his Passage stopt by A greate Platforme of guns on the shoar & some vessells & yet he Passed Kilmore ffort but was stopt by A greate Chaine on Cross which Caused him to Retire haveing Recd some shott between wind & water & had 14 of his men killed & that he heard nothing of Genll Kirke

They write from Brest that on the 21st 2 New men of warr brought into that Port 3 English merchantmen taken out of scilly & the discourse there is that the ffrench fleet designs to make A descent upon England

L. c. 2071 [Handwriting changes here] London February ye 7th 1690

It was yesterday industriously reported about town by ye Jacobites yt a ffrench Convoy with provisions and Arm[es] for 10000 men is got into Ireland, but lettrs from Chester say, yt a ffrench vessell was brought into Holyhead haveing on Board 500 Barrells of powder, but gives noe Accompt of the foresaid Convoy.

Tis said that the Earl of Bo[about three letters torn off] will be made duke of Albemarl, and ye Ld Lansdon his son is to marry ye Heer Oldekir[ks] Neice, with whom he will have 20000 L

The Lord Mayor haveing daily Complaints of the Robberies in the street[s] and houses in and about the City, has ord[ered] the Constables to place watchmen at every narrow passage, and that they are not off till 6 a clock in the morning takeing their stands by 6 at night.

Letters from Plymouth of ye 3d Instant Advise, yt 9 ships were forced in their by distress of weather, designed for Ireland with provisions, and that a [?] dutch Caper has brought in a ffrench prize haveing nothing but Ballast in h[er]

Yesterday letters from portsmouth say yt 12 more ffrench ships were brought into the Isle of [Man?] there being about 30 in all taken by t[he] English and dutch out of yr great ffilee[t]

Tis confidently affirmed yt the Bishop of Ely has got over to K. James [have]ing been seen with him at Versailles.

They write from Harwich yt on ye 4th Instant 130 laden Colliers past by that port.

Orders are sent to Scotland & Ireland yt the Regiments designed to be broke be kept on foot, & forthwith recruited.

Yesterday was a long Argument in the Court of Exchequer upon Complaint of Creditors of sr Robert Viner & other Bankers for the

Interest money formerly lent to K. Charles ye 2d, and the Barons gave yr opinion yt the said Interest money ought to be paid out of the Exchequer

Edinburgh Jan: ye 31th tis ye Common discourse of ye Jacobites here yt the duke of Berwick is landed in the north of this Kingdome with forces from Ireland. We have advice from Sterling yt the Highlanders who have for some time layn in obscurity dureing the cold season begin now to appear on the mountains.

ffrench Letters say, that some days agoe the King remitted money to pay Count Teckeleys forces, and dispatcht an Express for Constantinople to signify to mounsr Monvergies his Ambassador at the Ottoman port, with Instructions yt sr Wm Hussey being on his way Ambassador from P. of O. to the Grand Seignior, he should use all his Artifice to traverse and defeat the designs the said Ambassador is charged withall by obstructing a peace between ye Grand Sultan and the Emperor of Germany, giveing him Commission to offer one half of the Charge of the Ware rather than a peace should be concluded.

There are in ye River of Burdeaux 10 swedish and 6 danish vessells laden with wines, and orders are comeing to demolish ye Cittadell least the people should Rebell and force the same, whereby greater damage will accrew to the Kings Affairs than the prospect of keeping it will doe him good.

Letters from the Hague say, yt his maytie is upon agreeing with the dutch for 32 small ships to be made into privateers, that the Heer Overkirk has remitted to the states Generall 12 English sea Captains, and does protest agt the proceedings at the tryall of the Earl of Torrington.

On thursday night a Councill was held at Whitehall her maytie being present, where the Lord mayor attended to obtain a Convoy for the laden Colliers to bring ym up to London, sea Coals beginning to rise.
+The Lord Baltimore alsoe waited for dispatch of his affairs in Merryland.
+The fund of money is now settled to pay ye 2 marine Regiments, but each Company wch consisted of 200 men is now reduced to 100, yet they will in the whole amount to 3000 men.
+The publisher of the book entituled the Modest Enquiry being prosecuted for the same, has obtained a noli prosequi, and I am told a second part of the same will come to light, being 5 Articles of the Refited Memoriall wch the English nobility and Gentry sent to the ffrench King, the Author at that season [about twelve words torn off] ffleet is to be ready by the last of this month, and the dutch to come and join them ye 10th of ye next.
+All the Salt Peter that was brought from the East Indies this last year is bought up for the Kings use.
+This day came out her Majties proclamacon for apprehending ye Bishop of Ely, Wm Penn and James Grahme Esqr for treasonable practices. We are still in the dark as to the Lord Preston, some say yt a warrant is signd for his Execution others yt he is writeing his Confession but a few days will discover ye truth.

L. c. 2072 London November ye 10th 1691

A Gentleman who left dublin on Thursday last says there was mighty rejoyceings the day before for the Birth of his Majtie, & they expected the Genll the next day, haveing now settled all matters, and the Irish were all to leave ye English Town of Limmerick by ye 2d Instant, and some Regiments ordered to take possession, Lieutent-Genll Salmash being Governour thereof; He adds tht 2300 Irish and 400 ffrench are all that goe for ffrance, the rest haveing either taken part with our forces or gone to their severall habitacons. He further adds yt 2 of ye ffrench Transport ships are run a ground at the Entrance of the Shannon and one of their men of war founderd before they came on ye Coast.

Justice Hancock of middlesex had on Sunday last brought to him 3 bundles of virulent Libells dropt on purpose to be taken up and dispersed, but the Person who found them brought ym forthwith to the magistrate, they containing very treasonable matter, and are sent up to White Hall.

Yesterday began ye Election of a Burgess for Westminster, Sr Stephen ffox and Mr Owen standing Candidates; the appearance was very great being nigh 8 or 9000 men on Horse back, the majority fell upon Sr Stephen ffox, but the other demanded a poll wch was granted, and this day being examined in Covent Garden Sr Stephen carried it.

On Saturday the King took ye divertisemt of hunting in Berkshire, and dined that day at the Lord Lovelaces's at his seat at Harley, and returned yt night to Kensington.

The merchants yesterday had Advice yt 160 ships were seen on Saturday at Dartmouth sailing to the Eastward, wch they judged to be the Barbadoes and Virginia ffleets with their Convoy, & hope to have them in the Downs this day.

To morrow all ye Brokers who practice yt Craft in this City on the Exchange are to appear at Guild Hall abt 3 in the afternoon before a Committee of ye Aldermen where they are to make out by what authority they follow ye sd Employ

Yesterday the House of Commons ordered Richard Baldwyn the printer to be taken into Custody for printing and publishing a pamphlet Entituled ye new observator

Yesterday Wm Harboard Esqr set forwards upon his Embassy to the Ottoman port.

To morrow his Majtie goes for Winchester to divert himself for a few days, and will be attended by the Earls of Devon, Marlborough &c.

On Sunday last ye Earle of Essex took his place of Bed Chamber man to the King.

Yesterday the Bishops of Hereford, Chichester and Peterborough took the usuall oaths at the Kings Bench Barr.

Plymouth November ye 6th This day a dutch Caper brought in a ffrench prize laden with sugar from ye West Indies

Letters yesterday from Scotland Advise that his Majtie is expected at Edinburgh against Christmas. That it is reported there his majtie will sit personally in their Parliament wch is to meet the beginning of January. That great preparations are allready makeing for ye Reception of the King, and that a Key to Edinbrough Castle will be made of gold and presented to his majtie as has been Customary for above 200 years. Patents are passing ye seals for creating the Marquis of Carmarthen duke of Pontefract; The Earl of Devon duke of New Castle and ye Earl of Bath duke of Albemarle.

+Tis said his majtie has been moved that he will be pleased to discharge the Earl of Clarendon from his Confinement at his Country House, as alsoe his Bail, wch tis said is granted.

+We have Advice that Captain Bart with his dunkirk squadron of 3 men of war and 2 fireships is cruising about the mouth of ye River Thames

+Yesterday the duke of St Albans son to the late Madam Gwyn took his seat in ye House of Peers. This day ye House of Commons reassumed ye debate of ye state of ye Nation, and there were divers Pathetical speeches made upon ye occasion, wch led ym to the Consideration of the miscarriage of the ffleet, and Admirall Russell being called upon produced and read a Journall of his proceedings with ye severall orders he received from time to time from ye Lords of ye Admiralty wch he psued, and to ye question wch was asked him why he did not sail with the ffleet out of ye Downs ye wind being fair 5 days he replied he wanted

sailing orders, upon the whole the matter was further deferred till munday next when ye Lords of ye Admiralty are to bring ye House Copies of all the orders they sent the Admirall. The Bill for takeing ye Oaths in Ireland is ordered to be carried up to the Lords. Adj'd till to morrow

L. c. 2073 [Handwriting changes here.] London No: 12th: 1691

Letters from Dublin of the 5 Instant say That on the first all the french with some of the Irish were Embarqued on Board some of the french Transport shippes in the River Shannon, And the rest of the Irish Embarqued on Board 40 of our Transport shippes at Corke and waite for a faire Wind to Carry them to france

The Marraynerd belonging to the Restauration having lately Mutined the Ringleader was by a Courte Marshall Condemned to bee Hanged at the Maine Arme yard of the said shipp But on Tuesday Evening Nyne Gentlewomen all in White attended her Matye and prsented a petition begging his life, But by reason of the greatness of his Crime would not bee Admitted

Notwithstanding I mentioned in my last that the Barbadoes and Virginia ffleetes were Comeing into the Downes, Yet tis said they are still att Kinsale, And those shippes seene off of Dartmouth were Sr Ra: Delavalls Squadron who could not reach ye Irish Coast by reason of Contrary Winds. And by Letters yesterday from Dartmouth they are put into Spitt head, And last night Sr Ralph Delavall Arrived at Courte

Yesterday the Bipp of Lincolne took the Oathes having paid his Complint to their Matys upon his promotion to yt Bishopprick

Yesterday the Gunner of the Exeter was hanged up in Chaines

Last night was seized greate Quantities of fflanders lace french all a mode & c of greate Vallev being Concealed in Corne Vessells

Yesterday 2 Psons were seized and Comitted upon Suspition of being the Authours of some scandalous papers lately scattered in Whitehall reflecting on the Governmt

Chattam No: 10th 2 second rate shippes here are almost finished and at the Lanching of them his Matye will bee here. Sr John Ashby and Reer Admirall Rookes are gon for London

Yesterday Morneing about 4 a Clocke a ffire broke out at his Matys house att Kensington which burned downe the Stone Gallery some stables and Out houses but their Matys Appartmts escaped how it happned is not knowne

Waymouth the 9th instant prsent[ly?] after last post came in here the Whitefortune of Lisbon from Amsterdam the Master whereof says he was Carryed by a french Man of Warr into Dunkirke and Examined And that before he came away there sailed out of that Harbor for Brest 6 Men of Warr from 50 to 60 Gunns each and 2 of them new builte never att sea before, And further says the french there boast of having a greate ffleet at Sea in Aprill next

Sr Richard Reynolds Lord Cheife Justice and Capt ffitzGarrold are arrived here from Ireland and I am Informed they have brought with them severall draughtes of Actes of Parliamt to bee perused by the Councill in order to bee Converted into Lawes which I am tould will bee Considered on next weeke

Wee heare yt Sr Thoms Pilkington our late Lord Mayor departed this life yesterday Morneing at his Seate in the Country

This day Six Women were Seized in Drury Lane for Clipping and Coyneing the Currant Coyne of this Kingdome and Comitted to Newgate

This day Severall Messengers Searched the the Coffee houses in Towne for a Seditious Phampllett entituled the Royall Phampllett

Letters yesterday from Edingburgh of the 5th instant advise they have an Acct from the North that 200 Highlanders comeing downe to a

place called Cleow from whence they tooke 300 head of Cattle, The Country people being Alarmed gott together and Attaqued them of whom they 150 & tooke ye Cattle wth a greate Booty from ye Highlanders

They add that a Proclamacon was Issued out there for a Genll day of thanksgiveing to be observed in that Kingdome for his Matyes safe and happy retorne from fflanders and the success of his Armye in Ireland, And yt ye Kings Comission of ye Exchequer there are very busie in geathering in his Matyes Revenues.

Harwich No: 10 This day the Spanish [illegible six-letter word] Pacquett Boate arrived here from Holland and brought in with her a Hamburg Shipp laden with Cloathe and Sugar which shee retooke from a ffr: Privattr that was Carrying her as prize into Dunkirke.

+Wee dayly expect to heare of ye Arrivall of 400 saile of laden Colliers which sailed from Newcastle last ffryday. Tiusday [?] the House of Comons went into a Committee to Consider of a supply &c and were of an Opinion that the Excise should Continue for a yeare longer And ordred to bring in a Bill for yt purpose

L. c. 2074 London Novembr 14 1691

the Lettrs yesterday from Plymo of the 11 Instant Advise that ye Swan ffriggatt has brought in there a ffrench prize of 160 tons laden with wine and Brandy.

Lettrs yesterday from Deale say 60 sayle of outward bound Virginia Barbados &c shippes were sayled out there under Convoy of Captain Wrenn in ye Norwich.

Wee heare that Sr Ralph Delavall Comeing in Sight of the Irish Coast sent 3 of his ffriggatts into Kinsale to acquaint ye merchts that hee wayted their Comeing out but a violent storme ariseing obliged him to beare off for feare of the Worst soe was forced into the Channell and Came into Spitthead for ffresh tenders [?] but ye 3 ffriggatts gott safe into Kinsale harbour.

On Thursday last Admirll Russell was marryed to one of the Earl of Bedfords daughters.

And that day Sr Cloudsley Shovell departed this life after a long sicknesse.

The Ld President is Indisposed as also the Ld Lovelace.

Yesterday the Earle of Clarendon was bayled in ye Kings Bench Courte himselfe in 1000 L and the E. of Rochester Ld Hollis Sr Wm Turner and Sr John Parsons in 500 L each.

The Lady Treby Outlawed upon the Statutes of Recusancy appeared and desired to reverse ye same which was denyed yet was admitted bayle.

On Thursday a man & woman went into the Crosse keys Taverne in Holborne drunck 7 pints of wine and bilked the House ffor when ye Drawer went up to see what they wanted found they were gone but upon a Chayre there lay a bag of 52 ounces of Clippings and a few Minutes after they Returned and were seized. The Man was Comitted to Newgate and the woman discharged.

The Pamphlet entitled the Royall Martyr Concerned in my Last soe Industriously handed about towne by the Jacobites, 3 of them were found in a Coffee house in Princes streete near Covent garden upon which the Master of the House was taken into Custody of a Messenger.

Yesterday Sr Stephen ffox tooke his seate in the house of Commons as Member of Parliamt for Westminster.

The same day his Matye Created the Ld Montague Ld Lieutt of Middx

Sr Ralph Delavall has brought in with him a ffrench vessell which had on board a Pacquet of Letters wch discovers the great Intelligence the ffrench have of all things transacted here.

A Gentleman who arrived last night from Ireland sayes yt soe soone

as the ffrench Governour of Lymrick came aboard the Admirall hee produced a Pticular order from ye ffrench King, telling him, that by vertue of the same hee must make him a Prisoner, and Imediately Caused him to bee putt in Irons.

They write from Portsmo that a Dutchman of Warre of 70 gunns belonging to Sr Ralph Delavalls Squadron is unfortunately Cast away by distresse of weather.

All the Irish Cler[g?]y are ordered to Returne home.

On Thursday last one Summers of Exon appeared at the Kings bench barre, and had an Information ordered to bee drawne up against him for Cutting a Gentleman of that County over the head for Refuseing to drinck the Sham Prince of Wales's health. Hee desired to be bayled, but was Comitted Prisoner to the Kings bench.

+Lettrs yesterday from Scotland of the 7th Instant say, that ye Troopee of Guards being mustered last weeke were all new Clothed, and their officers ordered ym to bee Carefull of them and their horses, for that his Maty is expected at Edenburgh about Xting His Maty hath Nominated all the fforces that are to bee suddainly transported for fflandrs but I Cannot pretend to give you ye List thereof, yet am assured, that there will not bee 10000 men of horse foot and Dragoones left in Ireland and already Transport shippes are takeing up for their Transportacon dr Welland [?] The Author of the Observator being in Custody of a serjeant at armes intends to peticon the house of Commons that they will be pleased to discharge him.

+The Countesse of Wimbledon dyed this weeke.

+The Bp of London was taken soe ill last Thursday in ye House of Peeres that hee was Carryed home but last night was some what better, and tis hoped will Recover.

+Sr Ralph Delavall with his Squadron are still at Spithead where they are refitting and takeing in ffresh Provisions.

L. c. 2075 [Handwriting changes here.] London No: 17th 1691
+Letters from ffalmouth of the 12 instant say that ye Spanish Expedition pacquett Boate was Arrived there with one Maile from the Groyne And about 30 Passengers being the Masters and Men of some of our Newfoundland shippes taken by ye ffrench on ye Coast of Galacia, And tis feared some more of that ffleete (being 18 in number) are fallen into their Hands there being only 2 of them yett heard of. The Pacquett says that Just as Shee came off advise was brought to the Groyne of the safe Arrivall of their Gallions att Cadiz

Letters from Swamzie of the 12 say that a ffrench shipp of 8 Gunns 120 Tuns and 30 Men haveing putt into small Creeke 8 Myles thence The Master with some of the Men & came [sic] on Shoare and prtended themselves ffrench Protestants and that they putt in there onely for fresh Water to Carry them to Plymouth upon which a ffarmer invited them to his House and treated them with what he could affoard, And the Master to retalliate his kindness invited him on Board where being come hee told him he was a privatteer of St Maloes and would not lett him goe till hee had sent for some Shepe which being done hee paid for the same, sett him on Shoare and soe putt to sea

Plymouth letters of the 14 say tha[t] the Dover ffriggatt is come in there from Cruizeing and has brought in with her 3 retaken English prizes (vizt) 2 laden with Lead and Shott And the other laden with Linnen belonging to Bristoll

Sunday being the birth day of Q: Dowager the Gunns of the Tower were discharged and towards Evening their Matys with the Princesse of Denmarke and many of the Lords and Commons vissitted And Complimented her upon the same

Yesterday it was reported upon the Exchange that their Matys Shipp the Retorne [?] a 4 rate unhaply fell in with 4 or 5 ffr: Men of Warr off of Dunkerke and was taken after a stoute resistance

What I wrote In my last touching Sr Clowdsly Shovell proves a happy Mistake for he is in an hopefull way of Recovery As is alsoe the Ld Lovelace

On Saturday Capt Young who transported Capt Crone into ffrance was Admitted to Baile

Letters yesterday from Liverpoole say a shipp is Arrived there from the North of Ireland who said that above 200 ffamyliies are Arrived there from the Irish Army to posses their ould habitations but are ordred to make good what those in possession have Expended thereupon

On Satturday last a great robbery was Comitted nigh Edgar by 11 highwaymen who meeteing with some oposition killed 4 psons whom they robbed and made their Escapes

Yesterday 2 psons were seized and Comitted for disperseing a scurrilous pamphlett entituld ye Royall Martir Three of ye Kings Messengers are displaced for speakeing too much of the late Raigne

+On Satturday night last a pson as he was walkeing about 11 A Clock neare Charing Cross was run thro the Body by another of which he instantly dyed And the Murderer escaped

+Transporte shippes are ordred to bee made ready for Transporting 17 Regimts from Ireland to bee sent for fflanrs The Estimate for the ffleete for the yeare ensueing given in the H: of Commons is (vizt) 5 first rates 11: 2 rates 32: 3d rates: 9: 4th rates and 6: 6 rates besides 20 ffireshipps Hospitalls and Tenders and 30000 Men.

+This day an Express arrived with advise that the Happy Retorne is not taken as was reported.

+This day being the Anniversary day of Q: Elizabeth was observed wth ringing of Bells Bonefires &c.

+This day the H: of Commons had before ym ye Complaints of ye East India Company and ordred ym to make their defence on ffryday next. Then Sr Ra: Delavall was ordred to be Called in wth ye papers he had found on Board ye ffrench advice Boate Adjorned &c

L. c. 2076 [Handwriting changes here.] London November ye 19th 1691

Letters yesterday from Portsmouth say the West India outward bound ffleet arrived there from the downs to the number of 60 or 70 sailed thence with their Convoy to the Westward. And about 50 saile of Canary men with some more West India ships will fall down in order to their respective voyages, and have a Convoy of 4 men of war allowd them.

We hear the Lords of the Admiralty have ordered a sum of money to be remitted into Ireland for paying off the 19 Regiments that are to be transported for fflanders.

Letters yesterday from plymouth of ye 15th say the Elizabeth of London is arrived there with 140 English prisoners from st Malo, who gives an Account that there are 32 privateers belonging to that port, at sea and that as they came away 60 prisonrs were brought in, being taken out of 2 English homeward bound Jamaica ships.

Yesterday a Commission passed the seals constituteing the Earls of Pembroke and mountgomery Lord ffrankland, Sr Richard Anslow, Sr John Lowther and Sr Robert Rich (who is added in the Room of Sr Thomas Lee deceased) to execute the office of Lord High Admirall of England.

Yesterday an Extraordinary Councill was held in Reference to the forces here and those in Ireland that are to be transported into fflanders

On wednesday next ye convicted seamen for deserting the Sandwich are to be executed at Execution dock.

Yesterday severall sums of money were Issued out of the Exchequer

for paying the Arrears of the forces in Ireland.

To morrow 7 night will be a great tryall at Westminster about a Leaden mine (now in possession of Sr Carbury Price in Wales) the patentees not doubting but to prove the same a Royall mine, it haveing formerly belonged to the Crown for about 100 years, with a mint thereto for the Coining of money

Letters yesterday from Scotland of ye 12th say the Councill were considering of ways for raiseing of new Levyes, all ye standing forces haveing orders to be ready at the sound of a Trumpet or Beat of drum to march for fflanders, the shipping being ready to carry them over, and that major Genll Levingston with some persons of note set forwards that day for London to render his Majtie an Account of the state of that Kingdome, being in as great tranquility as hath been known these many years.

His Majtie designs next week to goe for Portsmouth, there being some 3d Rates to be lanced.

One Mr Tempest was yesterday Committed to Newgate for carrying Letters to and from ye late King James, some of wch were found in his Custody.

The Marquis of Carmarthen is soe indiposed that he has not been out of his house these 8 days.

Yesterday a Gentleman arrived here from Ireland who left dublin the 15th, and says that on the 12th our Transport ships had on Board the Irish who would goe for ffrance and are saild from Cork, and that our West India ffleet at Kingsale waited impatiently for a Convoy, declaring if they had it not speedily they would come away without, the Coast being clear of the ffrench.

A draugh is made of 32 men out of each Company of ye duke of Boltons Regimt to goe for the West Indies.
+Sr Ralph dallival is expected in Town this night to give an Account to the Parliament of the papers seized in the ffrench Advice Boat, wch demonstrates that all the measures of our ffleet as alsoe the Posts Instructions and directions were disclosed. yesterday the Lord dursley his majties Embassador to the States Generall arrived here, haveing leave to come over about his own private Affairs. Mr Metham is said to be nominated by his Majtie to goe Envoy to the Court of Portugall. This day the King took a view of the Lord Colchesters and Coll Godfreys Regiments of Horse and the Lord ffitz Hardings dragoons at Hounsloe Heath. Lieutenant Generall Hamilton taken prisoner at the Battle of the Boyne and kept sometime at Chester is bringing to Town in order to be Exchanged for ye Lord Montjoy now prisoner at the Bastyle in Paris. Last Tuesday night the Effigies of the ffrench King the Pope and father Peters were burned in divers parts of this City. I hear the Lords of the Admiralty have given in a List to the Parliament of 34 Men of War lost since the war with ffrance.

L. c. 2077 [Handwriting changes here.] London No: 21: 1691
+Plymouth letters of ye 17 say the Crowne ffriggott Continues in that Porte, As doe alsoe the dutch St Hubes [?] ffleete but on the day of the date their long expected Convoy sailed by that Porte to the Westward and they are prpaireing to follow

We hear from Marazion in Cornwall that 2 Dutch Doggers are put into Mounts Bay from Bilboa and say there are 32 ffr Privattrs in the Bay of Biscay and have brought in severall prizes

On Thursday last ye Mandamus brought by Sr James Smith (who stands in Competition with Major Wyldman for the Aldermanship of this Citty in refference thereto[]) was to have been debated at Westmr but deferred till the next Terme

We heare that theire Matys fforces according to the List given into the House of Comons by the Lord Ranelagh are to be devided as followeth (vizt) in England 10516 in Scotland 2608 in Ireland 12900 in the West Indies 900 and in fflanders 38000 which makes in all 64924

The Prince of Hesse D'Hormestadt, Coll Ruvigin and Coll Lumley are Arrived here from Ireland, As are alsoe Briggadier Clyfford, Collonell Lutterell and Coll Oxbrough who served the late K: James in Ireland they haveing all 3 taken the Oathes of Allegience to their Prsent Matys, And have liberty to raise 3 Regiments out of those Irish who shall bee willing to serve his Maty in fflandrs And soe to Continue in the same Post of Honour as undr the late K: James. Balderick O'Donnell with his followers Continues in Ireland till the Spring when hee will embarque him selfe and his for Spaine in order to serve his Catholicke Maty in Catalonia next Campaigne

Letters from Holland of the 14 instant say an English ffriggott is Arrived in the Road of Leith from Holland and has on board about 50 Officers belonging to the English and Scots Regimts in fflandrs who are come over for Recruiters They say they gave chase to severall ffrench Privattres in theire way and forced one of them on shoare where shee Bulged

They add that one Mr Leggatt who was Collector for the supply for Middlothian has fledd his habitation Carrying with him above 1000 L Sterling of the Kings Money; And is suspected to bee gone for ffrance, being a Jacobite, But his sureties are like to come by the loss

Yesterday the Lords heard the Cause of Mr Bonnert agt the Earle of Salisbury upon an Appeale and theire Lordshipps gave it for the Earle

We are tould his Maty Intends to Convert the late King James Chappell att Whitehall into a Library and will furnish it with variety of Bookes of all Languages

Yesterday Mr Keeling (who was an Evidence in ye Rye Plott) and one Meason and Cozens were tryed att Westminster for speakeing reflecting words agt the Govermt and drinking healthes to ye Confusion of their Matys &c The Evidence being full the Jury found them guilty

Last night was a hearing before the King and Councill concerning Mr King and Mr Phillipps both being elected Mayors of Coventry the determination of which was solely left to his Maty

The Grand Jury of Ossulton Hundred in Middlesex have found an Indictmt agt Sr Humphrey Edwyn Alderman of this Citty.

+Letters from Lisbon say 9 of theire shipps are Arrived from Goa more richly laden with Ingotts of Gould then any that ever came before, Occasioned by a New Gould Mine lately discovered there.

+Yesterday the Lords of the Admiralty sate and amongst some other mattres relating to the ffleete ordred 2 Men of Warr with Transporte shipps to saile forthwth for Scotland and take on Board the fforces yre that are to be Transported for fflanders.

+Orders are sent to Newcastle for the takeing up 3 Capts of Convoys who suffered the ffrench to take severall laden Colliers out of ye Mouth of ye Harbour wthout giveing them Chase Complaint being made thereof by the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle.

+To Morrow or Munday 60000 L will be sent under a strong guard for Chester for the fforces in Ireland.

+Orders are given out for seizeing some persons Concerned in the papers lately taken by Sr Ralph Dellavall on Board the ffrench Advise Boate on Coast of Ireland.

+Coll Godfry is Chosen a Member of Parliamt for Wickham in Buckinghamsh.

+The ould East India Company is like to Continue but with greate regulations and many more will bee allowed to joyne with them.

+This day Baldwin ye Printer of the observator appearing before the H of Commons and makeing his humble submission upon his knees was ordred to bee discharged paying his ffees but ye [illegible seven-letter word] Continues in Custody. The House read a 2d Tyme the bill for dubleing the Excise. The further debate for the state of ye nation is deferred till Wendsday next Adjorned till Munday

L. c. 2078 [Handwriting changes here.] London Novembr 24 1691

Lettrs from Deale of the 23d Say their Matye's Shipps the Portland Swallow Conception Oxford Sandwich Larke and St Albans Ketch were then att Anchor in the Downes 5 of which are to goe Convoy to the Canary and Virginia ffleetes. And the day of the date one of the Van Guards Crew who was Condemned by a Court Martiiall for haveing deserted the sd Shipp when shee run on Shoare upon the Goodwin Sand was hanged on board one of of ye abovemenconed Shipps.

Yesterday the Canary and Virginia Outward bound ffleetes being Cleared at ye Customhouse were also cleared att Gravesend and haveing a ffrsh and fayr gayle fell downe the River in order for the Downes. The same day the Lds of the Admiralty recd advice of the safe arrivall of their Matyes Shipp the Happy Returne into Spithead and that shee had brought in there 3 ffrench prizes.

On ffryday the Comon councill resolved to discharge the debt due to the Orphans of this Citty and in order to it have sett apart 8000 L P ann of the City Lands towards paying 24000 L due to them for Interest att 4 P cent and will prsent a bill to the Parliamt for to Pay 12 d P C held upon Coales [?] towards the Principall due to them.

Yesterday a Regiment of Scotch horse Granadiers arrived here from the North in order for their Embarcation for fflandrs and wee heare that betweene 60 & 70 shipps are taken up for Transportation of 3000 horse out of this Kingdom into that Countrey and will bee all embarqued by ffryday next.

Lettrs yesterday from Portsmouth say the outward bound West india ffleete are driven back by Contrary winds into Spitthead.

Yesterday the Lds Comrs of the Great Seal ordered their Messenger to take up one Dyer for writeing Reflectively upon their Ldspss.

The E. of Suffolke was marryed last weeke to the Lady Maynard.

The Lds heard the Cause betweene the E. of Monmouth & one Danvers about an estate of 4000 L P ann which the King gave to the sd

+yesterday a Gentl woman was brought from Harwich, being lately seized there, haveing about her severall papers and lettrs directed from the late King James to psons of qualittye here and was happily discovered by a Pson who Came over with her and Caused her to bee apprehended.

+On Satturday last one Coming a Bookseller was seized in his Lodgings where were found Printed Coppyes of all the seditious Libells that have been printed since the last Reigne, amongst them that of the Royall Martyr vindicated ffor which hee is comitted to Newgate.

+The Earle of Scarsdell lyes dangereously ill but ye Marquis of Caermarthen is in an hopefull way of Recovery.

+Sr Thomas Higgins aforesd was an Evidence at ye Court of Chancery in ye Tryall betweene ye Dutchesse of Albemarle and the Earle of Bath Concerning part of the late Duke of Albemarles estate, which his Ldspp layes clayme to but not yet determined.

+On Satturday Last Mr Beckley Chaplain to ye Earle of O. was Comitted to the Gatehouse for writeing somewhat Reflectingly on ye Government.

and Dyned att Hampton Courte and in the Evening returned to Kensington

Letters yesterday from Yarmouth further advise that the Pembroke ffriggott has brought into that Road 2 ffrench Privattres which shee took near the Bay of Biscay

Yesterday came on the Tryall betweene his Maty and the Ld Montgomery (mentioned in my last) but without any determination

Two dayes agoe Major Genll Maccay Embarqued for fflanders by ad[v]ise of his Maty upon Notice that the ffrench are in Motion in those partes. The greate Tryall Mentioned in my last betweene the Dutchess of Albemarle and the E of Bath lasted from Morneing till almost 9 a Clocke at night soe that the verdict was not given till yesterday Morneing which was for his Lordshipp for 6000 P Ann by Deed and the Dutchess Claymes by Will and would have it to be an Inheritance to descend to Mr Pride Nephew to the late Duke. The Merchant in the Citty being apprhensive of the ffleete of Merchant Men homeward bound from Kinsale may run the risque of falling into the Hands of the ffrench are Insureing as fast as they can upon Advise that the ffrench Privattres are very buisie towards the Lands end.

+This day being ye Genll Thanksgiving for the Success of their Matys forces &c The same was observed with greate decorum the Evening Concluded wth greate Illuminations Bonefires &c The Bipp of Ely preached before the Lds and the Bipp of Glocester before the Commons. The Comissioners for the Exchange of Prisoners have beene to veiwe the Irish Officers in the Savoy and tis Conjectured in order to their being Exchanged

Wee still want our Irish/and forraigne Mailes

L. c. 2080 [Handwriting changes here.] London Novembr 28 1691

[The] Plymouth Lettres yesterday of the 24 say their Matyes shippes the Norwich and Childs play putt in there the day before with about 50 Sayle of Merchants shippes being the same which had sayled by that Port on the 20th to the Westward and had made some Leagues beyond the Lands end on their way to the Westindyes but were forced back again by Contrary windes. about 16. Leagues of the Lyzard two ffrench Privateeres came up with and Sayled twice round them, but they pceiving them too well guarded and nothing to bee accompted upon them, they bore off again to Sea. The day of the date a Dutchman of Warre arrived there from Kinsale wch place she left on ye 15th but brings noe news from thence more then that they left 300 mercht shippes in that harbour under Convoy of 9 men of Warre wayteing with Impatience for a ffair wind to Carry them for England and is Resolved to take the ffirst that shall offer.

And yesterday some Merchants upon the exchange had advice that they were putt to sea, but of this wee want a Confirmation

Yesterday Coll Godfrey at the head of his Regiment of Horse marched through this City, all his men being well mounted and Clothed in order for their Embarcation for fflandrs

The Nonsuch ffriggott which some weekes agoe Carried Clothes and Money for the Ld Mordants Regiment to Guernsey is not yet heard off, which gives some occasion to beleive shee is taken by the ffrench. The Bonadventure is alsoe Missing, neither have wee any Certain account of the Happy Returne, although it was reported shee was Come to Spithead.

By a Vessell putt into Bristoll from Ireland Wee have Advice, that there are 7000 Irish embarqued on board ye ffrench shippes Consisting of men, women and Children and that ye ffrench ffleete is not gone from the Chopps of the Channell which makes some beleive they wayte for the Comeing of our Westindia ffleete from Kinsale.

A Comittee of the House of Lords satt yesterday at the Princes Lodging, and with them Severall Judges and some of the Comissrs of the

great Seal to Consider of a bill to bee brought in to reforme what is amisse in the Court of Chancery.

On Thursday morning one Mr Darcy a Yorkshire Gentl of a good family tooke water att Hungerford stayres bidding the Waterman land him at ye Temple but by the way Cast himselfe into the Thames and was drowned. His body was soone after taken up by a ffisherman in his nett neare Somersett Stayres, and was laid in S. Martins Churchyard where the Coroners Inquest satt on him this day.

Yesterday Came on the Tryall betweene the Patentees and Sr Carbury Price about his Myne in Wales which I lately menconed, but the Jury stayed soe long before they agreed their verdict that ye Court arose before they Returned, but its said to goe in favour of the Patentees.

Yesterday a great Councill was held at Whitehall and Messengrs were ordered to goe downe to ye North to take into Custody some disaffected Psons upon Informacon given yt they are Caballing there and the Sheriffs for the ensueing yeare were pricked, whose Names will bee printed next weeke.

+Sr Ralph Delavalls squadron is ordered to sayle speedily to the Chopps of the Channell to Chace away the ffrench Privateeres, that Infest those seas.

+A Train of Artillery of 80 pieces of Cannon & 20 Mortars is prepareing in the Tower to bee sent to fflandrs.

+The Conge d'estier for Lyncolne was returned yesterday and they have unanimously Chosen Dr Tenison Bp of that see.

+An agreemt is lately made betweene his Maty of Great Brittain and the ffrench King by Comissrs that all Merchantmen or men of Warre &c. that shall bee taken on either side The seamen on both sides shall bee sett on shoare at the first Convenient place of Landing without being exchanged as was some tyme since done betweene the States of Holland and the ffrench King.

+On Thursday last the Arch Bishop of Canterbury treated att Lambeth house the Duke of Norfolke and all the new Created Bishops att a Splendid Dinner and what was left his Grace ordered to bee given to the Poore. All the fforces in England and Scotland, which were at home Last Summer are to bee transported to fflandrs and their roomes to bee supplied by the most ffatigued fforces in Ireland.

+On Wednesday night last his Matye was pleased to Signe a Warrant for passeing a Comicon for Mr Henry Barker Constituteing him Governor of New yorke in the West Indyas in the roome of the late deceased Coll Slaughter.

L. c. 2081 [Handwriting changes here.] London 10ber 1st 91
+fforreigne lers yesterday say the Pope Resolves to come to noe accomodacon wth ffr till ye Clergie have made a solemne recantacon.

The Marqs de Legames before he left Piedmont pmised ye Confederates to return next Campaigne wth 20000 men to helpe to besiege Pignorell

About 300 of Teckleys associates have deserted him & joynd ye Imperialists and say severall more will doe ye like and yt the Turks Tartars & Malecontents are seperated one from an othr

Lettrs from Ireland say yt ye late Majr Genll Kirks Regt is given to ye D of Ormond and goes undr ye name of ye foot guards

In ye Room where yt City entertained Genll Ginkle yr was a Comecon [?] curiously done in Silver and Gold Lers and bedecked wth wreathes of Laurell ye Numericall Lettrs of which made up ye yeare 1691 in wch ye Genll had done soe many brave actions to his own Glory, liberty & Prosperity of Irelde

Some Irish on board transport ships in Corke river have mutyned and declared they will not goe for ffr. but does not tell if it be apeald or noe

Wee heare yt one of our M of war has chased a ffr Privateer on ye Coast of Sussex where she ran upon a Rock & yr Lodged

Yesterday an Express was sent to Ireland to stopp ye comeing home of ye Merchmt ships at Kinsale and tis thought a Convoy will speedily be sent thithr

Yesterday one Canzom [?] stood in ye Pillory at Westmstr for speakeing agt ye Governr

Yesterday ye Ld Colechesters Regt of horse wth part of ye Ld Berkleys and a Scots Regt of Dragoons marchd thro this City all well horsed & accoutred to embarke for fflandrs

Liverpool 9ber 27 ye Jane & Sarah of London are come in here from Drogheda in Ireland as allsoe ye Contencon of this Place having soldiers on board and they bring account that Severall more were ready to embarke for England when they came away

Yesterday Walter Vincent Esqr a member of Parliamt for ye County of Cornwall being taken in ye Parliamt house of an atpoplectick [sic] fitt was Imediatly carryed into ye Speakers Chamber and blooded in both Armes and is now in a hopefull way of Recovery

His Maje will have wth his own and ye Confederate fforces an Army of 150000 men next Campaigne in fflandrs to Act in 3 or 4 bodyes & ye horse and dragoons will exceed those of ye ffr

Vast quantities of Bombs Carcashes and other warlike necessaryes are prepareing in ye Tower to be sent to fflandrs

Ld Clarendon is continued in his bayle till next Terme

The Ld Mont Joy who has been some time Prisnr in the Bastile of Paris is arrived at Calais in order to be exchanged for Lt Genll Hammilton who was taken prisnr in Ireland. All ye horse and dragoons designd for ye Low Countryes this winter are embarked & tis beleaved will starte to morrow. The D of Savoy's Envoy that rested here last winter is comeing againe in the same Quality

+Lettrs yesterday from Paris of 24 past advise that Capt Bart hath lately taken 2 men of war one an English ship of 70 the othr an Ostendr of 44 Guns who had ye Capt Lieut and neare 100 men kild before he yeilded tis sd he had some thousands of Pieces of 8 on board for ye Governour of fflandrs. They add that the Popes Nuntio arrived yr and had his Publique Audience of ye ffr. King and allsoe of K James. Just now we have advice that ye Nonsuch ffrigot had landed the money and cloaths at Jersey and was taken in her Returne. Martis 10ber the first ordered that the Report from the Commissionrs of the Accompts made by Mr Staley be taken into consideration on thursday when ye whole house is to attend. Resolved yt ye house resolve into a Comte on ffryday next to consider on ye Supply. Adjourned till to morrow.

L. c. 2082 [Handwriting changes here.] London Decembr 3: 1691

Letters yesterday from Plymouth of the 30 past say all the Outward bound English and Dutch shippes remaine still there, As alsoe the Men of Warr Three shippes from Barbadoes are come in there which left Kinsale the 23 in Company with the whole Grand homeward bound Mercht ffleete but were seperated by Stress of Weathr and have not heard of them since but judge they cannot be farr off. But yesterday the Merchants had advise that most of them were put into the Isle of Weight Spitthead and the Downes

Some of the Transporte shippes that Carryed the Irish from Lymrick to Brest advise that they saw the Happy retorne in that Harbour

Yesterday his Maty tooke a veiw of the ffirst Troope of Guards in Hideparke and ordred them to prpaire to Embarque for fflandrs

Wee heare the Suffoke Sparkes have petitioned his Maty that yt parte of their Sentence to stand in ye Pillory might be Mitigated but

his Maty would not heare of it

Wee heare from Ireland that the Citty of Dublin have prsented Genll Ginkle wth the ffredome of the Citty in a Box vallued att 300 [L]

Sr John Jennings is made one of the Comissioners of the Prize office in the roome of the late Sr Edmund Jennings

Severall of the Scotch Nobility and Gentry have offered their service to his Maty in the Warrs abroad

Deale Decemb 2 This day came into the Downes the Merchant shipp bound for Barbadoes and Jamaca with their Convoy

Last night dyed Capt Ashby Comander of their Matys shipp the Mairemaide

Last night 10 Sweedish Merchant shipp with their Convoy were Cast away off the back of the Sands. And this Morneing 2 other shipp of that Nation were Cast away laden with Pich Tarr &c bound for ffrance

Wee heare the Happy retorne was taken by a small ffrench Man of Warr of 40 Gunnes with out any resistance.

Yesterday 2 Hoggsheads of Clarrett were staved at the Custome house as Prohibited Goods

Yesterday began the Choyce of an Alderman for Wintry Ward in the roome of the late deceased Sr Tho: Pilkington and the Candidates being 2: Psons the Election fell upon Sr Thomas ffowles Sr William Pritchard Sr Wm Turner and Esqr Dashwood Bro: to Sr Samll Dashwood who will be prsented to the Courte of Aldermen to Choose one out of the number. Yesterday 2 Psons not members of Parliamt were seized sitting in the house of Comons and taken into Custody by a Serjant att Armes

Letters yesterday from Chester say that fforges dayly Arrive there from Ireland and that Generall Ginkle is hourly expected, And that they heard a shipp wth some passengrs were Cast away neare the Welch shoare.

Some private letters yesterday from Ireland advise that the Malitia fell upon some of the Irish fforges as they were goeing to Embarque and plundred them of what they had upon Complaint of the Country people that they had robbed them, And some of the Troopers by the way sould their Horses and Accoutrements and with the Money returned to their habitations

Monsr Hopp the Dutch Ambassador here is buying up great quantities of Corne and victualling for the Dutch ffleete next yeare and severall of their Men of Warr are comeing hither to take provisions in our portes +Letters yesterday from Paris of the freshest date advise that they have advise from the Campe before Montinlion yt the siege advances wth Success That a soldat comeing out of the Towne and being taken ill Confessed he had a letter Concealed in his Shoe from the Governor of that place (who is sick of a feavor) to the Duke of Savoy giveing an Acct of the Miserable Condition of the Garrison soe that if they had not reliefe in a few dayes they should be forced to Surrender that Important ffortress to the ffrench who have before it 1500 Horse and 12000 ffoote. They add that the ffr: King has obliged the late K: James wth his Queene to reside at St Germans not Careing hee should goe into a Monestary but they Pmitted all his followers yt are English to retorne home, And that the Lord Stafford has given Security to his Creditors there for the paymt of his debts asoone as hee Arrives in England. Wee heare 2 ffrench Men of Warr were Cast away as they were returning into the Harbour of Brest. +The Capt of the Mary Rose and Constant Warwick will bee Tryed on Board Sr John Ashby in the Unity, And Capt Wright late Admirall of their Matys ffleete in the West Indies is alsoe to bee Tryed by a Courte Marshall and divers Comandrs of the West India ffleete are ordred to bee summoned. A Parliamt will be called in Ireland in March next bills being ready for that purpose. Wee heare 10000 Men Women &c are gone out of Scotland to Inhabitt in the North of Ireland

L. c. 2083 [Handwriting changes here.] London 10ber 5th 91
+Lettrs yesterday from Dublin say they have advice from Limrick of ye 17
that Coll Gordon Oneale, & Coll Phenix Neale wth yr Regts were encamped
in ye County of Kerry being part of those Irish designed for ffrance are
come over to ye Major obedience, as doe daily a great many othrs they
being entirely pswaded of ye clemency of ye Govermt towards ym

Plymoth Lettrs of ffirst [?] say the Deptford ffrigt hath brot in yr
a ffr. Privateer of 24 Guns & 120 men. On ye 30 past 2 ships were cast
away abot 10 leagues to ye Eastward [?] of yt Port one being a Dutch man
from ye Canaryes the othr an English ship from Jamaica bound for London

Nigh 200 saile of ye West India ffleete are already cruising up ye
River, and say about 1/2 ye Barbados ffleet was left behinde in yt Island
by reason of ye great sickness of wch about 50 Cpts and 1000 L [sic]
Seamen dyed.

Mr Samcroft continues in Custody for his ffine of 300 mks and tis
said intends to Petition the King to mitigate ye same.

Yesterday ye 3d troop of Guards marchd thro this City towards yr
Imbarquacon

The Mrchants yesterday had advice that about 50 saile wr seen off
ye Lizard supposed to be ye homeward bound Jamaica ffleet

Weymouth 10ber ye 2d ye New Privateer of Guernsey calld ye Swallow
hath brot in here 2 ffr Prizes one of 60 [?] Tuns Laden wth sugars ye of
[?] 150 Tuns wth Wine Brandy and Salt wch she tooke out of a ffleet of
150 saile off Scarbrough, and had taken othrs had she had an othr
Privateer wth her

Chestr ye 1st Coll Byerleys and Coll Bronestons [?] Regts arrived
here this day from Ireland and Comissaryes are come to provide
necessaries for ym & othr soldrs

The Customes of ye West India ffleets will amount to 200000 L to ye
King

Dr Baxter the Nonconformist minister lyes a dyeing

Severll Romish Preists are seizd in disguise in Lancastr

A list is ordered to be brot in of all ye [ten-letter word or name
illegible] Cpts that have been in Terme for 30 years past in order
as tis believed to be imployd on board our Grand ffleet.

Our Mrchants yesterday had advice that 3 of ye Barbadoes ships
foundred in yr Portage from Kinsale

Edenburgh 9ber 29th yesterday ye E of Levins [?] and Coll Louthier
Regimts of foot Embarqued here for fflandrs and Coll Beverleys Regimt at
Barwick & 3 or 4 Regts more will embarque in few dayes

Its sd ye house of Commons have voted yt ye land tax as it was last
yeare shall be Continued and appropriated to ye use of ye Navy

On thurs Day night last a quarell hapned in ye Play house where
ye Ld N. had his head broke

The same night ye Morocco Ambassdr wth all his traine was at the
great musick house in Covent garden. Wee heare yt Sr Josiah Childe a
Member of ye East India Company will suddenly be created a Baron.

+Letters from Vienna of ye ffreshet date say Pr Lewis of Baden has
quarterd ye Impll Army at Dresden and in ye neighbourhood nearest great
waradin and that the Serasqueer and Teckley are gone into winter quarts.

That his Imperll Maje is raiseing 12000 Recruits for his Army in Hungary.

+They write from ye Rhine that most of ye Inhabitants on this side are
fled to the othr from ye cruelties of ye ffrench, and adde that ye widdow
of ye late Sr Wm Hussey is arrived at ffranckfort from Constantinople in
her way for England. Sr Bazill ffirebrass is prepareing his equipage and
goes next weeke into ye Country to make his Interest to be elected

Parliamt man for Choppinam [?]. This day the house of Comons read some

Bills and then the house went into a Grand Comte concerneing the double excise but the Chaire man wanting some Papers they went not through wth ye same. Then ye house read ye examinacon of ye Id Preston and Mr Crane but considering it was a nationall affaire defered ye consideracon yr of till wednesday next, Adjourned till Munday

L. c. 2084 [Handwriting changes here.] London decembr ye 8th 1691

Forreign Letters yesterday say the City of Mountmesion continues to make a brave defence soe that the ffrench despair of makeing ymselves masters yr of there not being one night but they loose abundance of men and officers, Mounsr Colinat himself narrowly escapeing he being shot through ye Cloak by a musquet Bullet. The Marquis d' Bagnasco Governour of the place drew out ye whole Garrison (600 strong) & signified to them yt if there were any that were not resolved to defend ye place to ye last they might be gone, upon wch only one old man left them but all the rest unanimously cryed out they would live & dye with him and defend ye place to the last man, after wch the Marquis caused 3 scaffolds to be Erected, and told ym one was for those soldiers yt should neglect to doe yr duty, another for those officers wch should mention a Capitulation, and ye 3d for himself, if any of them could upbraid him with Cowardise, or yt he was not brave enough in defending the place.

Plymouth Letters of ye 4th say 2 homewards bound Jamaica ships with the Success ffriggat (one of ye Convoy to that ffleet) are put in there haveing been separated from the rest of the ffleet off of Scilly, and suppose they may be gone up St Georges Channell. They have Advice yt 3 or 4 more of them are put into dartmouth.

The merchants yesterday had Advice yt severall ships of the Jamaica homeward bound ffleet were come into ye downs

Yesterday ye Crew of the Tyger ffrigot lately come from the West Indies went in a Body to the Lds of ye Admiralty and peticoned them for yr pay wch was promised among ye first that should be paid off

Yesterday great quantities of powder, shot & small carriages were shipt off at ye Tower. The same day ye duke of Lempsters [?] Regimt embarqued for fflanders

The Lord Hyde (eldest son to ye Earl of Rochester) is like to marry with ye daughter of Sr Thomas Lucem Gore [?]

Yesterday his Majtie was some hours in Consult with ye Lords of ye Admiralty abt maritim[e] Affairs, but we know not yet the Result.

Yesterday Mr Graham Sallicitor in ye Treasury to ye late King dyed suddenly.

to morrow Mr Sands Gent Usher to ye Queen dowager setts forwards for Callais in ffrance to provide lodgeings for her Majtie between yt place and Rochell where she designs to barque for Portugall.

On sunday night last the Lord Provost of Edinburgh arrived here from Scotland, & has waited on his majtie, & rendered him a satisfactory Account of ye Affair of yt Kingdome, from whence it is advised yt a fire lately happend within 4 miles of Edinburgh and laid most of ye houses in Ashes.

+The Close of ye last week ye members for Yorkshire and Durham presented proposalls to the Lords of ye Treasury for erecting a victualling office in Hull, wch they say will be of great advantage by reason of ye Cheapness of provisions there. They alsoe propose that the soldiers that land in ye North from Ireland may be cloathed there in Lieu of soe much tax money laid upon yt part of ye Countrey.

+His majtie has ordered some thousands of Horses fit to pass muster to be bought with all convenient speed in severall parts of England, and yesterday divers persons were sent into ye Countrey with money for that purpose.

+His majtie has been pleased to declare his Resolution of goeing for Holland about ye End of February next And if a peace be not concluded with ye Turks his majtie will send ye Emperour 10000 Irish to serve him next Campagne in Hungary agt ye Infidells. Tis said the Earl of Clancarly who was taken prisoner in Ireland will suddenly be released from his Imprisonment in ye Tower.

+They write from Paris yt ye late Queen Mary is with Child.

+To morrow both houses of Parliamt will make a Report of ye substance of ye Letters seized by Sr Ralph dallival on Board ye ffrench Advice Boat and likewise ye Confessions of ye Ld Preston and Mr Crone will be read & considered & one Mr ffuller (an Evidence) will be examined in ye Case of Mr Crone, and 'tis believed ye Confessions will be printed.

L. c. 2085 London december ye 10th 1691

Letters yesterday from Scotland of the 3d Instant say a Battalion of Coll Lowthers Regimt marched from Edinburgh on the 3d for Leith be goe [?] where they are to lye till ye Arrivall of the Convoy from England yt they may be in a readiness to Embarque at Barrowstows for fflanders, and Sr James Lesleys Regiment supplyes their Room at Edinburgh till the Earl of Argyle come up. Tis said his Lordships Errand at Court is to sollicite his majtie yt his Regiment may goe abroad with the first. on the 2d the Dutchess of Queensberry dyed of a feaver, and an Express was sent to acquaint the Duke with ye same

The duke of Hamilton with his son Lord George (who is come for recruites from Ireland) were expected the 4th Instant at Edinburgh. Tis said the Lord Harbottles Regimt of dragoons are to goe abroad & his Lordship is to Levy a new Regimt in their Room.

Letters yesterday from Cows of ye 5th Instant say yt severall Homeward bound West India ships are put in there, among them one that had been taken by the ffrench but retaken by a dutch Caper of 10 Guns, and say that the ffrench had also taken another richly laden, but that a Flushing privateer had retaken & sent her into that Port.

Letters yesterday from ffalmouth of ye 5th say yt of 20 sail homeward bound Newfound land ships only 3 as yet are come to sight, and yt 2 ffrench privateers have taken 3 small vessells off of the Lands End.

Dr busby one of ye prebendaries of Westminster an Eminent school master lyes a dying if not allready dead.

Severall Attempts have been made to beg the Estate of Mr darcy (who lately drowned himself) but tis thought his majtie will grant it to his younger Brother upon Application for the same.

Yesterday the sessions began at the old Bayly, where the watchmakers wife was tryed for Clipping, but the Evidence not proveing ye matter upon her she was discharged. A soldier was tryed and Convicted for killing 2 at the same time in one Room.

Yesterday ye Merchants had advice yt 3 of our New England ships were lately taken by the ffrench and carried into Brest, one of them being called ye Dolphine Thomas Hoy Master who fought the Enemy 6 hours till 15 of his men were killed.

The Train of Artillery of 100 pieces of Cannon in ye Tower are allmost got ready, 40 of them being whole Cannon, and most of the Gunners in England and Ireland are to goe along with to fflanders

Yesterday Mr ffuller (mentioned in my last) was heard at ye Barr of ye House of Commons, where he gave an Account how far he was concerned with Capt Crone, and desired he might be admitted to produce 2 Witnesses wch should confirm the same; he desired he might have an Allowance from the King, and he is to have a protection for 2 other persons besides himself he being a prisonr in the Kings Bench.

The Lords of ye Admira[lty] have sent orders to respite for a few days ye Tryalls of ye Capts of the Mary Rose & Constant Warwick ffrigats taken by the ffrench

The Spanish Ambassador at Warwick House has ordered that none of the Kings subjects yt are Roman Catholicks be admitted to come to his Chappell, unless they can give sufficient testimony yt they have taken ye Oaths to yr majties.

+Mr Baxter ye Non Conforfmist minister dyed last Tuesday night.

+milford Haven xber ye 4th one of ye Jamaica ffleet homeward bound is put into this port, being separated from 23 saile by stress of weather, the master whereof says they were richly laden haveing a considerable quantity of plate on Board.

+Plymouth xber ye 6th ye Elizabeth of London arrived here the day before with 170 Exchang'd prisoners from St Malo, 50 of ym belonging to the Happy Return, who say yt 3 or 4 days before they came away yr were 4 of our Jamaica ffleet brought in there by ye ffrench, & in yr way they met 2 ffrench privateers with 3 other prizes wch they had taken.

+Last night Genll Ginkle arrived here from Ireland, and ye day before the Earl of Argyle from Scotland.

+Tis said ye Spanish Ambassador has signified to his majtie yt ye ffrench are designing some Enterprize in fflanders and prays his Majtie to hasten his Troops from hence.

+We hear yt ye Lord Preston is gone to Yorkshire to be retired.

+orders are sent by his Majtie to Convert severall prizes taken from the ffrench into ffrigats, some of wch will carry 26, 36 and 40 Guns each. This day ye Merchants recd Advice yt 4 of yr East India ships richly laden are arrived at Barbados in yr way homeward, wch hath caused the Auction of ye sd Companies to encrease.

L. c. 2086 London december ye 12th 1691

Plymouth letters yesterday of the 8th say 4 transport ships (2 of wch belong to London) are arrived there from Brest, to wch place they had carried some Irish from Limmerick and say they left 3 others alsoe of London in that Harbour, wch could not return for want of men, many of their own being dead since their arrivall there, and most of the Remainder sick. They alsoe say that before they left that place Advice was brought thither that a ffleet of between 30 and 40 sail of ffrench merchant men with 4 men of war their Convoy laden with wine and Brandy bound from Burdeaux to Brest met with a storm & were all cast away.

Letters yesterday from Weymouth of ye 9th Instant say the Chester Merchant of about 60 Tuns was arrived from St Malo with 300 English prisoners, among them ye remainder of ye Happy Return.

Letters yesterday from deal of ye 10th say their majties ship the plymouth and the monk sailed out of the downs the day before, and about 40 sail of outward bound merchant men for ye Canaries Virginia, &c. under Convoy of their majties ships the Oxford, Greenwich and Rebecka fireships are to sail from thence the day of ye date.

Letters yesterday from Weymouth further Advise yt the Exchang'd prisoners from St Malo say yt Capt Hoy who was taken by the ffrench with his ship from New England (mentioned in my last) is kept close prisoner at St Malo with his 2 sons, his mate and a minister the ffrench pretending yt some of our ships from New England have taken 3 of theirs.

yesterday the sessions ended at ye old Baily, where 11 malefactors received sentence of death.

Colls dorrington Mayfield and Major Genll Hamilton are to be Exchanged for ye Lord Montjoy who is arrived at Callais in his way hither of wch there is Advice at Court by Letters from his Lordship.

Mr Baxter has left his Library to be sold, and the money to be

disposed to Charitable uses.

Mr Sandcroft paid his fine of 300 marks yesterday & was discharged

Mr John Gyles an Eminent ffellow of university Colledge in oxford haveing been in a profound melancholly for some weeks past on tuesday last went privately to Christ Colledge meadows and laying down his Cap & Gown leapt into ye River and was drowned.

I am credibly assured yt our ffleet for the next summers service will consist of 4 first Rates 8 second, 34 third and 16 fourth Rates wch with 38 dutch men of war wch are to join them will compose a ffleet of 100 sail of Capitall ships besides fireships Tenders &c wch will be ready to put to sea by the middle of Aprill next, and ye Admirall (whoever he be) will tis said have a full Commission to Act against ye Enemy as he see convenient.

We hear yt mr ffuller whom I told you in my last was examined before the House of Commons on wednesday is prepareing to give in to the House a most exact narrative of all the Grand designs of those great persons in favour of ye late K. James wch he mentioned to the House.

+Two nights agoe arrived here ye Earl of Tyrconnell, the Lord Bellers & divers others of the Irish nobility. About 150 officers are arrived from Ireland and several of them are come to Town, in order to raise recruits for ye Regimts.

+The Lord ffinch lyes dangerously ill. On thursday night last the Lord Nottinghams Coach houses were broke open, and the lineing of 4 rich coaches and Charriots cut out and carried away.

+We hear from Glocestershire yt an Irish divine being presented lately in a Liveing in yt County and being very poor ye parishoners raised a purse for him of 40 L to procure his Institution and Induction &c. but soe soon as he had received ye money he ran away leaveing his wife and Children to be maintained by the parish.

+The sherriffs of ye Counties for ye year 92 are not yet all nominated.

+on ye 6th John Norris Commander of ye pelican fireship wch came from Kingsale with the West India ffleet has been separated by stress of weather, being mett off of Scilly by a ffrench man of war was forced after a sharp dispute of some hours to yeild; and the ffrench sending severall hands in their Long Boat to Board him one of ym fell over, and while ye rest were helping him out Capt Norris took the opportunity to tack about and has brought his ship safe to Woolwich with 3 of the ffrench men wch were ye first yt got on Board Foreign letters this day bring nothing of moment.

+This day the House of Commons voted yt all ye officers of ye Kings Household who have above 500 L a year sallary from his majtie shall allow ye rest towards ye War.

[This sentence is in another hand:]

The New sherriffe for/Warwicksheire is tho. ffetheston Esqr
L. c. 2087 [Handwriting changes here; letter is faded badly.]

London ye 15 Decembr 91

The Merchants yesterday recd advice that a Guinea shipp that laid [?] untended her Effects at Jamaica and took in other Commodities they [?] being one of those that were Missing was come into North Wales where she stranded They alsoe had advice that 6 Men of Warr at Portsm were ordered to saile fforthwith for Plymo in Order to joyne those who were to Convoy the Outward bound W India ffleete there

Lettrs yesterday from Plymo of ye 11 Instant say 3 Mercht shippes are put in there and that ye Exiter [?] was Wayed up yt Day and [she?] Rides at Anchor in the [illegible nine-letter name] & the same day ye Outward bound W India ffleete sailed out of that Harbor into ye Sound & Expected the Day ffollowing to persue yr voyage

On Sunday Last Departed this Life the Lord ffinch Eldest sonn to ye E of Nottingham in the 12 yeare of his age.

I Lately Informed you that Gennl Gingle was Expected here from Ireland and [?] yesterday when arived abt 9 at Night & went Imediately to waite on his Matie at Kensington

The [?] only 5 privateers are Ordered to be fitted forthwith to Cruise agt ffrance

Yesterday some Merchts recd Letters from Scotland that one of our shipps had Lately taken a ffr. vessell haveing on Board one Sr Cha. Berkley & Majr Ennis [?] sent by ye Highland Rebbels to solliscite ye late K James for supplies but ye Answer returned in the seamen Report was that they must expect none from ffrance that K not being able to spare any adviseing them to make ye Best termes for ymselves.

Cowes 10th The Blossom of Bristoll is saileing from hence without a Convoy for feare yt ye Admiralty Warrant wch is hourly Expected to stopp all shipping in yt Harbour. Yesterday was sent in here by a Dutch Caper 2 ffre Prizes ye one of 60 ye other of 80 Tunns laden with sugr

Yarnt 11th 30 [?] Laden Colliers bound for London are arived here. a Dutch Margick [?] being Cruzeing sent in hither a ffrench privateer of 10 gunns & 6 pattereras wch was taken not farr from hence

Liverpoole ye 10 Instant ye Sattisfaction of London arived here yesterday in 5 weeks from Montferrat in ye W Indies The seamen say that the Distemper which Raged there soe violently for some weekes past is some what abated That ye Men of Warr have taken soe many Gearnsay [?] seamen from ye Mercht men that they Cannot bring hence the shipps booth haveing lost most of ye men by the afforesd distemper

The Chester shipp Mercht being appointed backward and forward from Dover to Callis has brot over from ffrance severall prisoners amongst whom is the Countesse of Lowtherdale 3 scotch Collonells & other persons who had K Williams Pass But Returneing without ye same were taken into Custody till his Maties pleasure be knowne & tis said the Capt. of the Chester Mercht will be Called to an acct for bringing over passengers without Commission

Two hundred Men are at work on the Wet dock att Plymo wch they hope to ffinish by next spring haveing already Cutt above 40 foote in Lenth into ye Rock [?] and ye same will be refloted and soe then a ffirst rate [?] M of Warr may ffloate therein

+His Grace ye A Bpp of Cant designes to treate ye house of Parlimt in his Pallace at Lambeth by a Certaine Number each day at a Splendid ffeast

+The Honnble mr Comptroler Wharton will suddenly marry with the daughter and sole Heyress of the late Lord Lysborne who was killed in his Tent before Limerick and her ffortune will be 5000 L P annum.

+Chester xbr 11 severall officers daily arived here from Ireland & at Highlake and are Going to all pts of ye kingdom to Beate up for Recruits

+Yesteray ye E of Crawford Presidt of the Counsell of Scotland sett forward for yt kingdom with 8 other Lords It is discoursed yt Sr Cha: Sidley will be made one of ye Lords Commissioners of ye Privy Seale & Sr Edw: Seamor will be made an Earl or viscount.

+Baldarack ODonnell arived here yesterday wth Gennl Gingle who was met some Miles out of Towne & attended hither by severall Gentlemen His Excellency was very kindly recd in all Townes thro wch he past.

+2 Messengrs are sent to fflanders to bring over persons there uppon ye discovery of Mr ffuller to whome his Matie has Ordered an allowance of 40 s P diem Tis sd he is verry busy in drawing up his Narrative of the Plott in which he will discover 15 persons more then he has yeat Mentioned Tis said that the Lord Bredalbin [?] has not met with that

success in his Negotiacon with ye Highland Rebellis as was Expected they Insisting on greater Termes then is thought fitt to allow them

L. c. 2088 London Decembr ye 17th 1691

Yesterday a soldier was tryed by a Court Martiall at the Horse Guards for haveing accused his officers of false musters, and not being able to prove the same was ordered to be whipt & Cashierd

Yesterday the Commissioners of the victualling office sent orders to Portsmouth for the speedy victualling of 4 third rate men of War there, viz, the Hope, Mountague, Edgar and Warspright, and have sent the like order to Chatham for 3 third rates more, but upon what design is not yet known.

Last night the Kings play House was shut up upon Complaint given in to the King by the Lord Grey Viscount Longville and 2 other Lords that they had received severall Affronts from and were badly used by ye door keepers, and tis said the future Acting is suspended till further order.

We hear that a dutch man of War has brought into Hull a ffrench privateer of 10 Guns 6 petercargoes [?] and 200 men, and that those on board her when they saw there was noe hopes of escape, threw yr Guns victualls &c. overboard and fell a drinking yr Wine and Brandy wch they did to that Excess yt when the dutch men Boarded them most of ym were drunk.

Last Tuesday ye President de La Tour Envoy Extraordinary from the duke of Savoy and the Count de Oxensterne who comes in ye same quality from the King of Sweden to this Court arrived here from Holland.

Balderick O Donnell who came over from Ireland with Genll Ginkle was yesterday introduced into his Majties presence, and yt ye Honour to kiss his hands, and he earnestly sollicites for the Title of Earl of Tyrconnell wch formerly belong'd to his Ancestors.

Genll Ginkle has given his Majtie a large Encomium of the English valour, saying he believes it equalizes (if not exceeds) yt of any other nation whereby they surmount ye greatest difficulties

We hear yt ye Pembroke ffrigat has carried into Burlington Bay a small ffrench privateer haveing on Board 60 men, who when they saw they had noe way to escape threw their Guns over Board.

Letters yesterday from Yarmouth of ye 13 say yt ye night before 2 laden Colliers were cast away neare that Barr, but all the men saved.

Edinburgh ye 12th Instant we have advice from the north yt soe violent a storm has lately happend yr yt severall Barques and Boats have been cast away yr by ye water riseing a yard and half higher yn usuall, and has broken down all ye landing places from Aberdeen to Inverness. A ffrench vessell has been lying some time neare ye Bass attended by a man of war, and tis believed they have sent some succors into ye place.

Sr Peter Rich one of our Aldermen lyes a dying if not all ready dead, The ffrench give out they will speedily lay siege to Charleroy and Namur at the same time in fflanders.

This week Sr Bazill ffirebrass was Elected a member of Parliamt for Chipnam in Willts.

A patent is passed ye seals for makeing ye Wyer drawers a distinct Company.

Just now we have advice yt ye 3rd Rate men of war aforesaid are to join Sr Ralph dallivall who is ordered with his squadron to Convoy home our Cadiz ffleet.

This day ye Corps of Mr Baxter was Interred in Christ Church, being accompanied by above 10000 dissenters from merchant Taylors Hall.

+Yesterday 3 Companies of ye first Regiment of ffoot Guards marched for

+All the Scotch officers here are ordered forthwith for Scotland, and orders are sent for ye forces there to Embarque for fflanders with all expedition.

+Sr George Bartley & Major Ennis ye 2 Highland Commissioners to K. James (mentioned in my last) to be taken and discharged in yr return for Scotland, were by a particular order taken up again last Munday.

+Tis said a Genll Embargo will suddenly be laid on all shipping in England.

+The ffrench King amongst ye Rest of his Ignoble Actions hath published an Edict yt if any English Captain would bring his ship into any of his ports should have the Intrinsick value of ye said ship & Cargoe.

+Sr Thomas ffowles is made Alderman of Vintry Ward in ye Room of ye late Sr Thomas Pilkington.

+Our merchants have Advice yt 12 Jamaica ships are left behind, being richly laden with gold and pieces of Eight, and will sail with ye first fair wind under Convoy of ye Tyger ffrigat.

+This day ye House of Commons had before them ye Affair of ye East India Company, and it being put to ye vote whether the stock of ye East India Company should be a million or a million & a half of money it was carried in ye latter Adjd till to morrow.

L. c. 2089 [Handwriting changes here.] London ye 19 Decembr 1691

Yesterday 8 Men and 3 Women were Executed at Tiburne But the Life Guard Man who kild ye Trooper is reprivd till Munday One of them was soe Insensible of his end that he Eate all the way the Roade in the Cart The same day Mr ffrank a papist Came & anothr stood on the Pillory at Chearing Cross for Counterfeiting pence [?]. But ye Watch tooke Care that Little or Nothing should be Throwne at them

Wee heare that the Play house will be againe opened this night or on Monday and will Continue to act as fformely and tis sd the Sentinell who dischargd his Musquet was Tryed by a Court Martiall and acquitted

Wee heare that Mrs Wilks [?] who was Midwife to ye late Queen at the Pretended Birth of the P of Wales is Dead in ffrance Much Troubled in Minde that she had not Opportunity to sattisfie ye World at the Ps Birth as she declared to some about her

Lettrs yesterday from Dartmt of ye 7e [?] Instant Advise that his Maties shipp ye Chrosley [?] lately has brot in there a ffre prize of 150 [?] Tunn Laden with Cables & other Necessaries for shipping and had Monney & severall Papers on Board which they threw in the sea as soon as they Came in sight of the Man of Warr And the same Man of Warr going out a Cruzeing next day brot in a Nother ffr prize belong[ing?] to Dunkirk bound for Burdaux.

The Irish Gentry are subscribing an Adress of thanks to his Matie for the Reduction of Ireland & delivering that Kingdom from Popery & Slavery

Yesterday a vintner of the Citty was Committed to New Gate for killing a Capt of the Guards in a Duell

One of the Jamaica shippes having on Board 10000 peices of Eight being Missing tis ffear'd she is taken into ye hands of the ffrench

The Wyer Drawers haveing obteneid a Pattent to be a distinct Compa the Compa of Goldsmyths have put a Caveat thereto and they will have a heareing before Counsell abt the same

A Great Counsell was Yesterday held uppon the Marine affaires & I am tould In Gennl twas to hasten ye Equipmt of the ffleete 2 months sooner then designed Orders being sent to ye severall Ports not to Intermit Sunday and the victuallers of the Navy have 40000 L assigned them for the Buying up of Cattle & hoggs for the prsent Expedicon

A Bill is ready in the House of Comons Encourageing privateers

which will make Both shippes Guns & ffurniture yt shall be taken from the ffire to be for the sole use of ye severall Adventurers.

A project is brot into ye house for Raiseing a great summ of Monney to be Layd on shipping each shipp to pay proportionable to her Burden

The Trayne of Artillery of ye Tower is Ordered to be ready by the 5 of next March in Order to be shipped for fflanders & a Draught is made of Gennl Bombadeers &c to accompany the same Each Gennl to have 5 L [?] Advance for this Equipmt. The Lieut of the Ordinance has Contracted wth ym [?] for 60000 New Musquets to be del into the Tower by ye 10 of March Next

A Great many Carpenters & Bricklayers are Contracted wth to goe for Ireland to Rebuild the demolished habitacons of the Gentry who Give them advance Monney with Assurance of Employ for 3 yeares.

+Last Thursday a Robbery was Comitted neare Uxbridg by a 11 [?] Highway men uppon ye Glocester Wagon They being Informed that a Considble summ of the K ["Excise" written here in another hand] Monney was therein Guarded by a party of ye Mallitia who made noe Great Res[ist]ance after one of them was kild they Carried off Neare 2000 L and Leaft a Great Deale behind them being not able to Carry it off.

+Sr Wm Trumbull late Embassador at Constant Inople is Expected in 2 or 3 Daies from Holland Its said ye Parlimt to Dispatch Business will sitt in the Holy Daies.

+Its Certaine that Admirall Russell will Command the fleete Next sumr But its not yet [?] knowne who will be the fflag officers under him One mr Smyth Lately Come from fflanders being taken into the Custody of a Messengr abt 12 Daies agoe uppon suspition of Comming from ffrance was yesterday Admitted to Baile.

+Drums are Ordered to beate up in most pts of Engl & officers are going into ye Countrey to raise Recruits

+The Bpp of Glocester who has been some time Ill is in a hope full way of Recovery.

+3 of the Notorious Highway Men who Comitted severall Robberies Lately in Hertfordshir & kild 6 of ye Countrey people were seized Coming from Chester with Genll Ginkle pretending to be of his Retinue

+The House of Commons Spent ye Greatest pt of this Day in Inserting in the Land Tax Bill ye Names of ye severall ["Commissioners" written by some hand as "Excise," above] of ye Counties Adjd till Munday

L. c. 2090 [Handwriting changes here.] London December ye 22d 1691

chosen where great Animosities appeared between the Church and ye dissenting parties, but the first for ye most part carried it

Some mariners who mutined lately in the dover are to be hanged this week at ye Yard Arm, and this afternoon ye Gunner of a ffireship who Embezelled ye Kings store is to be tryed on Board a ship at Chatham for ye same

There were some Lters yesterday to Merchants wch say yt ye St Albans frigat had taken a ffrench man of War of about 50 Guns, but we doe not know as yet what port she is brought into

The Letters yesterday from ffalmouth say yt ye Clousley Galley and a Flushing privateer were put in there haveing been on the Coast of ffrance & stranded 2 ffrench merchant men wch they chased on shoar.

Letters yesterday from Mounts Bay in Cornwall advise yt a ship of Copenhagen being driven a shoar yr freighted with Wine and Brandy from Burdeaux was seized as prize, and yt ye master says yt K. James was in Brest when he came away, and drums were beating up for volunteers, and they gave out yt there were divers thousands of men to Embarque at Brest with ye said King, but their design not known.

The Scotch Letters adde yt an English man of war has brought into Leith Road a ship of 18 Guns and 26 Peterraroes.

Sr Wm Booth Commands the squadron yt is to Convoy the Queen dowager.

Two of our Jamaica ships yt were feared to be taken by the ffrench are safely arrived at Bristol Alsoe that Capt Hewson comeing from Jamaica with the Lady Inchiqueen and others on Board, likewise some silver taken up at ye wreck there has carried his ship into Brest

The King has been pleased to give 200 L to be distributed amongst 10 of ye Scotch Episcopall Clergy yt will not take ye Oaths and they design to goe for Virginia to settle, where there are 30 Liveings vacant.

His majtie hath been pleasd to appoint Robert Harley Esqr High Steward of ye ma[r]ches of Wales

+The Irish Nobility and Gentry have presented yr address to his majtie assureing him they will defend yt Kingdome with ye Militia & Irish Troops, upon wch orders are sent for all ye English, danish & ffr Regiments that are there to hasten to ye sea Coast to Embarque for fflanders.

+A pattent is passing ye seales for creating Genll Ginkle duke of Buckingham, and an Estate suitable to his Title will be settled on him for his great servive in Ireland.

+We hear yt ye Swedish Envoy will suddenly present a memoriall to his majtie with offers of his masters mediation for a Genll peace in Europe.

+The foreign Letters this day say yt ye peace with ye Turks is at a stand. That ye Grand vizier is dead. That ye garrison of Mountmerion still holds out, notwithstanding ye ffrench press on ye siege very vigorously, and ye Governour being dead. That ye ffrench in fflanders are in a Grand movement, and by ye prospect of their design (the Marquis Boufflers haveing viewed all ye Roads about Dunkirk) they intend to enterprize ye siege of Ostend or Newport This day ye King told some of ye Nobility yt the Duke of Bavaria is made Hereditary Governour of ye Spanish Netherlands.

+The Kings House at Greenwich is makeing into a strong magazine of War.

L. c. 2091 [Handwriting changes here.] London ye 24th Decembr 91

Yesterday yr being Lyndfords [?] Regimt Embarqued for fflandr [?]. Yesterday one of the High way Men that Robbed ye Wagon that Runs [?] the Kings Monney was Committed to Newgate & tis sd another of them hath wrote a Lettr Signifying that if he may Obteine his Pardon & have [?] a Reward allowd him he will sweare over himselfe and Discover ye whole Gang

The Kings Owne Company of Horse Guards are to Embarque for
fflanders Next weeke. A bill is brought into ye house of Commons yt
will Effectively provide his Maties ffleete with seamen by Enlargeing
ye Kings pay [?] and makeing it Penall [?] for a Mercht Man to give soe
much [?] pay here of Warr [?]

The Rattificacon of ye Treaty between England Holland and Denmark
is Come hither to be Exchanged & ye Swedish Ambassador desires ye King
to Enter into a Treaty of Commerce and declares that his Master besides
his Quota [?] is Willing to send 5 or 10000 of his Troopes to joyne the
Confederates uppon a stipulated agreemt

Lettrs yesterday from ffalmth advise that a Daneish shipp that had
Traded wth the ffre for 2 Yeares Last past undiscoverd haveing landed
300 packs of Lynnen at Poole and Plimo was seized as prize

Sr John Levingston Gower a Member of Parlmt for New Castle under
Tine Dyed this weeke & has Left 14000 L pr anum to his son Lettrs
yesterday from Plymth say yt 4 ffrigats sailed hence for Ireland to Convoy
ye Transport shipp to fflanders

Yesterday the House of Commons did severall private Businesses
which I purposely omit being the same appointed for the E India Compa
to bring in yr security that yr Effects and publique stores was worth
744000 persuant to the Late vote after which ye House thought to settle
ye present E India Company & the severall ventures [?] agreed of by the
House they amended [?] and Sr Tho: Cooke deputy Govr & others of the
Committee being Called to the Barr were asked if they were ready with
yr security This Act [?] a paper was read to & by the Committee [?] what
security they would Offer one being the Commicon Seale of which ye house
judgd of little worth uppon wch the house considered the Company Righted
[?] with them and were very [?] angry But at lenth Called them in againe
who being Come to the Barr were asked severall Questions perticularly
whether they would give security (who answered yr stocke was Cleare of
all Debts worth 744,000 L which should be yr security & that they would
bring in ye whole Committee to Assure the same which will be don on
Tuesday Morning Next

The House of Peers upon reading the Commons votes abt the E India
Company tooke the same into Debate and thinking they had gon to ffarr
without ye knowledg it was decided [?] that they could not take security
being noe Court of Judicature and soe Adjourned the full Debate to this day
+Thirty fre Privateers from 90 to 95 Guns each are fitting up some of wch
will be at sea in a ffortnight the Merchts of this Citty have Advice
that 26 fre Privateers of 20 & 25 Guns are sailed from St Mallo for ye
streits as alsoe 4 ffrom Brest which Gives ye Merchts suspition that they
have a designe to saile into our homeward bound streits ffleete

+Admll Killigrew who Comanded the Blew Squadron last Yeare is Layd aside
&c Ld Berkley succeeds him

+This Eavning abt 7 a Clocke a Gentleman Coming thro a Dark passage Neare
St Paules was knocked down by a single Person who Robbed him of 20
Guineas & a Goldwatch By the Gent recovering & Runing after him Caused
to be stopped & Comitted to Newgate

+The Lettrs from ffrance say that ye ffrench King has Ordered his Brave
[?] souldrs Double pay for a Grane [?] & The New Raised fforces Eng [?]
pay

+This day his Matie Came to ye House of Peers in his Chr [?] Robes soe
that the Lords did not proceed on the Debate of the E India Company and
sending for ye Commons his Matie signed 11 Bills 4 publique ones (viz)
the Double Excise The Bill to preserve 2 shippes Load of Baggs [?] The
takeing of the Gallies in Ireland and for Encourageing the Growth of Hemp
& fflax & both houses Adjurnd to Tuesday Next

L.c. 2092 [Handwriting changes here.] London december ye 26th 1691

Letters yesterday from Ireland of ye 17th advise yt ye duke of Wortembergh and ye danish forces under his command are lying ready at Berkare [?] to Embargue for fflanders.

One of ye Jamaica ships yt was missing is put into Kingsale haveing been 15 weeks at sea, and was in extream want of all new partes for subsistance

The Lords Justices have published a proclamation yt whereas ye Army is indebted to severall Psons in the Kingdome for provisions &c in yr quarters and yt those Psons are indebted to his majtie for Excise and other branches of ye Revenue of ye Crown & are unable to pay ye same by reason of ye sd debts due to ym by ye Army, they have ye foreorderred ye Commissioners for collecting ye Revenue of ye Crown to deduct as much money out of ye Arrears of ye said Psons due to ye Crown as they shall make out due to ym by ye Army and the sd proclamation shall be a Warrant for yr soe dooing.

The said letters bring alsoe a copy of ye late K. James's declaration wch he sent upon yr arrivall at Brest, wherein he declares yt he is very well satisfied of yr Loyalty in defending Limmerick, & of ye necessity yr was of surrendring ye same and above all of ye Zealousness for his service in comeing to ffrance assureing ym yt soe soon as his Capacity shall permitt he will recompense each individuall person, & concludes yt ye ffrench King his brother has ordered ym quarters of ye refreshmt The said Letters alsoe say greate quantities of Corn are sent from dublin to Limmerick, as well for sowing as eating, yr being great scarcity of grain there

The King on thursday conferr'd ye Honour of Knighthood on Archibald Mure Lord provost of Edinburgh one of ye Presbyterian party. All Highlanders are likely to be somewhat troublesome, but his majtie hath sent directions for ye remaining forces to quarter upon ye Border wch will prevent ym

The King hath recommended 11 Tarpauling Capts to ye Lords of ye Admiralty in order to be Employed on Board ye ffleet next summer.

A person come from ffrance haveing a Letter found about him from K. James directed to ye Highland Clans is seized in Kent, & a messenger was sent yesterday to bring him up.

The Morocco Ambassador hath desired Commissioners to be appointed to treat with him about the settling Commerce and redemption of slaves wch are appointed

There is a letter from Turkey wch says that tis resolved in ye Divan at Constantinople not to treat of a peace unless ye ffrench King is Comprized, wch is signified to the dutch Ambassador and lookt upon as a flat denyall.

There is an Account from dunkirk yt Capt Bart ye famous privateer with ye rest of ye ships with him were come into ye port, and had sold yr severall prizes, wch amounted to 70 odde thousand pounds not half the worth, and had made dividend yrof each Capt had 10000 Crowns for their share, and the rest of the officers and mariners proportionable

The old Lady Ranelagh aged about 80 years departed this life 2 days agoe.

Tis said that leave is given to severall of the troops of Guards who have wives and Children or Infirm to quit yr posts and tis said severall have allready quitted them.

His majtie hath given fresh orders that all the Cloaths and Accoutrements for ye Horse and ffoot designd for fflanders be got ready with all possible expedition.

yesterday their majties received the sacrament at ye hands of the

Bishop of London, and dr Sharp Archbishop of York preached before them at the Chappell at White Hall.

L. c. 2093 [Handwriting changes here.] London Xber 29 91
+fforreign lettrs advise yesterday from Smyrna of ye 18 8ber that ye ffr
Ambassadr had both come [?] to ye New grand vizier then to ye [about
eight letters illegible] and had psuaded him to continue ye war But yt
he was [about eight letters illegible. The rest of the first verso is
so hard to read that I present its next twenty-one lines (it has twenty-
nine in all plus, in the left margin, the first fifty-six words of the
last paragraph of the letter) from the manuscript. I use periods for
illegible letters, except for that after "Mr" in the second line:]

by all ye rest of ye Ottoman prime
viziers Troops ye Mr. at
ye Temple of Constantinople Con
tinued to demand a Peace at wt
price soever, That ye serasqr very [?]
..... ... and & will ac-
knowledge noe othr vizier but
him, That they have strangled
18 officers at Bellgrade who had
been made by ye late vizier Capet [?]
And yt an othr of his creatures
who was Master of ye Copper Mine
was seized at Christian [?] .. upon
accusacon of Malversacon [?] and yr
being noe money found in his
house he was put to ye question &
confessed where 10000 Baggs lay
& ... contained 500 Baum [?] of an
othr great sume of money belong
ing to him 4 delivered in ye
of an English vessell [?] mr

Lettrs yesterday from Plymouth of 25 say that on ye 23 the
Clivesley Galley come in yr and in her way mett and fought a ffr
Privateer of 24 Gunns and after a sharp dispute sunck her They brot
ye Capt and ye Crew from the same into Port

Edenbr xber 22d each of ye Colls yt are march[ed] against ye
Highland rebels have recd a letter from Court of these instructions

Coll Binhams Regt wth ye 5 Independant Companyes are to march to
ffort William and joyn Coll Wills [?] Regt and are to leave a small
party in Garrison and march undr Coll Wills comand to ye Isle of Mull
[?] and straight agt ye Maclands [?] and Macdonells

And Sr Thos Levingston Coll Cunningham and Neasbitts [?] dragoons
wth Coll Langer E of Argile and Sr ffa: Leshleys are to march an othr
way agt ye Rebels undr Comand of Sr Thomas Levingston

Last week ye Lord of Comreacy [?] who hath been 20 years
outlawed came in and tooke ye benefitt of Indempnity and is goinge home
to rouse men to support the Rebels

The Lord Broad allyn is gone for London The Kings troops of Guards
here have ordrs to be in readiness to embarke for fflandrs

The King hath thought fitt to give a Quietus to Sr ffro Leneer [?]
from his Command of Majr Genll and in Lieu yrof will allow him 1500 L p
annum for ye good service he has done

Tis said her Matie has given an othr to ye Lord Nelson Secretary of
Scotland and yt he will be succeeded by ye Ld Carmichell

On Saturday ye d of Ormond treated Genll Ginkle wth ye rest of ye
eminent officrs of yt Kingdome

I am tolde yt Admll Russell intends to Consult ye East India Company to have wt able Capt they can recomend to him in order as tis thought to be employed on board ye ffileet

The King & Queen went yesterday to Hampton Court to view ye Buildings yr where yr Majes dyned and returned to Kensington in the Evening

+Sr Ralph Delavall is gone to Portsmth to sale wth his squadr to Cadiz Also the offc of ye Admiralty receive daily lists of Tarpauling Capts giveing 2 seamen [?] they will Imploy next summr. A ship lately putting into Dover Comited [?] some men in ye night one of whom was seized & forced to come from ffrance upon wch the ship & men are secured.

+yesterday one Raulinson presented in ye Proclamacon as an associate of ye Golden ffarmer was attacqued in ye Temple bar before he was taken told [?] a Porter and wounded one of Capt Richardsons men but is secured in Newgate yesterday Balderick O Donell had a grant of ye King for ye title of ye E of Treeconell

+Mr Wallop a member of Parliamt dyed last night This day ye House of Commons read a 2d time ye bill for encouereaging Privateers but by reason yr was soe much said agt it ye debate is ordered to be this day 7 night The house afterwards went into a conference wth ye Lds where yr Ldships delivred yr reason to adhere to yr amendmts in ye bill of treason wch being reported the house defered ye debate til Wednesday Ordered yt to morrow 10 a Clock ye house resolve in to a grand Comtee to raise a farther Supply to his Maje Then ye East India Company was calld in to give reason [?] that yr stock was worth ye 7440000 L and ye names [?] being read the Consideracon was refered till Saturday The house of Peers read ye first time ye Landed tax Bill

L. c. 2094 [Handwriting changes here.] London ye 31 Decembr 91

A Great Counsell is held this day [?] uppon ye affairs of Ireland & tis beleived ye Lord Liut will be affirmed [?]

The K of Spaine hath ordered a Considerable summ of Money brot in the Galleons for Cadiz to be Lent [?] to K. Wm and brot from thence in our shipp and [?] to be Coynded in ye Tower & when Coynded to pay the Army in fflanders.

Wee heare from ye Isle of Wight that 2 ffr Mercht Men stranded there And from Gurnsey tis wrote that 4 ffr prizes are brot in there taken on the ffre Coast. Yesterday the K recd an Express from ye Marques Cathananew [?] that he had recd a Pattent from Spaine to Constitute forthwith ye Elector of Saxony [?] Govr of the Spanish Netherlands desireing his Matie to hasten into yt Countrey the ffre: begining to plan [?] against them

Lettrs yesterday from Portsmo say that the Lord Castletons Regimt

Carried before Justice Roobin a Countrey ffellow swore positively that he was one of those who lately Robbed ye Gloster Wagon of the Kings Monney and that he knew ye horse to be ye same he was then Mounted upon.

Falmo Xbr 26. This Day ye Spanish Alliance Pacquett Boate Arived here in 6 daies from ye Groine And the Master thereof saies that Good ffreinds were Made in those parts for ye D of Broll being Made Govr of ye Spanish Netherlands.

The Elector Pallatine has ordered 3 Regimts of horse for the service of K William and to be disposed of as his Matie shall think fitt Next Campaign.

Generall Gingle is Made Master of the Ordinance which place has been vacant ever since the Death of ye Duke of Scomberg

This Day passed thro this Citty out of Essex 18500 L being ye Kings Excise Monney which was Guarded by 34 men well Armed into ye Exchequer The Great Counsell that was this Day sumoned to be at Whitehall is Adjurned to Sunday Next The Honble Rob. Boyle Esqr the Famouse vertuoso of the Age Died last night in the 71st yeare of his Age. This day the House of Commons was going into a debate for the Raiseing of more Monney when the usher of ye Black Rodd demanded yr Attendance at the Barr of the Hs of Lords and his Matie gives his Royall assent to the Land Tax Bill and appointe [?] one after which his Matie made a Most Gracious speech in wch he thanked them for ye supplies they had allready given assuring that it should be Layd out to ye end designed and desired them to hasten ye Remainder with what Bills were most usefull to the publique for ye yeare begins to advance and our Backwardness ye Last yeare was a Great disadvantage and the ffre are fforward this & Continued yt he designed to Make noe Mony [?] Excise Bill But Dismiss them suddenly The house afterwards Debated ye Reason of the Lords given at the last Conference touching the Treatie of [illegible name of about nine letters] and Divided upon it & Carried it by 40 to Disagree wth ye Lords Amendmt of the Bill wch wil Loose the same Most of ye publican [?] kts & prsons of Quallity that have any dependance on yr Maties are pareing [?] very Noble Equippages to accompany the K in fflanders On Tuesday night the Ld Bredalbin arived here from Scotland to give his Matie an accot of the state of that Kingdom fforreigne Letters yesterday say that ye ffrench threaten to beseidge Coni [?] and Bombard Turin in ye Duke of Savoys Countrey The perticulars of ye Surrender of MontMillion are in this Daies Gazet.

L. c. 2095 London ye 2 Jan 1691

Yesterday Mr Hunter Prisoner in the Kings Bench who lately gave Informacon to the House of Commons touching the Plott wherein the Lord Preston [?] and Capt Crane [?] were Conserved moved the House for his Protection and that they would be pleased to Order the [?] Committee to take his further Examinacon But is Ordered to attend on Munday Next

Yesterday the [about six letters illegible] Came to Whitehall and wished yr Maties a happy New Yeare and each of them presented yre King with an Embroyderd purse made [?] of Gold and are to have a peice of Guilt plate out of the Jewell Office & a Tunn of Wine Impost ffree

Divers volunteers Gent who designe [?] to accompany the K in fflanders are fformeing them selves in a Troope of Horse and there are alsoe divers yong Gent who will [illegible seven-letter word] the same Accoutmt [?] of ffoote. Yesterday The K was pleased to say that he was resolved to fforce ye ffrench to a Battle or fforce ye seidge of some Considrble place wth pt of ye Confed army which he hath [?] Observed ye Mencon [?] of the ffrench

Lettrs yesterday from Portsmo of ye 30 ulto say that 2 Warrants

were Come downe hither from ye Lords of ye Admiralty one for Laying an Embargo on all outward bound shippes and the other for Impressing the Seamen and that 2 Jamaica shippes that were Missing were arived in yt Port

Yesterday James Barton Esqr was Married to ye Daughter of the Lord Abbington and has wth her 1500 L p Ann present Estate & as Much in Reversion

Lettrs yesterday from Scotland of 15 past advise that one of yr Maties Men of Warr has lately taken a ffre shipp which was Carrying Wine and Brandy to ye Rebels in ye Highlands and that such a screen [?] is Layd for the opposicon of our fforces in that Kingdom as will sufficiently secure the people [?] thereof The same Letters Advise that on Xtmas Day the Episcopall ministers preached in ye Meeting Houses without disturbance severall of ye Nobillity and Gentry being prsent

Lettrs yesterday from ffalmo say that the Pembroke ffrigott captured [?] a Swedish shipp Laden wth Cordage & Pitch bd [?] from thence [?] The E of Oxfords Regimt Landed at Highlake from Ireland Orders are sent for them to spend [?] the winter in the Countrey before they Come up to doe Duty at Kinsale

Wee heare that some [illegible eight-letter word] of Officers will be at Court before yr Maties departure and that ye Lord Rochester will be made Lord Treasurer

Irish Lettrs yesterday say that one of the Masters of the Transport shippes which returned from ffrance had an Opportunity to discourse Sr John [?] Jennings an Eng Sea Commander in ye ffre service who tould him that all the Privateers were Comanded into Port by ye 10 of Next Month in order to have Marriners to serve in yr Grand ffleete which they Bragg will be at sea a Month sooner then the Eng & Consist of 94 Cappitoll Men of Warr who will saile directly for the Channell and ffight our ffleete wch Radomontade will serve on notwithstanding ye Endeavour and [?] [illegible word of about nine letters] preparacons to Anticipate yr very discourses Yesterday the House of Commons sent the Bill for the Reversion of small tithes to ye Lords this day which saies that it shall be Done by a justice of peace without Going to the prerogative Court

+A Mr Dartworth [?] and Lorence have Given Informacon that the Jewes and others have Melted downe a vast Quantity of New Crownes and Transported them beyond sea under pretense [?] of Bullion And how they had seized ye same But the Commissioners of the Customs had suffered [?] it to be Carried out wch Occasions the Quality of that Coyne yr was [?] Committed for Suppressing of Thieves and Pedlars agreed to ye Bill & will suddeinly Make a Report

+A person attended wth a paper wherein he offers to make it appear, haveing been Employd in Inspecting the Bookes of accts of ye Comisionrs of Excise that they had in some four [?] yeares wanted above 100000 L to Ballance accts wth the K But it being a Matter at this present may hardly [?] Influence the House tis thought will not be taken into Consideracon this Sessions

+This Day the House of Commons Resolved it selfe into a Committee upon the Essex case [?] in Ireland as alsoe the Affair of the E India Compa but Came to Noe Result Tis thought yt Sr John Trevor will be made Ld Chancellor

L. c. 2096 [Handwriting changes here.] London January ye 5th 1691 +They write from St Maloes that 4 privatteers of that place had brought in 8 rich English Mercht shippes prizes, And from Bayon that 4 of our shippes of Warr which Cruized upon the Coast of Biscay are ordred to Cruize about Cape of St Vincent in order to take some shippes to Cadiz from England and Holland with the Effects of the Galleons

Yesterday divers of the Blew Coates Boys of the Kings ffoundation

were Examined before the Lords of the Admiralty as to their Proficiency in the Mathematicks and Art of Navigation in order to be sent on Board the Kings ships to be versed in the Practique

Capt Wright late Admirall of the West India ffleete is Admitted to Baile

Yesterday the House of Peers Comitted to the Tower the Lord M-- Y-- for dellivery to yr [?] Protections

On Thursday next the Bipp of Salisbury Preaches the ffunerall Sermon of the Honoble Robert Boyle Deced

Lettrs yesterday from Scotland of 29 past advise that Sr Cha Levinston wth severall Scots officers arrived at Edenbr and that Sevll Gent in the North daily Came in and embraced his Majs of [sic] Act of Indempnity and that Majr Menzes who came lately from King James wth a message to ye High land Clans is gone Post thithr

Yesterday ye 3d troop of guards were discharged from doeing of duty being speedily to embarke for fflandrs

The Spanish Ambassadr will shortly returne from Warwick house in Holborne to Benbington house neare Whitehall

Coll Morrise [?] is to succeed Sr John Laneer in ye place of Majr Genll

On Sunday last ye E of Rochester carryed ye sword before his Maje to Chappell and yesterday his Maje did him ye honr to dyne wth him at his seat at Twittnam wch favoring [?] assignmts to ye beleife he will suddenly have some great trust conferred upon him

Lettrs yesterday from Chattham say yt one of ye 3d rate ships was last week driven from her Anchor & Comeing foule of another is soe disabled yt she will not be fitt to serve this summer

The Overseers of London & Bristoll offer one million 600000 L for ye forfeited Estates in Ireland & in Case the late Kings Estates may be Included will make it up [?] 2 millions

Yarmouth ye first Instant 150 Laden Colliers are arrived here & only waite for a Convoy to carry ym for London. yesterday a dutch M of war brought in a Large ffr prize Laden wth Wine and Brandy taken off ye Lands end ye men whereof says [?] they are very busy in ffrance in raiseing of New Levyes

fallmouth deber 31 yesterday ye transport ships yt were forced in there wth ye Irish soldrs on board sailed hence for Brest The officers confidently affirmed yt they were designed to Invade this kingdome in ye spring

The Irish officrs yt were taken at ye Battle of Orgiciny [?] and new Prin[ce]ss [?] in ye Savoy are speedily to be exchanged ye transport ships yt are to carry ym for Calais being allready appointed for yr Imbarquacon

The Bankers of this City offer to advance his Maje ye money upon ye Land Tax Bill

Wee have advice from ye north parts in England of Mrchant ships being cast away.

Yesterday the first troop of Guards mustered in ye Muse [?]
+Two or 3 great Scriveners of this City are gone into ye Countrey to take ye Aire and tis thought will not returne. Last night Dr Clinch ye Phisitian in Bromley Street was desired by 2 men to accompany ym in a Coach to visit a Patient and abot Leaden hall they stoped & 2 came out giveing ye Coach man money to buy a fowle [?] in the interim strangled ye Doctor wth a handkerchif and leaveing him dead escaped and are not known. This day the Bill to Phibit thieves [?] and Pedlars was reported and recommitted and the case for [illegible seven-letter word] Bill and [?] the Business of ye East India Company is put of till next ffryday and

upon ye Inability of yr commencing a Company yr Auctions are increased from 170 to 190. The house was 4 houres in a ffree conference wth ye Lords upon the Bill of treason one of ye Peers was elected to say [?] yt if King James comes again they would wish they had pased the said Bill. The 2 houses adjourned prsently after. This day Dr Eglington went privately in quality of Envoy for ye Court of Spaine

L. c. 2097 London Jan 9th 91

Lettrs yesterday from Dover say that an Ostend Privateer who came from thence on thursday 7 night took in her way 2 Swedish vessells laden wth [two illegible words, five letters each] &c designed for Brest who say ye Grand ffleet will be very numerous and early at Sea this Sumer

They write from Zeland that ye fisher men of Midleborough having been at Sea 14 houres took up 360 hogsheads of Claret and brought ym into Port, But some believe this hath more Combinacon in it then a reall wreck to secure [?] wine dureing the Prohibicon

There is advice by a ship lately come from ye West Indies that one of his Majes ships there had taken a ffr man of warr wth 2 prizes and brought ym into Barbadoes and yt Coll Sadrington [?] was ppareing his forces to make an attacque upon Guadalupa

Yesterday ye King according to Custome Played at the Groom Porters and at first lost 200 Guineas but after won 5000 of which he gave 150 to [ye] Groom Porter

Lettrs yesterday from Scotland of the 2d Instant advise yt there was a report yr that ye highlandrs were up in armes Grounded upon ye Post [sic] staying a few days longer then ordinary but being arrived att Edenbrough he as well as ye Lettrs give an acct that ye Rebels are at prsent very great The same Lettrs add that Capt Menzie who was sent to treat wth ye Highlandrs and to endeavour to pswade ym to submitt to yr Majes Govermt according to ye oath he took at Edenbr before he went Post from thence is soe far from pforming ye same that on ye contrary he perswades them to continue firme to ye Interest of K James telling ym theire Old Mastr will shortly be wth ym & bring wth him men & money &c

Most of ye 3d rate Men of warr are already fitted up & falling down to Black Stakes on [?] upon wt designe is not said Alsoe 2 first Rates and Severall 2d are ordered to be ready and the men on board by the 15 Instant the men working on them with out entermission Sunday or holy dayes

Lettrs yesterday from Cowes say yt on ye 6 Instant a ffr vessell laden wth Wine and Brandy was cast away on ye back of yt Island

Lettrs yesterday from Ireland of ye first Instant advise that ye Inniskilling men wth all ye standing forces yr are shortly to be transported for England and ye Peace of yt Kingdome will be Secured by ye militia who are to rendizvouze ye latter end of the month neare Kildare and then [?] enter into 1/2 [?] pay and to be dispersed in to Quarters as ye Govermt shall thinke fitt They ordered Coll Sarsefeild amongst ye Irish be carryed wth him from Carseseyk [?] 1300 Reports [?] ye Kingdome is in pfect tranquility That they are like to have a plentiful harvest next Sumr and ye ground being lasted [?] that have moste dureing ye war That ye Daneish troops were Imbarqueing And that on ye 26 past yr Majes ship the Portsmouth in Kinsale Harbour had her Maine Mast and Maine yard broke in peices by Lightning allsoe broke ye Chaine of her Pump and tore a hole in her side 12 foot in breadth but none of ye men hurt Save one wounded in ye thigh. on Thursday 2 Passes signed by his Maje were tooke [?] to ye Hutton [?] for ye 2 psons in fflandrs who are to be brought over hither to confirme his evidence touching ye Plot he is to discover. Yesterday the D of Norfolke prsented a Bill to ye house of Peers to be divorced from his Dutchess and yr Ldships have

ordered the matter to be argued by Counsell on tuesday next
+Lettrs yesterday from St Ives in Cornwall say that one of our ships hath
brought in yr a ffr prize of 150 Tunns Laden wth Wine and Brandy for ye
Bost [?] in Scotland. Seamen daily enter them selves voluntarily on board
yr Majes Ships and receive the bounty money menconed in ye Proclamacon.
+On thursday last ye Bp of Salsbury treated Genll Ginkle and Severall
otr psons of Quality at a most noble entertainmt and yesterday his
Ldship preached ye funerall sermon of ye Honble Robt Boyle Esqr And tis
sd his Ldship will write a book of his life. yesterday ye house of
Comons gave instructions to ye Comte for reduceing ye Interest of money
to bring in a Bill for 5 L p cent.
+on Wednesday last a Privateer of 20 Gunns was equipt at Chattham by ye
Mrchants of London. This day we recd a fforeigne Male of 25 Inst and but
[?] brings not ye least accot of ye beseigeing any Place by the ffr as
was certainly reported or of any action abroad

[Note on outside of letter in another hand:]

News letters from/All-hallowtide to Candlemas/1691.

L. c. 2098 London June 4th 92

+Portsmouth ye 1st Capt Wornom [?] of ye Crowne and Capt Wiseman of ye
Lyon ffrigott being on shoare in the late storm and endeavoureing to gett
to yre ships there boat was oversett & ye former drowned all hands are
at worke to gett ye ffleet ready to saile to ye Westward by Monday wch
exceeds 100 M. of war 18 of wch are ordered to ye W Indies & will depart
forth wth

All ye Boats yt are new built for ye debarkeing of fforges out of
shiping are ordered to be carryed to Portsmth & ye D of Leister is gone
down to give orders to ye soldrs to goe on ship board & we shall soon
find ye effect of yt wee have soe long discoursed about.

A Jacobite Parson was yesterday committed to ye Gatehouse for
drincking confusion to yre Maties

I am informed yt a true accot of ye defeat of ye ffr. at sea has
taken ye Press at Ruon in ffrance & scattered abot ye streets

The Queen has ordered Greenwich house to be fitted up for ye sick
and wounded sea men

The circuits of ye Judges for this sumrs Assizes are viz The Ld
Chief Justice Hill and Baron Turner for ye West, The Ld Chief Justice
Trebee and Baron Lichmore for ye home Circuit, The Ld Chief Baron Atkins
and Mr Justice Powell for Norfolck Baron Nevill & Mr Justice Gregory for
ye Midland Mr Justice Rooksby & Mr Justice Avery for ye Oxford Circuit

Wee heare from Cowes yt Preparacons are makeing yre for ye speedy
Imbarking of men for ye descent on ffrance

They write from ffalmo of 30 past yt ye Bilbao ffleet is still yre
where great rejoyceings have been made for ye victory obtained over ye
ffr ffleet and yt a small vessell bound from Plymo for Dublin in
Company of ye New England ffleet was last week taken by a ffr Privateer
off ye Lizard

Yesterday Lrs from Newcastle upon Tyne say that 240 Laden Colliers
lay ready to saile for London ye first fare wind undr Convoy of 3 of yre
Maties ships

Edenbr May 28 yesterday ye Councill agreed yt the Campe be opened
on ye 30 not above 3 miles from Edenbr wch will consist of 1200 horse
besides foot and ye Lord Cottington is to have 15 L per lin [?] p day
dureing ye Campagne wee have advice yt Capt Bart wth severall ffr
Privatrs are in sight of ye Bost [?] and great shooting being heard yre
abouts tis contended [?] ye fireing is between ye sd Privateers and 4
English M. of war wch were sent from Leith to looke after them A Danish
ship wch arived yesterday at Leith ye master sayes that he mett a ffr

Privateer off ye Lands end who asked him wt newse concerneing ye 2 ffleets the Dane replied he heard the ffr were beaten ye other said yt was impossible and soe they parted

Lrs from Kinsale say that they had been alarmed wth a report yt ye ffrench intended to invade that pt of ye Kingdome but were as much animated after at ye good newse of ye defeate of ye ffr ffleet

Great Wageres are depending on ye seige of Namure wch make ye People expect ye arrival of ye fforreigne maile and ye wind haveing been faire we doubt not but to receive our fflanderes Lrs to night or to morrow and hope they will bring ye good Newse of ye defeate of ye ffrench & ye raiseing of ye seige

On thursday ye Grand Jury of Westminsr recd yre Charge & on Monday next Indictmts will be delivered agt ye E of Marlbro Sr John ffenwick & Mr fferguson

This City doe designe to give a Considerable somme of money amongst the officers and seamen that have behaved ym selves bravely in ye late fight against ye ffrench This morning was brot to towne in Custody of a Messenger one Mr Low seized in ye North and in his Pocket a lre directed to ye Ld Dunsmore wth other Papers wch are inspecting by the Earle of Nottingham.

+Deale 3d yre are in ye Downes 11 Dutch & English M. of war & severall Tenders wch are just upon saileing to joyne ye ffleet at St Hellins wch will then be upwards of 100 Saile.

+The Persons concerned in ye New Plot and menconed in the Proclamacon will sudenly be outlawed if they surrender not

+The last Lrs from Ireland say yt ye Corporacon of ye Linnen Manufactory haveing chosen ye Ld Sidney yre Governour & aloted much of yre stocks bringing it downe to 20 L [?] and to be paid only 4 L at each 6 months but his Ldship has adjusted to ye difficultyes they before Laboured under & divers psons of Quality are entering them selves in ye same wch they looke upon to be a jest Some cuning Projectrs raiseing ye Auctiones when yre was noe occasion for it & then sold yre stocks but afterward slipt yre necks out of ye Collar leaveing others to reape what they had sewen. The Paper Corporacon has allsoe considered some disadvantages they Laboured under as to aleviate ye difficulty by selling great part of yre stocks to ye Paper Company and raiseing 8000 L stock are about setting to worke 6 mils who had before [seven letters illegible] and they will be able by Lowreing ye Prize of Paper as alsoe ye stock to bring to pfecion that great manufactory.

L. c. 2099 [Handwriting changes here.] London June ye 9th 1692

ffalmouth Letters of ye 4 say the ffrench Privateers have lately taken abt the Lands end 6 Small Vessells one of them Richly Laden belonging to Bristoll

Deale ye 8th yr Maties ship ye Smerna Mercht and Swift ffriggot are sailed out of the Downes Convoy to 9 Transport ships full of Irish bound Hambergh from whence they goe by land to serve ye Empr in Hungary

Yarmouth ye 6 The St Albans ffriggot hath brot in a large Dutch fly boat which he met with at sea halfe full of Water and not one Man on Board

Harwich ye 7 Yesterday came in there ye Charles Yatch to take on board the E of Monmouth for fflanders his Lordship being expected there last Night but his Convoy ye Dunkirk man of War struck upon a Land called ye Black tail from whence she gott off againe without great dammage by throwing her uper tier of Gunns over board

Portsmouth ye 7 ye Courage Morgan and Tumbrells that came with the Train of Artillery are shipping off and all possible dispatch is used for ye speedy fitting out of the ffleet [?] that are able booth of

Eng and Dutch being forthwith ordered to sea and if the winds permitted were to Sail as [?] yesterday On ye 6 30000 L came to yr Maties docks for ye use of ye Navy All the ships that are not ready to Sail now will Sail in 4 or 5 Daies

The Dutch have pictured the ffrench King with a Coat beset [?] with flowerdelaies and a bell in his hand assembling the people and makeing Proclamacon That whereas 35 Men of Warr have been lately Lost if any prson can bring Tydeings that they are put into any french port they shall have 2000 L Reward

Two Men of Warr of 70 [?] Guns each will be launched at Harwich next Spring tyde

The Brittanian Sovereign St Andrew and abt 10 [?] other ships most of the red Squadron are come to Spithead to be refitted haveing recd some damage in the Late fight and only ye blew Squadron with ye Dutch will goe to sea at present but I am assured ye red Squadron will Speedily Saile with ye Transport ships to Career [?] ye discent wee shall make upon ffrance

I am Credibly told that this day a Bill of Indictment was preferred to ye Grand Jury of Westminster agt an Honorable Peer in ye Tower and tis beleived most of ye others in Custody will be admitted to Bail by ye Later end of the Term

Yesterday Princess Anns Regimt which came lately from Scotland Marchd for Portsmouth to be ready there with the rest of the fforces to Embarque for the Discent and orders are given to all the Bombardeers Gunnrs &c on Blackheath to March on Monday next for that purpose

Yesterday Mr Johnson his Maties late Envoy to ye D of Brandenberghs Court and Conjured Secretary of Scotland went hence for yt Kingdom

Yesterday was a Great Councill held at Whitehall upon some advice from his Matie relateing to the discent upon ffrance and an Express was dispatched to Admirall Russell

The Earles of Scarsdell and Newbery whom I told you in my last had surrendered themselves the fformer was introduced by Mr Controler Wharton and The Honble Mr Hambden who became yr Gwarantees and yr Lord ships were thereupon set at Liberty The Earles of Tennett and Summersett being ye lateres Gwarantees Coll Griffin son to ye Ld Griffin has alsoe surrendered himselfe

Coll Tiffers [?] Regiment quartered at Portsmouth were last Saterdag drawn out & each sergt had 30 s [?] given him & each Drummer and Corporal 25 and every private soldr 20 as alsoe ye Ro[yal] Bounty of yr Maties for yr servive in Ireland Great Impressing of Men is upon ye River of Thames for ye Newbuilt ships which are fitting out to joyne our fleet soe yt the Ro Navy will be much strongr then before ye Engagemt The ffalmo lettrs further add that the Spanish Expedicon packet boat is come in there with one Mail & saies that in her way thither she saw a ffrench Man of Warr Eng Built & Eng Coulters who took a Dutch Merchant and gave fight to an Eng ship bound for New Engld who made her escape by running into a Creek This morneing the Q held a Cabanett Councill and was afterwards present in the Treasury and this afternoon a Grand Councill where divers things of Consideracon were debated in relacon to ye Discent and a Complaint was made agt a Cittizen for Covetting one of ye Ginneres Employed in the Grann [?] who not being willing to release his action was taken into Custody of a Messenger with ye Sheriffs Officer it being alledged that the Ginner was ordered to Portsmo on Munday Next and the creditor declared he would stay his journey being a Jacobite Nevill Hastings & Mr Ridley in Newgate this Day moved for a Habeas Corpus ye Last of ye Term which was granted and all those who have not Bills found agt them will be discharged.

+Wee have noe foreign post

L. c. 2100 [Handwriting changes here.] London June the 11th 92
+Scotch letters of the 4th Instant advise that the Horiton [?] of
the Sheriff of Moye [?] had mustered in the Linkes of Leigh after which
they drew up an Address which was signed by most of them and delivered
the same to the Lds of the privy Councill to be transmitted to his maty
Importing that they will Sacrifice their Lives & ffortunes for their
matys Interest against all Enemys whatsoever

Yesterday the Citty Common Council mett and Chiefe Sergt
Lovellson [?] of the Citty in the Roome of Sr Geo Treby who resigned his
place on Tuesday last by Carrying it by one voice in opposition to Mr
Selby [sic]

On Thursday 37000 L more was sent downe to Portsmouth for the use of
the Navy

This weeke Mr Comptroller Wharton was marryd to the Late Ld Howards
daughter

On Thursday the princess Anne was at the Cockpitt but not with the
Queen and on Monday comes to see the new opera

That day came on a tryall between his maty and the Ld montgomery
for 10000 L P Ann being part of the D powis Estate and the Jury brought
it for the king.

Yesterday afternoone was a greate tryall at westminster for The
Issue being whether the late Act of Parliamt a Clerke of the peace for
a County before the Act of Parliamt Can be Instituted to hold these
offices [?] notwithstanding the Custos Rutulorum of the County
disapprove the man [?] and put in another being the Case of the E of
Bedford puting in mr ffox in opposition to mr Harwate [?] but there
arising matter [?] of Law the Jury brought it in speciall

The Lds of Admlty upon some matter before them sent new sailing
orders to the ffleet for wesday last not to saile westward but directly
to St Maloes being Certainly Informed some ffr men of warr were
run on Ground there the last fight and if they did not gett off the
last Spring Tyde they most [?] Certainly mett with and destroy them

poili [?] month the Royall navy pursuant to their orders recd from
London this Evening gave the signall of weith Anchor and put to Sea
and wee are assured the Admlt besides some publique orders has recd
private Instructions which he is not to open till some Leagues at sea.

Their Matys Shipp the King ffisher lilly Chased 2 ffr privateers and
tooke one of 15 [?] Guns the other run on shore umder the Guns of Calais

a mackerall boate has brought into dovere great many seamen [about
twelve letters illegible] which were floating neare dunkirke and they are
supposed to be a wreck of a ffr man of war of 70 Guns run upon the Goodwin

Letters from Dartmouth of the 7 say that on the 5 at night a
vessell going from Exon to falmo Laden with Merrier [?] goods vallued at
5000 L was taken by a ffr privateer but the men escaped by running the
vessell on shoare. They adde that 3 Dutch men of warr are put into
Torbay and on the 6 2 Collier from Wales were Chased in there by
privateers.

Letters from sheeles [?] of the 7 advise that 6 Laden Colliers
belonging to 2 ffleets of 300 saile and latly went from Lena [?] struck
upon the Barr and 4 of them staved [?]

They write from Yarmouth of 8 that a ffr privateer latly tooke 3
vessells neare Cowes [?] one of them being Laden wth Corne

Such an extradinery Care is taken of the sick and wounded seamen
brought to portsmouth that the soldiers in the Adjacent townes removed
their Quarters to give them place and above 400 are Cured and on board
their shipp in perfect heal[th]

The spanish Maile brings advice that the King of ffez & Morrocco being advanced with 7000 men within 12 miles of Algiers The dey drew out 40000 and gave him battle routing and killing 10000 of his men with the loss of 12000 of his owne

This [?] morning wee recd Lettrs from the Kings Campe dated on Monday last giving an acct that the Castle of Namure makes a vigorous resistance the Governr having sent the King advice that he shall be able to hold out a month Longer and excessive raines has soe swelled the river that the King has not been able to fight the enemy but both Armys Lye encamped on both sides the place as they did before The Letters add that provisions are very deare in the ffr Campe and their men deserte in Considerable number daly: that the towne only [?] surrenderd being able to have held out severall days Longer: that the Governr of the Castle does wonders having repulsed the enemy who play against it from 4 batterys in divers sallys above 2000 of them have been Kild. A Regimt of horse and Company of dragoons being useless in the Castle have broake thro a line of the enemy Campe with the loss of only 6 men and gott mr Charbray which Garison in a sally has taken a ffr Convoy of 200 wagons with provision goeing from mons to the ffr army And they found among them 3000 pistoll. they Further add that there one daly happen skirmishes between the 2 Armys. on 12 the enemy Attacqued one of our bridges where there was posted some dragoons who forced them to retyre with loss The vaudoies ones have made an Incursion into danghoney and burnt severall ffr villages and Churches bringing away greate booty.
+These forrane Lettrs bring noe advice from the ottoman portes nor from the Campe before greate Waradine