Women at Court.

Ladies and Gentlewomen of the Bedchamber and the Privy Chamber. Maids of Honour, Mothers of the Maids; also relatives and friends of the Queen not otherwise included, and other women prominent in the reign.

Close friends of the Queen: Katherine Astley; Dorothy Broadbelt; Lady Cobham; Anne, Lady Hunsdon; Countess of Huntingdon; Countess of Kildare; Lady Knollys; Lady Leighton; Countess of Lincoln; Lady Norris; Elizabeth and Helena, Marchionesses of Northampton; Countess of Nottingham; Blanche Parry; Katherine, Countess of Pembroke; Mary Radcliffe; Lady Scudamore; Lady Mary Sidney; Lady Stafford; Countess of Sussex; Countess of Warwick. Also Margaret Countess of Derby (until her loss of favour in 1579).

The royal palaces had a Council Chamber, Great Chamber, Presence Chamber, Privy Chamber, Withdrawing Chamber, and the Queen’s Bedchamber. Maids of Honour were based in the Presence Chamber, where most audiences were held.

Bedchamber and Privy Chamber. Some women became Ladies or Gentlewomen of the Bedchamber and/or of the Privy Chamber. If titled they were called Ladies. Unless otherwise stated they kept their posts until their deaths. Fees of £20 p.a. were usually paid to those of the Bedchamber, £33.6s8d to those of the Privy Chamber. Some were unpaid, or are not in surviving fee-lists.

Coronation list, 15 Jan 1559: ‘The Queen’s Majesty’s Chamber’. The Bedchamber: Lady Knollys, Mrs Astley, Mrs Blanche Parry, Mrs Norwich. Chamberers: Mrs Marbury, Mrs Broadbelt, Mrs Newton. Chamberers are alternatively called ‘Gentlewomen of the Bedchamber’.
Privy Chamber without wages: Lady Norfolk, Lady Howard, Lady Clinton, Lady Sidney, Lady Parry, Lady Carey, Mrs Wingfield.

Maids of the Privy Chamber: Willoughby, Markham, Skipwith, Cliff [Clive], St Loe, Knollys. Thereafter called 'Gentlewomen of the Privy Chamber'.

'Extraordinary of the Privy Chamber when the Queen’s Majesty calleth for them': Lady Berkeley, Lady Cheke, Lady Clarke, Lady Poyntz, Mrs Edmondes, Mrs Heneage, Mrs Marvyn, Mrs Quadring, Mrs Seymour, Mrs Snow, Mrs Haynes [Eynns].

Mothers of the Maids.
Married women or widows who supervised the Maids of Honour; paid £20 a year.
Mrs Morice (1559 Jan); Mrs Aglionby (by 1562 Jan); Mrs Harvey (by 1571 Jan; died at court 24 Nov 1573); Mrs Elizabeth Hyde (1573 November);
Mrs Baptist (by 1582 Jan); Mrs Elizabeth Jones (by 1588 Nov; dismissed 1591);
Mrs Elizabeth Wingfield (1591 October); Mrs Katherine Bromfield (by 1594 Jan);
Mrs Wingfield (again c.Feb 1597); Mrs Brydges (by 1603 Jan). See also Mrs Allen.

Maids of Honour: there were customarily six Maids of Honour at any one time; except in cases of misconduct they kept their posts until they married, when some became Ladies of the Privy Chamber. Maids were paid £10 a year (by 1600 £20 a year). The Maids and the Mother of the Maids received a ‘free gift’ of gilt plate from the Queen at New Year, listed in the New Year Gift Rolls.

The dates in January, below, refer to these Rolls, extant for 24 years of the reign.

Maids’ fees: in Lay Subsidy Rolls, TNA.

Maids of Honour, in chronological order.

Coronation list, Jan 1559: Lady Catherine Grey; Lady Jane Howard;
Douglas Howard; Mary Howard; Mary Mansell; Lady Jane Seymour.
By 1562 Jan: Katherine Knyvett; Frances Mewtas; Mary Radcliffe;
Anne Windsor. By 1564 Jan: Katherine Cooke.
By 1565 Jan: Katherine Brydges; by 1565 Nov: Dorothy Brooke.
By 1568 Jan: Abigail Heveningham.
By 1571 Jan: Lady Susan Bourchier; Lady Elizabeth Hastings; Isabel Holcroft.
1571 May: Elizabeth Garrett.
By 1572 Sept: Eleanor (or Ellen) Brydges; Katherine Howard.
By 1575 Jan: Mary Burgh. 1577: Martha Howard.
By 1578 Sept: Frances Vaughan.
By 1581 Jan: Margaret Macwilliam; Anne Vavasour (I).
By 1582 Jan: Margaret Edgecombe; Elizabeth Trentham.
By 1585 Jan: Anne Hopton.
By 1588 Jan: Elizabeth Cavendish; Elizabeth Southwell (II).
By 1588 Nov: Katherine Legh.
By 1589 Jan: Cecilia Macwilliam; 1589 July: Lady Elizabeth Vere.
c.1592: Katherine Thynne. By 1593 Dec: Margaret Radcliffe.
By 1594 Jan: Christian Ansley; Frances Drury; - Southwell;
Maria Tuchet; Elizabeth Vernon.
1594 August: Lady Katherine Somerset. By 1595: Anne Russell.
By 1597 Jan: Mary Pitton; 1597 February: Lettice Garrett.
By 1598 Jan: Cordelia Ansley; Anne Carey; Lady Dorothy Hastings.
1600 Jan 5: Elizabeth Southwell (III).
1601 May 26: Gresham Thynne; 1601 Dec 15: Mary Nevill.
c.1602: Margaret Wharton.

An asterisk beside a name, in the list below, indicates a woman with her own biographical note. An attempt has been made to indicate relationships between the women, but so many were inter-related that this is incomplete.
Abington, Mrs Dorothy: see Broadbelt, Dorothy.

Aglionby, Mrs Anne:
By 1562 January: Mother of the Maids (to c.1570). £20 p.a.
Widow of Hugh Aglionby (died by 1554), formerly Secretary to Queen Katherine Parr, sixth wife of Henry VIII; she was a Gentlewoman of the Queen’s Household.
1565 Dec 25: at court took Communion with Archbishop and Lord Chamberlain.
In 1568, described as Mother of the Maids, she had a lease from the Crown of East Mersea manor, Essex.

Allen, Mrs Agnes (died 1589):
Agnes Hill. 1575 Dec 1: marriage: Thomas Allen and Agnes Hill;
New Year Gift rolls: ‘Allen, a merchant’, exchanged gifts with the Queen, 1563-1568, 1576; ‘Mrs Allen’ exchanged gifts 1576-1589, listed among ‘gentlewomen’; Mrs Hyde, Mrs Baptist, Mrs Jones, are listed as Mothers of the Maids.

Ansley, Christian (died 1605):
2nd daughter of Brian Ansley, Gentleman Pensioner 1564-1603, by Audrey Tyrrell. Sister of Cordelia Ansley.*
1594 January: still listed as Maid.
1595 September, end: married (2nd wife) William 3rd Lord Sandys; Queen’s gift.

Ansley, Cordelia (c.1566-1636):
Youngest daughter of Brian Ansley, Gentleman Pensioner, by Audrey Tyrrell. Also called Cordell Annesley; sister of Christian Ansley.*
By 1598 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.; by 1600 £20 p.a.
1600 June 14: to be masquer at marriage of Anne Russell.*
Father died in 1604; his treatment by her and her eldest sister Grace have caused parallels to be drawn with Cordelia and her sisters in Shakespeare’s King Lear, of 1605/6. She married in 1608 Sir William Harvey (later Lord Hervey), step-father of Henry, 3rd Earl of Southampton, to whom Shakespeare dedicated Venus and Adonis and The Rape of Lucrece. She set up a monument to her parents in Lee Church, Kent (now in Greater London).

Arbella: see Stuart, Lady Arbella.

Arundell, Margaret (Mrs/Lady) (1544-1584):
In attendance on Elizabeth before her Accession and until 1584.
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Received a fee, £33.6s8d, 1559-1584; from October 1559 as Mrs Arundell, later as Lady Arundell.
1559 Oct 5: married at court Matthew Arundell (knighted 1574; died 1598).

Ascough, Lady Anne (1546-1585):
Anne Clinton. Daughter of Edward Clinton, 1st Earl of Lincoln, the Lord Admiral; by 2nd wife, Ursula Stourton.
Stepdaughter of 3rd wife, Elizabeth, Countess of Lincoln.*
Relative of Eleanor Brydges;* of Elizabeth Brydges.*
Wife of William Ascough (died 1585). Known as Lady Anne Askew.
1577 Sept 4: Queen proposed to have dinner at her Cobham, Surrey, house.
1582 Sept 1: Queen dined at her Byfleet, Surrey, house.
Astley, Katherine (Mrs) (died 1565):
In attendance on Elizabeth since 1536.
Married c.1545 John Astley (c.1507–1596), 1st cousin of Anne Boleyn.
1558 Dec 23: John Astley was Master of the Jewel-house (to 1596, died).
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Received a fee. £20 p.a.
January: John Astley was Chief Gentleman of the Privy Chamber.
Aug 6: Katherine remonstrated with Queen: rumours concerning Lord Robert Dudley.
1560 May 27: John and Katherine became Keepers of St James’s Palace.
Dec 10: a new bishop to have her advice on New Year gift for Queen.
December, end: conversations with John Dymock concerning the Queen.
1561 Sept 15-22: Queen stayed at Enfield; John Astley was Keeper.
1562 March 25: was to receive £30 for Elizabeth St Loe.*
July 22: letter to Sweden, with message for King; Aug 4: sequel.
Aug 6: James Goldborne, in prison, formerly her servant.
Sept 13: restored to her place; her influence over the Queen; Oct 3: comment.
1564 June, end: apothecary’s account referred to; Sept 13: ‘for her table’
during Queen’s absence on progress: £100; ‘Chief Gentlewoman of Privy Chamber’.
1565 July 17: Queen visited her in last illness.
July 18: she died; Queen ‘greatly grieved’.
July 22,23: two Ambassadors wrote of the Queen’s grief.
1587 June 7: report concerning her and Queen’s supposed son Arthur.

Baptist, Margaret (Mrs) (c.1535-c.1622):
Margaret Compagni. Daughter of Bartholomew Compagni, merchant.
Widow of Lazarus Allen; married c.1558 (2) John Baptist Castilion,
Groom of the Privy Chamber 1558-1598; usually known as John Baptist.
1565 Feb 17: Queen godmother to son, Valentine Castilion.
By 1582 January: Mother of the Maids (to 1588). £20 p.a.
1587 Nov 30: marriage of daughter Elizabeth to Peter Legh; Queen’s gift.
1592 May, end: marriage of daughter Barbara to Lawrence Hyde; Queen’s gift.

Bedford, Margaret Countess of (c.1524-1562).
Margaret St John. Daughter of Sir John St John, by Margaret Waldegrave.
Sister of Oliver St John, 1st Lord St John. Widow of Sir John Gostwick;
1st wife of Francis Russell, 2nd Earl of Bedford. Mother of Countess
of Warwick*; of Countess of Cumberland*; and of the Countess of Bath.
Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1562 Aug 27: died of smallpox.

Bedford, Bridget Countess of (1525-1601):
Bridget Hussey. Daughter of John Lord Hussey (executed 1537),
Married 1560 (2) Henry Manners, 2nd Earl of Rutland (died 1563).
1565 May 3: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Mrs Harington’s child.
Married 1566 c.June (3) Francis Russell, 2nd Earl of Bedford.
1572 July 29-Aug 1: Queen stayed at Woburn, Beds, with Earl and Countess.
1581, 1582: New Year gifts to Queen: embroidered cushion; embroidered chair.
1585 July 28: Earl of Bedford died; bequests.
1587 Aug 1: Chief Mourner at funeral of Queen of Scots.
1592 Oct 4-7: Queen stayed at Chenies with her.
1594 Sept 9: Bridget Manners* ordered to live with her after her sudden
marriage; Sept 20: Bridget is with her.
Oct 16: has brought Bridget to London; Nov 27: Queen has set Bridget at liberty.
1597 Nov 5: her letter concerning Lord Grey.
1601 Jan 12: Dowager Countess died; her will. Monument: Chenies Church, Bucks.
Berkeley, Katherine (Lady) (c.1518-1560):
1559 January: Extraordinary Lady of the Privy Chamber. Died 1560.
1562 Sir Maurice Berkeley married Elizabeth Sandys, of the Bedchamber.

Berkeley, Elizabeth (Lady) (c.1532-1585):
Elizabeth Sandys. Daughter of Anthony Sandys, by Anne Mann. In Elizabeth’s household before her Accession.
1560: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Received a fee, £20, 1560-1585; from 1562 as Lady Berkeley, or Bartlett. Married, June 1562, Sir Maurice Berkeley.
1563 Aug 21: Queen godmother to son, Robert Berkeley.
Sir Maurice died 1581; his monument, with his two wives, is in Bruton Church, Somerset.

Bindon: see Howard of Bindon.

Bourchier, Lady Susan (born c.1549; living in 1609), unmarried:
Daughter of John Bourchier, 2nd Earl of Bath, by Margaret Donnington.
By 1571 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
1576 July 6: going to Buxton.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
1578 Jan 19: sent home from court after her half-brother George Bourchier seduced Martha Howard.* She was not reinstated.
Sir Henry Lee, of Woodstock, in his will of 1609 made a legacy to Lady Susan, including the sum of £800, having been borrowing from her since 1578.

Broadbelt, Dorothy (died 1577):
In Elizabeth’s household by 1543.
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Received a fee, £20, till summer 1577; from 1567 as Mrs Abington.
1562 July 22: letter to Sweden, message for the King.
Aug 4: in custody of Sir William Cecil; Sept 13: restored to her place; sometimes the Queen’s bedfellow; Oct 3: comment on motive for restoration.
1563 May 4: has cage for Queen’s parrot; pewter pot for monkey.
1566 March 29: Earl of Leicester’s best friend at court, but is absent.
1567 Sept 30: Queen’s gift of gown and kirtle for her marriage to John Abington, Clerk of the Kitchen.
[Another John Abington later became Cofferer of the Household].
1574 May 19: Croydon lodging.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.

Bromfield, Katherine (Mrs) (died 1597):
By 1594 January: Mother of the Maids (to 1597). £20 p.a.
1597 Jan 24: oral will, in her last sickness, being of St Martin’s near Charing Cross; left all to daughter Anne Bromfield; will proved Jan 31.
Anne Bromfield had been at court with her mother for four years, since she was 16; she became a nun at Louvain in 1599.

Brooke, Dorothy: see Parry, Dorothy.
Brooke, Elizabeth: see Cecil, Elizabeth.
Brussels, Mrs Jane, later Mrs Heneage (c.1543-1597):
Jane Hawk. Daughter of Francis and Barbara Hawk, of Flanders.
Barbara Hawk was one of Queen Mary's Gentlewomen of the Privy Chamber.
By 1566 Jane married (1) Mr Brussels.
1568: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber.
Received a fee, £20, 1568-1597, as Mrs Brussels, later as Mrs Heneage.
Jane Brussels was made a denizen of England: 1 June 1571.
1583 Sept 15: 'of the Privy Chamber' signed for gift of clothes to Irishwoman.
1589 March 9: bequest to 'Jane Hawkes' by Countess of Sussex.*
c.1594 married (2): William Heneage (died 1610).
His monument, with two wives, is in Hainton Church, Lincolnshire.

Brydges, Eleanor (or Ellen):
Daughter of Edmund Brydges, 2nd Lord Chandos, by Dorothy Bray, Lady Chandos.*
Relative of Elizabeth Brydges;* of Anne Ascough.*
By 1572 September: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1574 January, end: Letter with court news.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse 'posy'.
1579 Dec 28: licence to marry George Gifford, a Gentleman Pensioner.
Still listed as a Maid of Honour, January 1581.

Brydges, Elizabeth (1578-1617):
Daughter of Giles Brydges, 3rd Lord Chandos, by Frances Clinton.
1594 Feb 21: Father died; Feb 28: news about Elizabeth’s suitors.
c.1594: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
1596 end: received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 Feb 12: assistant mourner, funeral of Lady Cecil.*
April 13: Queen angry with, put out of court for 3 nights.
1598 Feb 12: Earl of Essex again in love with.
1601 May 4: may marry Sir Robert Cecil; Oct 24: Frenchmen enamoured with.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
In New Year Gift Rolls 1594-1603 among Gentlewomen who gave and received gifts. 'Mrs Brydges' is one of six Maids of Honour in the Queen's funeral procession.
Married later in 1603 Sir John Kennedy, a Scot; 1611: divorced him, he being found to have a wife in Scotland; 1617: died in London, very poor.

Brydges, Katherine:
By 1565 January: Maid of Honour.
One of six Maids who had gowns for Earl of Warwick’s marriage, Nov 1565; in May 1566 she received blue velvet for a gown, but had ceased to be a Maid by 1567.

Brydges, Mrs Mary: see Hopton, Mary.

Brydges, Mrs:
By 1603 January: Mother of the Maids. After Queen Anne arrived in London she was sworn again as Mother of the Maids, summer 1603.

Bulkeley, Lady Mary: see Burgh, Mary.

Burgh, Frances (Lady) (c.1562-1647):
Great-niece of Blanche Parry.* Sister-in-law of Mary Burgh.*
By 1578 Sept: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
Married 1580 Thomas Burgh, son of William 4th Lord Burgh.
1584 Sept 10: Thomas Burgh became 5th Lord Burgh.
1586 Dec 20-21: Queen stayed at her Lambeth house.
1590 Feb 12: bequest by Blanche Parry.
1596 Oct 1: Queen dined at Lady Burgh’s Lambeth house.
1597 Feb 14: daughter Elizabeth Burgh may be a Maid of Honour.
March 1: Lord Burgh appointed Lord Deputy of Ireland.
April 27: Lady Burgh would like to be a Lady of the Bedchamber.
Nov 7: Queen’s visit of condolence to Lady Burgh, at Lambeth.
1598 Jan 16: granted an annuity of £400 for life.
1599 Jan 8: visited by Queen at St James’s Park house.
1601 April 23: theft from her house, St James’s Park.

Burgh, Mary (died 1620s):
Sister-in-law of Frances Burgh.*
By 1575 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
Feb 15: is to marry; Feb 18: married at court Sir Richard Bulkeley,
a Gentleman Pensioner (1535-1621).
1588 April 25/30: Queen may have dined at their Lewisham house.
1600 May 16: she is willing for daughter Kate to be Maid of Honour.
1602 May 1: Queen dined at Lewisham house and went ‘Maying’.

Carew, Lady Elizabeth (died c.1594):
In attendance on Elizabeth before her Accession.
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber.
Received a fee, £33.6s8d, from 3 Jan 1559-1594; from 1562 as Lady Carew.
1562 married Sir Gawain Carew (c.1503-1585), Master of the Henchmen 1559-1565.
1572 July 22: lodging at Theobalds. 1574 May 19: Croydon lodging.
1575 July 18: cart from Kenilworth for her, a Lady of the Privy Chamber.
Monument of Sir Gawain and Lady Carew: Exeter Cathedral.

Carey, Anne (1580-1622):
Daughter of John Carey, by Mary Hyde. John Carey, the Queen’s cousin,
was later 3rd Lord Hunsdon. Grand-daughter of Anne, Lady Hunsdon.*
Cousin of Margaret Carey, Lady Hoby;* Philadelphia Carey, Lady Scrope.*
By 1598 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1600 June 14: to be masquer at marriage of Anne Russell.*
1601 April 30: married Francis Lovell; Queen’s gift.

Carey, Lady Anne: see Hunsdon, Anne Lady.
Carey, Lady Elizabeth (title from 1575-1596): see Hunsdon, Elizabeth Lady.
Carey, Katherine: see Nottingham, Katherine Countess of.
Carey, Margaret: see Hoby, Lady Margaret.
Carey, Philadelphia: see Scrope, Philadelphia Lady.

Carr, Bridget (Mrs) (1548-1621):
Bridget Chaworth. Daughter of Sir George Chaworth, by Mary Paston.
By 1579: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Received a fee, £33.6s8d, from 1584 as Mrs Carr.
1577 Feb 15: may marry Lord Gormanston.
1583 Sept 15: signed for gift of clothes to Irishwoman.
1584 married William Carr (1551-1608), an Esquire for the Body.
1585 May 19: received (June 18) a white kirtle given to the Queen.
1592 July 19: Tenacre’s bequest of Queen’s scarf given him by Bridget.
1596 Jan 28: with the Queen in the evening.
1601 June 18: daughter Bridget Carr sworn of the Privy Chamber.
Castilion: see Baptist.

**Cave, Bridget (Mrs) (1521-1587):**
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Received a fee, £33.6s8d, 1559-1587; from 1567 as Mrs Cave.
By 1567 March: married Brian Cave, brother-in-law of Sir William Cecil.

**Cavendish, Elizabeth:**
Daughter of William Cavendish, by Mary Wentworth.
By 1588 January: Maid of Honour. Also listed: 1589 January.

**Cavendish, Margaret (died 1595).** Daughter of Richard Cavendish.
By 1591 October: Maid of Honour.
1591 Oct 4: Darcy’s 'good liking' of her;
Oct 24: Robert Dudley 'commanded from court' for kissing her.
Oct 27: news of her secret marriage to Robert Dudley, 'base son' of the Earl of Leicester and Lady Sheffield.* She died of plague, 1595.
Dudley married (2) Alice Legh; (3) Elizabeth Southwell (III).*

**Cecil, Anne:** see Oxford, Anne Countess of.

**Cecil, Elizabeth (Mrs/Lady) (1562-1597):**
Relative of Elizabeth, Countess of Derby.* Aunt of Lady Hatton.*
1589 Aug 17: is to marry Robert Cecil.
1591 March 28: son William Cecil born; Queen godmother.
May 20: Robert Cecil was knighthed.
Lady Cecil became a Lady of the Bedchamber and the Privy Chamber.
1593 Jan 31-Feb 1: Queen stayed at her Strand house.
1594 April 7: complaint about her lodgings at Greenwich.
May 3: with the Queen at Dr John Dee’s visit.
1595 May 14: bequest by Lady Dacre.*
1596 July 5: Sir Robert Cecil became the Queen’s Secretary.
Dec 23: Queen dined at Strand house; 1596 end: received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 Jan 24: she died after childbirth; Jan 27: to be buried ‘as a baroness’.
Feb 12: funeral described, with names of ladies in attendance.
Monument: Westminster Abbey.

**Cecilia of Sweden (Princess/Lady)(1540-1627):** Visitor to England.
Sister of King Eric XIV of Sweden, long-standing suitor to the Queen; her brother John Duke of Finland visited England from Sept 1559-April 1560, which inspired her to learn English and to come to England also.
1562 Aug 6: Cecilia sent the Queen a letter with a token. (Keyle).
1563 Jan 18: Cecilia to the Queen, wishing to come to England; in May she received the Queen’s consent, and a jewel.
1564 married Christopher Marquis of Baden (died 1575).
1565 May 12: from Danzig, letters to Queen of their desire to visit her.
June 27: Queen’s reply: will be glad to see them.
June 28: visit may be to treat for brother’s marriage to the Queen.
July 2: Cecilia is at Emden waiting for ships.
Aug 24: Queen to Sheriff of Essex, to attend on Cecilia.
Aug 26: Queen to Lord Cobham, to welcome her in Kent.
Aug 27: some of her servants have arrived.
Sept 2, 3: she has arrived in Kent, and is to be attended upon.
Sept 10: Bedford House is prepared for her.
Sept 11: Cecilia arrived in London with six Maids of Honour.
Sept 14: Queen’s first visit to Cecilia, who gave birth to a son next day.
Sept 24: Marquis of Baden had been with the Queen.
Sept 29: Cecilia’s son to be christened on Sept 30.
Sept 30: preparations for the christening at Whitehall Palace.
Queen godmother to Edwardus Fortunatus: described in detail.
Dec 7: Queen visited Cecilia, with Spanish Ambassador.
Dec 11: Christening gifts; Oct 14: Queen at supper on ’churching day’.
Oct 16: Cecilia may further Leicester’s marriage with the Queen.
Nov 5: Cecilia is now at the palace; she supped at Arundel House.
Nov 23: she is to have a pension of 2000 crowns p.a.
Dec 1: Earl of Bedford wishes her attendants removed from his house.
Dec 11: Marquis of Baden has left; Queen is delighted with Cecilia.
Dec 11: birth of Lord Cobham’s son; Cecilia was godmother.
Dec 25: Queen and Cecilia at Christmas Day service.
Christmas/New Year: Queen visited Cecilia at the Savoy; saw a play.
1565 end: letter from Helena Snakenborg, one of Cecilia’s Maids.
James Bell’s account of Cecilia’s lengthy journey to England.

1566 Jan 17: Latin play which refers to Cecilia.
Feb 15: Cecilia meets Lanoy, an alchemist, at an inn.
Feb 25: Cecilia now heavily in debt.
March 7: Lanoy plans to speak to Cecilia.
March 19: Cecilia to the Queen, of her insolent subjects; secretary arrested.
March 20: her Chamberlain arrested.
March 31: Marquis of Baden arrested at Rochester; March 31: arrest described.
April 3: Mayor of Rochester complains of Marquis’s behaviour.
April 4: Privy Council received complaint about Cecilia’s debts;
she complained about tradesmen. Marquis left on April 7.
April 26: Cecilia took leave of the Queen; April 29: details of her departure.
Letter from Helena Snakenborg; subsequent complaints by Cecilia.
(For Helena see: Northampton, Helena Lady Marquis of).

Chandos, Dorothy (Lady) (1530-1605):
Dorothy Bray. Daughter of Edmund 1st Lord Bray, by Jane Halliwell.
Married c.1548 Edmund Brydges, 2nd Lord Chandos.
Mother of Eleanor Brydges.* Relative of Elizabeth Brydges;* Mary Hopton.*
1573 March 11: Lord Chandos died; widow later sold his Garter Collar.
1574 April: married William Knollys, brother of Countess of Leicester.*
Retained name of Lady Chandos.
1574 Aug 4-6: Sudeley Castle: Queen stayed with Dowager Lady Chandos.
1575 Aug 22-27: Queen again stayed at Sudeley Castle.
1586 Oct 7: William Knollys was knighted in Holland.
1598 Feb 27: Queen proposed to visit St James’s Park house to meet
the Countess of Leicester; March 1: had suddenly changed her mind.
1601 Jan 26: lampoon on Sir William Knollys, enamoured of Mary Fitton.*
Aug 29: Queen dined at their Caversham house.
1602 May 5: Queen dined at their St James’s Park house.
Sir William Knollys was created Baron Knollys, May 1603;
Viscount Wallingford, 1616; Earl of Banbury, 1626.
Monument, with 1st wife Dorothy, at Rotherfield Greys Church, Oxon.

Chandos, Mary Lady: see Hopton, Mary.
Chaworth, Bridget: see Carr, Mrs Bridget.
Cheke, Mary (Lady) (c.1532-1616):
Mary Hill. Daughter of Richard Hill, by Elizabeth Isley.
In Elizabeth’s household by 1543.
Married 1547 (1) (Sir) John Cheke, Tutor to King Edward VI and Gentleman of his Privy Chamber; Cheke’s sister Mary was 1st wife of Sir William Cecil.
1552 summer: Elizabeth was godmother to Lady Cheke’s child.
Sir John Cheke died 1557; she married 1558 (2): Henry Macwilliam, a Gentleman Pensioner (died 1586). Retained name of Lady Cheke.
1559 January: Extraordinary Lady of the Privy Chamber.
Six daughters: Margaret Macwilliam;* Susan; Ambrosia; Elizabeth; Cecilia Macwilliam;* Cassandra; one son: Henry.
1564 June 27: Queen godmother to Elizabeth Macwilliam.
1569 May 16: surprised with Earl of Ormond, both banished from court.
Son Henry Cheke (c.1548-1586) was a Clerk of the Privy Council 1576-81.
1576 Lady Cheke and Henry Macwilliam: joint Keepers of St James’s Palace.
1579 Dec 15: marriage of daughter Susan Macwilliam; Queen’s gift.
1581 January: daughter Margaret Macwilliam: Maid of Honour.
1599 June 18: son Henry Macwilliam killed in duel; sequel: June 28.
1601 New Year gift from Elizabeth Countess of Shrewsbury.*

Cheney, Jane (Lady) (died 1614):
Jane Wentworth.
Daughter of Thomas 1st Lord Wentworth, by Margaret Fortescue.
Sister of Margery, Lady Williams* of Thame.
Married 1560 April 30: Henry Cheney (died 1587).
1564 Sept 4-7: Queen stayed at Toddington, Beds; knighted Cheney.
1570 Aug 16-25: Queen stayed at Toddington.
1572 May 8: Sir Henry became Lord Cheney of Toddington.
1575 June 15-17: Queen stayed at Toddington; her gift to Queen.
   Monument: Toddington Church.

Clarke, Lady:
Catherine Strange. Wife of Sir Roland Clarke.
1559 January: Extraordinary Lady of the Privy Chamber.

Clifford, Lady Anne (1590-1676):
Daughter of George Clifford 3rd Earl of Cumberland, by Margaret Russell, Countess of Cumberland.*
Niece of Margaret Countess of Derby;* Anne Countess of Warwick.*
1590 Feb 21: her praise of the Countess of Warwick.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
Sept 18: her comment on three ladies, favourites of Sir Robert Cecil.
1602 Christmas: young Lady Anne Clifford was to be of the Privy Chamber.
1603 March 21: moved to aunt Countess of Warwick’s house.
March 24: saw King James proclaimed.
March 26: not permitted to watch over the Queen’s corpse.
   Her monument: Appleby Church, Westmorland (now Cumbria).

Clinton, Elizabeth Lady: see Lincoln, Elizabeth Countess of.

Clive, Elizabeth (died 1559), unmarried:
Daughter of Robert Clive, Clerk of the Cheque to Edward VI.
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber. Received a fee, £33.6s8d.
Will: 18 July 1559, executors: Lady Elizabeth Clinton* and John Baptist Castilion. Died whilst the court was at Otford, Kent (July 21-Aug 2).
   Funeral at Otford Church, paid for by the Queen.
Cobham, Frances (Lady) (c.1532-1592):
Sister of Nazareth Newton, Lady Paget;* sister-in-law of Katherine Newton.*
Sister-in-law of Elizabeth Lady Marquis of Northampton.* Stepmother of
Dorothy Brooke, Lady Parry.* Mother of Elizabeth Brooke, Lady Cecil.*
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Fee from 3 Jan 1559, £33.6s8d.
She became a Lady of the Bedchamber and of the Privy Chamber.
Dec 7: christening at court of son Maximilian Brooke; Queen godmother.
1565 Oct 7: with the Queen visited Cecilia* of Sweden. Spanish Ambassador called
her Mistress of the Robes, but this post was introduced in the next reign.
1565 Dec 11: birth of son William Brooke; Cecilia of Sweden was godmother.
1570 May 29: Queen’s gift at her sister Jane Newton’s marriage.
1571 Feb 6: Queen praises her loyalty; Oct 7: Lord Cobham has been arrested.
Oct 20: Lady Cobham put out of the court after husband’s arrest.
1573 Sept 24: Queen dined at Cobham, Kent; her gift to Queen.
1574 June 9: in ‘very good favour’; to have her old place again.
1575 Oct 13: her advice on New Year gift to Queen by Lady Shrewsbury.*
1577 June 30: list of the Queen’s pearls in her keeping.
1579 Aug 28: Queen dined at Cobham; 1583 May 27: her lodging at Theobalds.
1584 June 15: her letter to Burghley; 1587 April 10: letter advising Burghley.
Dec 9: French envoy received gold chain borrowed from her.
1590 Feb 12: bequest from Blanche Parry.*
1592 Oct 17: she died at Cobham, Kent.

Cooke, Katherine: see Killigrew, Mrs Katherine.
Copinger, Mrs Elizabeth: see Garrett, Elizabeth.

Cumberland, Margaret Countess of (1560-1616):
Lady Margaret Russell. Daughter of Francis Russell, 2nd Earl of Bedford,
by 1st wife Margaret St John, Countess of Bedford.*
Sister of Anne, Countess of Warwick;* and the Countess of Bath.
Mother of Lady Anne Clifford.*
Aunt of Anne Russell;* Elizabeth Russell;* Margaret Wharton.*
June 25: married George Clifford, 3rd Earl of Cumberland; Queen present.
1584 April 18: Queen godmother to son Lord Clifford.
1585 July 27: brother died; July 28: father died; bequest to her.
Sept 12: Queen sent John Stanhope to comfort the ‘mourning ladies’.
Oct 1: Earl of Leicester to go to christening of her child.
1591 Dec 27: listed in Spenser’s Colin Clout.
1596 Sept 1: Spenser dedicated Four Hymns to her and sister Countess of Warwick.
1596 end: she received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 Oct 6: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Elizabeth Petre.
1600 July 1: at bedside of dying niece Elizabeth Russell.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
1603 March 21: moved to sister Countess of Warwick’s house.
March 26: watched over the Queen’s corpse several nights.
Her monument: Appleby Church, Westmorland (now Cumbria).

Dacre, Anne Lady (c.1540-1595):
Anne Sackville. Daughter of Sir Richard Sackville (the Queen’s cousin),
by Winifred Brydges, later Lady Marquis of Winchester.*
Sister of Thomas Sackville, 1st Lord Buckhurst. 2nd cousin of the Queen.
Married by 1559: Gregory, Lord Dacre of the South (1539-1594).
1595 May 14: she died; bequests to the Queen and to courtiers (listed in Text).
Lord and Lady Dacre’s monument: All Saints, Chelsea, Middlesex.
Darcy, Lady Katherine: see Legh, Katherine.

**De Feria, Jane Countess (1538-1612, died in Spain):**

Jane Dormer. Daughter of Sir William Dormer, by his 1st wife Mary Sidney (died 1542). 1st cousin of Sir Philip Sidney. Catholic. Formerly a Gentlewoman of Queen Mary Tudor’s Privy Chamber. 1558 Dec 29: private marriage to Count De Feria, Spanish Ambassador. 1559 May 2: De Feria and his pregnant wife are to leave. May 23: the Count left, in advance of his wife. July 26: Countess’s passport; her account as Keeper of the Jewels; leave-taking of the Queen, at Otford.

She was later Duchess de Feria; she remained abroad.

**De La Warr, Anne (Lady) (1555-1603):**


**Denny, Margaret (Mrs/Lady) (1560-1648):**

Margaret Edgecombe. Daughter of Peter Edgecombe, by Margaret Luttrell. By 1582 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a. April 5: she ‘is modest’. c.1583 married Edward Denny (1547-1600), Groom of the Privy Chamber. 1588 Denny was knighted. 1598 Nov 3: Sir Edward Denny at court from Ireland in lamentable plight. His monument: Waltham Abbey, Essex; hers: Bishop’s Stortford Church, Herts.

**Derby, Alice Countess of (1559-1637):**

Derby, Elizabeth Countess of (1575-1627):
1575 July 10: Queen godmother.
1589 July 26: has been appointed Maid of Honour.
1592 July 16: Palatine Ambassadors admired Burghley’s grand-daughters.
1594 Dec 2: Queen to attend her marriage. (Burghley).
1596 New Year: Queen godmother to daughter Elizabeth Stanley.
Aug 20: Earl of Derby’s signed statement at Greenwich about his wife.
Dec 1: rumours of Earl of Essex’s ‘dalliance’ with Lady Derby.
1596 end: received a sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 Aug 8: Earl of Derby had news from court of her infidelity.
Dec 1: further scandal about her and Earl of Essex.
1598 Jan 30: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Elizabeth Windsor.
May 24: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Edward Guildford.
1601 Jan 6: Queen’s train-bearer. (Plan for dinner).
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
Sept 18: wore a miniature of Sir Robert Cecil, taken by the Queen.

Derby, Margaret Countess of (c.1537-1596):
Lady Margaret Clifford. Daughter of Henry Clifford 2nd Earl of Cumberland, by his 1st wife Eleanor Brandon (daughter of King Henry VIII’s sister Mary). 1st cousin once removed of the Queen. Relative of Countess of Cumberland.* Aunt of Lady Anne Clifford.*
Married 1555 Henry Stanley, Lord Strange (1531-1593), son of 3rd Earl of Derby. Known as Lady Margaret Strange or Lady Strange until Henry became 4th Earl.
1560 Feb 25: at Lord Cobham’s marriage at court to Frances Newton.*
1561 July 20: Queen godmother to son, William Stanley (later 6th Earl of Derby).
1564 Aug 5: her lodging at King’s College, Cambridge.
1565 Dec 24 and 25: Queen’s train-bearer.
1566 Oct 2: Queen’s train-bearer in Parliament; and 1567 Jan 2.
1567: separated from her husband; he lived thenceforth with his mistress Jane Halsall, having several children, the first c.1560, Ursula Stanley.
1570 July 5: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Vidame’s child.
1571 July 21: Fulke’s book dedicated to her.
Dec 6: at court when Queen summoned young son Ferdinando there.
1572 July 22: lodging at Theobalds at Queen’s visit.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’ for Lady Derby.
1576 April 24: Queen’s train-bearer.
1577 July 24: Queen supped with her at Isleworth, Middx.
1578 July 27: she stayed at Littlebury during Queen’s progress. (Nashe).
Sept 11: carts to take her stuff to Isleworth from court.
1583 Sept 26: begs to come to kiss the Queen’s hand.
Oct 13: son Ferdinando, 5th Earl, at court; is to see her.
1594 April 16: son Ferdinando died.
1596 Sept 29: Dowager Countess died.

Devereux, Dorothy: see Northumberland, Dorothy Countess of. Devereux, Penelope (sister): see Rich, Penelope Lady.
Digby, Abigail (Lady) (c.1552-1611):
Abigail Heveningham. Daughter of Sir Arthur Heveningham (died 1557),
by Mary Shelton (buried 8 Jan 1571), a first cousin of Queen Anne Boleyn.
1st cousin once removed of the Queen. Relative of Mary Scudamore.*
1562 April 24: Queen’s gift to Lady Heveningham at departure from court.
By 1568 January: Abigail was a Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1571 May 14: Abigail, dismissed as Maid of Honour, remained at court,
as a Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
1585 March 28: Queen godmother to daughter Elizabeth Digby.
1586 Oct 7: Digby was knighted; 1587 Sir George Digby died.
1588 Oct 21: married (2) Edward Cordell; Queen’s gift.
Retained name of Lady Digby. 1590 December: Edward Cordell died.
1591 married (3) Ralph Bowes, Master of the Queen’s Game.
1592 May 14: at court, with Lady Warwick.*
1598 by June 8: Ralph Bowes died; legacy to his wife, Lady Digby.
June 9: marriage of son Robert Digby and Lettice Garrett.*
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
Monument to Sir George and Lady Digby: Coleshill Church, Warwickshire.

Digby, Mrs Lettice: see Garrett, Lettice.
Dormer, Jane: see De Feria, Jane Countess.
Douglas, Lady Margaret: see Lennox, Margaret Countess of.

Drury, Elizabeth (Mrs/Lady) (c.1556-1599):
Elizabeth Stafford. Daughter of Sir William Stafford, by Dorothy Stafford.*
Mother of Elizabeth Drury;* Frances Drury.*
1568 Nov 28: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Received a fee, £20, 1568-1599;
from 1573 as Mrs Drury, later as Lady Drury and as Lady Scott.
1573 July 8: is to marry; Nov 6: Queen’s gift for wedding gown.
Nov 8: married at court William Drury.
1574 May 19: Croydon lodging for Mrs Drury.
1575 Feb 4: Queen godmother to son, Robert. William Drury was knighted
soon after. Elizabeth became a Lady of the Privy Chamber and Bedchamber.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
1578 Aug 7: Queen dined at her Hawstead house, Suffolk.
1586 Feb 13: Throckmorton paid her for a tortoise given to the Queen.
1587 Jan 1: conspiracy involving her brother William Stafford.
Jan 26: commanded from the court; later reinstated.
1590 Jan 8: Sir William Drury died after duel; Queen’s letter to ‘my Bess’.
c.1591 married (2) Sir John Scott (c.1564-1616), of Kent.
Her monument: Nettlestead Church, Kent.

Drury, Elizabeth (1579-1654):
Daughter of Sir William Drury, by Elizabeth Stafford, Lady Drury.*
Grand-daughter of Dorothy Lady Stafford.* Sister of Frances Drury.*
By 1593 April: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
1593 April 6: news of secret marriage to William Cecil, son of Sir Thomas.
1600 July 27: Mrs Cecil at court, dressed all Italiana.
William Cecil became (1605) 3rd Lord Burghley; (1623) 2nd Earl of Exeter.

Drury, Frances (1576-1642):
Daughter of Sir William Drury, by Elizabeth Stafford, Lady Drury.*
Sister of Elizabeth Drury.* By 1594 January: Maid of Honour.
1594 March 29: Queen learnt of secret marriage to Sir Nicholas Clifford.
April 5: she was in the Fleet Prison, he was in the Tower.
He died at sea 1595. She married (2) 1599: Sir William Wray (1560-1617).
Dudley, Mary Lady (c.1540-1600):
Mary Howard. Daughter of William 1st Lord Howard of Effingham, the Queen’s great-uncle, by 2nd wife Margaret Gamage, Lady Howard.*
1st cousin once removed of the Queen. Sister of Douglas Howard, Lady Sheffield;* Frances Howard (I), Countess of Hertford;* Katherine Howard;* Martha Howard.*
Mary was a Maid of Honour to Queen Mary Tudor, and continued as a Maid.
1559 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1571 Dec 16: married at court Edward Sutton, 4th Lord Dudley; Dec 22: comment.
1575 Aug 10-12: Queen stayed at Dudley Castle.
1586 Aug 12: Lord Dudley died.
1587: Lady Dudley married (2) Richard Mompesson.
1600 Aug 21: she died; her brother the Earl of Nottingham’s grief.
Her monument, with 2nd husband: St Margaret Westminster.

Edmondes, Dorothy (Mrs/Lady) (1545-1615):
Dorothy Lidcott. Daughter of Christopher Lidcott, by Katherine Cheyne.
Married 1554 Christopher Edmondes (died c.1596), stepson of John Lord Williams of Thame. Relative of Lady Williams* of Thame.
1559 January: Extraordinary Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Received a fee from 5 Nov 1570: £33.6s8d, as Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber, and later Lady of the Privy Chamber, until 1603.
1574 Oct 25/30: Lady Sidney* had asked after her.
1592: Christopher Edmondes was knighted.
1595 Aug 31: Queen is to visit. (No visit).
Dec 27: requires a large bribe to favour a prisoner, Roger Booth.
1596 Jan 2: discusses the matter with the Queen.
Jan 13: Booth’s pardon; Lady Edmondes expects but fails to get a large sum.
1599 Oct 19: Queen dined at her East Molesey house.
1600 Aug 8: Queen to dine with; deferred to August 26.

Essex, Frances, Countess of (c.1567-1632).
Frances Walsingham. Daughter of Francis Walsingham, by Ursula (St Barbe), a widow. Walsingham was later the Queen’s Principal Secretary.
1583 Jan 30: to marry Sir Philip Sidney.
Feb 11: Queen learnt of the proposed marriage; April 20: initial objections.
Sept 21: marriage (1) to Sir Philip Sidney. Now daughter-in-law of Lady Sidney.*
1585 Nov 15: Queen godmother to daughter Elizabeth.
1586 Oct 17: Sir Philip Sidney died (wife with him in Holland).
1590 Oct 16: news of marriage (2) to Robert Devereux, 2nd Earl of Essex. Now daughter-in-law of Countess of Leicester.*
Oct 23: Countess of Essex is at her mother’s house;
Nov 10: Queen’s ‘passion’ at her marriage.
1590 end: Watson’s Eclogue dedicated to Lady Sidney.
1599 March 15: daughter Elizabeth Sidney has married Roger, 5th Earl of Rutland.
Sept 28: Earl of Essex returned suddenly from Ireland.
Sept 30: daughter Lady Frances Devereux born.
Nov 23: Countess ‘a most sorrowful creature, wears all black’.
Nov 24: jewel for Queen, not accepted; Nov 28: at court ‘all in black’, not valued at £5; Dec 12: she had leave to visit the Earl.
1601 Feb 8: Earl of Essex’s attempted uprising in London.
Feb 25: Earl of Essex executed for high treason.
1603 April 8: Countess has married (3) Earl of Clanricarde.
**Eynns, Elizabeth (Mrs) (c.1527-1585):**
Elizabeth Neville. Daughter of Sir Edward Neville, by Eleanor Windsor. Sir Edward, a Gentleman of King Henry VIII’s Privy Chamber, was executed 1539. Elizabeth was wife of Thomas Eynns. Secretary to Prince Edward, 1543-1547; Secretary to the Council in the North 1550-1578; lived in Yorkshire. 1559 January: ‘Mrs Haynes’: an Extraordinary Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber. ‘Mrs Haynes’ exchanged New Year gifts with the Queen 1559-1585. Monument of Mrs Eynns: York Minster.

**Fitton, Mary (1578-1641):**
Daughter of Sir Edward Fitton, by Alice Holcroft. By 1597 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a. 1598 October, end: her horse is in the Queen’s stable. 1599 Jan 26: Anthony Gibson’s book dedicated to. 1600 Feb 11: William Kemp’s book dedicated to ‘Anne’ Fitton. June 14: to be masquer at marriage of Anne Russell.* June 17: in masque had ‘wooed’ the Queen to dance. 1601 Jan 26: court scandal: she is with child by William Herbert, 3rd Earl of Pembroke; is in the keeping of Lady Hawkins;* anecdote; letter from Sir William Knollys, husband of Dorothy Lady Chandos;* lampoon on Knollys, enamoured of Mary. Feb 5: Pembroke refuses to marry her; both to go to the Tower. March 21: Pembroke sent to the Fleet; March 25: child was still-born. April 22: Mary not yet released; April 26: Pembroke permitted to go to his London house. June 19: Pembroke ‘banished’ from sight of the Queen. Aug 26: Pembroke’s letters from Wiltshire; sequel. In 1603 Mary had a daughter by Sir Richard Leveson (died 1605). She married (1606) Captain William Polewhele; (1612) John Lougher. She is depicted on her mother’s monument, Gawsworth Church, Cheshire.

**Garrett, Elizabeth:**
Daughter of Edward Garrett/FitzGarrett, by Anne Leigh. Father was Lieutenant of the Gentlemen Pensioners, c.1554-1590. Cousin of Lettice Garrett.* 1571 May 14: has become a Maid of Honour. £10 p.a. 1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’. 1582 April 5: she ‘is jolly’. 1584 married Ambrose Copinger. On 18 Sept 1584 the Queen granted by Letters Patent to Elizabeth Garrett alias FitzGarrett, Maid of Honour, an annuity of £50 for her services. Apparently a gift at retirement on marriage, but her father’s will, August 1586, calls her ‘one of the Queen’s Maids, commonly called Maids of Honour’; and also refers to ‘my son-in-law Copinger’. He died in 1604. 1602 July 29-31: Queen stayed at their Harlington house, Middlesex. She married (2) (1606) Sir John Morice (1568-1618), of Essex.

**Garrett (or FitzGerald), Lettice (c.1580-1658).**

**Gifford, Mrs Eleanor:** see Brydges, Eleanor.
Grey, Ann (Mrs/Lady) (1549-1605):
Anne Windsor. Daughter of William 2nd Lord Windsor, by Margaret Sambourne.
By 1562 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1572: married Henry Grey (c.1547-1614), a Gentleman Pensioner, son of
Lord John Grey. Now relative of Lady Mary Grey.*
1574 July 4: Queen godmother to her daughter Elizabeth.
1587 Nov 12: Henry Grey was knighted.
Grey was created Lord Grey of Groby, 1603.

Grey, Lady Catherine (or Katherine) (1540-1568):
Daughter of Henry Grey, Duke of Suffolk (executed 1554), by Frances Brandon.
1st cousin once removed of the Queen. Cousin of Margaret, Countess of Derby.*
Sister of ‘Queen’ Lady Jane Grey (executed 1554); also of Lady Mary Grey.*
Niece of Lord John Grey. Sister-in-law of Lady Jane Seymour.*
Daughter-in-law of Anne, Duchess of Somerset.*
1559 January: Maid of Honour.
March 24: dissatisfied at being only a Maid of Honour.
Nov 21: mother Frances Duchess of Suffolk died; Chief Mourner at funeral.
1560 Jan 16: Queen ‘makes much of her’.
1561 Aug 7: her marriage and pregnancy became known.
Aug 12: Queen recalled Earl of Hertford from France; Lady Catherine
sent to the Tower; Aug 17: Queen’s directions to Lieutenant of the Tower.
Aug 26: news; Sept 5: Earl of Hertford went to the Tower.
Sept 21: Edward Seymour born in the Tower; to be ‘no marriage’.
Sept 24, 28: more news.
1562 Feb 10: Commission is to examine validity of the marriage.
Feb 18-May 12: Commissioners questioned Lady Catherine and the Earl.
March, start: ‘nothing could be found’.
May 12: marriage declared invalid, son illegitimate.
Oct 25: some Councillors wished Catherine declared heir to Throne.
Nov 30: another meeting where she was favoured as heir.
Aug 30: she has been moved from the Tower, to Lord John Grey’s house.
Sept 8: list of her 'stuff’ in the Tower, after two years there.
1564 April 27: book by John Hales, in her favour; and May 1.
April-May: 'Interrogatories' of Hales and others.
Nov 26: Lady Catherine is with Sir William Petre, Ingatestone.
1565 Jan 1: Queen’s displeasure continues.
June 28: book concerning her found in court.
1566 May 13, 14: to move to live with Sir John Wentworth, Gosfield.
Oct 23: Members of Parliament may favour her claim to the Throne.
1567 Oct 20: to move to live with Sir Owen Hopton, Suffolk.
1568 Jan 27: she died in Suffolk; Queen paid for funeral, Feb 21.
Commemorated by the ‘Hertford Monument’, Salisbury Cathedral.

Grey, Lady Mary (c.1545-1578): sister of Lady Catherine Grey.*
1565 July 16: secret marriage at court to Thomas Keys, Serjeant Porter.
Aug 19: marriage became known to Queen; Aug 20, 21: comments.
Aug 22: Thomas Keys to go to Fleet Prison (to 1568; died 1571).
Aug 29: Lady Mary to be in custody of William Haultrey, at Chequers.
1567 Aug 9: now in custody of Katherine Duchess of Suffolk.*
1569 June: in custody of Sir Thomas Gresham (to May 1572).
1578 April 20: died in London, to which she moved in 1573.
Queen paid for funeral, Westminster Abbey.

Guildford, Lady Elizabeth: see Somerset, Lady Elizabeth.
Harington, Isabella (Mrs) (died 1579):
Isabella Markham. Daughter of Sir John Markham, by Anne Strelley.
Married c.1553 (2nd wife) John Harington (died 1582).
Both were in Elizabeth’s household before her Accession.
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Received a fee, £33.6s8d, from 1559-1579.
1560 Aug 4: Queen godmother to son John, later Sir John Harington.
1602 Dec 18: Sir John’s mother had been the Queen’s bedfellow.

Harvey, Mrs: By 1571 January: Mother of the Maids.
Apparently the unnamed Mother of the Maids who died suddenly at Greenwich Palace on 24 November 1573. Descriptions in Text.

Hastings, Lady Dorothy (1579-1622):
Daughter of George Hastings, 4th Earl of Huntington, by Dorothy Port.
Relative of Countess of Huntingdon;* Countess of Worcester.*
1600 June 14: to be masquer at marriage of Anne Russell.*

Hastings, Lady Elizabeth: see Worcester, Elizabeth Countess of.

Hatton, Lady Elizabeth (1578-1646):
Elizabeth Cecil. Daughter of Sir Thomas Cecil, by Dorothy Nevill.
Grand-daughter of William Cecil, 1st Lord Burghley.
Niece of Elizabeth Brooke, Lady Cecil.*
Married (1) 1596: Sir William Hatton.
1597 Feb 16: Francis Flower’s bequests to Sir William and Lady Hatton.
1597 March 12: Sir William Hatton died in Holborn; bequests.
1598 Nov 5: married (2) Edward Coke, Attorney-General.
Nov 22: comment on marriage. Retained name of Lady Hatton.
1599 Aug 12: Queen godmother to daughter Elizabeth Coke.
1601 Aug 12: preparations for Queen’s visit.
Aug 13: Queen dined at her house, Stoke Poges, Bucks.

Hawk, Jane: see Brussels, Jane.

Hawkins, Lady Margaret (died 1619):
Margaret Vaughan. Daughter of Charles Vaughan, by Margaret Vaughan.
Niece of Blanche Parry.*
1589 March 1: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber.
Received a fee, £20, to 1603.
1590s married as 2nd wife Sir John Hawkins, naval commander,
whose 1st wife died in 1591. Fee now to Lady Hawkins.
1595 Nov 12: Sir John Hawkins died at sea.
Lady Hawkins drew up his last accounts as Treasurer of the Navy.
1601 Jan 26: Mary Fitton* committed to her keeping.

Haynes, Mrs Elizabeth: see Eynns, Mrs Elizabeth.

Heneage, Anne (Mrs/Lady) (c.1530-1593):
Anne Poyntz. Daughter of Sir Nicholas Poyntz, by Joan Berkeley, Lady Poyntz.*
Married 1554: Thomas Heneage (c.1532-1595).
1559 January: Extraordinary Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
1565 July 23: Queen begins to favour Thomas, whose wife is one of her servants.
1565 end: exchange of rhymes with Elizabeth, pre-Accession.
1568 July 19: Queen dined at their house, Copt Hall, Epping, Essex.
1575 May 19: brother Sir Nicholas Poyntz’s letter to Anne.
1577 Dec 1: Thomas Heneage was knighted.
1578 May 12-13: Queen stayed at Copt Hall.
1583 Jan 15: Queen dined at Heneage House, London.
July 23: brother William Poyntz’s letter to Lady Heneage.
1591 July 1: Queen visited Heneage House: entertainment.
1594 May 2: Heneage married (2) Mary, Countess of Southampton.*

Herbert, Lady Anne (I): see Talbot, Lady Anne.
Herbert, Lady Anne (II): see Russell, Anne.

Herbert, Lady Anne (III) (born 1582):
Daughter of Henry Herbert 2nd Earl of Pembroke, by Mary Sidney, Countess of Pembroke.*  Grand-daughter of Lady Sidney.*
1602: Lady of the Privy Chamber.

Herbert, Lady Elizabeth: see Worcester, Elizabeth Countess of.
Hereford, Lettice, Viscountess of: see Leicester, Lettice Countess of.

Hertford, Catherine Countess of: see Grey, Lady Catherine.

Hertford, Frances, Countess of (I) (1544-1598):
Frances Howard (I).  Daughter of William 1st Lord Howard of Effingham, later Lord Chamberlain, by Margaret Gamage, Lady Howard.*
Sister of Douglas Howard;* Katherine Howard;* Martha Howard;* Mary Howard.*
Cousin of Lady Catherine Grey;* Lady Mary Grey.*
1st cousin once removed of the Queen.
1565 June 28: going to France to live with Madame de Montmorency.
1568 Aug 29: Queen sends a ring to Madame de Montmorency.
1569 Nov 26: Queen’s gift of satin to Frances, back in England.
1569 Nov 28: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Received a fee, £33.6s8d, 1569-1598; from 1585 as Lady Hertford.
1571 May 14: Is loved by Thomas Coningsby.
1573 May 11: Frances and sister Douglas in love with Earl of Leicester.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
Feb 16: may marry the Earl of Hertford, son of Duchess of Somerset.*
1582 June 7: letter to Earl of Hertford on Queen’s riding mishap.
1583 March 18: present at Frenchmen’s secret audience. (Mendoza).
June 9: Earl of Sussex’s will refers to her rooms when Queen was at New Hall.
1585 Nov 18: ‘Mistress Frances’ is to marry.
c.Dec 5: married at court Edward Seymour, Earl of Hertford; two letters.
Dec 6: Queen’s ‘great liking’ of her marriage.
Dec 15: new Countess will live at court.
1595 Nov 5: Queen’s letter reassuring ‘Good Francke’ before Earl of Hertford sent to Tower (for two months).
Nov 12: is said to have become mad.
Nov 29: at court ‘very meanly attired’.
Dec 13: Queen sends her ‘gracious messages’, broth and meat.
1596 Jan 3: Earl of Hertford to be released to Archbishop’s custody.
June, end, and November, end: Queen visited Hertford House.
1598 May 14: the Countess died.
Her monument: Westminster Abbey; the Earl’s monument: Salisbury Cathedral.
Hertford, Frances, Countess of (II) (1578-1639):
Frances Howard (II). Daughter of Thomas 1st Viscount Howard of Bindon, by Mabel Burton. Relative of Frances, Viscountess Howard* of Bindon. 
1582 Jan 28: 1st Viscount died; bequest to daughter Frances, £2000.
1591 Frances married (1) Henry Prannell.
1599 Henry Prannell died; she was an heiress with many suitors.
1601 May 27: licence to marry (2) Earl of Hertford (died 1621).
July 8: Sir George Rodney has killed himself for love of her; their poems.
1621 she married (3) Duke of Lennox, later also Duke of Richmond.
Their monument: Westminster Abbey.

Heveningham, Abigail: see Digby, Abigail.
Hoby, Elizabeth: see Russell, Elizabeth Lady.

Hoby, Margaret (Lady) (1564-1605):
Margaret Carey. Daughter of Henry Carey 1st Lord Hunsdon, the Queen’s cousin, by Anne Morgan, as Lady Hunsdon* a Lady of the Privy Chamber 1559-1603.
1st cousin once removed of the Queen. Sister of Katherine Carey, Countess of Nottingham;* Philadelphia Carey, Lady Scrope.*
Cousin of Anne Russell;* Elizabeth Russell.*
1582 May 21: married Edward Hoby, son of Lady Russell.*
May 22: Edward Hoby was knighted. Queen present for two days.
She became a Lady of the Privy Chamber, so described on her monument.
1596 end: she received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 April 27: wishes to be Lady of the Bedchamber; 1600 Apr 12: going to Bath.
Sister-in-law: Margaret (Dakins)(1571-1633), whose 3rd wife was Sir Thomas Posthumous Hoby: in London winter 1600-1601 for a law-suit; see 1600 Nov 13.
Lady Hoby’s monument: Bisham Church, Berkshire.

Holcroft, Isabel: see Rutland, Isabel Countess of.

Hopton, Anne (died 1625), daughter of Sir Owen Hopton, by Anne Itchingham.
Sister of Mary Hopton.* Their father was Lieutenant of the Tower 1570-1590.
By 1585 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1589 married (1) Henry 3rd Lord Wentworth (died 1593).
1591 Nov 1/11: Queen godmother to son, Thomas Wentworth.
1595 married (2) (Sir) William Pope (died 1631).

Hopton, Mary (died 1624), sister of Anne Hopton.*
By 1575 Sept: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
Married 1575/6: William Brydges, from 1594 4th Lord Chandos (died 1602).
Now relative of Eleanor Brydges;* Elizabeth Brydges;* Dorothy Lady Chandos.*
1576 Dec 19: Queen godmother to son, William Brydges.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.

Howard of Bindon, Frances, Viscountess (c.1548-c.1595).
Frances Mewtas. Daughter of Sir Peter Mewtas, by Jane Astley.
By 1562 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1566 Feb: married (1) Henry Howard, later 2nd Viscount Howard of Bindon.
Relative of Frances Howard (II), Countess of Hertford.*
1584 Oct 14: daughter Douglas Howard married Arthur Gorges; described.
1587 Aug 20: Viscount to pay wife £4 per week maintenance.
Douglas Gorges died 13 Aug 1590, leaving one child Ambrosia, a great heiress.
1590 May 24: Viscount is in prison; 1591 Jan: Viscount died.
Frances married (2) Edmund Stansfield.
1600 Oct 10: Ambrosia Gorges died: comments.
Howard of Effingham, Anne (Lady) (died 1638):
1597 Feb 7: married William Howard, son of Charles 2nd Lord Howard of Effingham, by Katherine Carey, later Countess of Nottingham.*
1597 Oct 23: Lord Howard became Earl of Nottingham; William Howard took the courtesy title of Lord Howard of Effingham.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
Dec 9: at christening of French Ambassador’s child (described Dec 15).
1603 Jan 27: gave birth at court, after playing shuttle-cock.
Feb 7: Queen godmother to daughter, Elizabeth Howard.

Howard of Effingham, Katherine Lady: see Nottingham, Countess of.

Howard of Effingham, Margaret (Lady) (1515-1581):
Margaret Gamage, daughter of Sir Thomas Gamage, by Margaret St John.
2nd wife of William 1st Lord Howard of Effingham, the Queen’s great-uncle, Lord Chamberlain November 1558-1572.
1559 January: Lady of the Privy Chamber.
Received a fee from 3 Jan 1559, £33.6s8d, until she died.
Mother of Douglas Howard;* Frances Howard;* Katherine Howard;*
Martha Howard;* Mary Howard.*
1559 January: daughters Douglas Howard, Mary Howard: Maids of Honour.
July 26: at Otford with the Queen.
1565 Sept 30: assisted at christening of son of Lady Cecilia.*
1569 Nov: daughter Frances Howard: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
1572 July 13: Lord Howard became Lord Privy Seal.
By September: daughter Katherine Howard: Maid of Honour.
1573 Jan 12: Lord Howard died at court; 1577: Martha Howard: Maid of Honour.

Howard, Douglas: see Sheffield, Lady.
Howard, Elizabeth: see Southwell, Elizabeth (I).
Howard, Frances (I and II): see Hertford, Frances Countess of (I and II).
Howard, Frances (III): see Kildare, Frances Countess of.
Howard, Jane: see Westmorland, Jane Countess of.

Howard, Katherine (died 1599), unmarried:
Daughter of William 1st Lord Howard of Effingham, by Margaret Gamage, Lady Howard of Effingham.* 1st cousin once removed of the Queen.
Sister of Douglas Howard;* Frances Howard;* Martha Howard;* Mary Howard.*
By 1572 September: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
1591 received an annuity of 100 marks and ceased to be listed as a Maid.
1599 Sept 20: burial, being ‘the only old Maid of court’.

Howard, Katherine (Lady) (c.1564-1638):
c.1583 married (2) Lord Thomas Howard, 2nd son of 4th Duke of Norfolk.
1584 Aug 13: Queen godmother to 1st son Theophilus Howard.
1597 April 27: she would like to be a Lady of the Bedchamber.
1598 March 20: Queen at Charterhouse to be godmother to 5th son Robert.
1599 Sept 12: Lady Katherine Howard sworn Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1602 Sept 18: described by Anne Clifford* as a favourite of Sir Robert Cecil.
1603 Jan 17: Queen dined at the Charterhouse.
In May 1603 Lord Howard was created Earl of Suffolk; his wife was one of Queen Anne’s Ladies of the Privy Chamber, and Keeper of her Jewels.
Howard, Martha (c.1552-1598).
Daughter of William 1st Lord Howard of Effingham, by Margaret Gamage,
Lady Howard of Effingham.*  1st cousin once removed of the Queen.
Sister of Douglas Howard;* Frances Howard;* Katherine Howard;* Mary Howard.*
By 1577 January: Maid of Honour.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
1578 Jan 19: sent to Tower after giving birth to a child by George Bourchier,
half-brother of Lady Susan Bourchier.*  Martha and George were released from
the Tower on June 8. They married later in 1578.

Howard, Mary: see Dudley, Mary Lady.

Howard, Mary (Lady): 1597: probably of the Privy Chamber.
Known only from a letter from William Fenton (see 23 May 1597).
As the Queen had been complaining greatly since Easter of Lady Mary’s
behaviour, it is likely that she was dismissed later in the year.

Hunsdon, Anne (Lady) (c.1530-1607):  
Anne Morgan.  Daughter of Sir Thomas Morgan, by Anne Whitney.
Married 1545 Henry Carey, a first cousin of the Queen.
Mother of Katherine Carey, Countess of Nottingham;* 
Margaret Carey, Lady Hoby;* Philadelphia Carey, Lady Scrope.*
Mother-in-law of Elizabeth Lady Hunsdon.* Grandmother of Anne Carey.*
1551 Dec 25: son John Carey born; Dec 27: Elizabeth was godmother.
1558 November/December: Henry Carey may have been knighted.
1559 Jan (as Lady Carey): Lady of the Privy Chamber, without wages.
Jan 13: Sir Henry Carey was created Lord Hunsdon.
1560 May 14: Lady Hunsdon had 10 shillings to give in reward.
Oct 10: son Robert Carey has been born.
1562 Dec 26: Queen godmother to daughter, Philadelphia Carey.
1574 Lord Hunsdon became Keeper of Somerset House.
For Queen’s numerous visits see County Index: London and Westminster.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
1582 May 21: marriage of daughter Margaret to Edward Hoby; Queen present.
1585 July 4: Lord Hunsdon became Lord Chamberlain of the Household.
1589 Nov 15-Dec 2: Queen stayed at Somerset House; repairs to her lodgings.
1594 June 28: waterman took her to Greenwich.
1595 May 14: bequest by Lady Dacre.*
1596 July 23: Lord Hunsdon died; Queen’s bounty to Lady Hunsdon.
1596 end: she received sonnet from Henry Lok.
Commemorated by the Hunson Monument, Westminster Abbey.

Hunsdon, Elizabeth (Lady) (1552-1618).
Sister of Alice Spencer, Countess of Derby.*
Daughter-in-law of Anne, Lady Hunsdon.*
1574 Dec 29: marriage licence to marry Sir George Carey (1547-1603), eldest
son of Henry Carey 1st Lord Hunsdon, the Queen’s cousin; Queen’s gift.
1576 June 7: Queen godmother to daughter, Elizabeth Carey.
1583-1603: Sir George Carey was Captain of the Isle of Wight.
1587 Dec 6: Queen godmother to a daughter (during 1587).
1590 Jan 23: Spenser’s Faerie Queene: dedicatory sonnet to ‘Lady Carew’.
1591 June 26: Queen dined at their Blackfriars house, London.
1591 Dec 27: listed in Spenser’s Colin Clout.
1593 Nov 13: Sir George’s letter to ‘my sweet soul’.
1596 Feb 19: daughter Elizabeth Carey married Thomas Berkeley.
July 23: Sir George Carey became 2nd Lord Hunsdon.
1596 end: she received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 April 17: Lord Hunsdon became Lord Chamberlain of the Household.
1600 April 12: is going to Bath; and May 4.
June 5: Philip Gawdy’s description of Bath during her visit.
1601 June 9: Queen visited Blackfriars (and other visits in 1601).
Dec 29: Queen dined at Blackfriars; saw a play.
1602 April 19: Queen visited Blackfriars (and other visits in 1602).
Aug 20: letters from Queen to Lord Hunsdon: affectionate messages.
Sept 9-11: Queen stayed at his West Drayton house, Middlesex.

**Huntingdon, Catherine Countess of (c.1537-1620):**
Catherine Dudley.
Sister of the Earls of Warwick and of Leicester, and of Lady (Mary) Sidney.*
Sister-in-law of Countess of Warwick;* and of Countess of Leicester.*
Married 1553 Henry Hastings (c.1536-1595), son of 2nd Earl of Huntingdon.
1560 June 22: Henry became 3rd Earl of Huntingdon on father’s death.
1566 March 18: Earl of Leicester left London to visit her in illness.
1572 August: Earl of Huntingdon Lord President of Council in the North.
1574 May 5: Queen’s gift to Thomas Sidney, nephew living with her.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
1581 Jan 30, 31: at court from the North, with Penelope Devereux.*
1586 May 26: godmother (May 30) to daughter of Lady Willoughby de Eresby.*
1595 Dec 14: Earl of Huntingdon died at York; Dec 16: news kept from her.
Dec 19: Queen moves to London to comfort her; Dec 20: visits her;
Dec 22: ‘much comforted’ by the Queen’s visit.
1598 Jan 14: has good access to Queen; Jan 25: is every day with the Queen;
Feb 1: with Queen ‘very private twice a day’.
1600 July 12: she ‘governs the Queen’.

**Hyde, Elizabeth (Mrs):**
Elizabeth Shipman. Wife of William Hyde of Sandon, Herts. His will: June 1580:
Robert Dudley Earl of Leicester was appointed overseer; Hyde died July 1580,
his daughters included Dudley Hyde and Luce Hyde.* Widow proved the will, 1590.
1564 Aug 3-4: Queen stayed at ‘Mr Hyde’s house’; named it Hyde Hall.
Probably 1573 November succeeded the ‘Mother’ who died 24 Nov 1573.
Listed 1575 January: **Mother of the Maids (to c.1581). £20 p.a.**

**Hyde, Luce:**
Daughter of William Hyde and Elizabeth Shipman.
1593 Sept 3: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Her livery: black satin guarded
with black velvet and lined with black sarcenet.
1600 May 12: John Dorrington’s letter concerning bear-baiting at court.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
Married in 1603 Sir Robert Osborne.

**Jones, Elizabeth (Mrs) (died 1608):**
Elizabeth Woodhouse. Daughter of Thomas Woodhouse, by Margaret Shelton.
1588 married Thomas Jones.
By 1588 November: **Mother of the Maids. £20 p.a.**
1591 Oct 17: sent to Tower after Katherine Legh’s* child born at court.
Died in 1608, ‘of London’, making bequests to Lord Hunsdon and Lady Scrope.*
Kildare, Frances Countess of (1564-1628):
Frances Howard. Daughter of Charles 2nd Lord Howard of Effingham, by Katherine Carey, later Countess of Nottingham.*
2nd cousin of the Queen. Sister of Elizabeth Howard, Lady Southwell.*
Married c.1589 (1) Henry FitzGerald, 12th Earl of Kildare (1562-1597).
1591 April, end: Queen godmother to daughter.
1594 May 26: Queen’s letter concerning her ill usage by Earl of Kildare.
1597 Aug 1: Earl of Kildare died in Ireland.
She was granted, 13 Nov 1597, £200 annuity, payable from last Midsummer. *
1598 October, end: her horse is in the Queen’s stable.
1599 Nov 13: Earl of Essex’s jest about Lord Cobham.
Dec 6: Queen will ‘assure’ Lord Cobham to her next day.
1600 Feb 22: Cobham is ‘contracted’ to her before the Queen; note describing their on-off marriage during 1600.
Married (2) (contract 27 May 1601): Henry Brooke, 11th Lord Cobham.
Retained name of Countess of Kildare.
1601 May 4, 27: comments on marriage; Dec 19: Harington’s epigram for her.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
1603 April 4: told John Manningham about the Queen’s two rings.

Killigrew, Katherine (Mrs) (c.1542-1583):
Katherine Cooke. Daughter of Sir Anthony Cooke, by Anne (Fitzwilliam).
Sister of Elizabeth Cooke, Lady Russell;* and Lady Bacon and Lady Burghley.
By 1564 January: Maid of Honour.
Married 1565 Nov 4: Henry Killigrew.
She died in childbirth, 1583 Dec 27, leaving four daughters.
1584 Dec 22: marriage of 1st daughter Anne to Henry Neville; Queen’s gift.

Knollys, Anne: see De La Warr, Lady.
Knollys, Elizabeth (sister): see Leighton, Elizabeth Lady.

Knollys, Katherine (Lady) (c.1525-1569):
Katherine Carey. Daughter of William Carey, by Mary Boleyn, sister of Queen Anne Boleyn. 1st cousin of the Queen.
Married 1540 Sir Francis Knollys (c.1511-1596).
Mother of Anne Knollys,* Elizabeth Knollys,* Lettice Knollys.*
1559 January: Lady of the Bedchamber. Received a fee: £33.6s8d.
Sir Francis became a Privy Councillor, and Vice-Chamberlain.
1559 July 26 (note): accounted for Queen’s jewels.
1560 c.Christmas: marriage of daughter Lettice and Viscount Hereford.
1562 New Year gift from Duchess of Suffolk.*
May 16: Queen godmother to daughter, Dudley Warwick Knollys.
1565 Nov 11: daughter Katherine train-bearer at Warwick-Russell marriage.
1566 July 1: marriage of son Henry Knollys; Queen present.
1569 Jan 14: died at court; Queen grief-stricken.
Funeral paid for by Queen. Verse praising her.
Jan 19: Queen in mourning; her great love for Lady Knollys.
Her monument: Westminster Abbey. Refers to 16 children.

Knollys, Lettice: see Leicester, Lettice Countess of.

Knyvett, Elizabeth (Mrs):
Elizabeth Bacon. Daughter of Nathaniel Bacon, half-brother of Francis.
Wife of Thomas Knyvett (died 1605).
1602 June 25: sworn ‘the Queen’s woman’; June 27: described by Gawdy.

Knyvett, Katherine: see Paget, Lady Katherine.
Legh, Katherine (died 1625):
1591 Oct 16: sent to the Tower after birth of her daughter at court.
Oct 17: Sir Francis Darcy, father of the child, and Elizabeth Jones,*
Mother of the Maids, were also sent to the Tower; Oct 29: comment.
Katherine Legh and Darcy married at the Tower, 1 Aug 1592. 15 children.

Leicester, Lettice Countess of (1543-1634):
Lettice Knollys. Daughter of Sir Francis Knollys, by Katherine Carey,
Lady Knollys.* 1st cousin once removed of the Queen.
Sister of Anne Knollys;* Elizabeth Knollys.*
Mother of Dorothy Devereux, Countess of Northumberland.*
Mother of Penelope Devereux, Lady Rich.*
Sister-in-law of Dorothy, Lady Chandos.*
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Received a fee, £33.6s8d, until her first marriage.
1560 Christmas/New Year: married (1) Walter Devereux, Viscount Hereford.
Thereafter she lived in Staffordshire, with occasional visits to court.
1563 Feb 3: Queen godmother to daughter, Penelope Devereux.
1565 Sept 3: At court: Earl of Leicester ‘in love’ with her.
1572 May 4: Viscount Hereford was created Earl of Essex.
1575 April 15: Queen’s ‘great favour’ to Essex (in Ireland).
July 26: at Kenilworth she had killed a buck.
1575 Aug 3-8: Queen stayed at Chartley, Staffs, with Countess of Essex.
Nov 24: her allowance from the Earl of Essex (back from Ireland).
1575 Dec 5: scandal: her supposed children by Earl of Leicester.
1576 July 6: she is going to Buxton.
July 22: Essex left for Ireland; in summer she hunted at Kenilworth.
Sept 22: Earl of Essex died in Ireland; son Robert became 2nd Earl.
1577 June 26: in summer Lady Essex hunted at Kenilworth.
1578 Feb 11: ‘Countess of Essex’s Men’ played at court.
Sept 21: secretly married (2) Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester; described.
1579 June 14: Queen’s anger at discovery of secret marriage.
1585 Sept 4: Countess came to London; Sept 5: Queen offended.
Oct 22: Earl of Leicester to be General of Forces in the Low Countries.
1586 Feb 11: Countess alleged to be coming to Holland in great state;
Queen’s anger; description of the Countess’s mode of transport.
1588 Sept 4: Earl of Leicester died; bequests.
1589 Aug 17: Countess has married (3) Sir Christopher Blount.
Retained name of Countess of Leicester.
1590 July 19: dispute between Countess, Blount, and a jeweller.
Aug 10: Privy Council meeting concerning the dispute; sequel.
1598 Jan 14: has come to London; Feb 15: at supper and plays, Essex House.
Feb 23: hopes to come to court to kiss the Queen’s hands.
Feb 27: awaited Queen at brother’s house with a jewel: March 1: described.
March 2: has kissed the Queen’s hands; March 10: sequel.
1600 Jan 12: sent the Queen a rich New Year’s gift.
Jan 24: has come to London to petition ‘for her son’s liberty’.
Feb 2: did not have access to the Queen.
Feb 25: has a gown for the Queen; March 3: gown presented by Lady Scudamore.*
March 15: had to move from Essex House.
1601 Feb 8: son Earl of Essex’s attempted uprising.
Feb 9: husband Sir Christopher Blount injured and in custody.
Feb 25: son Earl of Essex was executed.
March 5: Blount tried for high treason; March 18: executed.
Her monument, with Earl of Leicester: St Mary’s Church, Warwick.
Leighton, Elizabeth (Lady) (1549-c.1605):
Daughter of Sir Francis Knollys, by Katherine Carey, Lady Knollys.*
Daughter of Sir Francis Knollys, by Katherine Carey, Lady Knollys.*
Sister of Anne, Lady De La Warr;* Lettice, Countess of Leicester.*
1566 June 5: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Received a fee, £33.6s8d, 1566-1603; from 1579 as Lady Leighton.
1569 Nov 26: Queen’s gift of satin.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
Oct 10: Earl of Rutland and Marquis of Havrech in love with her.
1579 May 10: married at court Sir Thomas Leighton, Governor of Guernsey; she became a Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1580 July 1: at court, has the new sickness.
1582 March 8: Queen godmother to a daughter.
1584 April 30: royal waterman twice carried Lady Leighton.
June 17: her note of the Queen’s grief for Duke of Alençon.
1585 July 2: delivered William Fuller’s book to the Queen.
1587 July 21: present at Queen’s visit to Countess of Warwick.*
1595 Oct 1: assisting Mary Countess of Shrewsbury to have audience.
1596 April 14: aboard ship with the Queen.
1597 April 27: threatens to leave court if not given keeping of Eltham Parks, Kent; is a Lady of the Bedchamber. (Did not get Eltham).
1600 Aug 8: has come to court at Nonsuch; Sept 13: at court with husband.

Lennox, Margaret Countess of (1515-1578):
Lady Margaret Douglas. Daughter of Archibald Douglas, Earl of Angus, by 2nd wife Margaret Tudor, Dowager Queen of Scotland, sister of Henry VIII.
1558 Dec 14: Chief Mourner at Queen Mary’s funeral.
1560 Jan 16: to be excluded from succession to throne.
1561 Nov 27: summoned to come to court with husband and sons.
1562 January, end: husband in London; she was sent for again.
March 11: Lennox in Tower after declaring wife to be heir to throne.
March 13: she is to be declared ‘a bastard’.
May 7: numerous charges against her, in detail; May 9: servant’s deposition.
June 8: she is in custody at Sheen; charges against her.
Nov 25: Lennox released from Tower; joined wife at Sheen.
1563 June 26: Queen shows favour to son Lord Darnley. (De Quadra).
July 19: ‘Lord and Lady Lennox are continual courtiers’. (Mason).
Sept 9: Earl of Lennox and son have leave to go to the North.
1564 July 6: godmother to Elizabeth Cecil.
Oct 4: James Melville took gifts of jewels from her to Scotland.
Dec 18: news of her, her son Lord Darnley, and the Queen of Scots.
1565 Jan 25: Queen visited Hackney (note).
Feb 3: Lord Darnley left for Scotland; Countess remained in England.
March 6: supped with the Queen, before a Tournament. (De Silva).
April 15: Scottish envoy brought her a letter from Queen of Scots.
April 22: ordered to ‘keep her chamber’ at Whitehall; April 23: comment.
April 26: two Ambassadors gave details of the Queen’s displeasure.
May 2: had received letters from Scotland.
May 10: still ‘a prisoner in her chamber’; June 20: sent to the Tower of London.
June 23: Queen’s comment to John Hay.
July 21: Andrew Beaton came to ask for the Countess’s release.
July 29: Lord Darnley, her son, married the Queen of Scots.
1566 June 19: birth of her grandson Prince James, later King James.
1567 Feb 10: her son Henry, King of Scots, was murdered in Edinburgh.
Feb 20: news has been broken to Lady Lennox; Feb 22: removed from the Tower.
June 11: at Whitehall: ‘well received’ by the Queen.
June 21: Queen’s kindness to Earl and Countess of Lennox.
June 27-28: Countess stayed at Richmond overnight.
1569 Aug 10: Countess was at court at Oatlands.
1570 July 11: Earl of Lennox became Regent of Scotland.
1571 Feb 28: Queen gave Countess £800.
Sept 4: Regent Lennox murdered in Scotland.
1572 May 8: at Parliament: Queen’s train-bearer.
1574 Sept 29: Lady Lennox to go to the North; Oct 4: to go to Yorkshire.
Octöber, end: marriage of son Charles, Earl of Lennox, and Elizabeth Cavendish, daughter of Elizabeth Countess of Shrewsbury.*
Nov 17: Queen has summoned the Countess of Lennox and her son.
Dec 2: Earl of Shrewsbury’s letters about the marriage; Dec 3: her letter explaining the marriage; Dec 12: to come to court; Dec 13: at court;
Dec 24: confined to her lodgings; Dec 27: sent to the Tower (to March 1575).
1575 grand-daughter Arbella Stuart* born, autumn.
1576 March, end: son Charles, Earl of Lennox, died.
1578 March 9: she died at Hackney; bequests; Queen paid for funeral.
Her monument, with her children: Westminster Abbey.

Lincoln, Elizabeth Countess of (c.1528-1590):
Elizabeth FitzGerald.
Daughter of Gerald FitzGerald, 9th Earl of Kildare, by Elizabeth Grey.
In Elizabeth’s household by 1543; became her close friend.
‘Fair Geraldine’ in poems by Earl of Surrey (executed 1547).
Married (1) Sir Anthony Browne (died 1548).
Married (2) (1552) Edward Lord Clinton, Lord Admiral, later Earl of Lincoln.
His 3rd wife. Stepmother of Lady Anne Ascough.*
1558 Nov 27: Count de Feria sent her two rings for the Queen.
1559 January: as Lady Clinton: Lady of the Privy Chamber, without wages.
July, end: to be an executor of will of Elizabeth Clive.*
Aug 17-22: Queen stayed at her West Horsley house, Surrey.
For the Queen’s numerous visits to dine or stay at her houses at West Horsley, 
Byfleet, and Pyrford, Surrey: see County Index: Surrey.
1566 Feb 14: accompanied Queen to dine at Baynard’s Castle.
Aug 7-9: Queen stayed at her Sempringham house, Lincs.
1567 May 27: ‘procured’ Lady (Mildred) Cecil to make the Queen supper.
Aug 2: Anthony Wingfield spoke to her on behalf of William More.
1569 July 22/27: at court with flowers.
1571 Feb 6: Queen praises her loyalty.
July, end: Queen visited West Horsley; exchanged gilt cup with her.
1572 April 27: Lord and Lady Clinton ‘very intimate with the Queen’.
May 4: Lord Clinton was created Earl of Lincoln.
1573 Sept 7: Countess of Lincoln dined at the Queen’s table, Canterbury.
1576 Dec 8: Ambassador to France sends her ‘a toy’.
1580 March 10: accompanied Queen to visit French Ambassador.
July 1: at court, has the new sickness.
1583 April 3: Queen’s Deputy at christening of son of Mrs Wolley.*
May 27: lodging at Theobalds.
1585 Jan 16: Earl of Lincoln died.
1587 Nov 27: her note to Sir William More.
1588 July 28: letter (July 30) concerning the Armada.
1590 March 13: has died: will (15 April 1589) proved; bequests.
Earl and Countess’s monument: St George’s Chapel, Windsor (Lincoln Chapel).
Macwilliam, Cecilia (1565-1627):
Daughter of Henry Macwilliam, a Gentleman Pensioner, by his wife Lady Cheke.*
Sister of Margaret Macwilliam.*
By 1589 January: Maid of Honour. [Listed in error as Elizabeth].
c.1590: married Thomas Ridgeway; knighted 1600 June 1;
created 1616 Baron Ridgeway; created 1622 Earl of Londonderry (died 1632).

Macwilliam, Margaret (c.1560-1640).
By 1581 January: Maid of Honour. Ceased to be listed as a Maid by January 1589.
1589 May 6: married John Stanhope, Gentleman of the Privy Chamber.
1596: Stanhope was knighted. Created 1605 Baron Stanhope (died 1621).

Manners, Lady Bridget (c.1575-1604):
Daughter of John Manners 4th Earl of Rutland, by Elizabeth Charlton.
Relative of Isabel, Countess of Rutland;* of Mary Radcliffe;*
of Bridget, Countess of Bedford.*
1589 July 26: to be appointed a Lady of the Privy Chamber.
Aug 29: advice for her; Nov 18: news of her.
1590 Jan 1: Countess of Rutland’s New Year gifts.
1592 July 24: in great favour at court; Nov 20: more high praise.
1594 July 5: scheming prior to sudden marriage.
Aug 20: news of secret marriage to Robert Tyrwhit.
Further letters concerning the marriage, and its aftermath:
Aug 25, 29 (and poem), Aug 31; Sept 9, 20; Oct 16; Nov 27.
1595 May, end: Queen’s gift of a gold jewel.
Monument, with husband: Bigby Church, Lincolnshire.

Mansell, Mary: see Southwell, Mrs Mary.

Marbury, Elizabeth (Mrs):
Elizabeth Marbury. Daughter of Thomas Marbury (I), by Agnes Lynn.
Wife of kinsman Thomas Marbury (II), Serjeant of the Pantry (died 1598).
In Elizabeth’s household before her Accession.
1550s: Elizabeth was godmother to son John Marbury.
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Received a fee, £20, 1559-1591.
1564 June, end: apothecary’s account referred to.
1570 Dec 12 Queen gave Henry Middlemore, Groom of the Privy Chamber,
£30 to be delivered as her reward to ‘Elizabeth Marbury, Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber, at her departing from the court’.  
1571 Jan 7: Elizabeth was granted an annuity of £50; paid to her until
March 1591, when she and her husband exchanged it for a grant of lands.  
1576 March 1: marriage of son John, the Queen’s godson; Queen’s gift.
1580 Jan 24: Queen gave a loose gown of black velvet and a black fan of feathers
to her, ‘one of the Gentlewomen of her Majesty’s Bedchamber’.  [Lost, 280,281].

Markham, Isabella: see Harington, Mrs Isabella.

Marvyn (or Mervyn), Amy (Mrs/Lady) (died 1581):
Amy Clark. Daughter of Valentine Clark, by Elizabeth Brydges.
Widow of Edmund Horne. Married by 1559 (2) James Marvyn (1529-1611),
an Esquire for the Body throughout the reign.
1559 January: Extraordinary Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
1574 Sept 9: James Marvyn was knighted. (Queen visited his stepmother, Sept 3).
Daughter Lucy married George Tuchet, 11th Lord Audley. Parents of Maria Tuchet.*

Mewtas, Frances: see Howard of Bindon, Frances Viscountess.
Morice, Anne (Mrs):
Anne Isaac. Daughter of Mr Isaac, by Margery Wroth.
Widow of William Morice, of Essex, a Gentleman Usher from 1533 until his death in 1552/4.
1559 January: as Mrs Morris, Mother of the Maids (to 1560/1561).

Nevill, Mary (c.1585-1648):
Daughter of Edward Nevill, 7th Lord Abergavenny, by Rachel Lennard.
1601 Dec 15: sworn Maid of Honour; Dec 29: has shone at Middle Temple Revels.
Married 1607 George Goring (1585-1663); created (1628) Baron Goring; (1644) Earl of Norwich.

Newton, Frances: see Cobham, Frances Lady.

Newton, Katherine (Mrs/Lady) (c.1547-1615):
1577 July 17: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber.
Received a fee, £20, 1577-1603; from 1578 as Mrs and later Lady Newton.
1577 Feb 15: may marry Lord Stourton.
1578 May: married Henry Newton (c.1531-1599).
Sister-in-law of Frances Newton*; and of Nazareth Newton.*
1582 April 3: 'very sore sick of an ague'.
1592 Sept 14: Henry Newton was knighted.
1594 July 5: Countess of Rutland’s letter to cousin, Lady Newton, of the Privy Chamber.
Sept 30: she ‘takes it heavily’. (Whyte).
Oct 3: Queen has sent condolences to Sir Henry Newton.
1597 Feb 12: assistant mourner, funeral of Lady Cecil.*
1600 Jan 5: failed to have daughter made a Maid of Honour.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift, and for Mrs Strangeways.

Newton, Nazareth: see Paget, Nazareth Lady.

Norfolk, Margaret Duchess of (1540-1564):
Margaret Audley. Daughter of Thomas Lord Audley, by Elizabeth Grey.
Widow of Lord Henry Dudley, brother of Lord Ambrose and Lord Robert Dudley.
Sister-in-law of Countess of Huntingdon;* and Lady Sidney.*
1558 November, end: married (2nd wife) Thomas Howard, 4th Duke of Norfolk.
1559 January: Lady of the Privy Chamber; without wages.
1559 Jan 15: Queen’s train-bearer at Coronation.
Jan 24: godmother to Lady Williams* of Thame’s child.
Nov 3: Queen godmother to her daughter, Lady Elizabeth Howard.
1561 Dec 9: Duke and Duchess came to London and the court.
1562 Dec 26: godmother to Philadelphia Carey.*
1563 Jan 12: Queen’s train-bearer in Westminster Abbey.
April 10: Queen’s train-bearer in Parliament.
1564 Jan 10: she died at Norwich, some weeks after childbirth.
Monument: Framlingham Church, Suffolk.

Norfolk, Elizabeth Duchess of (died 1567).
Widow of Thomas 4th Lord Dacre of the North.
1567 Jan 29: married (3rd wife) Thomas Howard, 4th Duke of Norfolk.
Sept 4: she died in Norfolk. Monument: Framlingham Church, Suffolk.
Norris, Margery (Lady) (died 1599).
Margery Williams.

Northampton, Elizabeth Lady Marquis of (1526-1565): Elizabeth Brooke.
Northampton, Helena Lady Marquis of (c.1549-1635):
Helena Snakenborg.
Daughter of Ulf Henrikson von Snakenborg and Agnetta Knutsdotter.
1565 Sept 11: arrived from Sweden as a Maid of Honour of Lady Cecilia.*
December, end: letter describing her lover, Marquis of Northampton.
1566 Jan 19: Marquis repents of giving her jewels.
April 29: Cecilia has left, Helena remained in England; letter to mother:
Marquis of Northampton wishes to marry her; the Queen’s favour to her.
Named in New Year Gift rolls as Ellen Wolf, until her marriage.
Helena ‘Woulphe’ of the Privy Chamber was made a denizen of England, 8 Feb 1571.
May 1: Queen had danced at the marriage, at court.
Oct 28: the Marquis died at Warwick, leaving a ‘young and fair’ widow.
1572 July 22: her lodging at Theobalds at Queen’s visit.
1573 Sept 7: dined at Queen’s table, Canterbury; 1574 May 19: Croydon lodging.
1576 Oct 19: news of secret marriage (2) to Thomas Gorges, a Groom of the Privy
Chamber, and Queen’s displeasure.
1578 Aug 7: Queen godmother to first daughter, Elizabeth Gorges.
Date usually given, June 4, derives from a mis-reading of parish register.
1579 Feb 6: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Maria Tuchet.*
1583 May 27: her lodging at Theobalds.
1584 Nov 23: Queen’s train-bearer at Parliament. (Herald).
1588 January, end: at court when Jerome Horsey presented gifts.
1589 Oct 9: to feast Queen; Oct 15: Queen dined at her house at Sheen.
1590 Nov 20: took care of Lord Talbot’s little daughter.
1591 Spenser’s elegy on Douglas Gorges, Daphnaida, dedicated to her.
1591 Dec 27: listed in Spenser’s Colin Clout: known as Queen’s train-bearer.
1595 May 14: bequest by Lady Dacre.*
1596 Sept 26: Queen’s letter concerning daughter’s possible marriage
into the Griffin family. 1st daughter, Elizabeth, married:
(1) Sir Hugh Smyth (died 1627); (2) (1629) Sir Ferdinando Gorges.
1596 Dec 30: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Theophila Berkeley.
1596 end: she received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 July 24: she had danced country dances.
1598 March 24: she is to go to Bath.
October, end: her horse is in the Queen’s stable.
1599 Feb 12: daughter Frances married Thomas Tyringham; Queen’s gifts.
Nov 28: letter to be delivered by her to the Queen.
1600 May 2: is going to Bath; to have horses or oxen.
June 17: had danced at marriage of Anne Russell.*
1602: daughter Bridget married (Sir) Robert Phelips (died 1638).
July 8: at Bath received meat from Chamberlains.
Oct 14: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Algernon Percy.
Dec 9: Queen’s Deputy at christening of French Ambassador’s child;
Dec 10,15: christening described.
1603 Feb 7: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Elizabeth Howard.
April 28: Chief Mourner at Queen’s funeral.
Sir Thomas Gorges died 1610; she died 1635.
Both commemorated by the ‘Gorges Monument’, Salisbury Cathedral.
Northumberland, Dorothy Countess of (c.1564-1619):
Lady Dorothy Devereux.
Daughter of Walter Devereux, 1st Earl of Essex, by Lettice Knollys, later Countess of Leicester.*  Sister of Penelope Devereux, Lady Rich.*
Sister of Robert Devereux, 2nd Earl of Essex.
Cousin of Elizabeth Vernon, Countess of Southampton.*
No evidence that she was a Maid of Honour; the Queen much disliked her mother.
1583 March 7: stepfather Earl of Leicester wishes King James to marry her.
May 23: Queen’s anger; she is now to marry ‘a private gentleman’.
July 19: sudden marriage to (1) Sir Thomas Perrot (died 1594): full description.
1587 July 21: dispute between Essex and Queen, apparently involving her.
1596 July 8: Queen godmother to son, Henry Lord Percy (died 1597).
1598 Feb 15: at supper and plays, Essex House, Strand.
1599 Nov 29: she has come to Essex House; Dec 4: may come to court to plead for brother, Earl of Essex; Dec 8: at court in black.
1600 Jan 12: at court, complained of her husband.
Jan 24: she cannot prevail at court for her brother, Essex.
July 27: is a great courtier, often with the Queen.
Sept 26: at court, very often with the Queen.
1602 Jan 5: is reconciled with her husband.
Oct 14: Queen godmother to son, Lord Algernon Percy.

Norwich, Elizabeth: see Carew, Elizabeth Lady.

Nottingham, Katherine Countess of (c.1548-1603):
Katherine Carey.  Daughter of Henry Carey, 1st Lord Hunsdon, by Anne Morgan, Lady Hunsdon.*  1st cousin once removed of the Queen.
Sister of Margaret Carey;* Philadelphia Carey.*  Mother of Elizabeth Howard, Lady Southwell;* of Frances Howard (III), Countess of Kildare.*
1559 Jan 3: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber: fee £33.6s8d.
1561 Nov 26: at archery match the Queen followed Kate Carey as a maid.
1563 May 14: ordered from court; Queen discontented with her marriage.
July 25: married Charles Howard (c.1536-1624), eldest son of William 1st Lord Howard of Effingham, the Lord Chamberlain.
1564 June 24: Queen godmother to daughter, Elizabeth Howard.
1567 May 19: Croydon Palace lodging.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
1579 March 26: heads the table of Ladies of the Privy Chamber.
1580 March 10: Lord Howard’s sister and daughter accompanied Queen.
July 1: at court, she has the new sickness.
1583 July 30: Queen dined at her Chelsea house, Middx.
1584 Jan 1: Charles 2nd Lord Howard became the Lord Chamberlain.
May 14: Queen dined with Lady Howard at Westminster.
1585 July 8: Lord Howard became the Lord Admiral.
1587 Oct 24-26 and Nov 17-21: Queen stayed at Hances House.
1593 Feb 1-5: Queen stayed at Chelsea.
1594 Oct 15: Queen dined at Croydon house, Surrey.
December, end: Jewel-house account has plate lost by Lady Howard, Chief Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1595 March 12: Queen dined at Hances House.
1597 Feb 7: marriage of son William Howard; Queen’s gift.
Feb 19: Queen dined at Chelsea; and Oct 20.
Oct 23: Lord Howard was created Earl of Nottingham.
1598 Sept 27: Queen dined at Croydon.
1599 Nov 13: Queen dined at Chelsea; and visited Chelsea, Dec 7.
1600 Jan 19: Queen dined at Chelsea.
Sept 11: Queen visited Hampton Court Lodge. Earl was Keeper.
Oct 6: Countess of Nottingham to account for the Queen’s jewels.
1601 Feb 25: Earl of Essex executed; note concerning his ring.
1602 Sept 28: Queen visited Hampton Court Lodge; Dec 15: dined at Arundel House.
1603 Feb 25: Countess died at Arundel House; March 3: Queen grief-stricken.
March 9: Queen is still grieving, and is not well.
March 10: the Countess to have a funeral befitting her ‘lofty’ rank.

Osborne, Lady: see Hyde, Luce.

Oxford, Anne Countess of (1556-1588).
Niece of Elizabeth Lady Russell;* Countesses of Cumberland;* and of Warwick.*
Mother of Lady Elizabeth Vere, Countess of Derby;* Lady Susan Vere.*
Sister-in-law of Lady Mary Vere.*
1564 July 6: Queen gave her a gold jewel.
1569 Feb 2: Philip Sidney was offered to her in marriage.
1571 July 28: she has ‘caught’ the Earl of Oxford.
Aug 3: Queen assented to the marriage.
Sept 22: at Theobalds Burghley presented verses referring to the marriage.
Dec 19: Queen at Cecil House for celebrations; Dec 22: comment.
1573 Sept 7: dined at the Queen’s table, Canterbury.
1574 May 19: Countess of Oxford’s Croydon lodging.
1575 Jan 24: Earl of Oxford going abroad (Feb 1575-April 1576).
March 7: Queen discussed the Countess’s health with her doctor.
July 10: Queen godmother to daughter, Lady Elizabeth Vere.
April 25: Burghley’s ‘memorial’ concerning her unhappy marriage.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
1581 March 21: Earl of Oxford had a son by Anne Vavasour (I).*
March 22,23: sequel; June 8: Oxford released from the Tower.
July 12: Queen wants Oxford ‘dealt with’ for his wife.
1582 March 3: Oxford had been reconciled with his wife.
1583 May 8: her new-born son Lord Bulbeck has died.
May 31: Oxford reconciled with the Queen; comment: June 1.
1584 New Year: her payments, and charges for one year in court.
June 20: Soowthern’s book, with epitaphs allegedly by her.
Nov 23: Queen’s train-bearer at Parliament. (Herald).
1588 June 5: she died at court; ‘heaviness and mourning’.
1597 Aug 8: reference to her as an ‘ill-used wife’.
Monument, with her mother Lady Burghley: Westminster Abbey.

Oxford, Elizabeth Countess of (died 1612):
Elizabeth Trentham. Daughter of Thomas Trentham, by Jane Sneyd.
By 1582 January: Maid of Honour; £10 p.a. April 5: she ‘is fair’.
1596 Aug 12: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Henry Radcliffe.
1597 Aug 17: Hackney, Middlesex: note, purchase by her.
1599 Aug 12: Queen’s Deputy at christening of daughter of Lady Hatton.*
1601 Jan 6: Queen’s train-bearer. (Plan for dinner).
Paget, Katherine (Lady) (c.1547-1622):
Sister of Thomas Knyvett, a Groom of the Privy Chamber.
Aunt of Anne Vavasour (I).* Relative of Lady Katherine Howard.*
By 1562 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1567 May 20: married (1) Henry 2nd Lord Paget; letter.
After her marriage Lady Paget became a Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1568 Dec 28: Lord Paget died.
By 1573 married (2) Edward Carey, a Groom of the Privy Chamber.
Retained title of Lady Paget.
1587 July 19: robbed of plate at Theobalds.
1600 May 15: daughter Lady Crompton died; Queen’s note to ‘good Kate’.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.

Paget, Nazareth (Lady) (died 1583):
Sister of Frances Newton, Lady Cobham;* sister-in-law of Katherine Newton.*
Mother of Elizabeth Southwell (II).*
1564: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Received a fee, £20, until 1573.
1565 Nov/Dec: married at court (1) Thomas Southwell (died 1568).
1567 Oct 9: Queen godmother to daughter Elizabeth Southwell.
1571 by Dec 22: married (2) Thomas, 4th Lord Paget.
1572 October/December: Queen godmother to son William Paget.
This became an unhappy marriage because of Lord Paget’s behaviour.
1578 Aug 23-26: Queen stayed with Lady Paget, Woodrising, Norfolk.
1583 April 16: she died in London.
April 17: her son Robert Southwell married Elizabeth Howard.*

Parry, Anne (Lady) (c.1510-1585):
Anne Read. Daughter of William Read.
Widow of (1) Sir Giles Greville; (2) Sir Adrian Fortescue.
Married c.1540 (3): (Sir) Thomas Parry (c.1510-Dec 1560), Cofferer of
Elizabeth’s Household c.1548-1558; knighted November 1558, and Privy Councillor.
Mother-in-law of Dorothy Brooke (Lady Parry).*
1559 January: Lady of the Privy Chamber; without wages.
Her monument: Welford Church, Berkshire.

Parry, Blanche (c.1507-1590), unmarried:
Daughter of Henry Parry, by Alice Melbourne, of Herefordshire.
Cared for Elizabeth since she was a baby.
Great-aunt of Lady Burgh.* Aunt of Lady Hawkins.*
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber.
Received a fee from 3 Jan 1559, £33.6s8d.
1559 July 26 (note): accounted for Queen’s jewels (until July 1587).
1565 Chief Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber (after Mrs Astley died).
1566 Jan 19: funeral of kinsman; received £20 from Queen.
March 29: Earl of Leicester’s best friend ‘in the Privy Chamber’.
1568 Jan 2: received £500 gift for the Queen. 1574 May 19: Croydon lodging.
1575 July 26: at Kenilworth had killed a buck; Sept 4: at Woodstock: ‘posy’.
1579 Aug 17: Sir John Perrot sent her a diamond; Dec 9: Mrs Dane’s bequest.
1581 Oct 31: watermen took her to fetch jewels.
1583 May 27: lodging at Theobalds.
1590 Feb 12: she died at court; bequests to Queen and courtiers.
1597 Jan 27: she had been buried in 1590 ‘as a baroness’.
April 30: her great-nephew Rowland Vaughan seeks to be in the Queen’s Guard.
Monuments: Bacton Church, Herefordshire; St Margaret Westminster.
Parry, Dorothy (Mrs/Lady) (c.1550-1624):
Dorothy Brooke.
Daughter of William Brooke 10th Lord Cobham, by 1st wife Dorothy Nevill.
Half-sister of Lady Cecil,* daughter-in-law of Anne Parry.*
By 1565 November: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
Married c.1568 Thomas Parry, son of Sir Thomas Parry, former Treasurer
of the Household and Privy Councillor.
1592 Aug 25–26: Queen stayed at their Hampstead Marshall house, Berks.
1602 Feb 12: Thomas Parry appointed Ambassador to France; recently knighted.
July 24: Queen proposed to visit Sir Thomas Parry at Welford, Berks, but
after much delay he arrived in France on August 5.

Paston, Katherine: see Newton, Katherine.

Pembroke, Anne Countess of (1524–1588):
Anne Talbot.
Daughter of George Talbot 4th Earl of Shrewsbury, by Elizabeth Walden.
Widow of Peter Compton. Mother of Henry 1st Lord Compton.
Relative of Katherine Countess of Pembroke.*
Married 1552 William Herbert, 1st Earl of Pembroke.
1559 April 25: Queen supped at Baynard’s Castle, Pembroke’s house.
1562 Jan 15–16: Queen stayed overnight at Baynard’s Castle.
April 28: slander that the Queen married Lord Robert Dudley at the
Earl of Pembroke’s house.
June 20: more slander, from the Spanish Ambassador.
1563 Feb 17: double marriage at Baynard’s Castle between Herbert and
Talbot families.
1564 June 28: Queen went secretly to Baynard’s Castle to dine
and to see St Peter’s Watch.
1566 Feb 14: Queen went ‘disguised’ to dine at Baynard’s Castle.
July 8–10: Queen stayed at Pembroke’s Hendon house.
1570 March 17: Earl of Pembroke died; Queen’s condolences to widow.
1578 July 18: the Countess died in London; bequests.

Pembroke, Katherine Countess of (died 1576):
Katherine Talbot.
Daughter of George Talbot, later 6th Earl of Shrewsbury, by Gertrude Manners.
Relative of Anne Countess of Pembroke.*
Step-daughter of Elizabeth, Countess of Shrewsbury.*
Sister-in-law of Lady Anne Talbot.*
1563 Feb 17: married Henry Lord Herbert (c.1539–1601).
1570 March 17: Lord Herbert became 2nd Earl of Pembroke.
1574 Sept 3–6: Queen stayed at Ramsbury, Wilts; her gift to Queen.
1575 April 16: very weak, twice visited by Queen, April/May.
May 8: letter describing Queen’s visits; May 13: two letters.
June 13: going abroad to the baths.
June 20: passport, going to Spa.
July 30: Queen sent Edward St Loe and a physician to Spa.
Sept 14: returned to England.
1576 April 25: she has died; tournament deferred because of general grief.
Funeral: May 15: Salisbury Cathedral, Wilts.
Pembroke, Mary Countess of (1561-1621):
Mary Sidney.
Daughter of Sir Henry Sidney, by Mary Dudley, Lady Sidney.*
Niece of Earl of Leicester; Earl of Warwick; Countess of Huntingdon.*
Sister of Philip Sidney and Robert Sidney.
Mother of Lady Anne Herbert.*
1575 Feb 22: Queen invited Mary (13) to court after sister Ambrosia died.
Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies; Feb 15: she is to marry.
April 16-20: new attire for Mary and brother Robert Sidney.
April 21: married at court Henry Herbert, 2nd Earl of Pembroke.
June 26: at Kenilworth in summer the Earl and Countess hunted.
Thereafter she lived mainly on their Wiltshire estates, becoming
an author and translator, and patron of poets.
1580 April 28: Queen godmother to son, William Lord Herbert.
1588 Nov 11: made a ‘superb entrance’ to London.
1590 Jan 23: Spenser’s Faerie Queene: dedicatory sonnet to her.
1591 Dec 27: listed in Spenser’s Colin Clout.
1592 Aug 26-29: Queen stayed at Ramsbury; her Dialogue in verse.
1594 Aug 29: poem to her, by Barnabe Barnes.
1595 Dec 5: Queen sent her a jewel.
1596 end: received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 end: fulsomely praised in Nicholas Breton’s Mits Trenchmour.
1599 July 2: Queen’s affection for her.
1599 end: her translations.
1600 Dec 10: took brother Sir Robert Sidney’s letter of court news.
1601 Jan 19: Earl of Pembroke died; verse epitaph for Mary (1623).
1602 daughter Lady Anne Herbert became Lady of the Privy Chamber.

Penne, Sybil (Mrs) (died 1562):
Sybil Hampden.
Daughter of Edmund Hampden, by wife Elizabeth.
Widow of David Penne.
Formerly nurse to Prince Edward, later King Edward VI.
1561 Jan 6: Queen’s ‘reward’ to her: £18.
1562 Nov 6: died at court of smallpox; epitaph quoted.
Nov 14: Mrs Penne of the Privy Chamber’s death caused Queen to move.
Monument: St Mary’s Church, Hampton, Middlesex.

Perrot, Lady Dorothy: see Northumberland, Countess of.

Poyntz, Lady Joan, later Lady Dyer (c.1518-1564):
Joan Berkeley.
Daughter of Thomas 5th Lord Berkeley, by Eleanor Constable.
Widow of Sir Nicholas Poyntz, Groom of the Bedchamber to Henry VIII; died 1556.
1559 January: Extraordinary Lady of the Privy Chamber.
Mother of Anne, Lady Heneage.*
Married (2) Sir Thomas Dyer, formerly Groom of the Chamber to Henry VIII.
1564 March 23: Queen had sent £30 for ‘apothecary stuff’; she died of her second husband’s ill-treatment. He died in 1565.

Quadring, Mrs:
Dorothy Hussey.
Daughter of Robert Hussey and Anne Say.
Wife of Ralph Quadring. 1st cousin to Bridget Countess of Bedford.*
1559 January: Extraordinary Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Radcliffe, Margaret (1573-1599), unmarried:
Daughter of John Radcliffe, by Anne Asshawe.
Cousin of Henry Radcliffe 4th Earl of Sussex.
Cousin of Mary Radcliffe.*
By 1593 December: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1593 Dec 14: bequest from 4th Earl of Sussex.
1598 Feb 27: wore £180 satin gown.
1599 Jan 26: Anthony Gibson’s book dedicated to.
Aug 18: brother killed in Ireland.
Nov 10: she pined away and died at Richmond; Nov 12: comment.
Nov 15: to be replaced by Elizabeth Southwell (III).*
Nov 16: her death described.
Nov 23: funeral; Ben Jonson’s epitaph; Whyte’s description.

Radcliffe, Mary (c.1550-1618), unmarried:
Daughter of Sir Humphrey Radcliffe (died 1566), by Isabel Harvey;
he was son of Robert Radcliffe, 1st Earl of Sussex.
Cousin of Thomas Radcliffe, 3rd Earl of Sussex, Lord Chamberlain 1572-1583.
Cousin of Margaret Radcliffe.*
Relative of Bridget Manners.*
1562 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1571 Privy Purse account, for payments by John Tamworth (died April 1569):
Mary Radcliffe, ‘one of the Maidens of Honour, for her stipend of £40
per annum’. [Nichols, Progresses (1823), i.269].
1582 April 5: she ‘is comely’.
1587 July: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber, and Keeper of the Queen’s Jewels.
1587 Dec 7: Earl of Rutland is advised to make gift to.
1588 January, end: stored away gifts brought by Jerome Horsey.
1589 Aug 29: Roger Manners to be commended to his ‘beloved cousin’.
Nov 18: her kindness to Bridget Manners.
1590 New Year gift from Countess of Rutland.
1593 Nov 27: will procure private audience for Anthony Standen.
Dec 14: bequest from 4th Earl of Sussex.
Dec 28: Sir Horatio Palavicino sent her his New Year gifts for the Queen.
1594 July 5: Countess of Rutland’s letter to Mary, her cousin.
1597 March 12: Sir William Hatton’s request and bequest to.
1599 June 8: drew up list of gifts incorrectly.
Aug 31: Queen wishes to have her lodging at Hampton Court.
1600 New Year gift from Earl of Rutland.
Oct 6: to account for Queen’s jewels.
1601 April 2: allegedly hindered Queen marrying Christopher Hatton (died 1591).
1602 New Year gift from Earl of Rutland.
Aug 1: At Harefield: lottery gift.
1603 New Year gift from Earl of Rutland, again.

Ralegh, Lady Elizabeth (1565-1647):
Elizabeth Throckmorton. ‘Bess’ Throckmorton.
Daughter of Sir Nicholas Throckmorton, by Anne Carew.
1584 Nov 8: sworn Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
1591 Nov 19: news of secret marriage to Sir Walter Ralegh.
1592 Feb 28: left court prior to giving birth.
March 29: son Damerei born; April 10: baptised.
April 27: she returned to court as if still unmarried.
May 19: marriage settlement.
July 30: to go to the Tower; Aug 7: sent to Tower; Dec 22: released.
1602 April 30: ‘much offered’ to bring her back to the Privy Chamber.
1603 listed as a Lady of the Privy Chamber at Queen’s funeral procession.
Rich, Lady Penelope (1563-1607):
Lady Penelope Devereux. Daughter of Walter Devereux, 1st Earl of Essex,
by Lettice Knollys, later Countess of Leicester.*
Sister of Robert Devereux, 2nd Earl of Essex, and of Dorothy Devereux, Countess
of Northumberland.* Cousin of Elizabeth Vernon, Countess of Southampton.*
1563 Feb 3: Queen godmother.
1581 Jan 30: arrived at court, with Countess of Huntingdon.*
No evidence that she was a Maid of Honour; the Queen much disliked her mother.
March 10: Lord Rich 'very fit' for her to marry; Sept 18: to marry about Nov 1.
Oct 29: marriage gift; married Robert 3rd Lord Rich; descriptions of her.
1588 Nov 26: Queen godmother to daughter, Mary Rich.
1589 Oct 7,20: her letters and portrait sent to King James.
1590 June 2: had hunted in Waltham Forest.
Nov 17: Peele's verses on Sir Charles Blount, later Lord Mountjoy, refer to
Lady Rich, already his mistress (from 1592 she had six children by him).
1592 Dec 27: listed in Spenser's Colin Clout.
1598 Feb 15: at supper and plays, Essex House, Strand.
1599 May 19: had written on Thomas Tasburgh's behalf for a knighthood.
Nov 29: has come to Essex House, after Essex's sudden return from Ireland.
Dec 4: may come to court to be a suitor on behalf of Essex.
Dec 8: at court 'all in black'; Dec 22: Queen 'used her very graciously'.
1600 Jan 1: her letter to Queen on behalf of Essex.
Jan 12: sends the Queen letters, jewels, presents.
Jan 24: she cannot prevail at court, for the Earl of Essex.
Feb 8: has written again to the Queen.
also Feb 8: her lover Lord Mountjoy left for Ireland, as Lord Deputy.
Feb 25: is confined to her house; March 29: has left for the country.
May 12: her letter (of Jan 1) is printed; May 28: summoned before Councillors.
July 12: 'not at liberty to go where she will'; July 27: is summoned again.
1601 Feb 8: at Essex House during Essex's attempted uprising.
Feb 9: 'prisoner' at Henry Sackford's house at least two weeks.
In July 1603 Lord Mountjoy was created Earl of Devonshire; in December 1605
Lady Rich, now divorced, married the Earl; he died in 1606; she died in 1607.

Russell, Lady Anne: see Warwick, Anne Countess of.

Russell, Anne (1578-1639):
Daughter of John Lord Russell, by Elizabeth (Cooke), Lady Russell.*
Sister of Elizabeth Russell.* Relative of Lady Hoby.*
Niece of Countess of Cumberland;* Countess of Warwick;* Countess of Bath.
Sister-in-law of Lady Elizabeth Somerset;* Lady Katherine Somerset.*
1592 Aug 12: took part in entertainment for the Queen at Bisham, Berks.
By 1595: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1596 end: sonnet from Henry Lok for Elizabeth and Anne Russell.
1597 Feb 12: assistant mourner, funeral of Lady Cecil.*
1599 Jan 26: Anthony Gibson's book dedicated to.
Nov 23: Chief Mourner at funeral of Margaret Radcliffe.*
1600 April 19: Queen has consented to her marrying Lord Herbert.
April 21: Lady Russell's letter concerning Anne's marriage.
May 16: Queen is to appoint marriage date.
June 9: Anne left court prior to marriage; June 11: described.
June 14: Queen to attend marriage; preparations for a masque.
June 16: married Henry Somerset, Lord Herbert, son of 4th Earl of Worcester;
Queen's gift; masque. June 18: three descriptions of 'the great marriage'.
1601 Sept 29/1602 Sept 29: Queen godmother to daughter.
Anne is depicted, with a coronet, on her mother's monument, Bisham Church.
Russell, Elizabeth (Lady) (c.1540-1609).
Elizabeth Cooke.
Daughter of Sir Anthony Cooke, by Anne (Fitzwilliam).
Sister of Katherine Killigrew.*
Sister of Lady Bacon and Lady Burghley.
Aunt of Francis Bacon and Robert Cecil.
Mother of Anne Russell;* Elizabeth Russell.*
Mother-in-law of Lady Hoby.* Relative of Countess of Cumberland.*

Married (1) 1558 June: Thomas Hoby, of Bisham, Berks.
1566 March 10: Thomas Hoby was knighted.
March 26: Sir Thomas left as new Ambassador to France; expenses.
July 13: Sir Thomas died in Paris; Lady Hoby’s expenses.
Sept 17: Queen godmother to Thomas Posthumous Hoby; her condolences.
1569 June 15: Sir Wm Cecil offers her in marriage to Duke of Norfolk.
Oct 28: they ‘wish to constrain’ the Duke to marry Lady Hoby.
December, end: Queen’s proposed visit to Lady Hoby.
1574 married (2) John Lord Russell, at Bisham Church, Dec 23.
1575 Oct 27: Queen godmother to daughter Elizabeth Russell: described.
1582 May 21: son Edward Hoby married Margaret Carey. Queen present.
1584 July 23: Lord Russell died; widow wrote epitaphs in 3 languages.
1589 April 4: Chief Mourner at sister Lady Burghley’s funeral.
1599 Feb 22: asks nephew Sir Robert Cecil to obtain knighthood for Rogers.
1600 March 5: letter asking to lease Donnington; her gifts to Queen.
April 19: was at court for leave for daughter Anne Russell to marry.
April 21: letter asking for banns to be read in Chapel Royal.
June 9: letter of marriage plans.
June 11: has taken her daughter from court.
June 13: Queen to be at the marriage.
June 14: preparations for marriage and masque.
June 16: Blackfriars: marriage, and dinner at Lady Russell’s.
June 17: descriptions, and her letter about her subsequent poverty.
July 1: death of daughter Elizabeth Russell.
1602 Aug 3: letter concerning Queen’s proposed visit to Berkshire.
Monument: Bisham Church, Berkshire.

Russell, Elizabeth (1575-1600), unmarried:
Daughter of John Lord Russell by Elizabeth (Cooke), Lady Russell.*
Sister of Anne Russell.* Relative of Lady Hoby.*
Niece of Countess of Cumberland*; Countess of Warwick;* Countess of Bath.
1575 Oct 27: Queen godmother; christening described in full.
1592 Aug 12: took part in entertainment for the Queen at Bisham.
1594: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
1596 end: sonnet from Henry Lok for Elizabeth and Anne Russell.
1597 Feb 12: assistant mourner, funeral of Lady Cecil.*
April 13: Queen’s angry with her or sister; put out of court for three nights.
1600 March 5: Lady Russell’s request after daughter Bess’s almost 6 years’
service. June 9: (note): Bess was to have married William Lord Herbert.
June 14: Bess to be in masque at sister Anne’s marriage (June 16).
July 1: she died after a short illness.
Monument: Westminster Abbey.

Russell, Lady Margaret: see Cumberland, Margaret Countess of.
Rutland, Isabel Countess of (c.1552-1606):
Isabel Holcroft.
Daughter of Sir Thomas Holcroft, by Juliana Jennings.
Relative of Lady Bridget Manners.*
By 1571 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1573 June 6: about to marry Edward Manners, 3rd Earl of Rutland.
1576 Jan 7: Queen godmother to daughter, Lady Elizabeth Manners.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
1586 Sept 22: Queen gave her ‘half a stag’.
1587 April 14: Earl of Rutland died in London; his only child,
Lady Elizabeth Manners, became Baroness Ros.

Sackville, Anne: see Dacre, Anne Lady.
Sackville, Lady Winifred: see Winchester, Winifred Lady Marquis of.
St Loe, Lady Elizabeth: see Shrewsbury, Elizabeth Countess of
(Bess of Hardwick).

St Loe, Elizabeth:
Daughter of Sir John St Loe, by Margaret Kingston.
Sister of Sir William St Loe, Captain of the Guard 1559–his death in 1565;
he had been in Elizabeth’s household at Hatfield.
Sister–in–law of Lady Elizabeth St Loe, later Countess of Shrewsbury,*
with whom she is often confused.
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber. Received a fee, £33.6s8d.
1561 Aug 7: Lady Catherine Grey* confessed to her that she was secretly
married to the Earl of Hertford and was pregnant.
Aug 12: St Loe had been taken to Alderman Lodge’s house.
Aug 17: St Loe is to be moved to Tower of London; Aug 20: taken to the Tower.
1562 March 25: released and sent home, receiving £30 (in June).
1571 Privy Purse account for payments made by John Tamworth (died April 1569):
‘Elizabeth Seintlowe, 27 May [1563] for one whole year’s wage, £33.6s8d;
and 29 May 1566...as of the Queen’s Majesty’s reward, £26.13s4d’.
[Nichols, Progresses (1823), i.269).
Sandys, Lady Christian: see Ansley, Christian.
Sandys, Elizabeth: see Berkeley, Lady Elizabeth.

Scrope, Philadelphia (Lady) (1562–1627):
Philadelphia Carey. Daughter of Henry Carey, 1st Lord Hunsdon,
cousin of the Queen, by Anne Morgan, Lady Hunsdon.*
Sister of Katherine Carey, Countess of Nottingham.*
Sister of Margaret Carey, Lady Hoby.*
1562 Dec 26: Queen godmother to Philadelphia.
1584 Aug 16: Queen godmother to son Emanuel Scrope.
1585 April 13: Thomas Scrope was knighted.
1592 June 13: Sir Thomas Scrope became 10th Lord Scrope.
She was a Lady of the Privy Chamber and of the Bedchamber.
1593 Nov 20: her page died at court; Nov 22: Queen has comforted her.
1594 April 7: Sir Robert and Lady Cecil* to have her lodging at Greenwich.
1596 end: received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1599 Oct 11: she alone ‘stands firm’ to the Earl of Essex.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
Nov 23: watermen took her to her brother at Blackfriars.
1603 March 23: at Queen’s death-bed.
March 26: brother Robert Carey with King James; tradition of her ring.
Lord and Lady Scrope’s monument: Langar Church, Nottinghamshire.
Scudamore, Mary (Mrs/Lady) (c.1550-1603):
Mary Shelton.
Daughter of Sir John Shelton (died 1558), by Margaret Parker; his mother Anne was a daughter of Sir William Boleyn. 2nd cousin of the Queen. Relative of Abigail, Lady Digby.* Also of Audrey Shelton, Lady Walsingham.*
1571 Jan 2: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Received a fee, £20, 1571-1603; from 1574 as Mrs and later Lady Scudamore. 1574 January, end: wishes to marry John Scudamore, a Gentleman Pensioner: Queen has not yet given consent; probably married c.June (note). May 19: Croydon lodging: Aug 26: Mary Scudamore gave cap to Queen. Oct 25/30: Lady Sidney* had asked after Mrs Scudamore of Privy Chamber.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’ for Mrs Scudamore.
1580 June 7-8: stayed at Dr John Dee’s house, with the Queen’s dwarf.
1581 Oct 31: watermen took her to fetch jewels.
Nov 18: Queen gave away a fan given by her.
1583 July 4: delivered Sir Thomas Heneage’s ‘token’ for the Queen.
July 22: delivered the Queen’s ‘token’ for Heneage.
Sept 15: ‘of the Privy Chamber’ signed for gift of clothes to Irishwoman. [1584] A ‘scandal letter’ from the Queen of Scots, retailing gossip allegedly told her by the Countess of Shrewsbury, includes that on an undated occasion the Queen accidentally broke the finger of ‘Skedmur’. [Leader, 553-7; French]. 1587 January, end: stored away gifts brought by Jerome Horsey.
1590 New Year gift from Countess of Rutland.
1591 ‘free gift’ of £400 from the Queen, in April. 1592 July 12: delivered to the Queen a book by Davys.
July 31: at Mitcham: godmother of Edward Whitney.
Oct 12: her letter: husband recently knighted.
1593 Aug 1: Anderson’s book on plague dedicated to Lady Scudamore.
Oct 28: is often with the Queen.
1594 ‘free gift’ of £300 from the Queen, 31 May. 1595 May 14: bequest from Lady Dacre.*
Oct 1: assisting Mary Lady Shrewsbury to have audience.
1596 April 14: aboard ship with the Queen.
1597 March 22: presented Sir Robert Sidney’s letter to Queen. 1598 October, end: her horse is in the Queen’s stable.
1599 Feb 19: her gift at West-Darcy marriage.
Aug 31: Queen wishes to have her lodging at Hampton Court.
1600 Feb 26: Sir Robert Cecil wants her with needle and thread.
March 3: presented Queen with a gown from Countess of Leicester.* Dec 3: Roger 3rd Lord North’s bequest.
1601 New Year gift from Elizabeth Countess of Shrewsbury.* 1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.

Seymour, Lady Jane (1537-1561), unmarried:
Daughter of Edward Seymour, Duke of Somerset (executed 1552), by Anne Stanhope, Duchess of Somerset.* The Duke was brother of Queen Jane Seymour (mother of King Edward VI). Lady Jane was sister of Edward Seymour, Earl of Hertford. She was a Maid of Honour to Queen Mary Tudor and continued as a Maid. 1559 January: Maid of Honour.
1560 Nov 27: only witness of brother’s secret marriage to Lady Catherine Grey.* 1561 March 20: died at court; March 26: funeral, described.

Seymour, Mary (Mrs): Mary Odell.
Sheffield, Douglas (Lady) (c.1543-1608):  
Douglas Howard. Daughter of William 1st Lord Howard of Effingham, the  
Queen’s great-uncle, by Margaret Gamage, Lady Howard.*  
1st cousin once removed of the Queen. Sister of Frances Howard (I);*  
Katherine Howard;* Martha Howard;* Mary Howard.*  
1559 January: Maid of Honour.  
1560 Oct 27: Queen’s gift for marriage to John 2nd Lord Sheffield.  
1561 Sept 26: Queen godmother to daughter, Elizabeth Sheffield.  
1568 Dec 10: Lord Sheffield died; the Earl of Leicester ‘her lover’.  
1573 May 11: in love with Earl of Leicester, as is her sister Frances.  
Nov 12/Dec 24: alleged secret marriage to Earl of Leicester.  
1576 New Year: gift of scarf to Queen.  
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.  
1579 Nov 28: secretly married Edward Stafford. Retained name of Lady Sheffield.  
Now daughter-in-law of Dorothy, Lady Stafford.*  
1580 Feb 16: Queen’s anger at discovery of marriage to Stafford.  
1581 March 1/4: Queen godmother to son.  
1582 March, end: Queen visited her Highgate house.  
November, end: daughter Elizabeth Sheffield married Earl of Ormond at court.  
1583 Sept 15: Stafford, newly knighted, Ambassador to France (to April 1589).  
1585 March 30: Lady Sheffield mentioned in ‘Leicester’s Commonwealth’.  
1588 Aug 19: a ship ready to transport her from France to England.  
1589 June 9-11: Queen stayed at her Highgate house.  
1591 Oct 27: son Robert Dudley had secretly married Margaret Cavendish*.  
1595 May 14: bequest to her by Lady Dacre.* 1597 July 24: her dancing.  

Shelton, Audrey: see Walsingham, Audrey.  
Shelton, Mary: see Scudamore, Mary.  
Sherley, Lady: see Vavasour, Frances.  

Shrewsbury, Elizabeth Countess of (‘Bess of Hardwick’; 1527-1608):  
Half-sister of Elizabeth Wingfield.* Grandmother of Arbella Stuart.*  
Married (1) 1543: Robert Barlow (died 1544); (2) 1547: Sir William Cavendish  
(died 1557). 1550 December: Elizabeth was godmother to 1st son Henry Cavendish.  
Married (3) 1559 October: Sir William St Loe, Captain of the Guard (died 1565).  
She is often alleged to have been in the Tower 1561-1562, but it was her sister-  
in-law and namesake Elizabeth St Loe.* Not in fee-lists, but the Queen stated  
in September 1567 that she ‘has long served with credit in our court’.  
Married (4) winter 1567/1568: George Talbot, 6th Earl of Shrewsbury.  
Thereafter lived mainly in the North, with occasional visits to court.  
1568 Feb 9: two of the Earl of Shrewsbury’s children, Gilbert and Grace Talbot,  
made two of the Countess’s children, Mary and Henry Cavendish.  
October, end: Queen loves and likes her.  
1569 Jan 26: instructions for the Earl, to be Keeper of Queen of Scots.  
1574 October, end: daughter Elizabeth Cavendish married Charles, Earl of Lennox,  
at the Countess’s house; Nov 17: comment; Dec 2: Queen’s displeasure.  
1575 Oct 13: advice on her New Year gift for the Queen; and Dec 13.  
1576 Earl and Countess’s New Year gifts to the Queen; Jan 2: Queen’s pleasure.  
June 7: Countess had been at court; July 6: praised by Earl of Leicester.  
1577 New Year gift to the Queen.  
July 25: Queen’s letter to Earl and Countess; draft of playful letter.  
1578 June 13: she has come to see the Queen; Oct 24: again at court.  
1579 June 11: to have £300 for charges at court; Nov 23: to have £100 for  
Queen’s New Year gift.
1582 Jan 21: daughter Countess of Lennox died; Countess of Shrewsbury thenceforth cared for orphaned Arbella Stuart.
1584 Sept 12: Earl of Shrewsbury at court; detests his wife.
Sept 14,15,16: Queen presses him to be reconciled to his wife.
Sept 23: Countess is now also at court; Sept 24: Earl wishes to ‘be rid’ of her.
1585 April 30: Earl of Shrewsbury complains of orders laid down by the Queen.
Sept 19: the Earl took leave of Queen to return to Derbyshire.
Nov 30: she is at court; rebuked by Queen; Earl complains of her.
Dec 6: 'still complains' of the Earl; Dec 7,8: orders for financial support.
1586 March 25: Queen discussed her marriage with Charles Cavendish.
May 8,12: Queen’s mediation; June 15: Earl wishes his wife banished from court.
June 17: Earl will not be reconciled to her; July 8: ‘the wars continue’.
July 18: reconciliation before the Queen at court; July 20: comment.
Aug 7: at court for another reconciliation.
Aug 21: the Countess thinks ‘to govern’ the Earl.
1587 March 29: Earl at court for final attempt at reconciliation.
Thereafter he generally lived apart from his wife, and had a mistress.
1590 Nov 18: Earl of Shrewsbury died at Sheffield.
1591 Nov 25-July 1592: Countess was at Chelsea and at court.
1592 New Year gifts by Countess; May 2-21: stayed at court, Greenwich.
June 11: Countess went to stay at Greenwich again; July 9: royal watermen.
July 19: Countess left court, making various payments.
July 31: she left for Derbyshire; will (1608): bequest to Queen.
1601 New Year gifts by Countess sent up to court.
Earl’s monument: St Peter and St Paul Church, Sheffield, Yorks.
Countess’s monument: Derby Cathedral.

Sidney, Lady Frances: see Essex, Frances Countess of.

Sidney, Mary (Lady) (c.1530-1586):
Mary Dudley. Daughter of John Dudley Duke of Northumberland (executed 1553),
by Jane Guildford. Married 1551 Sir Henry Sidney.
Sister of Lord Ambrose and Lord Robert Dudley (later Earls of Warwick and
of Leicester), and of the Countess of Huntingdon.*
Sister-in-law of Countess of Leicester;* and Countess of Warwick.*
Mother of Philip Sidney, and of Mary Sidney, Countess of Pembroke.*
Mother-in-law of Frances Walsingham, later Countess of Essex.*
1559 January: Lady of the Privy Chamber; without wages.
July 26: at Otford with the Queen.
Sept 7: had advised two Ambassadors about the Queen’s marriage.
Nov 13: her advice had ‘no commission’ from the Queen.
1560-1586: Sir Henry Sidney was Lord President of the Council in Wales.
1560 Oct 4: Queen godmother to daughter, Elizabeth Sidney.
1562 Nov 17: is scarred for life by smallpox after nursing Queen.
1565 Oct 13: Sir Henry Sidney to be Lord Deputy of Ireland.
November, end; her apparel and jewels lost by shipwreck.
1571 July/August: Queen sends her to tend Dr Dee in his sickness.
1572 May 2: her letter pleading for husband not to be made a baron.
July 10: has treated very secretly with the Queen.
1573 July 22: letter requiring velvet for Queen; July 27: Queen at Otford.
1574 Feb 1: her lodgings at Hampton Court: two letters.
April 29: Queen banqueted at Lambeth house; May 5: Queen’s gift to her son
Thomas Sidney; Oct 25/30: Queen dined with her in her illness.
1575 Feb 22: after daughter Ambrosia died Queen invited Mary Sidney to court.
July 16: at Kenilworth with Sir Henry, and son Philip; July 26: had hunted.
1577 April 21: daughter Mary married Earl of Pembroke at court.
1578 Oct 11,13: her lodgings at court: two letters.
1579 New Year: Sir Henry and Lady Sidney’s gifts to and from Queen.
July 6: Queen ‘very fond’ of her, but she has left court.
1583 Sept 21: son Sir Philip Sidney married Frances Walsingham.

_Sidney, Mary: see Pembroke, Mary Countess of._
_Skipwith, Bridget: see Cave, Bridget._
_Snakenborg, Helena: see Northampton, Helena Lady Marquis of._

_Snow, Elizabeth (Mrs) (c.1522-1587):_
Elizabeth Cavendish. Daughter of Richard Cavendish, by Elizabeth Grimston.
Widow of Richard Snow (died 1554). In Elizabeth’s service before her Accession.
1559 January: Extraordinary Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.
Exchanged New Year gifts with the Queen 1562-1585.
1587 April 11: will proved; bequest of one of her New Year gifts.

_Somerset, Anne Duchess of (c.1510-1587)._ 
Widow of Edward Seymour, Duke of Somerset (executed 1552); he was brother of
Queen Jane Seymour, third wife of King Henry VIII and mother of King Edward VI.
Mother of Edward Seymour, Earl of Hertford, and Lady Jane Seymour.*
Mother-in-law of Lady Catherine Grey;* Frances, Countess of Hertford (I).*
Married (2) 1558: Francis Newdigate, formerly her Steward (died Jan 1582).
1559 April, end: Queen visited Chelsea; manor leased to the Duchess.
1560 Nov 27: son Earl of Hertford secretly married Lady Catherine Grey.
Reference to Queen’s visits to her Westminster house.
1564 March 18, 22: at court on behalf of son, in the Tower since 1561.
1572 Oct 26: she is bringing up Lady Catherine’s two sons.
1574 Oct 11: conversation with the Queen.
1575 Feb 6: Queen sent message to her.
1577 Sept 12: Queen dined at Hanworth house, Middx; portrait painted at.
1580 Aug 25: Queen dined at Hanworth.
1582 June 29: grandson Edward Seymour has secretly married.
1585 Dec 5: Earl of Hertford married Frances Howard (I).
1587 April 7: Queen wishes her to alter her will; April 16: died.
Monument: Westminster Abbey.

_Somerset, Lady Elizabeth (1572-1627)._
First daughter of Edward Somerset, 4th Earl of Worcester,
by Elizabeth Hastings, Countess of Worcester.*
Sister of Lady Katherine Somerset.* Sister-in-law of Anne Russell.*
1572 October/November: birth. Queen godmother.
1594 Aug 25: appointed a Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1596 Nov 8: married Sir Henry Guildford; Spenser’s poem; Queen’s gift.
1598 May 24: Queen godmother to son Edward Guildford.
October, end: her horse is in the Queen’s stable.
1602 April 8: Thomas Lord Burghley’s letter to her about Queen’s proposed
visit to him at Wimbledon; Aug 7: Queen dined at the Guildfords’ house, Bucks.

_Somerset, Lady Katherine (1574-1624)._
Second daughter of Edward Somerset, 4th Earl of Worcester,
by Elizabeth Hastings, Countess of Worcester.*
1596 Nov 8: married William Petre, later 2nd Lord Petre; Spenser’s poem;
Queen’s gift. Retained name of Lady Katherine Somerset.
1597 Oct 6: Queen godmother to daughter Elizabeth Petre.
Southampton, Mary Countess of (c.1554-1607):
Mary Browne.
Daughter of Anthony Browne, 1st Viscount Montagu, by Jane Radcliffe.
1581 Oct 4: Earl of Southampton died.
1594 May 2: married (2) Sir Thomas Heneage, whose first wife Anne
Heneage* died in 1593. Retained name of Countess of Southampton.
Dec 7: Queen dined at their Savoy house, London.
1595 July 31: Queen may visit Heneage and the Countess in Essex.
Aug 2 and 9: Countess’s letters to Sir Robert Cecil.
Oct 17: Sir Thomas Heneage died; bequests.
1598 now mother-in-law of Elizabeth, Countess of Southampton.*
1599 Jan 30: marriage to (3) Sir William Harvey ‘published’.

Southampton, Elizabeth Countess of (1569-1655).
Elizabeth Vernon.
Daughter of Sir John Vernon, by Elizabeth Devereux.
1st cousin of Dorothy Devereux, Countess of Northumberland;* also of
Penelope Devereux, Lady Rich;* and Robert Devereux, 2nd Earl of Essex.
By 1594 January: Maid of Honour.
1598 Jan 14: is referred to as Southampton’s mistress; and Feb 1.
Feb 10: Southampton left for France.
Aug 30: news of secret marriage to 3rd Earl of Southampton.
Now daughter-in-law of Mary, Countess of Southampton.*
1598 Sept 3, 4: Queen’s anger with Earl and new Countess.
Sept 20: Lord Cobham advises Southampton to return.
October, end: her horse is still in the Queen’s stable.
Nov 8: their daughter has been born; note on Countess’s portrait.
Nov 9: comment on marriage.
Nov 11: Earl sent to the Fleet Prison; Nov 22: to be released.
1599 Jan 26: Woman’s Worth dedicated to Countess, and to Maids of Honour.
June 10: Council: Queen still offended with the Earl.
1601 Feb 9: the Earl, involved in Essex’s attempted rising, in the Tower
of London (until April 1603).

Southwell, Elizabeth (I) (Mrs/Lady) (1564-1646):
Elizabeth Howard.
Daughter of Charles Howard, later 2nd Lord Howard of Effingham and Earl of
Nottingham, by Katherine Carey, later Countess of Nottingham.*
2nd cousin of the Queen.
Sister of Frances Howard (III), Lady Kildare.*
Mother of Elizabeth Southwell (III).*
1564 June 24: Queen godmother.
1582 April 5: Mr Southwell possesses her goodwill.
1583 April 13: Queen expected to attend her marriage.
April 16: Robert Southwell’s mother Lady Paget* died.
April 17: Elizabeth Howard married Robert Southwell.
1584 April 25: Queen godmother to daughter Elizabeth Southwell.
1585 June 19: Robert Southwell was knighted.
1587 April 27: Queen dined at Southwell’s Surrey house.
1596 end: she received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1598 Oct 12: Sir Robert Southwell died; Queen’s letter to ‘good Bess’.
1600 Jan 5: daughter Elizabeth Southwell became Maid of Honour.
1600 July 10: Queen visited Lady Southwell in her sickness.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
She married (2) 1604 John Stewart; created (1628) Earl of Carrick.
Southwell, Elizabeth (II) (1567-1606):
Daughter of Thomas Southwell, by Nazareth Newton, later Lady Paget.*
1567 Oct 9: Queen godmother.
By 1588 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1591 Oct 24,27: Thomas Vavasour imprisoned for her pregnancy.
(Note): Her son Walter was born in late 1591, father being the Earl of Essex. 1595 May, end: Queen learnt that Essex was the father of Walter Devereux.
She married Sir Barentyne Moleyns in 1598.

Southwell, Elizabeth (III) (1584-1631):
Daughter of Robert Southwell, by Elizabeth Howard.
2nd cousin once removed of the Queen.
Grand-daughter of Katherine Carey, later Countess of Nottingham.*
Sister of Frances Howard (III), Lady Kildare.*
Niece of Elizabeth Southwell (II).*
1584 April 25: Queen godmother.
1599 Nov 15: sworn 'the Queen's servant'.
1600 Jan 5: sworn Maid of Honour. £20 p.a.
June 14: to be masquer at marriage of Anne Russell.*
Maid of Honour to 1603. Eloped abroad in 1605 with Sir Robert Dudley (whom she married), son of the Earl of Leicester and Douglas Howard.*

Southwell, Mary (Mrs) (c.1538-c.1564):
Mary Mansell.
Daughter of Sir Rhys Mansell (died April 1559), by Cecily Dabridgecourt (died Sept 1558), who had been one of Queen Mary’s attendants from 1553. Mary was one of Queen Mary’s Maids of Honour and continued as a Maid.
1559 January: Maid of Honour. £10 p.a.
1563 May 14: Southwell has leave to marry ‘Mansfield’. (His 2nd wife). June 6: married Thomas Southwell, of Norfolk. She died c.1564.
Southwell married (3) at court in 1565 Nazareth Newton, later Lady Paget.*

Southwell: first name unknown.
By 1594 January: Maid of Honour. Not listed again.

Stafford, Dorothy (Lady) (1526-1604):
Grand-daughter of George Duke of Clarence, brother of King Edward IV.
Married 1540s (2nd wife) Sir William Stafford (died 1556); his 1st wife Mary Boleyn was sister of Queen Anne Boleyn, Queen Elizabeth’s mother.
Mother of Elizabeth Stafford.* Mother-in-law of Lady Sheffield.*
Grandmother of Elizabeth Drury;* Frances Drury.*
1559 Aug 13: Lady of the Privy Chamber. Received a fee, £33.6s8d, 1559-1603. She was also a Lady of the Bedchamber. Often stated to be Mistress of the Robes, but this post was introduced in 1603.
1564 Sept 30-Oct 3: with James Melville and the Queen.
1572 July 22: lodging at Theobalds at Queen’s visit.
1573 Nov 8: marriage at court of daughter Elizabeth to William Drury.
Nov 26: her lodging hastily made ready at Durham House.
1574 May 19: her lodging at Croydon.
1576 Oct 7: delivered William Fuller’s book to Queen.
1578 Jan 19: sent to her house for slandering court ladies.
June 1: godmother to Ambassador’s child, Elizabeth Mornay.
1580 July 1: at court, has the new sickness.
1582 Jan 27: sleeps in the Queen’s bedchamber (and note: her epitaph). Aug 1: was ‘dangerously sick of a lethargy’. 46
1583 March 18: at Frenchmen’s secret audience; May 27: her lodging at Theobalds.
1587 Jan 1: conspiracy involving her son William Stafford;
Jan 26: ordered from court; Jan 28: when at court sleeps in the Queen’s room.
Dec 7: Earl of Rutland is advised to make gift to.
1589 Nov 18: kindness to Countess of Rutland’s daughter Bridget Manners.*
1590 New Year gift from Countess of Rutland; Feb 12: Blanche Parry’s* bequest.
1594 June 28: waterman took her to Greenwich.
1597 April 13: two of Queen’s attendants in her keeping for three nights.
1598 October, end: her horse is in the Queen’s stable.
1601 New Year gift from Elizabeth Countess of Shrewsbury.*
1603 New Year gift from Earl of Rutland.

*Stafford, Elizabeth: see Drury, Elizabeth (Mrs/Lady).
*Stanhope, Lady: see Macwilliams, Margaret.
*Strange, Lady (Alice): see Derby, Alice Countess of.
*Strange, Lady (Margaret): see Derby, Margaret Countess of.

Stuart, Lady Arbella (1575-1615):
Only child of Charles, Earl of Lennox, by Elizabeth Cavendish.
Grand-daughter of Countess of Lennox,* and of Countess of Shrewsbury.*
1st cousin once removed of the Queen; 1st cousin of King James.
1574 October, end: parents’ sudden marriage. Arbella born autumn 1575.
1576 March, end: father, Earl of Lennox, died.
1582 Jan 21: mother, Elizabeth Countess of Lennox, died; she was thereafter
brought up in the North by her grandmother the Countess of Shrewsbury.
Dec 6: Earl of Leicester wishes her to marry his son (born 1581).
1583 March 4,7: Leicester still plans to betroth her to his son (died 1584).
1585 May 28: Queen wishes her named to King James for a ‘home match’.
1587 July 11/17: Arbella at Theobalds with the Queen; and Aug 7.
1591 Nov 25-July 1592: at Chelsea and at court with the Countess of Shrewsbury.
1592 July 19: Queen’s gift to her.
1593 April 6: rumoured to have secretly married William Cecil.
1602 March 17: Duke of Nevers secretly desires to see her.
1603 Jan 7: first meeting with Sir Henry Brouncker in Derbyshire; she was
suspected of planning to marry Earl of Hertford’s grandson, Edward Seymour.
March 9: rumours about her ‘much afflict’ the Queen.
April 12: to be Chief Mourner for the Queen (she declined).
Married (1610) William Seymour, another of Hertford’s grandsons.

Suffolk, Katherine Duchess of (1520-1580):
Katherine Willoughby.
Daughter of William 11th Lord Willoughby de Eresby by Maria de Salinas, who came
to England from Spain with Catherine of Aragon, first wife of King Henry VIII.
Married (1) 1534, as his 4th wife: Charles Brandon, Duke of Suffolk, whose
3rd wife had been the King’s sister Mary, Dowager Queen of France; he died 1545.
Katherine married (2) 1552: Richard Bertie, her Gentleman Usher (1517-1582).
Prominent Protestant exiles during Queen Mary’s reign, son born abroad.

1561 May 10: Duchess has come to court, very well liked.
August, end: her account-book, 1560-1562 (note).
December, end: payment for Queen’s New Year gift.
1562 New Year: payments for gifts.
February, end: payments for her lodging at court, and to a physician.
March, end: payments at court; April, end: payments for Waits at court.
May, end: payments at court; June, end: payments and gifts at court.
Nov 9: she was first to have smallpox.
1567 Aug 9: Lady Mary Grey* now in her keeping; long letter.
1574 October, end: son Peregrine was to have married Elizabeth Cavendish.
Nov 17: Countess of Lennox* had ‘come to terms’ for Peregrine.
1578 early: Peregrine married Lady Mary Vere,* now her daughter-in-law.
1580 Sept 19: Duchess died.
Monument, with 2nd husband: Spilsby Church, Lincs.

Sussex, Frances Countess of (c.1531-1589):
Married 1555 Thomas Radcliffe, 3rd Earl of Sussex (c.1525-1583),
Lord Deputy/Lord Lieutenant of Ireland; Lord Chamberlain 1572-1583.
Sister-in-law of Lady Sidney.*
Aunt of Philip Sidney and of Mary Sidney, Countess of Pembroke.*
1561 Oct 7: Queen offers to take the Earl’s sister Frances as Maid of Honour.
1565 Sept 11: met Lady Cecilia* of Sweden at Bedford House.
1566 July 1: Queen at Bermondsey for marriage of Frances Radcliffe.
1571 May 14: Countess ‘long sick and weak’.
1572 Feb 17: Queen has visited Bermondsey during the Earl’s sickness.
July 13: Earl of Sussex became the Lord Chamberlain.
1575 May 24: lodging at Theobalds during Queen’s visit.
Oct 13: her advice on New Year gift to Queen by Countess of Shrewsbury.*
Oct 27: a godmother to Elizabeth Russell.*
Dec 13: further advice on gifts to the Queen.
1578 June 20: in America Frobisher named ‘Countess of Sussex’s Mine’.
Aug 26: at Bermondsey, prior to leaving for Bath.
1579 Sept 15-21: Queen stayed at New Hall, Essex: entertainment and
tournament; gift presented by her chaplain.
1582 April 3: is ‘very sick at the court’.
1583 February, end: Queen visited Bermondsey during Earl’s final illness.
June 9: Earl of Sussex died; will quoted, describing furnishings.
1583 end: Hunnis’s Seven Sobs dedicated to Countess, Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1588 May 26: Arthur Hall, her unwelcome suitor; and May 27, June 1.
1589 March 9: she died; will, quoted, founding Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.
April 15: funeral, Westminster Abbey.
Monument: Westminster Abbey.

Talbot, Lady Anne (c.1548-1593):
Lady Anne Herbert.
Daughter of William Herbert, 1st Earl of Pembroke, by his 1st wife Anne Parr,
sister of Queen Katherine Parr, sixth and last wife of King Henry VIII.
Married 1563 Feb 17: Francis Lord Talbot, son and heir of George Talbot,
6th Earl of Shrewsbury.
Sister-in-law of Katherine, Countess of Pembroke.*
Aunt of Lady Elizabeth Talbot.*
1575 April 4: Queen’s gift of satin, and silk to Lord Talbot.
1582 Sept 3: Francis Lord Talbot’s burial, Sheffield.
Oct 29: Anne was near court: Queen sent ‘words of comfort’.
1589 Nov 18: her kindness at court to Bridget Manners.*
1590 New Year: monetary gift from Countess of Rutland.
Died January 1593.
Talbot, Lady Elizabeth (1582-1651):
2nd daughter of Gilbert Talbot, by Mary Cavendish.
Grand-daughter of Elizabeth Countess of Shrewsbury.*
Niece of Lady Anne Talbot.*
1590 Nov 18: Father, Gilbert Talbot, became 7th Earl of Shrewsbury.
Nov 20: she was with the Queen at Accession Day Tilt.
1600 July 19: has been sworn of the Privy Chamber, not her elder sister.
Dec 3: is ‘well beloved of all the Chamber’.
1601 Nov 16: married Henry Grey; Queen’s gift.
Henry Grey (c.1583-1639) became (1615) Lord Grey of Ruthin;
(1623) 8th Earl of Kent.

Throckmorton, Elizabeth: see Ralegh, Lady.

Thynne, Gresham (born c.1585):
Daughter of Sir John Thynne, of Longleat, Wilts, by his 2nd wife
Dorothy Wroughton; his 1st wife was Christian Gresham.
Sister of Katherine Gresham.*
1601 May 26: sworn Maid of Honour. £20 p.a.

Thynne, Katherine (died 1613):
Daughter of Sir John Thynne, of Longleat, Wilts, by his 2nd wife
Dorothy Wroughton. c.1592: Maid of Honour.
Married (1) by June 1594: Sir Walter Long, of Wiltshire (1560-1610),
who was knighted in 1589; (2) c.1611: Sir Edward Foxe (1578-1629).
Source: biographies of her husbands, both M.P.s. (Hasler; Thrush).

Trentham, Elizabeth: see Oxford, Elizabeth Countess of.

Tuchet, Maria (1579-1611):
Daughter of George Tuchet, 11th Lord Audley, by Lucy Marvyn.
Grand-daughter of Amy Marvyn.*
1579 Feb 6: Queen godmother.
By 1594 January: Maid of Honour.
1594 May 16: secret marriage to Thomas Thynne of Longleat, Wilts,
concealed for a year (described).

Tyrwhit, Bridget: see Manners, Lady Bridget.

Vaughan, Frances: see Burgh, Frances Lady.
Vaughan, Margaret: see Hawkins, Margaret Lady.

Vavasour, Anne (I) (c.1561-1627):
Daughter of Henry Vavasour, by Margaret Knyvett.
Sister of Frances Vavasour,* aunt of Anne Vavasour (II).*
1580: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber.
By 1581 January: Maid of Honour.
1581 March 21: at court gave birth to son by Earl of Oxford;
March 22,23: sequel; to go to the Tower; June 8: Earl of Oxford released.
1582 March 3,17: Oxford had duelled with her uncle Thomas Knyvett.
By 1590 she married (1) John Finch.
1592 Sept 18-22: Queen stayed at Woodstock with Sir Henry Lee;
(note): Anne was Lee’s mistress to his death in 1611.
By 1618 she married (2) John Richardson. 1621: fined £2000 for bigamy.
Vavasour, Anne (II) (died 1646):
Daughter of Thomas Vavasour, by Mary Dodge.
Niece of Anne Vavasour (I),* and of Frances Vavasour.*
1601 May: Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber. Received a fee, £20.
June 18: has been 'sworn Chamberer', or 'of the Bedchamber';
formerly served the deceased Bridget Countess of Bedford.*
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
She married c.July 1603 Sir Richard Warburton (died 1610).

Vavasour, Frances:
Daughter of Henry Vavasour, by Margaret Knyvett.
Sister of Anne Vavasour (I).*
By 1590 November: Maid of Honour.
1590 Nov 10: she 'flourisheth' at court. (Stanhope).
1591 Sept 23: was to marry Robert Dudley (Earl of Leicester’s ‘base’ son),
but instead secretly married Sir Thomas Sherley; marriage now known to the
court; the Queen’s views on such marriages.
Sherley was in the Marshalsea Prison for six months.

Vere, Lady Elizabeth: see Derby, Elizabeth Countess of.

Vere, Lady Mary (c.1554-1624).
Sister-in-law of Anne Cecil, Countess of Oxford.*
Aunt of Lady Elizabeth Vere;* Lady Susan Vere.*
1574 January, end: has been sworn Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1575 Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
Feb 15: is soon to marry; Feb 16: may marry Lord Gerald.
Nov 11: marriage to Peregrine Bertie deferred.
1578 early: married Peregrine Bertie, Duchess of Suffolk’s son.
Now daughter-in-law of Katherine Duchess of Suffolk.*
1580 Sept 19: Duchess of Suffolk died; later in 1580 Peregrine
was recognised as 13th Baron Willoughby de Eresby.
1581 March 5: Queen godmother to daughter.
1586 May 26: daughter Katherine Bertie born (May 22); sequel.
1601 June 25: Lord Willoughby died, being estranged from his wife.
Lady Willoughby re-married in 1605.

Vere, Lady Susan (1587-1629):
Sister of Lady Elizabeth Vere.*
Niece of Lady Mary Vere.*
Relative of Lady Cecil.*
c.1602: Lady of the Privy Chamber.
Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
Married at court Dec 1604 Sir Philip Herbert; created (1605) Earl of Montgomery;
became (1630) 4th Earl of Pembroke, succeeding his brother William; they were
the ‘incomparable pair of brethren’ to whom Shakespeare’s First Folio was
dedicated in 1623.

Vernon, Elizabeth: see Southampton, Elizabeth Countess of.
Walsingham, Audrey (Lady) (1568-1624):
Audrey Shelton. Daughter of Ralph Shelton, by Mary Woodhouse.
2nd cousin once removed of the Queen. Relative of Mary Scudamore.*
1590 July, start (note): Queen’s gift at marriage to Thomas Walsingham.
1597 July 20-22: Queen stayed at Chislehurst house, Kent; knighted Thomas.
1599 Nov 28: letter to Queen found by ‘Lady Walsingham’s woman’.
By 1600 Jan: Lady of the Bedchamber: New Year gift from Earl of Rutland.
1601 July 30: sworn a Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1602 and 1603: New Year gifts from Earl of Rutland.
1602 July 1/24: Queen dined and hunted at Eltham Great Park.
Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift; Aug 2: presented robe to the Queen.
Sept 18: described by Anne Clifford* as a favourite of Sir Robert Cecil.
In July 1603 she became Queen Anne’s ‘Keeper of the robes’.

Walsingham, Frances: see Essex, Frances Countess of.

Warwick, Anne Countess of (c.1548-1604):
Lady Anne Russell.
Daughter of Francis Russell, 2nd Earl of Bedford, by 1st wife Margaret St John,
Countess of Bedford.* Sister of Countess of Cumberland;* Countess of Bath.
Sister-in-law of Countess of Huntingdon;* Countess of Leicester;* Lady Sidney.*
Aunt of Anne Russell;* Elizabeth Russell;* Anne Clifford.*
In the Queen’s service from a young age (as described by Anne Clifford, 1590),
but not officially appointed a Maid of Honour, as has been supposed.
1565 Nov 11: married at court Ambrose Dudley, Earl of Warwick (c.1530-1590);
Nov 11,12,13: tournament in celebration.
She became a Lady of the Privy Chamber.
1570 July 5: godmother to the Vidame’s daughter.
1572 Aug 11: arrived with Queen at her visit to Warwick Castle.
Aug 16: Queen called upon her at Warwick Priory.
1573 Feb 28-March 2: Queen stayed at her house, Northaw, Herts.
Sept 7: she dined at the Queen’s table, Canterbury.
Nov 3: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Theophilus Finch.
1574 May 19: her lodging at Croydon.
1575 July 20: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Thomas Berkeley.
Sept 4: at Woodstock: verse ‘posy’.
Oct 27: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Elizabeth Russell, described.
1576 March 19: at court: Queen’s anger with Earl of Warwick.
June 7: godmother to Elizabeth Carey.
Aug 30: Queen dined at Northaw.
Oct 22: Queen’s Deputy at christening of Elizabeth Knollys.
1577 New Year: in Gascoigne’s list of court ladies.
May 18: Queen dined at Northaw; Martin Frobisher took leave.
July 20: Frobisher in America named an Island and a Sound after her.
1580 April 28: Queen’s Deputy at christening of William Lord Herbert.
June 30: going to Wells in Warwickshire. (Lord Talbot).
1583 Sept 17-29: letters on Robert Sidney’s marriage (from her Sept 27).
1585 July 27: Countess’s brother died; July 28: her father died.
Sept 12: Queen sent John Stanhope to comfort the ‘mourning ladies’.
Sept 21: she stayed a night at court.
1587 July 20-21: Queen stayed at Northaw; Essex’s dispute there with the Queen.
1588 January: end: at court when Jerome Horsey presented gifts.
July 10: Dutch Deputies at court; Queen summoned her.
Feb 21: Earl of Warwick died; widow thereafter lived mainly at court;
niece Anne Clifford’s praise of Lady Warwick, beloved by the Queen.
1591 Dec 27: listed in Spenser’s Colin Clout.
1592 May 14: at court, with Lady Digby.*
Nov 9: delivered Dr John Dee’s ‘Supplication’ to the Queen.
Dec 1: sent Dee news of a gift from the Queen.
1593 Feb 15: delivered Dee’s thanks to the Queen.
1594 May 3: with the Queen at Dee’s visit to court.
1595 May 14: bequest from Lady Dacre.*
July 31: thanked the Queen in Dr Dee’s name for his new post.
Oct 1: is assisting Mary Lady Shrewsbury to have audience.
1596 Sept 1: Spenser dedicated *Four Hymns* to her and Lady Cumberland.
1596 end: received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 Feb 16: bequest from Francis Flower.
March 26: Queen to visit Northaw; April 3: to be no visit.
April 23: one of the Queen’s train-bearers.
May 7: a ‘friend’ of Sir William Cornwallis’s cousin.
1598 October, end: her horse is in the Queen’s stable.
1599 July 21: she is very sick.
Nov 28: letter to be delivered by her to the Queen.
Nov 29: had visited Earl of Essex with the Queen.
1600 March 3: was in a coach with the Queen.
July 1: at bedside of dying niece Elizabeth Russell.
July 26: tells nephew that Queen wishes for two white horses.
Aug 16: tells nephew not to trouble the Queen with request for leave.
Dec 3: Roger 3rd Lord North’s bequest.
1601 Feb 28: visited at court by Margaret Lady Hoby.*
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
Christmas: niece Lady Anne Clifford slept in her chamber at court.
Dec 28: presented William Sidney to the Queen.
1603 March 21: sister and niece moved to her house.
Died 1604. Her monument: Chenies Church, Buckinghamshire.

*Wentworth, Lady Anne: see Hopton, Anne.*

**Westmorland, Jane Countess of (1542-1593):**
Lady Jane Howard.
Daughter of Henry Howard, Earl of Surrey (executed in 1547),
by Lady Frances Vere. 2nd cousin of the Queen.
Sister of Thomas Howard, 4th Duke of Norfolk (executed in 1572).
1559 January: Maid of Honour.
Married 1563/1564 Charles Neville, 6th Earl of Westmorland.
1569 Nov 9: the Earl was a leader of the Northern Rising.
1570 March 23: she is in London and asks to come to the Queen’s presence.
The Earl went into exile for the rest of his life and died abroad in 1601;
she remained in England with her young children, receiving an annual pension
from 1571 of £200, increased in 1577 to £300.
She died in Norfolk, 1593.

*Wharton, Margaret (1581-1659):*
Daughter of Philip 3rd Lord Wharton, by Lady Frances Clifford.
Niece of Countess of Cumberland.* Relative of Lady Anne Clifford.*
c.1602: Maid of Honour. £20 p.a.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.
Maid of Honour to 1603.
Married September 1603 Edward Lord Wotton (created Lord Wotton June 1603).
White, Lady: maiden name unknown. 2nd wife of Sir Richard White, of Hants.  
1601 Sept 18: Queen dined at their South Warnborough house and knighted White.  
Sept 19: she had been sworn ‘the Queen’s woman’ at the dinner. (Captain Wye).

Williams of Thame, Margery (Lady) (1528-1587).  
Margery Wentworth.  
Daughter of Thomas 1st Lord Wentworth, by Margaret Fortescue.  
Sister of Jane Wentworth, Lady Cheney.*  
Stepmother of Lady Norris.* Relative of Dorothy Edmonds.*  
Married 1557 (2nd wife): John Lord Williams of Thame.  
1559 Jan 24: Queen godmother to daughter (died 1559).  
Oct 14: Lord Williams died; bequests.  
1560 Oct 6: is to marry; Oct 10: married (2) William Drury.  
Retained name Lady Williams of Thame.  
1573 Dec 29: Queen godmother to daughter Elizabeth Drury.  
1580 she married (3) James Croft (died 1624).

Willoughby, Margaret: see Arundell, Margaret.  
Willoughby de Eresby, Mary Lady: see Vere, Lady Mary.

Winchester, Winifred, Lady Marquis of (died 1586):
He was of the Drapers’ Company, Lord Mayor of London 1520-1521.  
Married (1) c.1536: Sir Richard Sackville, 1st cousin once removed of the Queen.  
Mother of Anne Sackville, Lady Dacre.*  
1564 July 5: Queen was entertained at Sackville House, London.  
1566 April 21: Sir Richard Sackville died.  
Married (2) 1568: John Paulet, Lord St John (c.1510-1576).  
1569 Aug 30-31: Queen stayed with Lord and Lady St John at Abbotstone, Hants.  
1572 March 10: Lord St John became 2nd Marquis of Winchester.  
1574 Sept 13-14: Queen stayed again at Abbotstone.  
1576 Nov 4: Marquis of Winchester died.  
Windsor, Anne: see Grey, Anne.

Wingfield, Anne (died c.1571):
Daughter of Sir Anthony Wingfield, by Elizabeth Vere.  
Sister of Anthony Wingfield, Gentleman Usher 1559-1593.  
Sister-in-law of Elizabeth Wingfield.* Unmarried.  
1559 January: Gentlewoman of the Privy Chamber.  
Received a fee, £33.6s8d, 1558-1571.

Wingfield, Elizabeth (Mrs) (c.1530-early 1600s):
Elizabeth Leche.  
Daughter of Ralph Leche, by Elizabeth (Leake), widow of John Hardwick.  
Half-sister of Elizabeth, Countess of Shrewsbury* (‘Bess of Hardwick’).  
c.1562 married Anthony Wingfield, Gentleman Usher 1559-1593 (died).  
1568 October, end: her letter to new Countess of Shrewsbury.  
1575 Oct 13: husband’s advice on Countess of Shrewsbury’s New Year gift for the Queen; and Dec 13.  
1576 Jan 2: letter to Lady Shrewsbury, of Queen’s praise of her New Year gifts.  
1591 Oct 27: Mother of the Maids, replacing Mrs Jones (to c.1593).  
c.1597 again Mother of the Maids (to c.1602).  
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift to ‘Mother of the Maids’.
Wolley, Elizabeth (Lady) (1552-1600):
More, of Loseley, Guildford, Surrey, was several times visited by the Queen.
Married (1) 1567: Richard Polsted (died 1576).
Married (2) 1577: John Wolley, the Queen’s Latin Secretary.
1583 April 3: Queen godmother to son Francis Wolley.
c.1592 John Wolley was knighted.
1595 March 12: her letter with court news.
By 1595 August: Lady of the Privy Chamber.
Aug 31: her letter describing her ‘good beginning at court’.
Sept 5, 16: sends court news.
1596 Feb 29: Sir John Wolley died.
1596 end: she received sonnet from Henry Lok.
1597 Feb 16: bequest from Francis Flower.
Sept 9: letter to Lord Burghley, asking for brother George More to be knighted.
Married (3) 1597 Sir Thomas Egerton, the Lord Keeper.
1600 Jan 21: died; Jan 24, 26: Egerton’s grief.
Oct 20: Egerton married Alice Countess of Derby.*
Elizabeth’s monument: Loseley Chapel, St Nicholas, Guildford, Surrey.

Worcester, Elizabeth Countess of (c.1550-1621):
Lady Elizabeth Hastings. Daughter of Francis Hastings, 2nd Earl of Huntingdon,
by Catherine Pole. Kinswoman of the Queen.
Relative of Countess of Huntingdon;* Lady Dorothy Hastings.*
Mother of Lady Elizabeth Somerset;* Lady Katherine Somerset.*
By 1571 January: Maid of Honour. May 14: recovers health but not beauty.
Dec 16: married at court Edward Somerset, Lord Herbert (c.1550-1628),
son of William 3rd Earl of Worcester; Dec 22: comment.
Dec 23: Queen at brother Henry 3rd Earl of Huntingdon’s house for celebrations.
1572 c.October/November: Queen godmother to daughter Lady Elizabeth Somerset.
1594 Aug 25: daughter Lady Elizabeth Somerset became Lady of the Privy Chamber;
daughter Lady Katherine Somerset became Maid of Honour.
1596 Nov 8: marriage of daughters Elizabeth and Katherine; Queen’s gifts.
1600 June 16: son married Anne Russell;* Queen guest of honour.
1601 Oct 14: godmother of French Ambassador’s child.
1602 Aug 1: at Harefield: lottery gift.

Women at Court: other references to the Queen’s attendants.
See also: ‘Anecdotes’: Harington (recollections); Knollys (and Queen’s ladies).

1558 Dec 29: Earl of Arundel gave jewels to Queen’s ladies;
Queen commanded them never to discuss business.
1559 Jan 15: Coronation preparations.
May 24: Whitehall supper: some ladies ate on the floor.

1561 April, start: Dymock advised King Eric to send sables to Queen’s ladies.
1562 April 20: London marriage attended by Maids of Honour.
May 6: Proclamation enforcing Statutes of Apparel.
1564 Aug 10: Cambridge lodgings at Queen’s visit.

1570 Feb 20: advice to Leonard Dacre on marrying a ‘lady of honour’.
1571 Jan 13: Privy Chamber ladies know of ‘little letter’, suggesting
marriage with Duke of Anjou.

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1572 Dec 11: Francis Carew and Privy Chamber ladies.
1573 Nov 26: Ladies of the Privy Chamber at Durham House.
1574 March 22: Richard Brackenbury’s comment on court ladies.
May 19: Croydon Palace: lodgings for court ladies.
June 15: regulations on women’s apparel.

1575 May 24: Theobalds lodgings at Queen’s visit.
1576 March 19: Queen’s anger with court ladies.
1577 Feb 15: forthcoming marriages of the Queen’s ladies, listed.
1577 end: George Gascoigne’s list of 27 court ladies.
1578 July 27: Gabriel Harvey made an oration to Maids of Honour. (Nashe).
Dec 11: Hunnis’s book for Ladies and Gentlewomen of the Privy Chamber.

1580 Sept 11: Windsor: work to be done for the Maids of Honour.
1581 Nov 22: after Queen promised to marry Alençon her women wailed and wept.
1582 Sept 11: work on lodgings for Maids of Honour.
1583 May 27: Theobalds lodgings at Queen’s visit.
1587 end: William Harrison’s description of the court and court ladies.

1591 Dec 27: Spenser’s Colin Clout refers to a number of court ladies.
1592 end: Robert Beale’s advice for a Secretary.
1594 Aug 14: Sir John Puckering’s memo for a visit by the Queen.
Aug 29: Barnabe Barnes’ poems to three court ladies.
1594 end: Constable’s Diana has dedication to the Queen’s Maids.

1595 Dec 8: ladies dance in the Council Chamber, Richmond.
Dec 27: Sir Walter Raleigh’s criticism of court ladies.
1596 end: Henry Lok’s list of 20 court ladies.
1597 Feb 27: Sir Robert Sidney’s letters to Maids of Honour.
1599 Aug 31: Queen is re-arranging her lodgings at Hampton Court.

1600 Dec 19: Harington’s epigrams, including to Lady Kildare.
1602 July 26: new French Ambassador’s wife’s gifts to the Maids.
Aug 1: lottery, with lots for many of the Queen’s ladies, all named.

1603 April 28: Queen’s Funeral procession.

Ladies of the Privy Chamber.
Excluding countesses and baronesses, listed separately.

Those whose biographies are given above:
Lady Cheke; Lady Digby; Lady Edmondes; Lady Hawkins; Lady Hoby;
Lady Leighton; Lady Newton; Lady Osborne; Lady Ralegh;
Lady Scudamore; Lady Sherley; Lady Stanhope; Lady Walsingham;
Mrs [Mary] Radcliffe.

Other ladies:
Lady Brouncker (Anne Parker, wife of Sir Henry Brouncker).
Lady Fortescue (Alice Smyth, wife of Sir John Fortescue).
‘Lady Howard the widow’.
Lady Knyvett (wife of Sir Thomas Knyvett, a Groom of the Privy Chamber).
Lady Waller (Margaret Lennard, wife of Sir Thomas Waller).

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Royal Household: Gentlemen and Grooms of the Privy Chamber.

Gentlemen and Grooms of the Privy Chamber held office for life; some received a fee, some are not in the fee-lists, but had a fee for some other post held. The New Year Gift Rolls list Gentlemen and Grooms given ‘free gifts’, (without having to provide a gift for the Queen in exchange).

Most have their own entries in ‘Prominent Elizabethans’.

They are to be distinguished from Grooms of the Chamber, of whom there were a large number; these had a subordinate position.

The wives of some of the Gentlemen and Grooms of the Privy Chamber were Ladies of the Bedchamber and/or Privy Chamber, and have biographical notes in the section ‘Women at Court’.

Astley, John; Astley, Thomas; Baptist; Carey; Commander; Darcy; Denny; Drury; Gorges; Greville; Hatton; Heyborne; Howard; Killigrew; Knyvett; Lichfield; Middlemore; Sackford; Savile; Stanhope, John; Stanhope, Michael; Tamworth.

Coronation list: John Astley, Gentleman of the Privy Chamber and Master of the Jewel-house; Dru Drury, Gentleman Usher of the Privy Chamber.

Grooms of the Privy Chamber: Thomas Commander; John Baptist Castilion; Thomas Astley; Henry Sackford; Thomas Lichfield; John Tamworth.

By 1558 Dec 21: Astley, Thomas (1516-1595).

Groom of the Privy Chamber (£20 p.a). Half-brother of John Astley.

Wife: Mary Denny, daughter of Sir Anthony Denny, of Herts, Chief Gentleman of King Henry VIII’s Privy Chamber. Her brother Edward Denny became a Groom of the Privy Chamber, 1582.

By 1558 Dec 21: Baptist: John Baptist Castilion (c.1515-Feb 1598).

Groom of the Privy Chamber (£20 p.a). Son of Piero Castiglione.

Known as ‘Mr Baptist’.

In Elizabeth’s household by 1547. Reputed to be her Italian tutor.

Married 1558: Margaret (Compaigne), a widow.

She was Mother of the Maids, 1582-c.1588.

By 1558 Dec 21: Sackford, Henry (c.1522-1610).

Groom of the Privy Chamber (£20 p.a). Son of Thomas Seckford, of Suffolk.

Known as Mr Sackford. Master of Tents and Pavilions 1560; Keeper of the Privy Purse 1569-1610; member of Grocers’ Company; merchant, privateer.

Married (1) c.1560: Alice Karvile, widow, daughter of Sir Henry Bedingfield.

(2) 1583: Helen Bird (died 1594); (3) Rebecca Rowe, widow.

By 1558 Dec 21: Commander, Thomas. Groom of the Privy Chamber.

Made his will 2 Jan 1559; buried on Jan 3, St Martin in the Fields.

1559 Jan 3: Astley, John (c.1507-1596).

Chief Gentleman of the Privy Chamber (£33.6s8d p.a).

Son of Thomas Astley, of Norfolk. A first cousin of Anne Boleyn.

In Elizabeth’s Household by 1549.

Master of the Jewel-house 23 Dec 1558-1596.

Married (1) c.1545: Katherine Champernown, later Chief Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber; died July 1565. (2) licence October 1565: Margaret Lenton alias Grey. Astley monuments: All Saints, Maidstone, Kent.
1559 Jan 3: **Drury, Dru (1531-1617).**
Gentleman Usher of the Privy Chamber (£30 p.a). Son of Sir Robert Drury.
Dismissed in September 1559 for allegedly plotting with his brother William Drury against Lord Robert Dudley; reinstated 1576; knighted 1579; joint Keeper of Queen of Scots 1586-1587; Lieutenant of the Tower 1595-1596.
1599 Jan 17: was again Gentleman Usher.
Married (1) c.1565: Elizabeth (Calthorpe), widow. (2) 1582: Catherine Finch.

1559 c.Jan 3: **Lichfield, Thomas (died 1586).**
Groom of the Privy Chamber; lutenist; had various roles, including custodian of the Queen's musical instruments. Killed by a servant, March 1586.
Married 1573: Margaret Pakington, daughter of Sir Thomas Pakington.

1559 c.Jan 3: **Tamworth, John (c.1524-1569).**
Groom of the Privy Chamber. No fee. Son of Thomas Tamworth, of Lincolnshire. Keeper of the Privy Purse 1559-1569. Married 1562: Christian Walsingham, daughter of William Walsingham, of Kent, and sister of Francis Walsingham, who became the Queen's secretary.

1562 Feb 24: **Carey, Edward (c.1540-1618).**
Groom of the Privy Chamber (£20 p.a). Son of Sir John Carey, of Essex; cousin of Henry Carey 1st Lord Hunsdon, and thus a kinsman of the Queen. Master of the Jewel-house 1595-1618. Knighted 1596. Married: (1): Catherine Walsingham, daughter of Henry Walsingham. (2) by 1573: Lady Paget; she was Katherine (Knyvett) (c.1547-1622), widow of Henry Lord Paget; a Lady of the Privy Chamber, formerly a Maid of Honour.

1569: **Middlemore, Henry (1535-c.1592).**
Groom of the Privy Chamber. No fee. Son of William Middlemore, and cousin of Sir Nicholas Throckmorton. Went on special embassies to Scotland and France. Married c.1578: Elizabeth Fowkes.

1570 Jan 17: **Knyvett, Thomas (c.1545-1622).**

1571 Dec 31: **Gorges, Thomas (1536-1610).**
Groom of the Privy Chamber (£20 p.a). Son of Sir Edward Gorges, of Somerset. Married 1576: Helena (Snakenborg), Lady Marquis of Northampton, widow; Lady of the Privy Chamber. Gentleman of the Robes 1586; knighted 1586.

1572 July 20: **Hatton, Christopher (1540-1591).**

c.mid-1570s: **Stanhope, John (1545-1621).**
Gentleman of the Privy Chamber. No fee. Not in NYG ‘free gifts’.
Son of Sir Michael Stanhope, of Notts, Esquire for the Body to King Henry VIII, and Chief Gentleman of King Edward VI's Privy Chamber (executed 1552). Brother of Michael Stanhope, Groom of the Privy Chamber. Their father's monument at Shelford Church, Notts, names John as 'one of the Gentlemen of the Privy Chamber to our most dear Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth'. Held a number of important posts. See: Prominent Elizabethans. Knighted 1596. Lord Stanhope 1605. Married (2) 1589: Margaret Macwilliam, a former Maid of Honour.
By New Year 1575: Killigrew, William (died 1622).
Groom of the Privy Chamber (£20 p.a.), fee listed 31 Oct 1578.
Son of John Killigrew, of Cornwall.
Younger brother of Sir Henry Killigrew, Lord Burghley’s brother-in-law.
Married 1580: Margaret (Saunders), twice widowed.

By New Year 1576: Howard, Sir George (died 1580).
Gentleman Usher of the Privy Chamber. (£30 p.a.). Son of Lord Edmund Howard
and brother of Henry VIII’s 5th wife Queen Catherine Howard (executed in 1542).

1581: Darcy, Edward (1543-1612).
Groom of the Privy Chamber. No fee until appointed to replace Thomas Astley:
Astley, daughter of Thomas Astley, a Groom of the Privy Chamber.

1582: Denny, Edward (1547-1600).
Groom of the Privy Chamber. No fee. Godson of King Edward VI.
Son of Sir Anthony Denny (died 1549), Chief Gentleman of Henry VIII’s Privy
Chamber, with whom Elizabeth spent part of her childhood at Cheshunt, Herts.
Married c.1583: Margaret Edgecombe, a Maid of Honour.
Edward Denny was knighted in 1588; he held various offices in Ireland.
His monument, with wife and 10 children: Waltham Abbey, Essex.

1586 Sept 29: Heyborne: Ferdinando Richardson alias Heyborne (c.1558-1618).
Groom of the Privy Chamber (£20 p.a.) Son of John Heyborne, of Essex.
In March 1587 he was to receive from the Great Wardrobe ‘one gown of damask
or satin, guarded with velvet and furred with budge’ for his livery as one of
‘the Grooms of the Chamber’. In April 1588 he was to receive ‘£5 wages
quarterly, as given to the Grooms of the Privy Chamber’.
Usually known as ‘Mr Ferdinando’. Musician; some keyboard compositions survive.
Married (1): 1592: Anne Chandler. Knighted 1611: described then as a ‘page of
the Privy Chamber and a virginal player in Queen Elizabeth’s time’.
Monument, with 1st wife: All Hallows, Tottenham, Middlesex.

By New Year 1588: Stanhope, Michael (1549-c.1621).
Groom of the Privy Chamber. Brother of John Stanhope, a Gentleman of the
Privy Chamber. Married 1597: Anne Reade.

Greville, Fulke (1554-1628), son of Sir Fulke Greville, of Warwick.
Gentleman of the Privy Chamber in Queen’s funeral procession, 1603.
Exchanged New Year gifts with the Queen 1576-1603.
Bacon: ‘Fulke Greville had much and private access to Queen Elizabeth,
which he used honourably, and did many men good; yet he would say merrily
of himself: That he was like Robin Goodfellow. For when the maids spilt the
milk-pans, or kept any racket, they would lay it upon Robin. So what tales
the ladies about the Queen told her, or other bad offices that they did, they
would put it upon him’.
[Francis Bacon, Apophthegms New and Old (1625)].
Robert Naunton described him as one of the Queen’s favourites: ‘He had the
longest lease and the smoothest time without rubs of any of her favourites.
He came to the court in his youth and prime...backed with a plentiful fortune,
which (as himself was wont to say) was the better held together by a single
life, wherein he lived and died a constant courtier and of the ladies’.
[Fragmenta Regalia (1641)]. His monument: St Mary’s, Warwick.

Savill: Gentleman of the Privy Chamber in Queen’s funeral procession, 1603.
Probably Henry Savile. Greville and Savile: see Prominent Elizabethans.
Gentlemen Ushers.

Gentlemen Ushers and their Yeomen and Grooms 'made ready' for the Queen, and for important visitors and events; paid by the Treasurer of the Chamber.

By January 1559: Edmund Forster; died February 1565.
By January 1559: Robert King; died September 1565.
By January 1559: Anthony Light; by 1522-1580.
By January 1559: Anthony Wingfield; died June 1593.
1560: John Frankwell; died c.January 1561.
1561: Piers Pennant; died 1590.
1563: George Tyrell; died 1571.
1569: Simon Bowyer; died 1606.
1570: Richard Brackenbury; died June 1601.
1571: Sir Robert Chester; died 1574.
1576: Francis Coot; died January 1589.
1577: Richard Coningsby; died 1620.
1594: George Pollard.
1601 Oct 7, appointed: Robert Pemberton (c.1541-1609); monument: Rushden Church, Northants.
1602: John Gosnold (c.1568-1629); monument: Otley Church, Suffolk.

Simon Bowyer: 1574 May 19: report on lodgings at Croydon.
1578 Sept 13: Lady Sidney’s letter. See also ‘Anecdotes’ (Leicester).


Sir Robert Chester: Queen proposed to visit, 1562, Royston, Herts.


Anthony Light: 1579 Aug 14: French envoy is staying at his Greenwich house.

George Tyrell: 1564 Sept 1-2: Queen stayed at his house, Thornton, Bucks.

Anthony Wingfield:
1567 Aug 2: letter about Queen’s proposed visit to Guildford.
1596 July 5: is to attend Earl of Lincoln; July 27: left with the Earl for a royal christening in Hesse; Oct 4: payment.

Sister Anne and wife Elizabeth: see ‘Women at Court’ (Wingfield).
Cofferer and Controller: selected payments.

Cofferer of the Household and Controller of the Household made duplicate accounts of daily expenditure for the court, under eleven headings each day.

The accounts are in Latin; the headings in English translation are:
Pantry; Buttery; Wardrobe; Kitchen; Poultry; Scullery; Saucery; Halls and rooms; Stables; Fees; Alms (4 shillings per day throughout the reign).

Each week has a separate page, and the total spent each day is given, with the total for each week. An average daily total was about £100, more on Sunday, for St George’s Eve and Day in April, at St George’s Feast (final Feast of the reign was in 1566), at Easter, and when the Queen was on progress. On Christmas Day the expenditure was doubled, or even trebled.

The accounts (each year beginning on October 1st), give the place where the court was each day, so are an invaluable source for its location when the Queen was on progress. Unfortunately accounts have survived for only about half the reign. In one year in particular, 1589, some separate monthly accounts exist; these show that the main account, based on these, occasionally inadvertently misses out a short visit by the Queen.

Some accounts include additional expenditure, eg. for visitors at court. These have been included in the Text, and are listed below.

Information in the Text drawn from these accounts is shown as c.

1558 Dec 14: for Queen Mary’s funeral: £1100.18s3d.
1559 Jan 15: for four Coronation Feasts: £1310.18s8d.
May 27: for French special Ambassadors: £594.18s.9d.
June 6: St George’s Feast, Windsor: £138.13s10d.

1560 May 12: St George’s Feast, Windsor: £187.2d.
Aug 30: to Bagshot inn-keeper: 66s8d.
Dec 15: Duke of Holstein’s Installation, Windsor: £19.18s3d.
1561 May 18: St George’s Feast, Windsor: £147.19s9d.
1563 April 10: Act of Parliament: Cofferer to have £40,000 p.a.
May 23: St George’s Feast, Windsor: £110.6s6d.
1566 April 29: to Lady Cecilia of Sweden’s creditors: £404.16s1d.
Aug 20: Kenilworth: Earl of Leicester defrayed Cofferer’s expenses.
1567 March 2: Cofferer Thomas Weldon died: will.
1568 Aug 9: to Dunstable inn-keeper: 66s8d.
September, end: to Cardinal de Châtillon’s creditors: £35.1s2d.
1569 Aug 28: Basing: Marquis of Winchester defrayed Cofferer’s expenses.

1571 January, end: for two Bohemians: £14.10s3d.
April, end: for Emperor’s Ambassador: £9.19s.
Dec 6: for Count Montgomery: £34.8s.1d.
Dec 16: for two marriages at court: £102.10s1d.
1572 April 23: St George’s Eve and Day, Greenwich: £106.12s5d.
July 28: to Dunstable inn-keeper: 66s8d.
1573 April 23: St George’s Eve and Day, Greenwich: £126.8s.
Sept 4: expenses for Count de Retz: £398.1s9d.
Sept 19: to Rochester inn-keeper: 66s8d.
Nov 8: William Drury’s marriage, Greenwich: £55.1s9d.
1574 April 23: St George’s Eve and Day, Greenwich: £118.7s2d.
Sept 24: to Bagshot inn-keeper: 66s8d.
1575 Dec 20: to Colnbrook inn-keeper: 26s8d.
Christmas Day: £378.3s8d.
1576 Aug 30: to St Albans inn-keeper: 66s8d.

1582 April 23: St George’s Eve and Day, Greenwich: £168.19s11d.
Sept 2: for Frenchmen at Cranbourne: £28.12s10d.
Sept 8: for Frenchmen at Egham: £13.7s11d.
1584 April 23: St George’s Eve and Day, Greenwich: £181.7s9d.
1585 June 24: for Dutch Deputies at Clothworkers’ Hall: £706.15s7d.
Aug 18: for Frenchmen at Nonsuch: £37.12s2d.
1588 Aug 8: at Tilbury, Essex: £130.12s5d.
Christmas Day: £355.18s.
1589 June 19: Queen dined at Cofferer Lovell’s house, Merton, Surrey.

1599 April 23: St George’s Eve and Day, Greenwich: £315.2s1d.

1600 Aug 7: Sir Henry Cock, Cofferer, wrote to Sir Robert Cecil of his 'great want of money'.
1601 Nov 15: Duke of Lennox’s dinner, Whitehall: £38.4s2d.
1602 Feb 16: French lords’ supper, Whitehall: £33.1d.
April 11 (and 13): Duke of Nevers: two dinners: £179.8s2d.
April 23: St George’s Eve and Day, Greenwich: £324.19s2d.

Privy Purse and Privy Seal: selected payments.
Excluding gifts for numerous christenings and some marriages.
These are shown in the Text as PS.

Sept 13: Mrs Astley for ‘her table’ in Queen’s absence: £100.
1565 January, end: to Robert Green, the Queen’s Fool: £17.
April 19: Maundy: ‘ready money’ for the Queen: £100.
1568 Jan 2: received from Merchant Adventurers: £500.

1571 July, end: Queen exchanged gilt cups with Lady Clinton.
1572 June 7: Keeper of Privy Purse’s rewards to workmen and women.
Sept 12: gold chain for a French gentleman: £25.5s6d.
1576 Feb 15: for repairs at Windsor Castle: £1000.

1580 May 29: ‘our Coffermerk’ for cases, coffers, and a saddle.
1582 June 14: a small lute: 27s9d; June 28: to Philip Sidney: £1500.
1583 May 27: Goldsmiths’ Company, searching for stolen plate: 20s.
Sept 30: for the Ambassador to Scotland: £3000.
1585 July 30: for expenses of Dutch Deputies: £400.
1588 Jan 11: to Lady Stafford, widow: £200.

1595 Nov 6: Francis Bacon’s gilt bowl from the Queen (note).
1598 Feb 11: Queen signed Privy Seal for £7000 for Earl of Essex.
May 3: King James’s 1597 gratuity: £3000.
Aug 18: gold chains for Dutch Deputies: £400.
Dec 15: King James’s 1598 gratuity: £3000.

1601 Sept 5: coffermaker for cases; linen-draper for cloths for plate taken to Basing, Hampshire, for the Queen’s visit there.
Treasurer of the Chamber: selected payments.

Gentlemen Ushers, paid by the Treasurer, made ready palaces, houses, inns, parks, for the Queen and others.

As there are entries for everywhere the Queen stayed, a small selection only is given here of fuller entries or unusual entries.

For others paid by the Treasurer see also: Subject Index: Barges and Watermen; Jewel-house and Jewel-house Officers; Wardrobe and Robes.

Information in the Text taken from these accounts is shown as T.

1564 Sept 1-2: Thornton: Queen stayed at Gentleman Usher’s house.
1565 Oct 29: board wages for Gentlemen Ushers and others.
1567 Feb 1: board wages for Gentlemen Ushers and others.
1568 Apr 21: various payments at Windsor and Hounslow.
Dec 22: board wages for Gentlemen Ushers and others.
1569 May 12: Piers Pennant and nine men at Hackney.
May 22: Knollys, Treasurer, to defray expenses of Queen of Scots.
1569 Dec 25: payments to Harbinger and Surveyors of the Stable.

1573 March 19: Treasurer of Chamber in Maundy alms-giving.
Sept 4: Richard Brackenbury attended on Count de Retz.
Nov 24: Leicester House: payments for ‘sudden removing’.
Nov 26: Somerset House, and Durham House: preparations ‘in great haste’.

1574 May 19: Croydon Palace: Simon Bowyer’s appointment of lodgings.
June 13: Havering: preparations for proposed stay.
1575 Dec 6: Gentlemen Ushers sent on messages.
June 18: Grafton: miscellaneous preparations.
July 21/26: Kenilworth payments.
1576 Dec 18: Brackenbury, to London and Dover with Dutch envoy.

May 6-16: attendants during short progress.
May 7: Theobalds: John Wynyard.
May 10: Stanstead Abbots: Richard Kellefet.
May 12: Copt Hall: Richard Todd; Ralph Hope.
May 16: Greenwich: board wages for numerous attendants.
1579 Nov 30: Brackenbury and 7 men escorted Simier to Calais.

1581 Jan 8: Brackenbury attended on Savoy Ambassador.
April 16: various payments for French Commissioners.
Nov 16: Westminster: Robert Cotton, for Queen and Duke of Alençon.
1582 Feb 1: Brackenbury and Cotton, for Alençon.

1591 Nov 11: Richmond: work by Richard Kellefet and 8 men.
December, end: Richmond: further work by Kellefet and his men.
1592 Aug 11: Colnbrook: Richard Coningsby and 9 men made ready.
1593 Jan 31: Hampton Court: Rowland Maylard made clean.
1594 Oct 20: payments for taking christening present to Scotland.

1601 Sept 5: Basing: varied preparations for Queen’s stay.
Sept 15: Marshal Biron attended by Nicholas Stallenge.
1603 March 26: Richard Coningsby made ready Whitehall.
Treasurer of the Chamber’s summary of payments: 1582.

For the Queen’s Alms: £530.9s.1d.
The offerings on St George’s Day: £32.13s.4d.
Washing the ornaments of the Closet [a chapel]: £4.
Ordinary rewards to those bringing New Year’s gifts, to the Officers of the Household, and the Heralds-at-Arms: £326.
The wages of the Queen’s trumpets: £342.3s.8d.
The Queen’s violins: £330.
The flutes: £235.
The sackbuts: £101.5s.10d.
The lutes: £84.8s.4d.
Fees of the Queen’s Footmen: £320.
Queen’s Falconers: £381.13s.2d.
Officers of the Hunts: £149.15s.4d.
Four boys to be brought up under the four Riders of the Stable: £64.
Harriers: £7.17s.6d.
Officers of the Leash: £14.
Keepers of Waltham Forest: £12.13s.4d.
Yeomen of the Crossbows, for their wages for cleaning the silver bow, repairing the pearl bow, glueing the loose reeds, and so forth: £20.
Master of the Toils: £87.17s.4d. [netted enclosure for hunting].
Officers and Keepers of Bears and Mastiffs: £48.12s.8d.
Keeper of the Wardrobe at the Tower: £18.5s.
Officers of the Jewel-house: £88.16s.10d.
Ordinary Yeomen of the Guard, 142 in number: £4366.12s.8d.
Extraordinary Yeomen of the Guard: £161.4s.2d.
Yeomen put to pension: £334.19s.4d.
Apothecaries and Surgeons: £332.11s.10d.
Artificers: £54.15s.2d.
Queen’s ordinary Watermen: £298.
Keepers of Gardens and Butts, and Keepers of St James’s Garden: £40.2s.6d.
Mole and Rat-takers: £17.1s.8d.
Annuities: £388.5s.6d.
Apparelling and making ready the Queen’s houses and lodges: £262.2s.
Gardening charges: £119.13s.4d.
Riding charges of Messengers, Grooms, and others sent by the Council to various parts of the realm: £1072.4s.10d.
Rewards at the Christening of Children to whom the Queen is godmother: £17.
Charges of the Surveyor of Gates and Bridges: £18.6s.
Expenses in the office of the Treasurer of the Chamber for making the annual account: £173.6s.8d.
Payments upon warrants of the Council for posting charges for bringing letters in post from overseas or from distant parts of England, for bringing up prisoners, for goldsmiths, and for the players: £2309.9s.

Allusions to the Queen’s family.

**King Henry VIII**, the Queen’s father.

1559 Jan 1: gifts of two portraits of Henry.
Jan 14: depicted in first pre-Coronation pageant.
Feb 19: French King thinks Elizabeth like her father.
July 15: by his will Poor Knights to be maintained at Windsor.
Aug 13: Bishop of Durham has documents written by him.
Sept 24: his Golden Fleece robes to be returned to Spain.
Nov 18: former Bishop of Durham died; had his will.
1560 end: Sir Thomas Chaloner’s verses in praise of him.
1561 May 15: his ‘rich furs’ a possible gift for Lord James Stewart.
1562 Jan 1: gift of picture of Patch, his Fool.
Nov 15: Shane O’Neill had his old brocade robes.
1563 June 30: Thomas Stukeley (King Henry’s son?).
August, end: Sir Henry Neville, anecdote (King Henry’s son?).
1565 Jan 1: gift of painting of his [proposed] tomb.
1568 April 11: Spanish book attacking Henry and Anne Boleyn.
1572 Dec 24: had loved the Earl of Worcester.
1574 Dec 28: jester at the French court dressed as Henry.
March 6: sermon recalling Henry, Edward, and Mary.
1576 Feb 29: Queen refers to his will; and April 8.
1578 March 9: Lady Lennox’s bequest of his portrait.
1579 Dec 5: ‘Pan’ in Spenser’s *Shepherd’s Calendar*.
1581 April 25: his portrait at Whitehall Palace.
1582 Dec 3: would have executed Lord Deputy Grey.
1583 Oct 16: Ursula Hungerford had portraits of Henry and his children.
1584 October, end: William Parry’s confession.
1585 July 28: Earl of Bedford’s bequests of his armour, and a bed.
1586 July 10: Essex Vicar claims to be his son.
1586 Dec 6: King James’s letter criticising Henry angered the Queen.
1592 Jan 6: Sir John Perrot (King Henry’s son?); and April 26.
1592 end: Nashe’s play including the King’s Fool, Somers.
1593 Aug 24: Queen referred to her father.
1598 July 1: Earl of Essex’s reference to him.

**Queen Anne Boleyn**, the Queen’s mother.

1559 Jan 14: depicted in first pre-Coronation pageant.
April 26: praised in John Aylmer’s book.
May 17: her former Chaplain, Matthew Parker, to be Archbishop.
Sept 1: letter by Ales describing events leading up to her death.
1559 end: Bercher’s book, praising her benevolence.
1560 end: Latymer’s *Chronicle of Anne Boleyn*.
1561 Jan 10: formerly Maid of Honour of Queen Claude of France; praised by Duchess of Ferrara.
1568 April 11: Spanish book attacking her.
1595 Dec 5: £1000 a year ‘comes to’ Elizabeth Carey, as her next of kin.
1596 July 23: after Lord Hunsdon’s death the Queen claimed to be heir to Sir Thomas Boleyn, by her mother Anne.
King Edward VI, the Queen’s brother.

1559 Jan 1: gift of his portrait.
May 28: gift to French youth of some of his clothes.
1561 Jan 6: Queen’s reward to Mrs Penne, his nurse.
1566 March 31: Earl of Ormond was educated with him.
July 25: reference to his christening gift for French King’s child.
Sept 4: his cloak burnt in a play at Oxford.
1577 Aug 20: seditious words: Edward is still alive.
1588 March 26: treasonable words: he is still alive.
1591 July 10: Sir William More refers to Sussex house where he dined.
1596 Dec 30: Hunsdon heirlooms, including his last prayer.
1600 July 4: Wardrobe Inventory includes his Robes, and other apparel.

Queen Mary Tudor, the Queen’s sister.

1558 Nov 17: died at St James’s Palace; Dec 13, 14: funeral; sermon quoted.
1559 Jan 29: her grief at the loss of Calais.
1559 end: two ballads and Brice’s Register, referring to her reign.
1562 April 30: gift of part of her apparel.
1565 May 20: King Philip II cursed painters when he met her.
1566 Sept 4: her apparel worn in a play at Oxford and lost.
1570 Oct 10: one of her diamonds given away.
1572 Oct 6: reference to her ‘persecution’.
1573 May 31: King Henri II had refused to be her ‘executioner’.
1574 Jan 18: Baron D’Aubigny was her Page.
1575 Jan 24: Lord Windsor’s bequests of her gift, and gift at Coronation.
1576 Jan 1: book of her Garter Knights.
1579 March 8: criticised in sermon.
1585 Nov 3: Adrian Stokes had her portrait.
1587 Nov 17: Lydd sermon criticising her.
1588 July 18: Lady Pembroke’s bequest of her gold ring.
1591 Oct 8: funeral: Robert Cotton, one of her Wardrobe Officers.
1596 April 28: seditious words referring to Philip and Mary.
1600 July 4: Wardrobe Inventory includes her gowns.

Elizabeth, before her Accession.

1559 April 16: James Calfhill met Elizabeth at Hanworth, 1554.
1560 May 14: Thomas Becon’s book dedicated to Princess Elizabeth.
Sept 17: her former Gentleman Usher.
1563 March 20: Foxe’s ‘Book of Martyrs’ refers to her imprisonment.
1565 end: exchange of rhymes with Anne Poyntz, pre-Accession.
1566 Oct 12: Queen recalled how people had flocked to her at Hatfield.
1567 end: Harington’s gift of portrait of Lord Admiral Seymour.
1568 March 5: William Turner knew her at Somerset House in her youth.
December, end: Godly Meditation, translated in 1544.
1572 June 25: will of Sir Thomas Benger, her Auditor at Hatfield.
1574 end: book by Lady Tyrwhit, in charge of Elizabeth in 1549.
1576 Oct 7: William Fuller, a Hatfield neighbour.
1577 Jan 23: William Stowe’s lease.
1591 end: Alabaster’s ‘Elisaes’ describes her life in Mary’s reign.
1592 Sept 18: Woodstock: Thomas Platter saw her verses.
Royal Household Orders.

1576 July (I): ‘Remembrance of charges that be not comprised in her Majesty’s Book of Ordinance (and cause the greater expenses)’.
With annotation by Lord Burghley. Extracts. [BL Lansdowne 21/65].

‘Her Majesty’s privy diet served every fish day throughout the year’...
‘The lodging of the white staves and others that be appointed ordinary tables without the court in the time of progress doth cause double expenses of beer, ale, and wine and other allowances’.
‘The great number of noble personages lodged and being about the court, with their great trains of servants much surmounting the ancient order of her house, doth likewise cause great expenses of ale, beer, wine, wood, coals, rushes etc’.
‘Eating and drinking in noblemen and women’s chambers on the fish days, whereby her Majesty’s Chamber is not only unfurnished at meal times, and the same allowance unnecessarily spent, but the meat appointed carried away by the Grooms of the Chamber, and eaten in places where there is a great number of their servants and others fed, which causeth great and unorderly expenses. Late suppers and late serving of All Night doth also cause great expenses’. [Burghley: ‘For that the offices are open thereby’].
‘Alteration of Removing, and days not kept as they be appointed, doth not only cause great waste of provisions laid in divers places, but also in expenses of Purveyors and others in removing the same again’.
‘If it might please her Majesty to have her great service carried into her Privy Chamber, as it was in her Father’s days, it would greatly diminish the charges and expenses’.
‘If all sweet wines to be spent for her Highness might be laid in Privy Cellars as heretofore they have been (except great feasts only) and to be kept by the Grooms of the Privy Chamber, by her Majesty’s appointment, would much abate the expenses of the same’.
‘For that her Majesty’s diet is dressed in two several kitchens doth double the expenses of wood and coals. Meat dressed in divers places within the court out of her Majesty’s own kitchens, for divers and sundry persons, doth not only cause the greater expenses, but also pestereth the court with unfit persons and hangers on by reason of the same’.
‘The great numbers of hangers on the court and followers, as Artificers, Suitors, and Launderers, doth likewise cause greater expenses’.
‘If noblemen and noblewomen being lodged within the court would be contented with such allowance as is appointed unto them for their Bouge of Court, and to keep no further number of persons than of old time they were allowed, would likewise abate the great expenses’.

bouge of court: allowance of bread, ale, wine, fuel, candles.
fish days: Friday; Wednesday (from 1563); during Lent.
white staves: high-ranking officials, who carried a white staff, the symbol of their authority.
1576 July (II): ‘Reformations to be had and put in use for the diminution of the great expenses of her Majesty’s house’. Draft corrected by Lord Burghley; his corrections shown in italics. [BL Lansdowne 21/67].

‘First that a book may be made of the whole number of servants that shall be needful for her Majesty’s service in every office within her house, and that none be increased but by her Majesty’s own warrant’.

‘That her Majesty’s Book of Diet (or a new book to be made for every man’s ordinary diet) may be duly observed, and not increased by any commandments or otherwise (without special cause) at any time’.

‘That it may please her Highness to assign a book unto the Lord Chamberlain, appointing who and how many she will have lodged within her house’.

‘A like book to be made for the ordinary Bouge of Court, and none other increased, but by her Majesty’s warrant. And likewise for their carriages of stuff’.

‘That it would please her Highness to reform her own diet’.

This clause was altered by Lord Burghley to:

‘That her Highness’s pleasure may be known, whether she will have the allowances continue for her own diet as it hath been of late years, or a new rate according to the King her father’s, or larger in respect of time’.

‘That no man keep more servants nor boys about the court than shall be appointed him...’.

‘To remove all the excessive number of Launders, Artificers, and others, hanging and haunting in and about the court’.

‘That no man be served with flesh upon any fish day at the Queen’s charge (but her Majesty only)’.

‘That all vigil and fasting days may be duly observed and kept’.

[In such sort as her Majesty’s charges increase not by the contrary, but for her Majesty’s own mouth].

‘That due hours may be observed in serving for All Night, and other livery times. And that All Night being once served the officers to depart and no person to be served after but her Majesty only’. [For which purpose one in every office to attend for her Majesty’s mouth only].

‘That no person have any meat dressed in any other kitchen within her Majesty’s house than in the kitchens appointed for the same’.

[But such special persons as her Majesty shall license to that use].

‘Ladies’ and gentlewomen’s women may be commanded to keep their places at meal times in the Queen’s Majesty’s Chamber and not in their ladies’ and mistresses’ chambers, without notorious cause of sickness or other necessary cause to be notified to the Lord Chamberlain by the Ushers’.

‘That selling of meat out of the kitchens may be barred utterly not to be eaten within the court, which causeth a great number to eat and drink in their chambers which have no allowance’.

‘The making of dishes from her Majesty’s board may be rated and limited, for thereby groweth great occasions of keeping their chambers’.

‘That such as keep tables, but specially the great tables, may be in the progress time lodged either within the court, or as near as may be together, so that their allowance may be had every meal out of the house, or else brought to one certain place, for many houses make double and treble expenses for the time’.

‘That the days appointed for removes in time of her progress may be as little changed as need shall be and the alterations of places avoided as near as may be conveniently, for by the contrary great losses do follow’.

‘That the remain of wax nightly served into her Majesty’s Privy and Great Chamber may be returned into the office again’.
‘That order may be taken for the redress of filling so great a number of bottles (to divers personages) in her Majesty’s Buttery and Cellar, and that a rate and limitation may be thereof’.

‘That some strait and severe order may be taken for such as shall carry any of her Majesty’s vessel out at the court gates, with meat or otherwise, whereby most of the said vessel is embezzled and never returned’.

‘That it would please her Majesty to appoint some one man of her Highness’s Privy Chamber to take order for all such commandments as shall be commanded for her Majesty out of all offices within her house (and no other man’s commandment to be observed), and a Brewing book kept’.

‘That all those persons that are appointed to wait upon her Majesty in her Privy Chamber may dine and sup together...and not in sundry chambers’.

Clauses, with Burghley’s notes, which are all deleted in the fair copy:

‘That it would please her Majesty to reform her late coming into her lodging in the time of her progress (and at other times when her Highness is abroad hawking and hunting)’.

[Which causeth great expenses in wax, white lights, etc].

‘That it will please her Highness to remove in the winter-time from one house to another as her provision is spent, and so shall she be well served, and the country well eased’.

[For the longer abode causeth great expenses in wages, carriages, etc].

‘That all her Majesty’s Purveyors and servants in every office within her house (and specially they that shall be in place of Charge) may be honest, discreet, and skilful persons’.

[Or else her Highness may be much abused in her service].

‘That order be taken that no manner of person within her Majesty’s house do break nor misuse any order that is or shall be appointed for the better service of her Majesty, upon pain of such punishment as is or shall be appointed’. [Or else all our labours shall be in vain].

1577, April: ‘Articles set forth to be put in execution for the diminishing of the expenses of her Majesty’s Household, so that the same may be within the compass of £40,000 by the year, according to her Majesty’s pleasure’. [BL Harleian MS 589, f.185v-186].

‘First that all breakfasts be abridged, and no eating before dinner, her Majesty’s breakfasts and the Watch only excepted’.

‘One dish to be abridged in every mess of meat exceeding the number of dishes by her Majesty’s Book of Ordinance’.

‘That all pensions granted to old servants in consideration of service to be without the house’.

‘That no kitchens be kept in her Majesty’s house, except her Majesty’s ordinary kitchens. That no eating or drinking be suffered to be used in any man’s chamber, of what degree soever he be, but where her Majesty appointeth tables to be kept. That it would please her Majesty to appoint that no person have bouge of court other than such as be ordinary, and the certain number of them to be appointed’.

‘That no man keep greater number of servants than heretofore hath been accustomed by the ancient orders of the house’...

‘That all bottles be abridged saving the Queen’s Majesty’s only’.

‘That no wax or supper lights be served but only to the Queen’s Majesty, and the ends of all the lights to be returned to the Chandlery’...

‘That it may please her Majesty not to account the surcharges of progress within the compass of £40,000, but to be allowed otherwise’.
[BL Lansdowne 34/35].

‘Sundry disorders entered into the court, whereby excessive charges are grown in Household causes. The court is divided into two governments, that is to say, the Chamber and the Household’.

‘In both these places every of the officers and ministers do keep more servants than they ought to do. All noblemen, and others, do bring into the court more servants than by ancient orders are limited. There be more persons lodged within the court than heretofore have been accustomed. There be divers marriages made within the court, and the married persons do still remain, which causeth increase of expenses. There be also a great number of Pages increased, as well under noblemen as others of meaner calling, who have their Pages attendant at every ordinary table, which is a new custom crept in, and so an increase of expenses. The Guard having their wages lately increased do now keep every of them a man or a boy, who most commonly hang upon the Buttery bar, wasting the fragments which should be given to the poor’.

‘In the Household, inferior servitors and ministers are driven for necessity to make spoil of as much as they can embezzle: having only the bare wages of ancient time allowed, wherewith no man in these days is able to live. The Guard and Stable having their wages increased’.

‘The inferior persons having allowance of meat, especially those in the Kitchen, do sell their meat to feed the servants of such as above the ordinary are lodged in court. For which purpose every office that can help with bread, drink, fuel and lights are corrupted’.

‘Besides their poverty, which compelleth them to use their spoils, many in every office are grown old and past service, and therefore the others, not being able to supply the service, do ease themselves by their inferiors and servants, which cannot be thoroughly remedied except her Majesty will grant them pensions, as in former times Princes have been accustomed to do. Otherwise that it would please her Highness to license them to sell their places to such as for personage and otherwise shall be thought meet for service’.

‘Of these unable persons, both old, sickly, and impotent, the greater number are in the Kitchen, and therefore it is not possible that the meat through the house should be well dressed. Many of these by inspection be such as are not meet to come to the handling of any honest man’s meat’.

‘Albeit that many of these disorders may be redressed, yet till men may have such wages and allowances as in reasonable sort they may live, the common spoil will never be left. In these days, if the Clerk Controllers did not give extraordinary allowance to such as do travel in service, the house could not be served, which is an increase of expenses not to be avoided. Thus much for disorders’.

‘Besides it is manifest that the prices of victuals and incidents are increased above ten or twelve thousand pounds by the year. These causes being not known to her Majesty ministereth occasion of offence, not possible to be helped by the head officers’.

‘Wherefore till some redress be made of such abuses as by good order may be reformed, and men by wages or reward made able to live, and a new book by good counsel set down, having respect to the time both for prices of victuals and incidents, the Queen’s Majesty shall never be satisfied, neither shall the officers serve without continual displeasure, use they never so great diligence. Some things might be added which are omitted, which peradventure shall be more largely opened, when other men shall set down their opinions’.
In November 1598 detailed Orders were set down in the Lord Steward’s Book to be observed by the following departments:

Acatery; Almoners (see below); Boiling-house; Cellar and Pitcher-house; Ewery; Kitchen; Larder; Pastry; Porters (see below); Poultry; Scullery; Spicery; Woodyard.

For Cart-takers see the Text: 1598 Nov 20.

Almoners, 1598.

‘Orders to be performed by the Almoners and Chamber-keepers for the better relief of the poor’.

‘First that the Almoners with all convenient speed do deliver into every chamber and office within her Majesty’s house, where any allowance of Diet is made, a convenient basket to put in the reversion of all bread and meat which shall be daily there remaining at dinner and suppers, which is by them safely to be kept for the relief of the poor’.

‘That every morning by 6 o’clock the said Almoners do bring into the Hall sufficient baskets fit for the receiving of all such bread and meat as shall be brought unto them by the said Chamber-keepers, which they shall set down at the Screen, where they are to stay and abide by the space of an hour’.

‘During which time all the said Chamber-keepers shall bring and deliver unto them their baskets with all such bread and meat as the day before they had remaining, upon pain that everyone offending therein shall suffer imprisonment or punishment at the discretion of the Board [of Green Cloth]’.

‘That there be daily attending there a Clerk, belonging either to the Cofferer, the Clerk of the Green Cloth, the Clerk Controller, or the Clerk of the Kitchen, who is to have a book containing all the places from whence the Alms should be brought, in which he shall cross all those who do bring the same, and to note all such which do either make default or else bring but small relief’.

‘That the Almoners, after the time of abode in the Hall is expired, are presently to carry out their said Alms, and there indifferently to deliver and distribute the same unto the poor in due and orderly sort, to her Majesty’s honour, wherein if it shall be found that any of the said Almoners shall either take away to their own use, or shall give or sell any part of the said Alms to any person or persons, other than as aforesaid, that then the offender therein shall lose his place and service’.

Porters, 1598.

‘Orders to be observed by her Majesty’s Porters at the Gate who are then to give their dutiful attendance’.

‘First not to suffer any boys, masterless men, rascals, or base persons, to come within the Court. And if any person shall press to come into the same, without good reason yielded therefor, that then they do bring the said persons to be examined before some officer of the Counting House’.

‘Not to suffer any woman of mean degree (not known to attend in Court) to come within the Court Gates without the privity [knowledge] of some of the officers of the Counting House’.

‘Not to suffer any Laundress allowed, or their servants, to enter the Court but upon the Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays, and upon every of those days not to come before 8 o’clock in the morning, and to tarry any longer in the Court than 10 o’clock in the forenoon, and in the afternoon of those days not to come within the Court before 2 o’clock and not to stay above 4 o’clock. And that those that are found to break this order to be presently presented to the Counting House that order may be taken to avoid them out of the Court’.

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‘They shall not suffer any wood, coals, leather jacks [containers], pots, silver or pewter vessel, meat or drink, to pass out at the Court Gate but to those that are allowed, and that they repair into the Counting House at every her Majesty’s houses to receive a perfect note of all persons lodged out of the Court which are allowed Diet or Bouge of Court’.

‘That every day one of the said Porters do go into the back yards and other suspicious places and corners in and about the Court, especially about the Kitchens and the Buttery bar, carefully to espy and search for masterless men, rogues and vagabonds, and finding any then to bring them into her Majesty’s Counting House to be examined’.

‘That they suffer not any dogs to come within the Court Gate but such small spaniels as they know daily do belong to some Councillor or Nobleman or woman’.

‘That they shut in the gates and open the same in due and convenient time every evening and morning, using very careful and diligent attendance, because at those times the greatest disorders are committed’.

‘That none of their servants shall attend at any of the gates within their charge or shall open any of them unless one of the principal sworn officers shall be present’.

‘That they do not suffer any woman or other person, except the Laundresses within their time limited, to enter in at the Court Gates to the intent to bring out any dishes, candlesticks, trenchers or stools, but that the same be otherwise brought out of the gates by the Chamber-keepers or other their servants which are appointed to attend upon them’.

‘That they do not keep nor suffer to be kept any more servants within their office than are allowed and set down in Mr Shelley’s book, the Clerk of the Cheque for the Household, upon pain for everyone offending therein for the first offence to have one month’s imprisonment, and to lose one quarter’s wages, and for the second offence to lose his place and service’.

[TNA LS 13/168/21,22].

1599: Orders for supplying French wines to the Royal Household.

1599 Sept 1: ‘Articles agreed upon with John Swinnerton the younger of London, merchant, for the yearly service of the full number of 200 tuns of wine of the growth of the dominions of the French King for the expenses of her Majesty’s house, which composition to continue for the full number of four years beginning at Michaelmas next’ [Sept 29]...

‘First. Upon notice given to John Swinnerton from the Officers of her Majesty’s Green cloth there shall be sent and delivered from the store-house of the said Swinnerton in London and upon his choice 200 tuns of Gascon wines... to be conveyed and sent to such of her Majesty’s houses as they shall give their order, upon her Majesty’s charge of portage and carriage of the same’.

‘The same wines so to be delivered shall be well conditioned in the filling, hooping, barring, spooning, racking and coining without charge to her Majesty for the same and the Queen’s porters shall see that the said wines shall be filled full when they shall be received from him’...

‘When her Majesty shall repair to any house so furnished as above said, if any of the said wines so laid in there by the said John Swinnerton shall upon the taste of one of her Majesty’s Purveyors, joined with the liking of one of the Yeomen of her Majesty’s Mouth, not be found serviceable for the Queen and the household, then the said John Swinnerton shall take away and remove from thence the said wines so disliked without charge to her Majesty’...

‘He shall use her Majesty’s wine porters for the loading and carriage of the said wines’...
It is further agreed, her Highness going in progress from any of her standing
houses here named, viz. Havering, Greenwich, Westminster, St James, Richmond,
Hampton Court, Nonsuch, Oatlands and Windsor, the said John Swinnerton to be
no further charged, but that her Majesty shall stand to all manner of charges
whatsoever for the carriage of the wines from all the said houses and places as
her Majesty shall go from thence, as in case the said wines were delivered from
his houses of store’...
Roger North, William Knollys, Robert Vernon.
[HMC Sackville MSS, i.303-305].


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Thomas Wilson (c.1565-1629), lawyer, was a nephew of Dr Thomas Wilson,
the Queen’s former Secretary, who died in 1581.

‘The greatest ordinary expense is the entertainment of her house and court,
which for hospitality is much exceeding all other Princes in Christendom, she
maintaining daily at her own only charge 46 tables furnished with plenty and
abundance of meat, beer and wine’.
First her own table in the Presence Chamber served with three courses,

at each course 40 or more several dishes, where notwithstanding she seldom
or never eateth, but the Carver distributeth it to the ladies and courtiers
and keepeth for her own table what she pleaseth, for with the Carver being some
of the beautifullest maids in the court (every day a change) dineth commonly
the young counts [earls], lords and other gallants whom she pleaseth to invite
and some ladies for fashion’s sake, and there is commonly the best cheer’.
(2) ‘The Queen’s table in the Privy Chamber.
(3) A table furnished for all the great ladies and others if there be room.
(4) The Lord Chamberlain’s table in the Great Chamber for such courtiers as
pleaseth him to invite, and certain officers, ushers etc.
(5) A table furnished for all the Queen’s maids.
(6) A table for all waiting gentlewomen of great ladies. These two are also
in the Great Chamber.
(7) A table for the Privy Council and other lords, in the Council Chamber.
(8) A table for the Treasurer of the Household and for such gentlemen as he
will bid.
(9) A table for the Controller of the Household.
(10) The Cofferer’s table who keepeth the money daily spent.
(11) The Clerks of the Green Cloth’s table who are of the council of the house.
(12,13,14) Tables for 3 Clerks of the Kitchen.
(16,17) The two Secretaries of State each a table.
(19) The Chaplains’ table.
(20) The Dean of the Chapel a table.
(21) The Master of the Jewel-house a table.
(22) A table for the gentlemen servers, waiters, and ushers’.
'All these tables are plentifully furnished, and all gentlemen and chief officers, unto all which tables any gentleman stranger, traveller, or other of gentlemen like behaviour may go ordinarily unbidden and be welcome'.

'There are 25 other tables also for inferior officers in every office, as the Cellar, Buttery, Pantry, Kitchens, two Spicery, Ewery, Bake-house, Larder, Pitcher-house, Chandlery, Wafery, Confectionery, Laundry, Boiling-house, Acatery, Poultry, Scalding-house, Pastry, Scullery, Woodyard, Almonry, Porters, Musicians, and the Wardrobe at Robes, which are the principal, to all these any other stranger may go unbidden, and gentlemen if they please to sit among yeomen'.

'These 47 tables with their appurtenances, together with the expenses for the stables...for the Queen’s horses of pleasure, have of long time been allowed every year in £120,000 sterling, which is the third part of the whole revenue’.

'The extraordinary expense consisteth in buying her apparel, jewels, and all other furniture necessary to such a Prince, buying of horses and armour, building and repairing of ships and their furnitures, alms and private gifts, presents and pensions and in expenses of War’.

'For her Furniture, Jewels, Apparel, Coaches, Barges, and such like, they are all very Royal, and one year with another she spendeth herein no less than £20,000’.

'Building and repairing of houses, castles, ships, and their furniture in time of peace costs her about £50,000 yearly’.

'Her alms is not less ordinary than £2000, besides all such goods of such as murder themselves, which is given for alms’...

'She hath been ever liberal till now of late in giving and lending; they say she giveth £3000 yearly to the King of Scots...She has lent to the Low Countries since the wars began £300,000...The King of France oweth her little less’...

'Mr Sackford, that carried the Privy Purse, hath in his own account ordinarily every year accounted £4000 which she giveth away in pretty things to strangers and such like as come to the court for relief and rewards’.

'Her pleasures cost her much, as shows, triumphs, and such like, great marriages with any of her Maids or Ladies publicly in the court, and comedies, shows, devices, and entertainment of Ambassadors publicly, as I have seen divers, viz. the Duke of Bouillon [in 1596] who cost her every day £100, besides the charge of his solemn entertainment at her own table, likewise the Danish Ambassador [in 1597 and 1598] and others of these. She spends ordinarily £5000 yearly, and some time so much in a month, as occasion serve’.

The greatest expense: 'Of war in defending the realm and offending the enemies of the same’. In recent years: in 1588 against the Spanish Armada; in 1589 in Portugal; in 1596 at Cadiz; in 1597 the Islands Voyage; ‘but the greatest charge of all is this last war in Ireland...This charge, if it should continue, would soon make her a poor Prince and a miserable country’.

If not in wars offensive or defensive some is lent to the aid of the Queen’s allies; ‘so that if she spares it one year or two she spends it all the 3rd and the devil may dance in her coffers, where he finds but a few crosses’.
2. Queen was present or gave gift: cross-referenced by bride and groom.
3. Miscellaneous references.

1. Marriages: Chronological List.
   Q.P: Queen was present; Q.G: did not attend, but gave a gift.
   Dates of first mention in italics, where exact date is unknown.

1558  Nov 30: Thomas Howard Duke of Norfolk = Margaret, Lady Dudley.
      Dec 29: Spanish Ambassador, De Feria = Jane Dormer (in private).
1559  Oct 5: Matthew Arundell = Margaret Willoughby. (Q.P.)

      April 21: at court: couple unidentified.
      Christmas/New Year: Walter Devereux Viscount Hereford = Lettice Knollys.

1562  April 20: Valentine Browne = Thomasine Bacon.
1563  Feb 17: Henry Lord Herbert = Lady Katherine Talbot.
      Feb 17: Francis Lord Talbot = Lady Anne Herbert.
      June 6: Thomas Southwell = Mary Mansell.
      July 25: Charles Howard = Katherine Carey.

1565  July 16: Henry Knollys = Margaret Cave. (Q.P.)
      July 16: Thomas Keys = Lady Mary Grey (in secret).
      Nov 11: Ambrose Dudley Earl of Warwick = Lady Anne Russell. (Q.P.)
      November, end: Thomas Southwell = Nazareth Newton. (Q.P.)

1566  Feb 19: Henry Wriothesley 2nd Earl of Southampton = Mary Browne.
      July 1: Thomas Mildmay = Lady Frances Radcliffe. (Q.P.)

1567  Jan 29: Thomas Howard Duke of Norfolk = Elizabeth, Lady Dacre.
      Feb 10: Sir Henry Compton = Lady Frances Hastings. (Q.P.)
      Sept 30: John Abington = Dorothy Broadbelt. (Q.G.)

1568  Feb 9: Gilbert Talbot = Mary Cavendish.
      Feb 9: Henry Cavendish = Lady Grace Talbot.

1570  May 29: Hugh Cartwright = Jane Newton. (Q.G.)
1571  April 8/March 1572: Mistress Poore = ?. (Q.G.)
      April 29: William Parr Marquis of Northampton = Helena Snakenborg (Q.P.)
      Dec 16: Edward de Vere 17th Earl of Oxford = Anne Cecil. (Q.P.)
      Dec 16: Edward 4th Lord Dudley = Mary Howard. (Q.P.)
      Dec 16: Edward Somerset, Lord Herbert = Lady Elizabeth Hastings. (Q.P.)
      Dec 22: Thomas 4th Lord Paget = Nazareth Southwell. (Q.P.)

1572  June, start/October: Elizabeth Beck = ? (Q.G.)
      September, end: Anthony Browne = Mary Dormer.
      September, end: Robert Dormer = Elizabeth Browne.

1573  Jan 18: William Courtenay = Lady Elizabeth Manners. (Q.G.)
      June 6: Edward Manners 3rd Earl of Rutland = Isabel Holcroft.
      Nov 8: William Drury = Elizabeth Stafford. (Q.P.)
1574 January, end: John Scudamore = Mary Shelton (c.June?).
October, end: Charles Earl of Lennox = Elizabeth Cavendish (in secret).

1576 Feb 27: at court: couple unidentified.
March 1: John Marbury = Dorothy Midigert. (Q.G.)
April 30: John Savage = Mary Allington. (Q.G.)
Sept 5: Edmund Tremayne = Eulalia St Leger. (Q.G.)

1577 Feb 18: Sir Richard Bulkeley = Mary Burgh. (Q.P.)
April 21: Henry Herbert 2nd Earl of Pembroke = Mary Sidney. (Q.P.)
June 25: George Clifford 3rd Earl of Cumberland = Lady Margaret Russell. (Q.P.)
June 25: Philip 3rd Lord Wharton = Lady Frances Clifford. (Q.P.)


1579 May 10: Thomas Leighton = Elizabeth Knollys. (Q.P.)
July 31: Edward Darcy = Elizabeth Astley. (Q.G.)
Dec 15: Edward Saunders = Susan Macwilliam. (Q.G.)

1580 Feb 15: Robert Sackville = Margaret Howard. (Q.P.)
June, start: Edmund 3rd Lord Sheffield = Ursula Tyrwhit (in secret).

1581 Sept 30: John Wingfield = Susan Countess of Kent.
Oct 29: Robert 2nd Lord Rich = Lady Penelope Devereux.

1582 Feb 26: William Wentworth = Elizabeth Cecil.
May 21: Edward Hoby = Margaret Carey. (Q.P.)
June 29: Edward Seymour Lord Beauchamp = Honora Rogers (in secret).
November, end: Thomas Butler Earl of Ormond = Elizabeth Sheffield. (Q.P.)

1583 April 17: Robert Southwell = Elizabeth Howard.
June 9: Anthony Paulet = Catherine Norris.
July 10: Thomas Scrope = Philadelphia Carey. (Q.P?).
July 19: Sir Thomas Perrot = Lady Dorothy Devereux (amid controversy).
Sept 21: Sir Philip Sidney = Frances Walsingham.

Dec 22: Henry Neville = Anne Killigrew. (Q.G.)

1585 December, early: Edward Seymour Earl of Hertford = Frances Howard. (Q.P.)
1587 Nov 30: Peter Legh = Elizabeth Castilion. (Q.G.)
1588 Oct 21: Edward Cordell = Abigail, Lady Digby. (Q.G.)

1589 July 27: Sir William Hatton = Elizabeth Gawdy. (Q.G.)
Aug 17: Sir Christopher Blount = Countess of Leicester (in secret).
Aug 20: King James of Scotland = Anne of Denmark, by proxy. (Q.G.)
Aug 31: Robert Cecil = Elizabeth Brooke.

1590 July, start (note): Thomas Walsingham = Audrey Shelton. (Q.G.)
Oct 16: Robert Devereux 2nd Earl of Essex = Frances, Lady Sidney (in secret).
1591 April 18: Sir Horatio Palavicino = Anna Hooftman (April 27, abroad).
May 23: John Holles = Anne Stanhope. (Q.G.)
Oct 16: Sir Francis Darcy = Katherine Legh (1 Aug 1592, in the Tower).
Nov 19: Sir Walter Ralegh = Elizabeth Throckmorton (in secret).
Dec 27: Edward de Vere 17th Earl of Oxford = Elizabeth Trentham. (Q.G.)

1592 May, end: Robert Hyde = Anne Castilion. (Q.G.)
June, end: Robert West = Elizabeth Cock. (Q.G.)

Aug 20: Sir Robert Carey = Elizabeth Lady Widdrington.

1594 March 29: Sir Nicholas Clifford = Frances Drury (in secret).
May 16: Thomas Thynne = Maria Tuchet (in secret).
May 2: Sir Thomas Heneage = Mary, Countess of Southampton.
June 4: Sir Anthony Sherley = Frances Vernon (in secret).
July 5: Robert Tyrwhit = Lady Bridget Manners (in secret).
Dec 12: Edward Russell 3rd Earl of Bedford = Lucy Harington. (Q.G.)

1595 New Year: Henry Percy 9th Earl of Northumberland = Dorothy, Lady Perrot.
Feb 23: Richard Fletcher, Bp of London = Mary, Lady Baker (controversial).
Aug 11: Edward Wynter = Lady Anne Somerset. (Q.G.)
September, end: William 3rd Lord Sandys = Christian Ansley. (Q.G.)

1596 Feb 19: Thomas Berkeley = Elizabeth Carey.
Nov 8: Sir Henry Guildford = Lady Elizabeth Somerset. (Q.G.)
Nov 8: William Petre = Lady Katherine Somerset. (Q.G.)

1597 Jan 4: Arthur Gorges = Lady Elizabeth Clinton (in secret).
Feb 7: William Howard = Anne St John. (Q.G.)

1598 June 9: Robert Digby = Lettice Garrett. (Q.G.)
Nov 5: Edward Coke, Attorney-General = Elizabeth Lady Hatton.

1599 Jan 30: Sir William Harvey = Mary Countess of Southampton (private).
Feb 12: Thomas Tyringham = Frances Gorges. (Q.G.)
Feb 19: Mr West = Edward Darcy’s daughter.
April 18: William 2nd Lord Compton = Elizabeth Spencer (amid controversy).
June 8: Francis Norris = Lady Bridget Vere. (Q.G.)
June 24: James Pitt = Mary Heveningham. (Q.G.)
Nov 26: Sir Thomas Jermy = Katherine Killigrew. (Q.G.)

June 16: Henry Somerset Lord Herbert = Anne Russell. (Q.P.)
July 17: Sir Edward Norris = Mrs Elizabeth Webb.
Oct 20: Sir Thomas Egerton = Alice Dowager Countess of Derby.

1601 April 30: Sir Francis Lovell = Anne Carey. (Q.G.)
May 27: Edward Seymour Earl of Hertford = Mrs Frances Prannell.
Nov 16: Henry Grey = Lady Elizabeth Talbot. (Q.G.)

1603 April 8: Richard 4th Earl of Clanricarde = Frances Countess of Essex.
April 8: John Egerton = Lady Frances Stanley.
2. **Marriages**: Queen present or gave gift: cross-referenced by bride and groom. Queen was present (Q.P.); she gave a gift, but did not attend (Q.G.). Dates of first mention in italics, where exact date is unknown.

Abington, John = Dorothy Broadbelt: 1567 Sept 30. (Q.G.)
Allington, Mary: see Savage.
Anne of Denmark: see James.
Ansley, Christian: see Sandys.
Arundell, Matthew = Margaret Willoughby: 1559 Oct 5. (Q.P.)
Astley, Elizabeth: see Darcy.

Baptist: see Castilion.
Beck, Elizabeth = ?: 1572 June, start/October. (Q.G.)
Bedford: see Russell.
Broadbelt, Dorothy: see Abington.
Bulkeley, Sir Richard = Mary Burgh: 1577 Feb 18. (Q.P.)
Burgh, Mary: see Bulkeley.
Butler, Thomas, Earl of Ormond = Elizabeth Sheffield: 1582 November, end. (Q.P)

Carey, Anne: see Lovell.
Carey, Sir George = Elizabeth Spencer: 1574 Dec 29. (Q.G.)
Carey, Margaret: see Hoby.
Carey, Philadelphia: see Scrope.
Cartwright, Hugh = Jane Newton: 1570 May 29. (Q.G.)
Castilion, Anne: see Hyde.
Castilion, Elizabeth: see Legh.
Cave, Margaret: see Knollys, Henry.
Cecil, Anne: see Vere.
Clifford, Lady Frances: see Wharton.
Clifford, George Earl of Cumberland = Lady Margaret Russell: 1577 June 25.(Q.P.)
Cobham, Lord: see Brooke.
Cock, Elizabeth: see West, Robert.
Compton, Sir Henry = Lady Frances Hastings: 1567 Feb 10. (Q.P.)
Cordell, Edward = Abigail, Lady Digby: 1588 Oct 21. (Q.G.)
Courtenay, William = Lady Elizabeth Manners: 1573 Jan 18. (Q.G.)
Cumberland: see Clifford.

Darcy, Edward = Elizabeth Astley: 1579 July 31. (Q.G.)
De La Warr, Lord: see West, Thomas.
Derby, Earl of: see Stanley.
Devereux, Walter, Viscount Hereford = Lettice Knollys: 1560 Christmas/New Year.
Digby, Lady: see Cordell.
Drury, William = Elizabeth Stafford: 1573 Nov 8. (Q.P.)
Dudley, Ambrose, Earl of Warwick = Lady Anne Russell: 1565 Nov 11. (Q.P.)

Garrett, Lettice: see Digby, Robert.
Gawdy, Elizabeth: see Hatton.
Gorges, Frances: see Tyringham.
Grey, Henry = Lady Elizabeth Talbot: 1601 Nov 16. (Q.G.)
Guildford, Sir Henry = Lady Elizabeth Somerset: 1596 Nov 8. (Q.G.)
Harington, Lucy: see Russell, Edward.
Hastings, Lady Elizabeth: see Somerset, Edward.
Hastings, Lady Frances: see Compton.
Hatton, Sir William = Elizabeth Gawdy: 1589 July 27. (Q.G.)
Herbert, Edward Lord, and Henry Lord: see Somerset.
Herbert, Henry, Earl of Pembroke = Mary Sidney: 1577 April 21. (Q.P.)
Hertford: see Seymour.
Heveningham, Mary: see Pitt.
Hoby, Edward = Margaret Carey: 1582 May 21. (Q.P.)
Holles, John = Anne Stanhope: 1591 May 23. (Q.G.)
Howard, Douglas: see Sheffield, John.
Howard, Frances: see Seymour.
Howard, Margaret: see Sackville.
Howard, Mary: see Sutton.
Howard, William = Anne St John: 1597 Feb 7. (Q.G.)
Hyde, Robert = Anne Castilion: 1592 May, end. (Q.G.)

James VI, King of Scotland = Anne of Denmark: 1589 Aug 20. (Q.G.)
Jermyn, Sir Thomas = Katherine Killigrew: 1599 Nov 26. (Q.G.)

Killigrew, Anne: see Neville.
Killigrew, Katherine: see Jermyn.
Knollys, Anne: see West, Thomas.
Knollys, Elizabeth: see Leighton.
Knollys, Henry = Margaret Cave: 1565 July 16. (Q.P.)
Knollys, Lettice: see Devereux.

Legh, Peter = Elizabeth Castilion: 1587 Nov 30. (Q.G.)
Leighton, Thomas = Elizabeth Knollys: 1579 May 10. (Q.P.)
Lovell, Sir Francis = Anne Carey: 1601 April 30. (Q.G.)

Macwilliam, Susan: see Saunders.
Manners, Lady Elizabeth: see Courtenay.
Marbury, John = Dorothy Midigert: 1576 March 1. (Q.G.)
Midigert, Dorothy: see Marbury.
Mildmay, Thomas = Lady Frances Radcliffe: 1566 July 1. (Q.P.)

Neville, Henry = Anne Killigrew: 1584 Dec 22. (Q.G.)
Newton, Frances: see Brooke.
Newton, Jane: see Cartwright.
Newton, Nazareth: see Southwell, Thomas.
Norris, Francis = Lady Bridget Vere: 1599 June 8. (Q.G.)
Northampton, Marquis of: see Parr.

Ormond, Earl of: see Butler.
Oxford, Earl of: see Vere.

Paget, Thomas 4th Lord = Nazareth Southwell: 1571 Dec 22. (Q.P.)
Parr, Wm, Marquis of Northampton = Helena Snakenborg: 1571 April 29. (Q.P.)
Pembroke, Earl of: see Herbert, Henry.
Petre, William = Lady Katherine Somerset: 1596 Nov 8. (Q.G.)
Pitt, James = Mary Heveningham: 1599 June 24. (Q.G.)
Poore, Mistress = ?  1571 April 8/March 1572. (Q.G.)
Radcliffe, Lady Frances: see Mildmay.
Russell, Lady Anne: see Dudley, Lord Ambrose.
Russell, Anne: see Somerset, Henry Lord Herbert.
Russell, Lady Margaret: see Clifford.

Sackville, Robert = Margaret Howard: 1580 Feb 15. (Q.P.)
St John, Anne: see Howard, William.
St Leger, Eulalia: see Tremayne.
Sandys, William Lord = Christian Ansley: 1595 September, end. (Q.G.)
Saunders, Edward = Susan Macwilliam: 1579 Dec 15. (Q.G.)
Savage, John = Mary Allington: 1576 April 30. (Q.G.)
Scrope, Thomas = Philadelphia Carey: 1583 July 10. (Q.P?).
Seymour, Edward, Earl of Hertford = Frances Howard: 1585 Dec, early. (Q.P.)
Sheffield, Elizabeth: see Butler.
Sheffield, John Lord = Douglas Howard: 1560 Oct 27. (Q.G.)
Shelton, Audrey: see Walsingham.
Sidney, Mary: see Herbert, Henry, Earl of Pembroke.
Snakenborg, Helena: see Parr.
Somerset, Lady Anne: see Wynter.
Somerset, Edward, Lord Herbert = Lady Elizabeth Hastings: 1571 Dec 16. (Q.P.)
Somerset, Lady Elizabeth: see Guildford.
Somerset, Henry, Lord Herbert = Anne Russell: 1600 June 16. (Q.P.)
Somerset, Lady Katherine: see Petre.
Southwell, Nazareth: see Paget.
Southwell, Thomas = Nazareth Newton: 1565 November, end. (Q.P.)
Spencer, Elizabeth: see Carey, George.
Stafford, Elizabeth: see Drury.
Stanhope, Anne: see Holles.
Sutton, Edward, Lord Dudley = Mary Howard: 1571 Dec 16. (Q.P.)

Talbot, Lady Elizabeth: see Grey, Henry.
Tremayne, Edward = Eulalia St Leger: 1576 Sept 5. (Q.G.)
Trentham, Elizabeth: see Vere, Edward.
Tyringham, Thomas = Frances Gorges: 1599 Feb 12. (Q.G.)

Vere, Lady Bridget: see Norris, Francis.
Vere, Edward de, Earl of Oxford =
(1) Anne Cecil: 1571 Dec 16. (Q.P.)
(2) Elizabeth Trentham: 1591 Dec 27. (Q.G.)
Vere, Lady Elizabeth: see Stanley.

Walsingham, Thomas = Audrey Shelton: 1590 July, start (note). (Q.G.)
Warwick, Earl of: see Dudley, Lord Ambrose.
West, Robert = Elizabeth Cock: 1592 June, end. (Q.G.)
West, Thomas, Lord De La Warr = Anne Knollys: 1571 Nov 19. (Q.P.)
Wharton, Lord = Lady Frances Clifford: 1577 June 25. (Q.P.)
Willoughby, Margaret: see Arundell.
Wynter, Edward = Lady Anne Somerset: 1595 Aug 11. (Q.G.)

1560 Nov 27: Lady Catherine Grey’s secret marriage.
1563 May 14: forthcoming English court marriages.
    July 16: Lady Mary Grey’s secret marriage.
1569 Feb 2: Philip Sidney offered in marriage to Anne Cecil.

1570 Feb 20: advice to Leonard Dacre on choosing a wife.
1571 Dec 16: three marriages at court.
1574 October, end: Earl of Lennox’s secret marriage.
1577 Feb 15,16: forthcoming English court marriages.
1578 Sept 21: Earl of Leicester’s secret marriage to Countess of Essex.

    Feb 16: Queen’s anger at Edward Stafford’s secret marriage.
    June, start: Lord Sheffield’s secret marriage.
1582 June 29: news of Lord Beauchamp’s secret marriage.
1583 July 19: Lady Dorothy Devereux’s sudden marriage.
1584 Sept 17-29: letters about Robert Sidney’s marriage.
    Oct 14: Arthur Gorges married Douglas Howard without father’s consent.
1587 Aug 20: Viscount Howard of Bindon pays maintenance to wife.
    Dec 15: Francis Fitton and John Wotton’s controversial marriages.

1591 Sept 23: Frances Vavasour’s secret marriage known to Queen.
    Oct 16: Sir Francis Darcy and Katherine Legh (married in the Tower, 1592).
    Dec 8: one of the Privy Chamber has married.
1593 April 6: William Cecil’s secret marriage, and sequel.
1594 March 29: Sir Nicholas Clifford’s secret marriage, and sequel.
    May 16: Maria Tuchet’s secret marriage.
    July 5: Lady Bridget Manners to marry Robert Tyrwhit.
1595 Feb 23: criticism of Bishop Fletcher’s second marriage.
1596 June 15: Fletcher’s death; more criticism of his marriage.
    Sept 26: Queen urged Griffin-Gorges marriage.
1597 Aug 1, Nov 1: Lord Dudley imprisoned for not paying maintenance.
1599 Feb 19: West-Darcy marriage: gifts, and theft.

1600 Feb 22: Note on Lord Cobham’s much deferred marriage.
    April 21: Anne Russell has Queen’s consent for marriage (June 16).
1601 Aug 12: Note on Edward Coke’s daughter’s marriage (Sept 14).

Marriages/marriage celebrations, described:
1565 Nov 11: Earl of Warwick = Lady Anne Russell.
1566 July 1: Thomas Mildmay = Lady Frances Radcliffe.
1583 July 19: Sir Thomas Perrot = Lady Dorothy Devereux.
1595 Jan 26: Earl of Derby = Lady Elizabeth Vere.
1600 June 16: Lord Herbert = Anne Russell.

Marriage reconciliations attempted by Queen:
Earl of Shrewsbury and ‘Bess of Hardwick’:
1584 Sept 12,16,23; 1586 July 18; Aug 7; 1587 March 25; June 8.
Queen’s Godchildren Indexes:
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1. Godchildren: Pre-Accession: all that have been traced.

Parents: Richard Cotton; one of Prince Edward’s Councillors; knighted 1547; wife: Jane (Onley). ‘Lady Elizabeth’ sent a Gentleman Usher from Woking, Surrey, to Penn, Bucks, ‘to the christening of Mr Cotton’s child’.
Henry Cotton became Bishop of Salisbury, 1598; died 1615.
[Queen Katherine Parr’s accounts: Letters and Papers of Henry VIII].

1550 December: Henry Cavendish (1550-1616).
Parents: Sir William Cavendish; wife: Elizabeth; Sir William was the second of her four husbands; she was later Countess of Shrewsbury (‘Bess of Hardwick’). Sir William noted in his pocket-book that Henry’s godparents were: Princess Elizabeth; Henry Grey Marquis of Dorset; John Dudley Earl of Warwick.
[Derbyshire Arch Soc Journal, xxix, 91-95].

1551 Dec 14: Mrs Pendred’s child.
Cofferer’s Account of the Lady Elizabeth, Oct 1551-Sept 1552: ‘Paid the 14th of December at the christening of Mrs Pendred’s child...50s’. ['Household Expenses of the Princess Elizabeth...at Hatfield’, Camden Miscellany (1853)].
Blanche Parry wrote in 1582 to Lord Burghley on behalf of ‘Mr Pendryth’, whose wife nursed the Queen, and who is one of the Queen’s tenants of the manor of Northbourne in Kent.
[HT.ii.517].

1551 Dec 27: John Carey (1551-1617), became in 1603 3rd Lord Hunsdon.
Cofferer’s Account: Paid Dec 27 ‘at the christening of Mr Carey’s child, 40s’.
Parents: Henry Carey, later 1st Lord Hunsdon; wife: Anne (Morgan). Their son Robert Carey noted: ‘John was born at Durham Place upon Christmas Day after the sweat...The Duke of Northumberland and the Earl of Pembroke godfathers and my Lady Elizabeth’s grace godmother’. [sweat: sweating sickness].
[Robert Carey, Memoirs, ed. Mares (1972), 90].

1551 December: Mr Norris’s child.
Cofferer’s Account: December: ‘Given to the poor at the christening of Mr Norris’s child, 4s’. Apparently a child which died in infancy of Henry Norris, knighted in 1566, later 1st Lord Norris; wife: Margery (Williams).

1552 summer: Sir John Cheke’s child.
Cofferer’s Account: ‘William Russell, for his expenses in riding to the christening of Mr Cheke’s child...12s’. Parents: Sir John Cheke (1514-1557), knighted 1551, a Tutor to Edward VI; wife: Mary (Hill) (c.1532-1616).
Lady Cheke married (2) Henry Macwilliam.

1556 Sept: Elizabeth Verney.
Parents: Hugh Verney (died 9 Sept 1556); wife: Margaret (Walsingham), widow of Walter Clarke; she was formerly an attendant on Elizabeth. Child: Elizabeth Verney, born 2 Sept 1556, at Chislehurst, Kent; married William Palmer, of Parham. [J.W.Fitzwilliam, Parham in Sussex (1947)].

1550s: John Marbury.
Parents: Thomas and Elizabeth Marbury; Elizabeth was in the Queen’s Household at Hatfield; she was a Gentlewoman of the Bedchamber from 1559. The Queen gave a gift at John Marbury’s marriage, 1 March 1576; he is described as her godson.
2. Queen’s Godchildren: Chronological List.

1559  
Jan 24: Lord Williams of Thame’s daughter.  
Feb 28: Swedish Ambassador Burreus’s child.  
Nov 3: Thomas Howard 4th Duke of Norfolk’s daughter Elizabeth.

1560  
Jan 27: Swedish Ambassador Burreus’s child.  
Feb 4: Edward 3rd Lord Windsor’s child.  
June, end: Thomas 2nd Lord Wentworth’s daughter Elizabeth.  
Aug 4: John Harington (I)’s son John.  
Aug 23 (birth): John Abington’s son Thomas.  
Oct 4: Sir Henry Sidney’s daughter Elizabeth.  
Dec 7: William Brooke 10th Lord Cobham’s son Maximilian.

1561  
April 22: Sir William Cecil’s son William.  
May 27: Anthony Browne 1st Viscount Montagu’s daughter Elizabeth.  
June 18: Thomas Copley’s son Henry.  
June 26: Henry 7th Lord Berkeley’s child.  
July 13: Ipolytya the Tartarian (an adult woman).  
July 16: Sir Gilbert Dethick’s son Robert.  
July 30: James Blount 6th Lord Mountjoy’s son William.  
Sept 26: John 2nd Lord Sheffield’s daughter Elizabeth.  
Nov 24: Thomas Sackville’s son Robert.  
November, end: Thomas Atkinson the scrivener’s child.

1562  
May 16: Sir Francis Knollys’ daughter Dudley Warwick.  
Sept 10: Thomas Astley’s son Andrew.  
Dec 26: Henry Carey 1st Lord Hunsdon’s daughter Philadelphia.

1563  
Feb 3: Walter Devereux Viscount Hereford’s daughter Penelope.  
March 7: Sir Thomas Chamberlain’s daughter Theophila.  
June 2: Dr Robert Huicke’s daughter Atalanta.  

1564  
March 5: Dr Richard Master’s son Henry.  
April 18: Sir Nicholas Throckmorton’s child.  
May 20: Sir Henry Neville’s son Henry.  
June 24: Charles Howard’s daughter Elizabeth.  
June 27: Henry Macwilliam’s daughter Elizabeth.  
July 6: Sir William Cecil’s daughter Elizabeth.  
November, end: Thomas 4th Lord Dacre of the North’s daughter Elizabeth.  
November 1564/February 1565: Edward Baynton’s son.  
November 1564/February 1565: Sir Henry Cromwell’s child.

1565  
Feb 17: John Baptist Castilion’s son Valentine.  
February/April: Arthur 14th Lord Grey of Wilton’s daughter Elizabeth.  
May 3: James Harington’s child.  
Sept 30: Marquis of Baden and Cecilia of Sweden’s son Edwardus Fortunatus.

1566  
Sept 17: Sir Thomas Hoby’s son Thomas Posthumous.  
Dec 2: Thomas Markham’s son Griffin.  
Dec 18: Mary Queen of Scots’ son Prince James.

1567  
July 22: Sir Henry Norris’ son Maximilian.  
Oct 9: Thomas Southwell’s daughter Elizabeth.
1568 January/September: John Astley’s son John.
January/September: Sir Henry Compton’s son William.
1569 May 31: Henry Harvey’s daughter Elizabeth.

1570 July 5: Vidame de Chartres’ daughter Elizabeth.
1571 Aug 9 (note): Edward Herbert’s daughter (during 1571).
1572 October/November: Edward Somerset Lord Herbert’s daughter Elizabeth.
October/December: Thomas 4th Lord Paget’s son William.

1573 Feb 2: King Charles IX of France’s daughter Maria Elisabeth.
June 18: Sir Henry Radcliffe’s son Robert.
Sept 24: Thomas West’s son Robert.
Oct 12: Henry Cobham’s son Calisthenes (Brooke).
Oct 28: Henry Lord Clinton’s daughter Elizabeth.
Nov 3: Moyle Finch’s son Theophilus.
Dec 29: Sir William Drury (I)’s daughter Elizabeth.

1574 Jan 10: Antonio de Conti’s daughter Elizabeth.
Feb 2: Anthony Browne’s son Anthony Maria.
July 4: Henry Grey’s daughter Elizabeth.

1575 Jan 25: Giles Brydges 3rd Lord Chandos’ daughter.
Feb 4: Sir William Drury (II)’s son Robert.
July 10: Edward de Vere 17th Earl of Oxford’s daughter Elizabeth.
July 20: Henry 7th Lord Berkeley’s son Thomas.
July 20: Thomas Wenman’s daughter Elizabeth.
Oct 27: John Lord Russell’s daughter Elizabeth.

1576 Jan 7: Edward Manners 3rd Earl of Rutland’s daughter Elizabeth.
June 7: Sir George Carey’s daughter Elizabeth.

1577 Jan 27: French Ambassador Mauvissière’s son Robert.
May 30: Wilhelm Landgrave of Hesse’s daughter Elizabeth.
May 30: William Prince of Orange’s daughter Elizabeth.

1578 March 26: William Norris’ son.
April 4: Andrew Rogers’ child.
July 2: Edward Wotton’s son.
Aug 7: Thomas Gorges’ daughter Elizabeth.

1579 Feb 6: George Tuchet 11th Lord Audley’s daughter Maria.
Sept 29/December: William Cornwallis’ daughter Elizabeth.

1580 March, early: Sir Thomas Fane’s son Francis.
April 28: Henry Herbert 2nd Earl of Pembroke’s son William.
Aug 7: Edward Parker 12th Lord Morley’s daughter Mary.

1581 March 1/4: Edward Stafford’s son.
March 5: Peregrine Bertie Lord Willoughby de Eresby’s daughter Elizabeth.

1582 March 8: Sir Thomas Leighton’s daughter.
July 13: Edward Darcy’s daughter.

1583 April 3: John Wolley’s son Francis.
Dec 18: Carew Ralegh’s daughter.
Jan 10 (note): Henry Percy 8th Earl of Northumberland’s child.
April 18: George Clifford 3rd Earl of Cumberland’s son Francis.
April 25: Robert Southwell’s daughter Elizabeth.
Aug 13: Lord Thomas Howard’s son Theophilus.
Aug 16: Thomas Scrope’s son Emanuel.
Dec 24: Gilbert Lord Talbot’s daughter Alathea.

Jan 2: Anthony Paulet’s daughter Elizabeth.
March 28: George Digby’s daughter Elizabeth.
May 31 (note): Duke Julius of Brunswick’s son Joachim.
June 26: French Ambassador Mauvissière’s daughter.
Nov 15: Sir Philip Sidney’s daughter Elizabeth.

March, start: French Ambassador Châteauneuf’s child.
Oct 1/23: Sir Dru Drury’s daughter Frances.
Dec 6 (note): Sir George Carey’s daughter (during 1587).

Jan 22: John Harington (II)’s son.
Sept 25: Sir Richard Knightley’s son.
Oct 27: Thomas Butler 10th Earl of Ormond’s daughter Elizabeth.
Nov 26: Robert 3rd Lord Rich’s daughter Mary.
June 22: Lord John Hamilton’s son James.
Nov 6 (note): Julian Clarhagen’s child.

March 1: Francis Stewart Earl of Bothwell’s daughter Elizabeth.
March 28 (birth): Robert Cecil’s son William.
April 16: Henry FitzGerald 12th Earl of Kildare’s daughter.
Nov 1/10: Henry 3rd Lord Wentworth’s son Thomas.
April 25: Sir Horatio Palavicino’s son Henry.
February, end: Sir Robert Sidney’s daughter Elizabeth.
June 13/24: Robert Radcliffe 5th Earl of Sussex’s daughter Elizabeth.
Aug 30: King James VI of Scotland’s son, Prince Henry.
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3. Queen's Godchildren: Cross-referenced by husband and wife.

Dates of christening, if known, otherwise dates of birth or of Queen's gift.

See also: Queen’s Foreign Godchildren.

Ailen, Margaret (née Compaigne): see Castilion, John Baptist.
Astley, Elizabeth: see Darcy, Edward.
Astley, Thomas: 1562 Sept 10: Andrew.
Atkinson, Thomas: 1561 November (end): child.
Audley: see Tuchet.

Baker, Cicely: see Sackville, Thomas.
Baptist: see Castilion.
Barlow, Elizabeth (née Hardwick): see Cavendish, Sir William.
Berkeley, Henry 7th Lord: (1) 1561 June 26: child.
(2) 1575 July 20: Thomas.
Berkeley, Thomas: 1596 Dec 30: Theophila.
Bertie, Peregrine, Lord Willoughby: 1581 March 5: Elizabeth.
Blount, James, Lord Mountjoy: 1561 July 30: William.
Bowyer, Parnell: see Atkinson, Thomas.
Brooke, Elizabeth: see Cecil, Robert.
Browne, Anthony (I), 1st Viscount Montagu: 1561 May 27: Elizabeth.
Browne, Anthony (II), son of 1st Viscount: 1574 Feb 2: Anthony Maria.

Carew, Anne: see Throckmorton, Sir Nicholas.
Carey, Elizabeth: see Berkeley, Thomas.
Carey, Sir George: 1576 June 7: Elizabeth; 1587 Dec 6: daughter, during 1587.
Carey, Henry: Pre-Accession, 1551: John.
now 1st Lord Hunsdon: 1562 Dec 26: Philadelphia.
Carey, Katherine (I): see Knollys, Sir Francis.
Carey, Katherine (II): see Howard, Charles.
Carey, Philadelphia: see Scrope, Thomas.
Castilion, John Baptist: 1565 Feb 17: Valentine.
Cave, Margaret: see Knollys, Henry.
Cavendish, Mary: see Talbot, Gilbert Lord.
Cecil, Anne: see Vere, Edward de, Earl of Oxford.
Cecil, Lucy: see Paulet, William, Lord St John.
(2) 1564 July 6: Elizabeth.
Chamberlain, Sir Thomas: 1563 March 7: Theophila.
Chandos: see Brydges.
Cheke, Sir John: Pre-Accession; 1552: child.
Cheke, Lady Mary (née Hill): see Macwilliam, Henry.
Clarke, Margaret (née Walsingham): see Verney, Hugh.
Clifford, George, Earl of Cumberland: 1584 April 18: Francis Lord Clifford.
Clifford, Lady Margaret: see Stanley, Henry, Lord Strange.
Clinton, Frances: see Brydges, Giles, Lord Chandos.
Clinton, Henry, 10th Lord: 1573 Oct 28: Elizabeth.
Cobham, Lord: see Brooke.
Cobham alias Brooke, Henry: 1573 Oct 12: Calisthenes [Brooke].
Cock, Elizabeth: see West, Robert.
Compton, Margaret: see Mordaunt, Henry.
Conti, Anthony de: 1574 Jan 10: Elizabeth.
Cooke, Elizabeth: see Hoby, Sir Thomas.
Cooke, Mildred: see Cecil, Sir William (two godchildren).
Copley, Thomas: 1561 June 18: Henry.
Cumberland: see Clifford.

Dacre, Magdalen: see Browne, Anthony, 1st Viscount Montagu.
Dacre of the North, Thomas Lord: 1564 November (end): Elizabeth.
Denny, Mary: see Astley, Thomas.
Derby: see Stanley.
Devereux, Lady Penelope: see Rich, Robert Lord.
Devereux, Walter, Viscount Hereford: 1563 Feb 3: Penelope.
Digby, George: 1585 March 28: Elizabeth.
Dormer, Mary: see Browne, Anthony (II).
Dudley, Lady Margaret (née Audley): see Howard, Thomas, Duke of Norfolk.
Dudley, Mary: see Sidney, Sir Henry.

Fane, Sir Thomas: 1580 March, early: Francis.
Finch, Catherine: see Drury, Sir Dru.
Finch, Moyle: 1573 Nov 3: Theophilus.
FitzGerald, Henry, Earl of Kildare: 1591 April (end): daughter.
Fitzwalter: see Radcliffe.
Fulnetby, Elizabeth: see Master, Dr Richard.

Gamage, Barbara: see Sidney, Sir Robert.
Goldwell, Frances: see Howard, William.
Gresham, Elizabeth: see Neville, Sir Henry.
Grey, Henry: 1574 July 4: Elizabeth.
Griffin, Mary: see Markham, Thomas.

Haddon, Anne (née Sutton): see Cobham, Henry.
Harlinton, James: 1565 May 3: child.
Harlinton, John (I): 1560 Aug 4: John (II).
Harvey, Henry: 1569 May 31: Elizabeth.
Hastings, Catherine: see Clinton, Lord.
Hastings, Lady Frances: see Compton, Sir Henry.
Hastings, Lady Elizabeth: see Somerset, Edward, Lord Herbert.
Hatton, Lady Elizabeth (née Cecil): see Coke, Edward.
Heneage, Elizabeth: see Finch, Moyle.
Herbert, Lord: see Somerset.
Hereford: see Devereux.
Heveningham, Abigail: see Digby, George.
Hill, Mary: see Cheke, Sir John.
Hoby, Lady Elizabeth (née Cooke): see Russell, Lord.
Holcroft, Isobel: see Manners, Edward, 3rd Earl of Rutland.
Hooffman, Anna: see Palavicino, Sir Horatio.
Hopton, Anne: see Wentworth, Henry, 3rd Lord.
Hopton, Mary: see Brydges, William.
Howard, Charles: 1564 June 24: Elizabeth.
Howard, Douglas: see Sheffield, Lord.
Howard, Elizabeth: see Southwell, Robert.
Howard, Frances: see FitzGerald, Henry, Earl of Kildare.
Howard, Katherine: see Berkeley, Henry Lord (two godchildren).
Howard, Lord Thomas: (1) 1584 Aug 13: Theophilus.
(2) 1598 March 20: Robert.
Howard of Effingham, William 3rd Lord: 1603 Feb 7: Elizabeth.
Huicke, Dr Robert: 1563 June 2: Atalanta.
Hunsdon, Lord: see Carey, Henry.

Jermyn, Sir Thomas: 1600 October (end): child.
Kildare: see FitzGerald.
Killigrew, Katherine: see Jermyn, Sir Thomas.
Knollys, Anne: see West, Thomas.
Knollys, Elizabeth: see Leighton, Sir Thomas.
Knollys, Sir Francis: 1562 May 16: Dudley Warwick.
Knollys, Lettice: see Devereux, Walter, Viscount Hereford.

Leigh, Katherine: see Blount, James, Lord Mountjoy.
Leighton, Sir Thomas: 1582 March 8: daughter.
Lenton alias Grey, Margaret: see Astley, John.
Leyburn, Elizabeth: see Dacre of the North, Lord.
Luttrell, Katherine: see Copley.

Machell, Joan: see Chamberlain, Sir Thomas.
Macwilliam, Henry: 1564 June 27: Elizabeth.
Manners, Edward, 3rd Earl of Rutland: 1576 Jan 7: Elizabeth.
Markham, Isabel: see Harington, John (I).
Markham, Thomas: 1566 Dec 2: Griffin.
Maryn, Lucy: see Tuchet, George, Lord Audley.
Master, Dr Richard: 1564 March 5: Henry.
Morant, Henry: 1594 August (end): daughter.
Morgan, Anne: see Carey, Henry, later 1st Lord Hunsdon (two godchildren).
Morley: see Parker.
Morrison, Bridget: see Radcliffe, Robert, Earl of Sussex (two godchildren).
Morrison, Elizabeth: see Norris, William.
Mountjoy: see Blount.

Nevill, Mary: see Fane, Sir Thomas.
Neville, Catherine: see Percy, Henry, 8th Earl of Northumberland.
Neville, Lucy: see Cornwallis, William.
Newton, Frances: see Brooke, William, Lord Cobham.
Newton, Nazareth: see Southwell, Thomas.
Norfolk, Duke of: see Howard, Thomas.
Norriss, Catherine: see Paulet, Anthony.
Norriss, William: 1578 March 26: son.
Northampton, Lady Marguis of (née Snakenborg): see Gorges, Sir Thomas.
Northumberland: see Percy.
Onley, Jane: see Cotton, Richard.
Ormond: see Butler.
Oxford: see Vere.

Parker, Edward, 12th Lord Morley: 1580 Aug 7: Mary.
Paulet, Anthony: 1585 Jan 2: Elizabeth.
Pembroke: see Herbert.
Pendred, Mr: Pre-Accession: 1551: child.
Percy, Henry, 8th Earl of Northumberland: 1584 Jan 10 (note).
Percy, Henry, 9th Earl of Northumberland: (1) 1596 July 8: Henry, Lord Percy.
(2) 1602 Oct 14: Algernon, Lord Percy.
Perrott, Lady Dorothy (née Devereux): see Percy, Henry 9th Earl of Northumberland (two godchildren).
Peterson, Alice: see Dethick, Sir Gilbert.
Pickering, Hester: see Wotton, Edward.
Polsted, Elizabeth (née More): see Wolley, John.
Pound, Honor: see Radcliffe, Sir Henry.

Radcliffe, Sir Henry: 1573 June 18: Robert.
Radcliffe, Robert, Earl of Sussex: (1) 1594 June 13/24: Elizabeth.
(2) 1596 Aug 12: Henry, Viscount Fitzwalter.
Ralegh, Carew: 1583 Dec 18: daughter.
Revet, Anne: see Windsor, Henry 5th Lord.
Rhys, Agnes: see Baynton, Edward.
Rich, Katherine (née Knyvett): see Howard, Lord Thomas (two godchildren).
Rich, Robert, 3rd Lord: 1588 Nov 26: Mary.
Rogers, Andrew: 1578 April 4: child.
Rogers, Mary: see Harington, John (II).
Russell, Anne: see Somerset, Henry, Lord Herbert,
Russell, Lady Margaret: see Clifford, George, Earl of Cumberland.
Rutland, Earl of: see Manners.

St John, Anne: see Howard of Effingham, William Lord.
Sandys, Elizabeth: see Berkeley, Sir Maurice.
Scrope, Thomas: 1584 Aug 16: Emanuel.
Seymour, Lady Elizabeth: see Knightley, Sir Richard.
Seymour, Lady Mary: see Rogers, Andrew.
Sheffield, Lady Douglas (née Howard): see Stafford, Edward.
Sheffield, Elizabeth: see Butler, Thomas, Earl of Ormond.
Sheffield, John, 2nd Lord: 1561 Sept 26: Elizabeth.
Sidney, Lucy: see Harington, James.
Sidney, Mary: see Herbert, Henry, 2nd Earl of Pembroke.
Sidney, Sir Philip: 1585 Nov 15: Elizabeth.
Sidney, Sir Robert: 1593 February (end): Elizabeth.
Somerset, Lady Anne: see Wynter, Sir Edward.
Somerset, Edward, Lord Herbert: 1572 October/November: Elizabeth.
Somerset, Lady Elizabeth: see Guildford, Sir Henry.
Somerset, Lady Katherine: see Petre, William.
Southwell, Nazareth (née Newton): see Paget, Lord.
Southwell, Robert: 1584 April 25: Elizabeth Southwell (III).
Spencer, Elizabeth: see Carey, Sir George (two godchildren).
Stafford, Edward: 1581 March 1/4: son.
Stafford, Elizabeth: see Drury, Sir William (II).
Stanley, Elizabeth: see Parker, Edward, Lord Morley.
Stanley, Mary: see Herbert, Edward.
Sussex, Earl of: see Radcliffe, Robert.

Tedeschi, Lucrecia: see Conti, Anthony de.
Thomas, Mary: see Harvey, Henry.
Throckmorton, Sir Nicholas: 1564 April 18: child.
Tuchet, George, 11th Lord Audley: 1579 Feb 6: Maria.

Vere, Lady Elizabeth (I): see Windsor, Edward 3rd Lord.
Vere, Lady Elizabeth (II): see Stanley, William, Earl of Derby.
Vere, Lady Mary: see Bertie, Peregrine, Lord Willoughby.
Verney, Hugh: Pre-Accession: 1556: Elizabeth.

Walsingham, Frances: see Sidney, Sir Philip.
Warren, Joan: see Cromwell, Sir Henry.
Wenman, Thomas: 1575 July 20: Elizabeth.
Wentworth, Anne: see Wentworth, Thomas 2nd Lord.
Wentworth, Margery: see Williams of Thame, Lord.
Wentworth, Thomas 2nd Lord: 1560 June (end): Elizabeth.
West, Jane: see Wenman, Thomas.
West, Robert (deceased): 1594 August (end): posthumous son.
Williams, Margaret: see Norris, (Sir) Henry (two godchildren).
Williams, Margery (née Wentworth): see Drury, Sir William (I).
Williams of Thame, John, Lord: 1559 Jan 24: daughter.
Willoughby: see Bertie.
Windsor, Anne: see Grey, Henry.
Windsor, Henry, 5th Lord: 1598 Jan 30: Elizabeth.
Wolley, John: 1583 April 3: Francis.
Wotton, Edward: 1578 July 2: son.
Wroughton, Dorothy: see Ralegh, Carew.

Zouche, Dorothy: see Grey of Wilton, Lord.
4. Queen’s Foreign Godchildren.

Dutch children:

French children, born in England:
Jean de Ferrières, Vidame de Chartres: 1570 July 5: Elizabeth.
Mauvissière (Ambassador):
(1) 1577 Jan 27: Robert.
(2) 1585 June 26: daughter.
Châteauneuf (Ambassador): 1586 March (start): son.

Born in France:
King Charles IX’s daughter: 1573 Feb 2: Maria Elisabeth.

German children:
Duke Otto of Brunswick requested Queen to be godmother: 1574 Dec 5.
Landgrave Wilhelm IV of Hesse: 1577 May 30: Elizabeth.

Scottish children:
King of Scots and Mary Queen of Scots: 1566 Dec 18: James; later King James VI of Scotland and King James I of England.


Francis Stewart, Earl of Bothwell: 1590 March 1: Elizabeth Stewart; gifts for the christening: Jan 21; Feb 7; March 8.

King James VI and Anne of Denmark:
(1) 1594 Aug 30: Prince Henry.
(2) 1596 Nov 28: Princess Elizabeth.

Swedish children, born in England:
Dionisius Burreus, Ambassador:
(1) 1559 Feb 28: child.
(2) 1560 Jan 27: child.

Lady Cecilia of Sweden and the Marquis of Baden:
1565 Sept 30: Edwardus Fortunatus.

Born abroad:
Duke Charles of Sweden’s son: 1601 May 10 (note).
5. **Births and Christenings: miscellaneous references.**

1560 Oct 10: Robert Carey, son of Lord Hunsdon.
1561 Sept 21: Edward Seymour; born in the Tower.
1563 Feb 10: Thomas Seymour; born in the Tower.
1565 Jan 16: Leicester godfather to Elizabeth Baroncelli, of Antwerp.
1565 Dec 11: William Brooke born; son of Lord Cobham.
1566 June 19: Prince James of Scotland born.
1574 Aug 7: Robert Dudley, son of Earl of Leicester and Lady Sheffield.
1578 June 1: Elizabeth Mornay, daughter of Ambassador from Navarre.

1581 June 6: Lord Denbigh, son of Earl and Countess of Leicester.
1585 July 7: Thomas Howard, son of Philip Howard, Earl of Arundel.
1586 May 26: Katherine Bertie, Lady Willoughby’s daughter.
1588 Sept 29: Victorious Brown baptised.

1591 Oct 16: Katherine Legh, Maid of Honour, sent to Tower, after daughter Frances, by Sir Francis Darcy, had been born at court.
1592 March 21: Damerei Ralegh born; April 10: baptised.
1592 July 31: Edward Whitney, born and christened whilst Queen at Mitcham.
1594 May 11: Mary Browne, Viscount Montagu’s daughter.
1595 Oct 13: Antonio Oltrana requested Queen to be godmother.
1598 Nov 8: Penelope Wriothesley, daughter of Earl of Southampton.

1601 Jan 26: Mary Fitton, Maid of Honour, had child by Earl of Pembroke.
1601 May 28: Spencer Compton, son of William 2nd Lord Compton.
1601 Nov 16: Earl of Desmond’s posthumous child (born in 1602).
1603 Jan 27: Lady Howard of Effingham’s daughter born.

**Christenings described.**

1560 Dec 7: Chapel Royal: Maximilian Brooke; Queen present.
1565 May 3: French Church, London: James Harington’s child. Sept 30: Chapel Royal: Cecilia of Sweden’s son, Edwardus Fortunatus; Queen present.
1566 Dec 18: Scotland: Prince James.
1570 July 5: Ely House, Holborn: Vidame’s daughter.
1596 Nov 28: Scotland: Princess Elizabeth.
Deaths: chronological list.

1558
Nov 17: Reginald Pole, Cardinal and Archbishop.
Dec 16: Sir Thomas Cheyne, K.G., Privy Councillor.

1559
March 16: Sir Anthony St Leger, K.G.
July 10: in France: King Henri II, after injury in tournament.
July, end: Elizabeth Clive, of the Privy Chamber, at Otford.
Aug 29: Sir Thomas Cawarden, Master of the Revels.
Sept 22: Dorothy, Lady Cobham.
Oct 14: Lord Williams of Thame.
Nov 1: Richard Knyvett, a Gentleman Pensioner.
Nov 21: Frances, Duchess of Suffolk.

1560
June 10: in Scotland: Mary of Guise, Regent of Scotland.
June 22: Francis Hastings, 2nd Earl of Huntingdon, K.G.
Aug 18: Thomas Stanley, 2nd Lord Monteagle, K.G.
Sept 28: Francis Talbot, 5th Earl of Shrewsbury, K.G.
Dec 5: in France: King François II.
Dec 14: Sir Thomas Parry, Privy Councillor.

1561
c.Feb 18: Master of Defence killed.
July 15: Dr William Bill, Dean of Westminster.
July 26: Richard Bower, Master of Children of Chapel Royal.
Sept 6: Sir James Boleyn (funeral). Bequest to Queen.

1562
Aug 27: Margaret, Countess of Bedford; of smallpox.
Sept 8: in France: Sir Peter Mewtas, special Ambassador.
Nov 4: John Frankwell, a Gentleman Usher.
Nov 6: Mrs Penne, of the royal household; of smallpox.
Nov 18: in France: King Antoine of Navarre.
Dec 14: William Lord Grey of Wilton, K.G.

1563
May 21, by: Florence Diaceto.
June 9: William 1st Lord Paget, K.G.
Aug 24: Spanish Ambassador, Bishop de Quadra.
Sept 17: Henry Manners 2nd Earl of Rutland; of plague.

1564
Jan 10: Margaret, Duchess of Norfolk.
Feb 10: Henry Neville, 5th Earl of Westmorland, K.G.
July 25: in Vienna: Emperor Ferdinand, K.G.
Nov 19: Lord John Grey.
Dec 31: Edward 1st Lord North. Bequest to Queen.

1565
April 2: Elizabeth Lady Marquis of Northampton. Gift to Queen.
July 18: Katherine Astley, of the Bedchamber. Queen’s grief: July 22,23.
1566  Jan 19: Rowland Vaughan (funeral).  
March 9: in Scotland: David Riccio, murdered.  
April 21: Sir John Mason, Privy Councillor.  
July 1: Thomas 4th Lord Dacre of the North.  
July 1: Thomas Williams, Speaker of House of Commons.  
Sept 2: at Oxford play before Queen: three accidental deaths.  

1567  Jan 16: Gertrude, Countess of Shrewsbury (funeral).  
Feb 10: in Scotland: Henry, King of Scots, assassinated.  
March 2: Thomas Weldon, Cofferer of the Household.  
June 12: Richard 1st Lord Rich.  
Sept 4: Elizabeth, Duchess of Norfolk.  
Nov 12: in France: Anne, Duke of Montmorency, K.G.  

1568  Jan 27: Lady Catherine Grey.  
April 2: Sir Ambrose Cave, Privy Councillor.  
May 3: Sir Edward Rogers, Privy Councillor.  
June 26: Thomas Young, Archbishop of York.  
Dec 10: John 2nd Lord Sheffield.  
Dec 28: Henry 2nd Lord Paget.  
Dec 30: Roger Ascham, Queen’s Latin Secretary.  

1569  Jan 14: Katherine, Lady Knollys; Queen’s cousin.  
Queen’s grief: Jan 14,19,29.  
March 13: in France: Louis, Prince of Condé; in battle.  
April 19: John Tamworth, Keeper of the Privy Purse.  
April 19: George Varnam buried, killed by a Gentleman Sewer.  
May 7: in France: François de Châtillon.  
May 17: George 5th Lord Dacre of the North (child).  
Sept 5: Dr Bonner, former Bishop of London; in prison.  

1570  Jan 8: Henry Clifford, 2nd Earl of Cumberland.  
Jan 23: in Scotland: James Earl of Moray, Regent; assassinated.  
Queen’s grief: Jan 29,30, Feb 17.  
March 17: William Herbert, 1st Earl of Pembroke.  
May 27: Thomas and Christopher Norton, rebels, executed at Tyburn.  
Aug 8: John Felton, executed for high treason.  
Aug 18: Mrs Parker, wife of Archbishop of Canterbury, buried.  

1571  Feb 12: Sir Nicholas Throckmorton.  
June 1: Dr John Story, executed at Tyburn.  
Sept 4: in Scotland: Matthew Earl of Lennox, Regent; assassinated.  
Feb 11: Kenelm Berney and Edmund Mather executed, Tower Hill.  
March 5: Edward, Lord Hastings of Loughborough, K.G.  
March 10: William Paulet, 1st Marquis of Winchester; Lord Treasurer.  
June 2: Duke of Norfolk executed at the Tower for high treason.  
June 14: Thomas 2nd Lord Wharton.  
June 25: Sir Thomas Benger, Master of the Revels (will).  
Aug 24: in France: Admiral de Coligny, in Massacre of St Bartholomew.  
Oct 24: Edward Stanley, 3rd Earl of Derby, K.G.  

1573  Jan 12: William 1st Lord Howard of Effingham, K.G. Bequest to Queen.  
March 11: Edmund Brydges, 2nd Lord Chandos, K.G.  
March 17: Reginald Grey, 5th Earl of Kent.  

1574  April 30: in France: La Mole and Coonas executed.  
May 30: in France: King Charles IX.  
June 27: in France: Count Montgomery executed.  
Aug 29: George Webster, Queen’s Master Cook.  
Sept 15: Jane, Dowager Countess of Southampton.  
Sept 16: Sir Robert Catlin, Chief Justice of the Queen’s Bench.  

Feb 3: John Carow, Property-maker for the Revels.  
Feb 22: Ambrosia Sidney (child).  
March 10: Dr John Dee’s 1st wife buried. Queen’s chance visit.  
May 17: Matthew Parker, Archbishop.  Bequest to Queen.  

1576  March 5: in Brussels: Requesens, Governor of Low Countries.  
March, end: Charles, Earl of Lennox.  
April 25: Katherine, Countess of Pembroke; general grief.  
June 25: Lady Mountjoy buried.  
July 15: William Scarlet, Master of Queen’s Barges.  
Sept 22: in Dublin: Walter 1st Earl of Essex; request to Queen.  
Sept 23: Catherine, Dowager Countess of Huntingdon.  
Nov 4: John Paulet, 2nd Marquis of Winchester.  

July 15: in Russia: Daniel Sylvester, envoy, killed by lightning.  
Aug 12: Sir Thomas Smith, Queen’s Secretary.  Bequest to Queen.  
Dec 26: woman killed at Hampton Court buried.  

1578  Jan 16: Henry, Lord Burgh’s son, killed at Hampton Court, buried.  
Jan 29: Henry Cuttell, killed at Hampton Court, buried.  
March 9: Margaret, Countess of Lennox.  
April 30: Lady Mary Grey.  
May 13: Sir John Jeffrey, Chief Baron of the Exchequer.  
June 14: Alice Foxe (murdered), buried.  Sequel: June 21,23,25.  
Oct 1: in Low Countries: Don John of Austria, Governor.  
Oct 5: first burial of 3 children of Queen’s Trumpeter, of plague.
1579  Feb 20: Sir Nicholas Bacon, Lord Keeper.
Nov 21: Sir Thomas Gresham.
Dec 9: Mrs Margaret Dane (funeral). Bequest to Queen.
Dec 10: Sir Christopher Heydon.

1580  Feb 24: Henry Fitzalan, 12th Earl of Arundel, K.G.
April 6: two deaths in London caused by earthquake.
June 30: Gerald FitzGerald, Lord Gerald (funeral).
Sept 19: Katherine, Duchess of Suffolk.
Oct 10: Dr John Dee’s mother Jane. Queen’s visit of condolence.

1581  Jan 13: Walter Hedd, Yeoman of the Guard; murdered.
March 3: John 2nd Lord Darcy of Chiche.
May 1: Sir William Gerard, Lord Chancellor of Ireland.
May 17: Sir William Cordell, Master of the Rolls.
May 20: Dr Thomas Wilson, Queen’s Secretary.
June 2: in Scotland: James Earl of Morton, executed.
July 22: Dr Richard Cox, Bishop of Ely.
Dec 1: Edmund Campion and two other Jesuit priests executed at Tyburn.

1582  Jan 3: in Ireland: Sir John Desmond killed.
Jan 21: Elizabeth, Countess of Lennox. Bequest to Queen.
Jan 28: Thomas Howard, 1st Viscount Howard of Bindon.
Sept 1: Elizabeth, Countess of Ormond.
Sept 3: Francis Lord Talbot buried; Oct 29: Queen sent messenger to widow.
Oct 27: Piero Capponi, died of plague, buried.
Nov 7: William Wentworth, died of plague. Queen’s grief.
Dec 6: Captain John Zouche, in a fray; Richard Zouche also died.

April 16: Nazareth, Lady Newton.
May 6: Margaret, Lady Tailboys.
June 1: Dr George Carew, Dean of Chapel Royal.
Aug 18: Anthony Crane, of the royal household, buried.
Sept 9: Sir Humphrey Gilbert drowned on way back from Newfoundland.
Oct 16: Ursula Hungerford (will).
Nov 11: in Ireland: Gerald FitzGerald, 14th Earl of Desmond, killed.
1584 March 18: in Moscow: Tsar Ivan the Terrible.
April 23: Joan, died of the Queen’s Evil, buried.
May 19: John Skinner, Queen’s Clerk Controller.
June 1 (o.s.): in France: Duke of Alençon, former suitor to Queen.
Queen’s grief: June 16,17, July 2,6,18.
Philip Sidney sent to condole (abortive embassy): July 7,8,14,18.
June 30 (o.s.): in Holland: William Prince of Orange, assassinated.
July 23: John Lord Russell.
Oct 3: Sir Gilbert Dethick, Garter King of Arms.

1585 Jan 11: Thomas Smith, of the Guard, buried (and two other men).
March 2: Dr William Parry executed for high treason.
June 12: Elizabeth, Lady Morley.
June 20: Henry Percy, 8th Earl of Northumberland, in the Tower.
July 27: Francis Lord Russell, son and heir of 2nd Earl of Bedford.
Queen sent messenger to condole with daughters: Sept 12.
Nov 3: Adrian Stokes.
Nov 16: Gerald FitzGerald, 11th Earl of Kildare.
Nov 20: Thomas Tallis, of the Chapel Royal.
Dec 24: Frederick 4th Lord Windsor. Bequest to Queen.

1586 March 15, by: Thomas Lichfield, of the Privy Chamber, murdered.
May 5: Sir Henry Sidney, K.G.
June 16: Winifred, Dowager Marchioness of Winchester.
Queen’s grief: Nov 4,5. Funeral: 16 Feb 1587, St Paul’s Cathedral.

1587 Feb 8: Mary Queen of Scots executed; funeral: Aug 1, Peterborough.
March 30: Sir Ralph Sadler, Privy Councillor.
April 11: Mrs Elizabeth Snow, of the Privy Chamber (will).
April 12: Sir Thomas Bromley, Lord Chancellor.
April 14: Edward Manners, 3rd Earl of Rutland.
April 16: Anne, Duchess of Somerset.

1588 Jan 24: Dr Richard Master, Queen’s physician, buried.
Feb 24: John Manners, 4th Earl of Rutland.
Feb 28: General Portall, Frenchman, buried.
April 4: in Denmark: King Frederick II. Envoy sent to condole: June 12.
June 5: Anne, Countess of Oxford.
July 18: Anne, Dowager Countess of Pembroke.
Sept 3: Richard Tarlton, comic actor.
Sept 4: Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester, K.G. Bequest to Queen.
Queen’s great grief: Sept 7.
Sept 26: Sir Amias Paulet, Privy Councillor; epitaph by E.R.
Dec 13,14 (o.s.): in France: Duke of Guise; Cardinal of Guise; murdered.
Dec 26 (o.s.): in France: Catherine de Medici, Queen Mother.
      March 9: Frances, Dowager Countess of Sussex. Bequest to Queen.
      April 4: Mildred, Lady Burghley.
      May 3: Sir Martin Calthorpe, Lord Mayor of London.
      May 31: Sir Walter Mildmay, Privy Councillor. Bequest to Queen.
      July 24 (o.s.): in France: King Henri III, assassinated.
      Nov 12: Henry 1st Lord Compton (will).

1590  Jan 8: in France: Sir William Drury, after a duel.
      Feb 12: Blanche Parry, Chief Gentlewoman of Privy Chamber. Bequest to Queen.
      Feb 21: Ambrose Dudley, Earl of Warwick, K.G. Bequest to Queen.
      February, end: in France: John Stubbs. Request to Queen.
      March 13: Dowager Countess of Lincoln (will). Bequest to Queen.
      April 5: Sir Francis Walsingham, Queen’s Secretary.
      Sept 4: Sir James Croft, Privy Councillor.
      Sept 7: Joachim Ortell, Dutch Agent, buried.

1591  Jan 14: John 2nd Lord Bourke, killed by Arnold Cosby prior to a duel.
      Trial and execution of Cosby: Jan 25-27.
      Feb 11: Daniel Rogers, a Clerk of the Council.
      May 1: Elizabeth, Baroness Ros.
      Aug 20/23: John Burchall, of the Chapel Royal.
      Sept 2: Sir Richard Grenville, at sea.
      Sept 23: Henry Whittell, Yeoman of the Chamber (will).
      Oct 8: Robert Cotton, Yeoman of Removing Wardrobe (funeral).
      Nov 20: Sir Christopher Hatton, K.G., Lord Chancellor.
      Queen stayed with him for four days in final illness.
      Dec 9: Robert Balthrop, Queen’s surgeon.

1592  Jan 6: abroad: Duke John Casimir, K.G.
      Feb 4: William Lilly, Yeoman Harbinger (will).
      May 1: John Underhill, Bishop of Oxford.
      May 7: Sir Christopher Wray, Chief Justice of the Queen’s Bench.
      June 13: Henry 9th Lord Scrope, K.G.
      July 19: George Tenacre (will).
      Oct 17: Frances Lady Cobham, a Lady of the Bedchamber.
      Oct 19: Anthony Browne, 1st Viscount Montagu.
      Oct 20: report of deaths in French Ambassador’s household.
      Nov 30, Dec 1,7,11: ‘courtiers’ buried (start of plague).
      Dec 14: Sir Roger Manwood, Chief Baron of the Exchequer.

1593  Jan 2: Hugh Underhill, Yeoman of the Wardrobe, buried.
      May 30: Christopher Marlowe.
      June 1: Marlowe’s Inquest and burial.
      Aug 1: Anthony Anderson, of the Chapel Royal (died Oct 10, plague).
      Sept 13: Nicholas Ansley (burial).
      Oct 14: Arthur 14th Lord Grey of Wilton, K.G.
      Nov 20: Lady Scrope’s page, John, at court, of plague.
      Nov 29: Richard Hesketh executed.
      Dec 5: Sir Rowland Hayward, twice Lord Mayor, of plague.
      Dec 14: Henry Radcliffe, 4th Earl of Sussex, K.G.
1594 Feb 21: Giles Brydges, 3rd Lord Chandos.  
March 7: Sir John Burgh, in a duel.  
April 16: Ferdinando Stanley, 5th Earl of Derby. Request to Queen.  
June 5: John Aylmer, Bishop of London.  
June 7: Dr Lopez and two Portuguese executed, Tyburn.  
June 27: William Blount, 7th Lord Mountjoy.  
July 1: Sir Cuthbert Buckle, Lord Mayor of London.  
Sept 25: Gregory Fiennes, 10th Lord Dacre of the South.  

1595 Jan 17: in Turkey: Sultan Murad III.  
Feb 21: Robert Southwell, Jesuit priest, executed at Tyburn.  
May 14: Anne, Lady Dacre of the South. Bequest to Queen.  
Aug 26: in France: Don Antonio, former King of Portugal.  
Aug 30: Thomas Astley, Groom of the Privy Chamber.  
Oct 17: Sir Thomas Heneage, Vice-Chamberlain. Bequest to Queen.  
Dec 12: Sir Roger Williams.  
Dec 17: Francis Lord Hastings.  
Dec 20: Queen’s visit of condolence to Countess of Huntingdon.  
Dec 30: William West, 1st Lord De La Warr.  

1596 Jan 5: William Back, of the Guard, killed. (Burial).  
Jan 28: Sir Francis Drake, at sea.  
Feb 29: Sir John Wolley, Privy Councillor.  
April 30: Sir John Puckering, Lord Keeper.  
June 15: Richard Fletcher, Bishop of London.  
July 19: Sir Francis Knollys, K.G. Bequest to Queen.  
July 23: Henry Carey, Lord Hunsdon, K.G., Queen’s cousin.  
Sept 24: in France: Giles Strangeways.  
Sept 29: Margaret, Dowager Countess of Derby, Queen’s cousin.  
Oct 28: Catherine, Dowager Countess of Northumberland.  
Dec 30: Thomas Skinner, Lord Mayor of London.  

1597 Jan 17: Robert Cecil (new-born) buried.  
Jan 27: Dr Roger Gifford, Queen’s physician.  
Feb 16: Francis Flower, Gentleman Pensioner (will).  
Feb 26: Henry Noel, courtier; tributes to him.  
March 6: William Brooke, 10th Lord Cobham, K.G.  
March 15: Gregory Lovell, Cofferer of the Household.  
May 8, by: in Ireland: Peogh McHugh killed.  
May 13: Thomas Cornwallis, Groom Porter.  
June 7: John Symonds, of the Joiners’ Company, buried.  
Nov 15: Robert Bowes, Ambassador to Scotland.  
Nov 25: John Bowes, weaver, after Accession Day accident, buried.  
1598
Feb 15: John May, Bishop of Carlisle.
May 14: Frances, Countess of Hertford.
June 8, by: Ralph Bowes, Master of the Queen’s Games.
Sept 3 (o.s.): in Spain: King Philip II.

1599
Jan 13: Edmund Spenser, poet.
April 12/13: William FitzGerald, 13th Earl of Kildare; shipwrecked.
June 18: Henry Macwilliam, in a duel.
June 22: Sir William Fitzwilliam.
Sept 20: Katherine Howard, Maid of Honour, buried.

1600
Jan 21: Elizabeth, Lady Egerton.
May 15: Meriel, Lady Crompton.
July 1: Elizabeth Russell, Gentlewoman of Privy Chamber.
July 22: Sir Anthony Paulet.
Aug 21: Mary (Howard), Lady Dudley.
Sept 1: Sir William Howard, brother of Lady Dudley, buried.
Dec 3: Roger 2nd Lord North. Bequest to Queen.
Dec 22, by: Russian buried: ceremonial described.

1601
Jan 9: poor maid at court gate buried.
Jan 12: Bridget, Dowager Countess of Bedford.
Jan 19: Henry Herbert, 2nd Earl of Pembroke, K.G.
Jan 26: Dr John James, a royal physician.
Feb 10: Owen Salisbury, and James, a Footman, buried.
Feb 17: Captain Thomas Lee executed; Randall Tippin buried.
Feb 25: Robert Devereux, 2nd Earl of Essex, executed for high treason.
March 18: Sir Christopher Blount and Sir Charles Danvers executed.
June 17: Dr Gabriel Goodman, Dean of Westminster.
July 8: Sir George Rodney’s suicide described.
Nov 11: James FitzGerald, Earl of Desmond.
Nov 18: Agnes, Dowager Marchioness of Winchester. Bequest to Queen.

1602
Feb 13: Dr Alexander Nowell, Dean of St Paul’s.
Feb 26: Robert 6th Lord Burgh (child).
March 24: Thomas West, 2nd Lord De La Warr.
April 26, by: Fulke Boughton, Archbishop’s servant, killed.
Queen’s visit of condolence to Archbishop.
July 21 (o.s.): in France: Duke of Biron executed.

1603
Jan 12: Dr George Boleyn, Dean of Lichfield (will). Request to Queen.
Feb 25: Katherine Countess of Nottingham; the Queen’s grief: March 3,9.
March 24: Queen Elizabeth. April 28: the Queen’s Funeral.
Funerals described.
1558 Dec 13-14: Queen Mary Tudor, Westminster Abbey.
1561 March 26: Lady Jane Seymour, Westminster Abbey.
1587 Feb 16: Sir Philip Sidney, St Paul’s Cathedral.
Aug 1: Mary Queen of Scots, Peterborough Cathedral.
1603 April 28: Queen Elizabeth, Westminster Abbey.

Funerals paid for by the Queen.
1558 Dec 13-14: Queen Mary Tudor, Westminster Abbey.
1559 July, end: Elizabeth Clive, Otford Church, Kent.
Nov 25: Frances Duchess of Suffolk died; funeral, Dec 14, Westminster Abbey.
1561 March 20: Lady Jane Seymour died; funeral, March 26, Westminster Abbey.
1565 April 2: Lady Marquis of Northampton died; funeral, April 27, St Paul’s.
1566 Jan 19: Rowland Vaughan, St Margaret Westminster.
1568 Jan 27: Lady Catherine Grey died; funeral, Feb 21, Yoxford, Suffolk.
1569 Jan 14: Lady Knollys died; funeral, Westminster Abbey.
1571 Oct 28: Marquis of Northampton died; funeral, Dec 5, Warwick, St Mary.
1578 March 9: Countess of Lennox died; funeral, April 3, Westminster Abbey.
Apr 20: Lady Mary Grey died; funeral, May 14, Westminster Abbey.
1587 Feb 8: Mary Queen of Scots; funeral, Aug 1, Peterborough Cathedral.
1590 Feb 12: Blanche Parry died; funeral, Feb 27, St Margaret Westminster.
1596 July 23: Henry Lord Hunsdon died; funeral, Aug 12, Westminster Abbey.

Obsequies for foreign monarchs.
1558 Dec 23: Charles V, former Holy Roman Emperor.
1559 Sept 9: King Henri II of France; 1564 Oct 2: Emperor Ferdinand.
1574 Aug 7: King Charles IX of France.

Queen’s letters of condolence quoted.
1566 Sept 17: to Lady Hoby (widowed).
1570 March 22: to Countess of Pembroke (widowed).
1575 Feb 22: to Sir Henry Sidney (for daughter).
1582 Sept 3: to Earl of Shrewsbury (for son).
1590 Jan 8: to Lady Drury (widowed).
1597 Sept 22: to Lady Norris (for son).
1598 Oct 16: to Lady Southwell (widowed).
1599 Sept 6: to Lord and Lady Norris (for two sons).
1600 May 15: to Lady Paget (for daughter).

Funeral Certificates quoted/referred to.
1569 April 19: John Tamworth; 1575 Jan 4: Sir William Pickering;
1579 Nov 21: Sir Thomas Gresham; 1585 April 4: Sir James Dyer (died 1582);
1594 June 5: John Aylmer; 1597 Feb 12: Lady Cecil (quoted in full).

Burial customs.
1575 Jan 24: Lord Windsor: heart sent to England for burial.
1582 Jan 3: Sir John Desmond: head sent to Dublin; his ring to Queen.
May 26: Duke of Lennox: heart sent from France to King James.
1583 Nov 11: Earl of Desmond: head sent from Ireland to court.
1586 May 5: Sir Henry Sidney: heart buried at Ludlow.
1596 April 30: Sir John Puckering: bowels to be buried.
1597 May 8: Feogh McHugh: head sent from Ireland to court; found at Enfield.
1599 Nov 12: Margaret Radcliffe: bowels buried.
Dec 22: Russian: burial custom described.