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Abbreviations Used

Notes signed *A. G.* are written by Alexander Gordon, M.A.

Camb. Jnl. = *The Journal of George Fox*, published by the Cambridge University Press, 1911.

D.N.B. = *The Dictionary of National Biography*.

\bar{c} , ζ = a soft c, as *petiċon* = petition.

p = p succeeded by a vowel and r, as *psons* = persons.

β = p succeeded by r and a vowel, as *βvent* = prevent.

Extracts from State Papers.

FOURTH SERIES.

Petition of Francis Howgill.

[Endorsed] Fr Howgills Case

To the King.

A true Representation of the case of Francis Howgill now a Prisoner in Appleby in y^e County of Westmorland.

The said Francis Howgill, a Servant of the Lord & one of those who are commonly called Quakers, being about five yeares Since [1663] employ'd in his outward occasions, on a Markett day at Kendall Some of the Justices of the Peace of the said County who were then keeping a Session there, sent for him & tendered him the Oath of Allegiance, and because he could not sweare (and for noe other reason) he was by them committed to Appleby Goale and at y^e next Assizes for the said County he had the Sentence of a Premunire past upon him, and hath remained in Prison ever since.

May it now therefore please the King of his Clemency to take such Order that this poor man may be delivered from his Bonds he haveing suffered five yeares imprisonment for noe other reason but because he cannot sweare.¹

Ambrose Rigge.

[Endorsed] Thomas Moore's busines

Whereas humble suite hath been made to vs on the behalfe of Ambrosse Rigge and William Welch prisoners in Horsham Goale in the Countie of Sussex & convict of a Premunire that wee would be graciously pleased to grant them their libertie Our will and pleasure is that forthwith vpon sight hereof you release

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 270. 37. Cal. 1668-9, p. 644, under date "1669?" Howgill died in January, 1668/9.

and sett at libertie, or giue efectuall Order for the discharge of them the said Ambrosse Rigge and William Welch, and for soe doeing this shall be your Warrant.

Given at our Court at Whitehall the twelfth day of May in the one and twentyeth year of our Reign.

To the Keeper of o' Goale
at Horsham in the County
of Sussex his depputy or
Deputyes, and all others
whom it may concerne.¹

Quakers Increase in Deal.

RICHARD WATTS to Sec. Williamson.

Deale August 15 1669.

M^r Secretary.

. . . The Quaker increases, most side with them, & few speak against them.

S^r I am yo^r obed^t serv^t
RI. WATTS.²

Thieves, Murderers, and Quakers.

NICHOLAS WOOD to Williamson.

Honrd S^r

This weeke wee haue had but smale doeing but we hope we shall haue better this next for the assisses doth begin the Judges doth Come in on wednsday next ; And it is thought that the[re] will be great sisses for here is many theeues and two Three murderers and aboue thirty quakers in the Castle. . .

Yo^r worpp^s most faithfull and
obedient seruant,

NICH: WOOD.

Nor[wich].

the 6 of Sept^r
1669.³

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 260. 36. *Cal.* 1668-9, p. 323. It looks as though this order was not executed, as in 1671, Rigge is still in jail. See later.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 264. 55. *Cal.* 1668-9, p. 450.

Much the same is written of Friends in Deal, in a subsequent letter from Richard Watts, "The Quaker meets often, and carries away great partys" (*Cal.* 1670, p. 29).

³ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 265. 21. *Cal.* 1668-9, p. 482.

A Quaker Vessel of Eight Guns.

[Endorsed] To M^r Jasper Mandit. Exon.

Whitehall April 12^o 1670.

. . . The Turks men of war have very unhappily falne upon some of o^r Merchant Men ab^t y^e Island of Sicilia who adventured wthout Convoy from Zante the Concord carryed 21 Gunns the M^{ch}^s delight 26 and the other was a Vessell of 8 Gunns Comanded by a Quaker, the John & Thomas who escaped had 36 Gunns & 70 men.¹

The Bishop's Informer.

[Address] For y^e Right Hon the Lord Arlington His Ma^{ties} Principall Secretary of State At y^e Court New-market wth care & speed.

[Endorsed] 25 Apr. 1670 R. at Newmarkett by Expsse. B^r of Lincolne. Insolences of y^e Phanaticks.

My Lord

My Duty to His Ma^{ties} obliges mee to discover to yo^r Lo^p what my servant brought mee y^e last night from a Conventicle neere Moore Feilds. To which hee had recourse, (the Dores being shutt at M^r Watsons Conventicle in Fishers Folly² where he was

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 274. 148. *Cal.* 1670, p. 160.

² For Thomas Watson, M.A. (d. July, 1686), ejected from the rectory of St. Stephen's, Walbrook, see Calamy and *D.N.B.* "Fishers Folly" is, of course, Devonshire House, built by Jasper Fisher, J.P., clerk in Chancery. "Fisher's Folly congregation" is immortalised in *Hudibras*. The Episcopal Returns, 1669 (*vide* G. Lyon Turner, *Orig. Records Early Nonconf.* i. 87), under "Conventicles in and about London," give "Devonshire House in Bp^sgate Street"; the column for "Sects" is blank, so is the one for "Principalls & Abetto^s"; that for "Numbers & Quality" reads "Much resorted to. And a Quak^s meeting adjoyning"; under "Preach^s or Teach^s" is the name "Tho: Watson." This Meeting-house was one of eight snapped up in 1671 for Anglican use. Its description at that date (as extracted in Besant's *London under the Stuarts*, p. 155), runs, "In Fisher's-foley, in Bishopsgate Street—a convenient place, with two galleries, pews, and seats." In regard to his "sect," Watson, in his application for licence under Indulgence, describes himself as "Thomas Watson Presbyter minister in y^e city of London. The place, my owne Howse in Dowgate lond." Licence was issued, 19 Apr. 1672, "to Thomas Watson to be a Presb. Teacher in his howse in Dowgate, London"; concurrently, his house was "licensed to be a Presb. Meeting place." He was not, however, a denominational bigot; in 1669 he took part in a "combination" Lecture conducted at Hackney by three Presbyterians and four Congregationals. *D.N.B.* copies an error in Wilson's *Diss. Churches of Lond.* i. 332, affirming that Watson obtained a licence in 1672 for Crosby Hall, Bishopsgate. Preaching in that Hall appears to have begun in 1675, when no licences were obtainable. A.G.

designed to be our Auditor, Having his choyce in That House either of a Presbyterian, Independent, or Quaking Conventicle.)

My servant came not time enough to heare y^e sermon ; but in y^e Prayer after Sermon These Expressions fell from the Preacher. (Speaking of the king) Convert his Evill Counsellours O Lord, or else Destroy them.

Let there be Blood, O Lord ; let the Land be covered with Blood.

Erect Thy standard, o Lord, call thy People together, & Defend them against their Enemies.

My Lord, just thus y^e Trumpet sounded from y^e Pulpit before the late Rebellion.

God blesse His Ma^{ty}

Yo^r Lo^{ps} most faythfull
& Affectionate serv^t

G. LINCOLN.

I have sent for y^e Teachers Name & what other witnesses can testify.¹

Bristol Friends Ignore the Conventicle Act.

JO FITZHERBERT to Williamson.

S^r

. . . The quakers in this Towne haue met since the late actt of parliament at their Assembles more Openly then formerly & retorne thence in numbers together of 6 or 10 together by the Tolsy and publique plases As If they Intended to out face the Law and Authority . . .

S^r your very humble S^t

JO. FITZ HERBERT.

Bristoll the 14th May

[16]70²

George Fox and the Lord Mayor.

[Endorsed] Nonconformists. May, 1670. Conuicts before my Lord Mayo^r

The names of those persons y^t were convicted the fifteenth day of May 1670 for preaching and assembling at Conventicles within the City of London, by the Right hono^{ble} S^r Sam^l

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 275. 14. Cal. 1670, p. 181.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 275. 132. Cal. 1670, p. 220.

Starling kn^t Lord Maior of y^e Sayd Citty, and one of his Ma^{ties} Justices of the Peace within the Sayd Citty. . . .

4. 5. George ffox and W^m Warwick, Quakers, were severally convicted for preaching in White horse yard, in Gracechurch Street London, and the severall fines of twenty pounds were imposed on them being their first offence.

6. John Burnett [Burnyeat] Quaker, was convicted of preaching in Devonshire house without Bishopsgate Street London, and y^e fine of twenty pounds was imposed on him. . . .

A true extract

THO. MONCK.¹

“*Queries upon the Late Act.*”

SIR GEOFFREY SHAKERLEY to Williamson.

S^r . . . Thursday nights p^t brought to my hands A most seditious Pamphlett Covered wth a blanke pap I would haue sent yoⁿ the Booke but y^t I beleeve yoⁿ haue seene seu^rall of them already peeping forth in those pts however I could not but acquaint yoⁿ wth its Title w^{ch} runns thus (viz) Some Seasonable & Serious Queries vpon y^e late Act against Conventicles, tending to discover how much it is against the expresse word of God y^e Positiue law of the Nation, the law & light of Nature, & Principles of Prudence & Policy, And therefore Adjudged by y^e law of y^e Land to be voyd & Null (viz.) Finch p. 3. That noe Act of Parl or Law repugnant to y^e Law of God is of any force.

28. p 8 [28 H. 8]. That noe man of what Estate, degree, or condition whatsoever hath power to dispense wth God & Law [Gods Law].

Doct. & Stud. That ag^t Scripture Law, Prescription, Statute nor Custom may availe, and if any be brought in ag^t it, they be voyd & against Justice.

42 Ed. 3. It is assented & accorded y^t y^e greate Charter be holden & kept in all poynts ; & y^t if any Statute be made to y^e Contrary, it shall be held for none.

By A friend to truth and Peace.

Math : 24 : 48 : 49 And if y^t Evill servant shall say in his hart the Lord delayeth his coming, & shall beginn to smite his ffellow servants & to eat & drinke wth y^e drunken &c.

Acts : 9 : 5 [4] : Saule, saule, why persecutest thou me it is hard for thee to Kick against y^e Pricks,

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 275. 135. Cal. 1670, p. 221. For details of the above events, see Camb. *Jnl.* ii. 156-161.

Psal. 9: 16: The wicked is snared in y^e worke of his owne hands &c.

Printed in the yeare 1670.

The Pamphlett tends as much as is possible (in my Judgm^t) to y^e stirring vp of Sedition & Rebellion, I wish heartily that both y^e Author^r & printer may be knowne & deservedly punished. I am sorry to troble yo^u vpon these scores but cannot avoyd it whilst I love y^e Truth & Peace, & being alwayes

yo^r most really affectionate &
humble servant

GEOFFERY SHAKERLEY.

Chest^r Castle,
14 May 70.²

SIR GEOFFREY SHAKERLEY to Williamson.

S^r

I gaue yo^u in my last the Title of avery seditious Pamphlett I had rec^d; since when I here more are sent to oth^r Justices of y^e Peace in this County in blanke papers, yesterday such as I had appoynted tooke 13 quaker at a Conventicle in the Citty in the Morning, yet notwithstanding they mett againe in the same howse in the Afternoone, the same psons wth the addition of two more being then 15 in Numb^r I tooke from them Adeclaraçon in Printe w^{ch} carries this Title (viz^t) Adeclaraçon from the people of God (called Quakers) against all Seditions Conventicles & daingerous practices of any whoe vnd^r Colour or pretence of Tender Contionce haue or may Contrive Insurrectiones, The said people being Clire from all such things in y^e sight of God, Angells & Men,³ The declaration it selfe in case yo^u haue it not, or shall require it, shall be sent yo^u vp. The psons taken are Convicted before the Mayor and Justices in the Citty and will furth^r be proceeded against according to the Act,

wth all due respect to yo^r selfe p^rsented I rest,
yo^r very humble servant

Chest^r Castle
16 May 70.⁴

GEOFFERY SHAKERLEY.

¹ Probably written by William Penn.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 275. 131. *Cal.* 1670, p. 219.

³ This was printed as a broadside. One of the several copies in D. has at foot the initials "gff" in George Fox's hand. See *Camb. Jnl.* ii. 155.

⁴ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 275. 139. *Cal.* 1670, p. 222.

SIR ROGER L'ESTRANGE, Surveyor of the Press, to Lord Arlington.

May 19th 1670

. . . I have made a Diligent Enquiry concerning y^e Queries upon y^e Act ag^t Conventicles; according to y^r Lo^{ps} comānds and I have traced some of them to y^e Hand of a Non-Conformist-minister ; But I am in hopes of a further & fuller Discovery.

I have seized a matter of 300 Seditious Books of old date at M^r Calvert's.¹

SIR J. ROBINSON to Williamson.

[Address] These For Joseph Williamson Esq^{re} at his Mat^{rs} Co^{rt} at Dover or else where. Dover. For his Ma^{ty} especiall service. fr Lieuft Tower.

[Endorsed] 16 May 1670. S^r Jo. Robinson. Phanaticke meetings.

S^r

It was impossible to giue an Accompt of last Sundayes worke p^rsently, but now vpon further discourses with my Lord Maior and the informaçons I haue taken since I sawe you, from all hands in and a boutte the Citty; I find that it is more then obvious, there is a perfitt combinaçon to baffle his Ma^{ty} Act against Conventicles . . . To that purpose by the conviçon of seuerall that haue beene taken, it is found not only by that, but by good informaçon, that ill minded people from all parts haue made their resort to the Citty of London, without doubt, to make a disturbance if possible, they well knowing that if Conventicles may be prevented in London, they must of necessity lay downe in the Country . . . though the private house meetings haue left of, the publike ones haue taken vpp full resoluçons to goe forward, notwithstanding many of them haue already been convicted, The private haueing laid downe, haue increased the publike ones. I told y^e of a booke call'd the Queries against the Act, these are plentifully throwne into their meetings, to invalid the Lawe. Coll King who was taken the last Sunday, is the greate Advocate for the Meeters, and is dayly vpon the Exchange, I will not say to promote sedition alone, but rebellion and Treason, which not only I, but my Lord Major and them bretheren that he dares trust, are of opinion that the resoluçons of these obstinate people tend to nothing lesse . . .

yo^r affectionate Brother & humble serv^t

J. ROBINSON.

Tower 18 May (70)

10 at night.²

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 275. 155 *Cal.* 1670 and Add., p. 227.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 275. 152. *Cal.* 1670, p. 226.

[Addressed] These to his worthy freind Joseph Williamson
Esq^r Whitehall

[Endorsed] 12 March. R. ditto. at the Tower S^r Jo:
Robinson.

S^r

I attended the sessions yesterday and fortunately mett with
m^r Lestrage and the vgly scandalous booke printed against the
proceedings of the former Sessions against Quakers &c. I haue
ingaged him besides my Lord Mayo^r to send for the Master &
Wardens of the Statione's Company to find out the Printer; I
haue promised Lestrage to pay him what charges he may be
at to finde out the printer, dispersers &c, to bring them to
justice. . . .

J. ROBINSON.

Tower
12 Martii
1671.¹

Quakers at Whitby.

SIR THOMAS GOWER to Williamson.

Stitnam 22^o May 1670.

S^r

I receyued y^e enclosed Lett^r yesterday in y^e afternoone from
Captain Fairfax (cheif officer of y^e Customes (as I take it) in the
port of Whitby, a Gentleman of partes, & a scholar. I took y^e
Information of M^r Ellis of w^{ch} I send a Copy, and have sent a
warrant to y^e Head Constable of Whitby-strand, to apphend
y^e Constable of Whitby, & will giue him his due deseruinge.

To my fellow Justice I have nothing to say you know—
inter pares non est potestas. I will only tell you (what Capt.
Fairfax glanceth at) that that town and y^e Country adiacent
are too much planted wth all sorts of dissenters as well as Quakers:
that they now heard together. That y^e neighboring Justices
(most of them) doe (at least) winke at, if not fauour their
pceedings.

They haue had priuate meetinges besides their open Con-
uenticles, & may be knowen if it were worth y^e while, what is y^e
result of them: But most men contemning what euer it may be,
I begin to be of y^e common opinion, that it is not worth your
trouble about, to let you know what halfe mad men are doing
below: yet there hauinge beene at least eight meetings in seauen
dayes, & they beginninge so early to contemn (if not make
opposition to) y^e Law, I had rather aduenture an error vpon y^e

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 288. 60. Cal. 1671, p. 128.

right then y^e Left hande. It is very true, that they some times meet & say nothings, other while seperate very timely, but I obserue at this meetinge there were speakers many, & psons (much esteemed among the seuerall sects, from all partes of y^e Country) euen at forty miles distance, that man called Laton Firbanck liues neer thirty miles from Whitby, & hath great dependances in this part of y^e Country, I am confident you are of opinion that y^e Egg of y^e Cockatrice must be broken betimes, if not, you shall be little troubled wth y^e like aduertisements from
S^r y^r frend & seruant,

THO: GOWER.

You will see that y^e Information is not well penned, nor y^e expressions cleare, but it was as he wrote it him selfe, & you may iudge what opinion they haue of their neighbours, when they come to me almost thirty miles, & also what Constables they haue, for I haue directed a warrant to leauy y^e penaltyes to y^e Head Constables.

[Enclosure]

[Address] To the Hon^{ble} S^r Thomas Gower Kn^t and Baronett
att Stitnam

these present.

Noble S^r

The last sunday there was a notable meetinge of Quakers in this towne in a howse latelie erected by them for that purpose, about 140 people the bearer heerof M^r Thomas Ellis is able to informe yo^u, & what pgress he made in puttinge the late Acte of Parliam^t ag^t Conventicles in execution, Most knowinge psons looke vpon this late meeteing soe suddenlie after the Acte tooke place, as to haue been meerly donne in Contempt therof. There was an other, on Wedensday last, and they haue threatned one on Sunday next, soe they make their meetings more frequent then heertofore, and increase the number of their speakers: The remissnes of those impowred by the Acte to putt it in execution Giues them more incouragement. And their dubious interpretaçons putt vpon the playne text is a great obstruction. I haue presumed in this Case of such Concernment to make this addresse to yo^u (whoe beeinge one of the makers of this lawe, must therefore be one of the best interpreters) That yo^u will be pleased to giue yo^r sence, and instruction to this pson nowe attendinge yo^u, how to vnderstand and pceed in the seuerall clauses and pvisoos the acte houlds forth wherin hee shall Craue yo^r direction, which will be as an orracle to vs heere (where that partie growes soe numerous and insolent) an incouragement to

him, And Add to yo^r many noble fauours (amongst the rest that
latelie to my sonne Will^m) this more, ppetually to oblige in all
Gratefull acknowledgments

Whitby 20th May
1670.

Yo^r most humble & affectionate seruant,
CHA: FFAIRFAX.

[Enclosure II.]

The information of Thomas Ellis of whitby Gen^t taken
vpon Oath before S^r Thomas Gower K^{nt} & Barro^t: one of his
Ma^{ties} Justices of peace in the north Ried. of y^e County of York,
the 21th day of may 1670 :

Upon Sunday y^e ffifteenth day of this p^{re}sent maye, I had
notice, that there would be a Conventicle or meeting att Whitby
in an house bought and erected By y^e quakers, as it is reported
for that purpose, accordingly there was where were Assembled
one hundred persons or aboue, and were to the Best of my
Judgement fower houres at y^t meeting I informed the Constable
y^t there was to be a meeting that day at such an house, y^e
Constable went then to y^e house to see, but there was none, soe
He Called on me to see and told me he had done his duty, but I
Answered he knew their time of meeting was not soe soone, as I
Told him before he went thither. after he came from Church,
I went to his house for to giue him notice, I sent to him by one of
his house to tell him I desired to speake with him, he sent back
to me Againe, to know my bussiness, I wished them to tell him, it
was a Bout y^t bussiness I spoake to him off, as he was goeing to
Church he sent me word againe if I had any bussiness with a
Constable I might goe to John Mettcalfe (one as they say is
sworne deputy & Constable, all this time he was in his chamber
(as he confessed to me since) And would not be seene, soe I gaue
notice to the people of his house that I was come to informe him
of a meeting as aboue said, and he would not be seene. After
this I went to y^e meeting where I see an hundred persons or
aboue of which These whose names Are vnder written I sett
downe there at y^e meeting house, John Ryder & Jane his wife,
William Heslam & Dorothy his wife, Ann y^e wife of George
Megginson, Will Lotherington, Ann Weames widd, Elizabeth
Meed, y^e wife of Edward Meed, George Vaughan and his wife,
Elizabeth Lockwood, Alce Lockwood, Robert Wilson, Isaac
Scarth, Elline wife of Robt Dobson, Isabell y^e wife of Will Yeoman,
Isabell y^e wife of Thomas Linscall, Henry Sneaton of Yewcoate,
Ellis Greene John Hall and his wife, John Cock [Cox], Oswell
Thompson and his wife. Will norrison And Laton ffurbank,
& John Hall and John Cock [Cox], who are aboue named were
y^t day speakers for I went into y^e meeting & heard them

Declare as y^e Quakers phrase is. That night I rid towards Justice Trottors, being one of y^e nighest Justices to vs & the next morning Informed him of this bussiness above menconed, who imediately granted me a warr^t to Levy y^e Goods of y^e offend^{rs}, Directed to The Constable, which I deliuered accordingly, who y^e next morning Rid to y^e Justice aboue named, as he told me, to consult about the Bussiness, what should be done, y^e day ffollowing which was y^e ninteenth of this present may, I went to the Constable and told him there was that morning come into y^e towne againe, one John Cock speaker, who I had informed against and herd speak and named in y^e warrant I gaue him I told him I though[t] it be good if he would arrest his horse, And Lewy vpon him according to his warr^t, what he could Gett for y^e horse. Thought to be worth eight or tenn pounds and twas Judged mony about him, he Answered me he would not, for he [had] order from y^e Justice To y^e Contrary. That day I ridd to Justice Trottors againe who I mett Rydding a scouring with his two Grey hounds, who after some Discourse told me he had giuen respite to y^e warr^t y^e reason he Alledged was because he knew not whether y^e informaçon I gaue was sufficient soe he would consult with some other of his brother Justices before y^e warr^t should be executed.

THOMAS ELLIS.

And y^e deponent further Testifyes y^t vpon wedness day the Eighteenth of this psent month, there was another meeting Att y^e fores^d meeting house, These whose names are vnder written were psent, William Lothington & his wife, Rob^t Wilson, John Tiplady, John Ryther and his wife, Katherine Stoxley, whereof Will Lothington, Rob^t Wilson, John Hall, John Ryder and his wife, were at y^e meeting aboue named with Certaine others to y^e number of twenty or Aboue.

THO: ELLIS.¹

[Address] These Present to Joseph Williamson Esq^r Secretary to the R^t Hon^{ble} my Lord Arlington.

[Endorsed] Whitby Decemb^r 29 R. Jan. 2. 1670. Non-conformists there.

Whitby Dec 29th 70.

S^r

Dec. 24th w^h the markett was at the height, in our populous Towne of Whitby, one Thomas Faron, who liues at Calvagh nigh Coccermouth in Cumberland, was gott upon a joyne stoole, with

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 275. 168(3). *Cal.* 1670, p. 231.

his backe ag^t the Crosse, & was preaching unto the people. An honest Shoe-maker left his staul, & brought me word. Forthwith I went & dismounted the fellow, & carried him away. 'Twas strange to see the thronge of people that were about him, none interrupting him; & the crew that followed me, after I laid hold on him. I cannot learne that euer such a tumult was heard of here before; & very seditious words were giuen out by some, as I am informed. One Quaker laid violent hands upon me & would needes, by force, rescue my prisoner. Though Constable I was constrained to breake the peace, to secure my selfe & my prisoner. The man I tooke is gentiele, hath very good Cloathes, & hath been, as he tels me, a merchant, trauailed Italy, Germany, & seueral other nations, & came lately from London. Abundance of friends, as they call themselues, came to see him that night, & two of the best able desiring his enlargem^t till munday morne, upon their ingaging body for body, I let him goe Next day he was at it againe in the streete, I seized him, & carryed him to the Justice 14 myles off, who bound him to the Sessions. Wee shall see how the Bench will resent these audacious wayes of contemning & affronting His Ma^{ties} lawes in this tumultuous manner. Coming from y^e Justice, the man told me he would haue y^e passages here printed very shortly, for he had been a printer him selfe in Ireland. He came very well mounted, but his horse is conveighed away. I would gladly haue found him, for it may be, this bold blade may proue one of them that assaulted y^e Duke of Ormond. If I thought it would not be troublesome, I should giue you notice of passages here, w^{ch} any remarkable. Assure your selfe that y^e utmost of w^{ch} I can shall be employed to the disturbance of this factious Crew for the promoting y^e quiet of y^e nation.

I am, no man more

y^e seruant

THOM. ELLIS.¹

Devonshire House.

JAMES HICKS to Williamson.

[Address] ffor his Ma^{ties} Seruice ffor the honord Joseph Williamson Esq^r Secr^{ty} to the R.H. y^e Lord Arlington his Ma^{ties} Principall Secr^y of State at y^e Court

At Douer

Letter Office London.

James Hicks.

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 281. 97. Cal. 1670, p. 599.

May y^e 1670 at

Lond. May y^e 29: 70.

S^r

. . . I am informed that the[y] searched for M^r Watson at Devonshire house betwixt 2 & 3 this morning but hee not being to be found M^r Crooks downd his Pulpitt his seats & nailed up y^e dores Soe no metting there . . .

In y^e fore noon a quaker preaching on a stall nere deuonshire house was seized on & Carried to y^e gard at y^e Change.

This after non a quaker preaching in Bushopsgat stre^t and thousands in y^e street heareing & being y^t y^e trained bande drew up as close as y^e multitude would admitt An Officer gott in and puld him downe but his Crowd was soe grat y^t y^e conuayed him a way from y^e Officers att which y^e mad a shout or two, but noe hurt done.¹

Edward Byllinge.

G. H. to Lord Arlington.

Right Hon^{ble}

Since my last to yo^r Lor^p I have rec^d an account of the psecution of the late Act against Conventicles both from Somersett, Bristoll and Wilts. By which I finde there hath bene a greate deale of moderation vsed towards them, as some of their owne partie confesse; for I here that vpon the first Sunday All the Cunstables in Bristoll did absent themselves.

The greate trouble that hath beene since this Act was in force, hath beene in this Citty and parts adjacent, And the last Sunday there was some disturbance both in the Citty and liberties; But noe otherwise then reducing them from the Practice they were found in; And soe carrying some of them before the Magistrate who tooke their Names and places of aboade; But I humbly presume Their assemblies had not beene soe Numerouse, but for a Reporte which was Spread on fryday and Satterday intimating an Order from his Maj^{tie} to the Lord Keeper to forbid the prosecution of the Act, till his Maj^{ties} further pleasure.

There hath beene the goods of one Edward Billing a Quaker in Westm^r destrained and putt to Sale but there is none hath bought them, He is the onely pson that I heare of that hath suffred the extremity of y^e Act; I haue Commun'd with the cheife of severall of those parties (as Manton, Owen, Goodwin, Harrison, Toomes, &c. Whose judgment and opinion I finde is

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 2. Cal. 1670, p. 240.

to proceed to and continue in the prosecuting their Assemblies
with all submission to the Penalties of the Act if taken according
to Lawe

May 31 : 1670.

Your Lo^{ps} obleiged Serv^t
to Comand

G. H.¹

Westmorland.

SIR PHILIP MUSGRAVE to Williamson.

[Endorsed] 6 June 1670 R. 10th S^r Phi. Musgrave.

S^r

Your comāunds signified to Me in a letter from my Soñe Chitt
to haue an eie vpon the Nonconformists, seconds what my L^d
Arlington was pleased to giue Me in Charge in that affaire, and
therefore imēdiately after knowledge giuen Me there off I sent
abroad to such Persons as I had formerly imployed, and in these
parts it is euident Our discenting bretheren are very angrie at the
new act against Conuenticles & speak bigg words.

In Westmoreland the Justices of Peace haue had informations
that the Quakers haue met numerously vpon euery Sunday since
the act was in force & thretaine those that shal disturb them,
after the convicting of some of them. We haue sent out Warrants
to distreine for the penalty. What they do in other parts you
may make some iudgement by the pvseing the inclosed [not
found]²

Captain Meade.

[Endorsed] 11 June 1670. S^r Jo. Robinson. Conuenticles.

[Address] These to his honored friend Joseph Williamson,
Esq., at Whitehall.

S^r When I left y^e I went to Mile End where I staid the
mustering of two Companies. We had a Lieutenancy yester-
day in the Citty and ordered two Companies to be abroad
this night to take possession of the meeting Howses and fower

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 14. Cal. 1670, p. 243.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 82. Cal. 1670, p. 256.

Companies to be out to morrow to relieve the others and to follow their businesse with all eagernesse. We comitted one Cap^t Mead for refusing to giue security for his good behavio^r and peaceable livinge. I question not but in a short time all things of this nature wilbe at end, for I find that they are every day more & more discourag'd, And most of the preachers in the Hamletts haue sent me word they wilbe silent and giue me noe more trouble; We yet want authority (if it may be giuen) to compell the owners of the meeting howses, to imploye them to some other vses. . . .

yo^r most affectionate Brother
& serv^t

Tower 11^o
Juny (70)^t

J. ROBINSON.

[Endorsed] Conventicles. Mead, Hayes, Jekyll.

Rec^d from S^r Jo. Robinson.
June y^e 27 1670.

M^r Mead was not comitted vpon the occasion that Hayes and Jekell were for it was vpon suspition to be dangerous and disaffected, but being penitent and declaring that he would neither trouble king nor Councill nor any Co^{ms} at Westm^r he humbly desired that he might haue lib^{ty} to attend the Lieutenancy of London vpon Saturday last, which accordingly was granted and when he was there with his Brother he was very submissive and promised that he would neither Act or stirr in any thing that was ag^t the King's lawes or Governm^t and that he had noe correspondence nor would haue any with hayes or Jekell, where vpon, and his brothers vndertakeing as much, he was discharg'd.

I did not stirr out of the
Tower all day vpon Sunday
& soe could not be there but
had this acc^t giuen me by
S^r Andrew King.

I heare that Hayes and Jekell are very high in their threats and it would be very well for them to be continued where they are.²

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 114. *Cal.* 1670, p. 268.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 205. *Cal.* 1670, p. 300.

Chester.

SIR GEOFFREY SHAKERLEY to Williamson.

[Address] These ffor Joseph Williamson Esq^r secretary to the right Honour^{ble} the L^d Arlington at Whitehall.

[Endorsed] Chester 13 June 1670. R. 25 S^r Jeffr. Shakely. Quakers obstinacy to meet &c.

Chester Castle June 13th 70.

S^r

There are a company of ffellowes called Quakers in this Towne so obstinately resolved (in despite of the late Act) to meet that in the very same howse, most co^monly the very same company, haue twice euey Sunday since the Act was in force, met together, notwthstanding that by the Industry & vigilance of some of my souldiers they haue been so often discour'd & informed agst & so taken & brought before the Maior & Magistrates of the City; who indeed haue granted out their Warrants for the leuying of the ffines imposed by the Act; & think they haue sufficiently performed their Duties in doing so, though (whither by their or the Constables conniuance, or otherwise I know not) their Goods are so conueighd away, that no considerable ffines can be leuyed of them, so that the Intention of the Act is wholly frustrated thereby & they resolved to perseuere in their contempt of his Ma^{ties} Authority, except some course be otherwise taken wth them in order wherevnto I (being consulted wth yesterday by the Maior & Justices of the peace for the City) aduised that (since they had euaded the Penalty of the Act by conueying away their Goods) they should take another course to hinder their seditious Meetings by tendring the Oath of Allegiance to some of the principall of them & particularly to him in whose howse they conven'd, & upon their refusall (w^{ch} I foresaw) to co^mit them to Prison according to Law, (w^{ch} I conceiued the best way to dissipate them) this they seemed to approue of, & therevpon did tender the Oath to them, w^{ch} they did refuse, & so were resolved when I left them, to co^mit them, but vpon consultation afterwards among themselues, discharged them, & sent them to their howses wth a charge not to meet any more, w^{ch} they were so farre from obliging themselues to, that they declared their Intention to the contrary all w^{ch} proceedings manifestly tending to the disturbance of the Peace, I thought it my duty to informe you of, as also that some of the Persons w^{ch} doe thus meet haue been sequestrators & Souldiers vnder the late rebellious & vsurping Powers, & to intreat that you will please well to informe you selfe & speedily to intimate vnto me the best & most

approved course to be taken for the procuring that reuerence & obedience to the Law, w^{ch} is the onely way to estaplish Peace, & thereby, that happinesse to his Ma^{tie} & his subiects w^{ch} is aymed at & pray'd for by

S^r

Yo^r faithfull friend & seruant
GEOFFREY SHAKERLEY.¹

Meeting Places in Southwark.

[Endorsed] Meeting places in Southwark. Rec^d from L. Hawley, 13 June 1670.

Nathaniell Vincent preacher att the Meeteing in ffarthing Alley in Southwarke.²

M^r Jenaway preacher att the great Barne in Bermondsey neare the Jamaica house.³

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 128. *Cal.* 1670, p. 273.

² Nathaniel Vincent, M.A. (1639?-22 June, 1697), a Cornishman, third son of John Vincent, a Puritan divine, was educated at Corpus Christi Coll., Cambridge, and designated by Cromwell one of the first fellows of the projected Durham University (1657). Ejected from the rectory of Langley Marish, Bucks, he came to London after the Great Fire of 1666, and preached in the ruins. The Episcopal Returns, 1669, report "one M^r Vincent who Chatechiseth the people and baptizeth Children some privately some publickly in his Conventicle." His congregation met "in farthing Alley in a house built on purpose"; they numbered "5 or 600," including "some people of good fashion, the rest servants & streete walkers"; denomination not stated. Licence was issued, 2 Apr. 1672, "to M^r Nathaniel Vincent to be a Teacher of the Presbyterian way in Farthing Alley in the Parish of St. Olaves in Southwarke"; concurrently, the "House or Roome" was licensed. (*vid.* G. Lyon Turner, *Orig. Records*). Vincent persisted in preaching after Indulgence was withdrawn, though often imprisoned and fined.

A.G.

³ James Janeway, B.A. (1636-16 Mar. 1674/5), fourth son of William Janeway, curate of Lilley, Herts, was educated at Christ Church, Oxford. He acted for a time as tutor at Windsor, but had no ecclesiastical post. In 1662 he was "silenced" by the Uniformity Act, but came to London during the Great Plague, 1665, and preached. After three applications for a licence for "M^r James Janeway—presbiterian—a Roome adjoining to his dwelling house in Salisbury Street in St. Magdalen Bermondsey parish," licence was issued, 11 Apr. 1672 (*vid.* G. Lyon Turner, *Orig. Records*). After withdrawal of Indulgence, the Meeting-house was wrecked by troopers, but rebuilt on a larger scale. Janeway was consumptive, his portrait shows an emaciated visage. Nathaniel Vincent preached a funeral sermon for him. Janeway's *Token for Children*, 1671 (still kept in print) is a strange collection of stories of early piety, which vividly, not always agreeably, impressed the imagination of the writer of this note, when a child.

A.G.

The Quakers meeteing house is next to or adjoyneing vpon the Martiall Yard att Horseydowne in Southwarke.

Mr Whitaker¹ preacher att the Long Walke neare Bermondsey Church.²

No Preaching last Sunday.

SIR JOHN ROBINSON of the Tower to Williamson.

S^r . . . There was noe Quaker nor any sect else had any preaching in their publike places in the Citty this day. My Lord Mayo^r is very joiant to see things goe so well. . . .

J. ROBINSON.

Tower, 19^o Junii 70.³

A Treasonable Prophecy.

[Endorsed] Quakers. R. Jun 27 fro [torn] Hildyard. Gilb Layty (in y^e Strand at y^e peacocke a Taylo^r near to Drury Lane) a great Ag^t of y^e Quakers.

Surrey Ss. The informaçon of Thomas Neale of Sheere in the County of Surrey Millwright taken the 24th day of June 1670 before me Henry Hildegerd Esq^r one of his Ma^{ties} Justices of the Peace Assigned for the County of Surrey who saith

That on Tuesday the One & Twentieth day of June 1670 this informant going to the house of Robert Streete of the said parish of Sheere yeoman, to execute a Justice of Peace his warrant, requiring him to convoy Richard Chandler Journeyman vnto the aforesaid Robert Streete to his Ma^{ties} Goale for the County of Surrey, with which warrant this Informant acquainting the said Robert Streete, the said Robert Streete said

¹ William Whitaker, M.A. (1629-1672), son of Jeremiah Whitaker, rector of St. Mary Magdalen's, Bermondsey, and Moderator (1647) of the Westminster assembly of divines, was born at Oakham, Rutland, and educated at Emanuel Coll., Cambridge, and became fellow of Queen's Coll. (1644), and incumbent of Hornchurch, Essex (1652). In 1654 he succeeded his father as rector of St. Mary Magdalen's, Bermondsey, whence he was ejected in 1662. Samuel Annesley, D.D. (in a funeral sermon for Whitaker), refers to his "small meeting-house in Long Walk, Bermondsey." The licences granted 2 Apr. 1672, describe him as "a Teacher of the Presbyterian way," and the meeting-place as "A certain Howse or Roome in the Courtyard in Bermondsey." He died before Indulgence was withdrawn, perhaps before he had enjoyed it, for he was unable to make personal application for licence "by reason of his present ilnes & indisposition of bodie" (*vid.* G. Lyon Turner, *Orig. Records*). A.G.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 130. *Cal.* 1670, p. 273.

³ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 154. *Cal.* 1670, p. 283.

to this Informant, what is the reason that thou dost this thing, this same Law will not hold long I tell thee thou canst not Justifie this, there will shortly come a change which will light heavy uppon some; And thou hast done that that thou canst not stand long.

The informaçon of John Blasdon of Sheere in the County of Surrey Joyner taken on the 24th day of June 1670, before me Henry Hildeverd Esq., one of his Ma^{ties} Justices of the peace assigned for the aforesaid County, who saith

That on Tuesday the one & Twentieth day of June 1670, this Informant coming vnto the house of Robert Streete of the parish of Sheere yeoman to aske him if had made the sett of Wheelles which he had bespoke about a fortnight before, he the said Robert Streete, made answer that he could not doe them, for Thomas Duncumb had taken away his man, and said he would take away his tooles and himselfe also, and then he could not worke, and this Informant offering to take away the materialls which he formerly brought him to make the wheelles of, he the said Richard Streete said Nay let them stay a fortnight or Three weekes for I am sure the time will change, and it will not hold long, and in that time I shall tell thee whether I shall make them yea or no.¹

Falmouth.

[Address] To M^r James Hickes, Senior of the letter office these in London.

[Endorsed] Falmouth, June 27. 70. R. July 1.

M^r Hickes

S^r I haue had notheing to writte you this 2 or 3 post which hath Caused my sillence; nether haue I any thing att presentt butt to Acquaintt you thatt I blesse god I am in good health: It is Reported here thatt the Earle of Bath o^r L^d Lef^t is Come att plym^o & intendes to Come here to Rayse the Countie Troopes for feare any disturbance should bee vpon this last Acte a gainst Conuenticles. The Quakers Continue Meeting al tho the[y] Loose there goods: nott else I rest

Yo^r Lo. ffreind

THO. HOLDEN.

ffalmouth

y^e 27th June 1676.²

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 201. *Cal.* 1670, p. 299.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 276. 203. *Cal.* 1670, p. 300.

Anglican Service in a Friends' Meeting House.

[Endorsed] Quakers. 1670. 3. July. Insolences committed vpon Mr Alsopp.

The Informaçon of George Alsopp Clerk Rector of Chipping Ongar in the County of Essex taken this third day of July 1670 before the right hono^{ble} S^r Saml Starling Kn^t Lord Maior of the City of London.

This Informant saith That hee being appointed by the right reverend ffather in God Humphry Lord Bishopp of London to read Divine service & preach this present Lords day in the great meeting house in Gracechurchstreet called the Quakers meeting house, both forenoon and afternoon of the same day,¹ this Informant repaired vnto the place accordingly about nine of the Clock this Morning to performe that service but was wholly hindred from soe doeing by a certaine great Comp^y of persons called Quakers whoe incompassed this Informant getting between him this Informant and the Guard of Souldiers, many of the said psons doeing violence to this Informants person by pulling him by the Neck and otherwise and abuseing him with revileing Language calling him Popish Priest and Jesuit, Crying out downe with him vnto the ground, pull off his Long robe it is the Garment of the Beast; Therevpon hee this Inform^t having received an hurt on his knee and a bruise vpon his Breast, and apphending himselfe to bee in danger of further mischeife, with great difficulty made his Escape.

GEORGE ALSOP.

Cap^t et Jura^t die et Anno
pre^d coram me
Sam^l : Starling Major.²

Meetings on Rocks and Sands.

[Endorsed] Falmouth. July 6. 70.

M^r Williamson

S^r . . . The Justices doe still Continue prossecuting the Acte a gainst nonconformse soe thatt now the Presbeteran begins to for beare Meeting a bove the number. The Quakers are stell

¹ This attempt of the civic authorities to introduce Anglican service into Friends' Meeting House in Gracechurch Street, was more successful on other occasions. See *London Friends' Meetings* by Beck and Ball, p. 153.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 277. 14. Cal. 1670, p. 314.

obstinatt. Itt is Reported thatt a bouthe looe they meett in the Rockes & vpon the sands to take off the fine thatt otherwise would lye vpon the howse & ffeild &c.

yo^r Lo. ffreind

[Fa]lm^o

THO. HOLDEN.

y^e 6th July 1670.¹

A Woman Trapped and Sold.

Deale July 14. 1670.

M^r Secretary

. . This day was brought on shore frō a Barbadoes ship Mary Peerson of Overbalonton in Darbishier spinster Trappanned by a zealous Quaker one Jn^o Kent of Horsedown London & sold to Jane Hardon a Quaker. Not elce but that I am

Yo^r obed^t serv^t

RI. WATTS.²

Meetings in Spitalfields and Southwarke.

[Endorsed] 24. July. 1670. Dep^{ty} Lieuten^t of y^e Tower. Meetings.

S^r

I begg pardon for not coming to Whitehall my selfe at this time to giue an Accompt That all meeting places in London were secured by the peace offic^{rs} and souldiery, soe that there was noe teaching or disturbance, In the Tower Hamletts there was noe Meetings neither, excepting one in Spittlefeilds which was a Quakers, who were all Conuicted both hearers & preacher, And in Southworke the Justices and ffoote, and horse went abroad, and dispers'd a Quakers and an Anabaptist meetinge and Conuicted many and sent the preachers and aboute halfe ascore more to Gaole for Refusing to take the oathes of Allegiance. I vnderstand alsoe there was agreate meeting in Little Mooreffeilds but dissipated by the Lieufgaurd, and some ffoote. This I thought aduty to doe incumbent vpon

S^r

Yo^r very humble serv^t

FFRA. RAINSFORD.

Tower

24^o July 70.³

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 277. 29. *Cal.* 1670, p. 321.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 277. 62. *Cal.* 1670, p. 333.

³ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 277. 93. *Cal.* 1670, p. 343.

Capture of a Register of Yorkshire Friends.

LORD FRESCHVILLE to Williamson.

Stauely

the 2^d of Aug. (1670).

S^r

About the 23 of July I went from Yorke to a place in Darbyshire where there is a kinde of a Bathe, for since a late fit of the Gout I haue much weaknesse where I had Payne; but I shall neuer be out of distance to doe my duty as long as I can moue. In the time of the Assizes at Yorke I had information that there was a kinde of Register kept in the hands of a Quaker who lyes in Yorke Castle vppon the account of paying no Tythes, so I tooke Captaine Jeffryes wth me to the high Sheriffe desiring him that search might be made in that place w^{ch} is the Jaole of the County as soone as the Assizes were ended. It was done accordingly and I haue receiued an account from Cap: Jeffryes w^{ch} is heere inclosed, that the booke is found, and I thinke the discouery of it will be iudged no inconsiderable seruice; for since there is an order and Reguralitye in their proceeding; those people I conceiue are more dangerous then was generally vnderstood. . . .

Y^r most humble seruant

J. FRESCHVILLE.

My Lord

I haue gott the Register Booke of y^e Quakers into my hands w^{ch} I shall keepe till I receiue y^r L^{ds} Comānds about. It is a thick booke in follio and kept in as orderly regular a method as euer I saw booke kept in my Life. There are the names of about 500 of the heades and cheif leaders of them throughout all Yorkshyre, and all y^e Townes and parishes of that County deuided into Monthly and quarterly meetings. With a Table for y^e ready findinge out of y^e names of either, With the names of all (the other side of y^e booke) that haue bin imprisoned in York Castle and by whom, and their Mittimus from y^e yeare 1652 to this present time.¹

Yesterday y^e Quakers mett againe in y^e street, y^e Constables being ordred to keepe them out of the house, I sent Capt. Blakeston to Alderman Lamplough who went to them and gaue them a check for meeting, and perswaded them to disperse, but after that he was not to be found at home. When I found them

¹ There is an allusion to this capture in the Yorkshire Quarterly Meeting Minute Books, under date 1 mo. [March] 1679/80, where we read that the Q.M. asks Monthly Meetings for "the names of all Friends that have died in prison or prisoners for the Truth sake since your first gathering, for some records here have been taken away, that we cannot give a perfect account without such a review." Note by William C. Braithwaite.

continue there I sent some to take their names and would haue had them disperse w^{ch} they refused very angrily questioninge the Authority of the souldiers. Then I sent a guard to disperse them and those that refused their names I caused them to be carried before Ald^m Tyreman and Ald^m Richardson. The officer tells me that amongst the rest of their insolent behaiour that Cornet Merry [inserted in another hand above this name "an old Rebell "] was very high if y^r L^d please to send me y^r order I should soon secure him if I finde him so insolent againe. I am

My Ld.

Y^r L^d most humble and obedient
seruant HERB: JEFFREYS.

York Aug 1st 70.¹

[Address] ffor my much honored freind M^r Joseph Williamson at Whitehall.

[Endorsed] 21 Nou. 1670. R. 30. L. Frecheuille.

S^r

According to my Lord Arlingtons Comānd I haue by this trusty person M^r Hayes sent vp the Quakers Register w^{ch} I beseech you be pleased to giue his Lo^p an account of at y^r best conuenienye. It is a very methodicall Record of their sufferings (as they terme them) and likewise of their monthly and quarterly meetings in order to all their affaires. There dyed lately one of their sect who had beene a Captaine of horse in Lillborns Regm^t, his name was Wattkinson who I heare was an excellent good officer of horse, and dyed riche. I am credibly informed that he left 600£ to the freinds,² and that they haue a Banke of mony. If I might be allowed to reward persons who are able to giue Intelligence of these and other dangerous people, it would not amount to any thinge considerable and yet doe his Maiestye good seruice . . . I p̄sent my most humble seruice to my L^d Arlington and am S^r y^r humble seruant

J. FRESCHUILLÉ.³

Wiltshire.

[Endorsed] 20 Aug. 1670. Re. 21 Aug^t 1670. Sharrington Talbott. Nonconformists in Wilts.

Laycock the 20. of August. 70.

Sir, my brother Sir Gilbert Talbot being gone into the West, and my Sonn into the North, And the gentlemen of my Neyber-

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 277. 174. Cal. 1670, p. 361.

² The amount left by George Watkinson was £200. See pp. 330 ff.

³ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 280. 124. Cal. 1670, p. 542.

hood repaying to mee vpon all vnlawfull meetings that are neere vs (although I am neither Deputie Lieutenant, nor Justice) yett they acquaint mee with them, knowing that I soe much honor the King, and love the peace of my Countrie, That I will doe my best to serv them both, by making vse of my frends for preventing of mischief ; I doe therefore applie my self to you desiring you to present my humble service to my Lord Arlington, And to acquaint him That yeasterday M^r John Eyres of Lytle Chadel, M^r Henrie Long a Captayn of Foote in Wiltsheer, and one M^r Cornelius (all verie active in suppressing vnlawfull meetings) came to my hows and towld mee That [at] Chippenham they meet frequently, notwithstanding that M^r James Mantegue and M^r Georg Johnson, two Justices of the Peace, haue once punished some Quakers and made them pay, And they despise the Authoritie, saying they will meet . . . And wee all desier That a Troop of the Earle of Oxfords Regiment may be sent to quarter in Wiltsheer for curbing these insolent people, otherwise they will soe increas as that they will not be brought to obedience ; soe with my love and respect presented to you I rest

Your verie affec^t Frend

to serv you

SHAR : TALBOT.¹

Sir John Robinson's Threat.

SIR JOHN ROBINSON to Williamson.

. . . The inclosed is a copy of a L^r I sent my Lord Arlington vpon Saturday last . . .

Yo^r most affectionate Brother & humble serv^t

J. ROBINSON.

[Copy]

My Lord

Since yo^r leaueing this place little hath happned worth yo^r notice. His ma^{ty} advertizem^t to my L^d Mayo^r & Co^t of Ald^men at the Councell hath made them the more Circumspect in doeing their duty then before. In the Hamletts I haue not a publike meeting vnlesse the Quakers and after this day if I ridd not my Quarters of them Ile pull downe their howse . . .

28^o Aug. 70.²

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 278. 22. *Cal.* 1670, p. 384.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 278. 113^t. *Cal.* 1670, p. 409.

West Riding of Yorkshire.

[Address] ffor the Right Honorable my Lord Arlington Principall Secretary of State at Whitehall ffor his Maiestyes seruice, &c.

[Endorsed] Aug. 30. 70. My L^d frecheville has sent out a pty of horse to disperse a Numerous Conuenticle at Shadwell Chappell desires hee may receiue y^r forfeitures upon y^r act upon acc^t for depaying Military charges.

desires to know His Maj^{ties} pleasure whither hee shall stay at Y. or come up to Parliam^t.

Aug : 30th 70.

My Lord

There hath beene a Numerous continued Conuenticle many Sundays at a place calld Shadwell Chappell neere Leeds in the West Ridinge of Yorkshire for the Warr^{ts} brought by Constables and other inferiour Officers were so slighted, and they terrifyed who came to execute them, that the Justices of Peace required the assistance of a Party of horse from Yorke; and on Sunday last the 28th of Aug: there was a party of 20 horse sent thither by my direction to Captaine Jeffryes whose letter to me and likewise the Corporalls who comanded the Party I haue heere p^resented to y^r Lo^p . . .

J. FRESCHVILLE.

[Enclosing.]

[Address] Right Honourable the Lord Frecheuille Gouverno^r of York Leauē this wth the postms^{ts} of of Bawterey to be sent to Stauley wth care and Speed
ffor his Maiestyes Saruice.

My Lord

Accordinge to M^r Hamond and M^r Coppleyes request to Cap^t Jeffereys: he comanded me wth a party of 20 horse to wayt vpon them to Shadwell or els where: and cominge to Shadwell wee tooke the teacher and 300th and more in the Lytle Chepall ther the teacher refusinge to giue his name was sent presinor to yorke Castle the congrygatione giueinge there names is to be proceeded against accordinge to the act they ware Generally all of leeds parish: after all there names taken marchinge my party ouer

¹ The Episcopal Returns, 1669, report "Mr. Nesse" as preacher "Att the Chappell of Shadwell," a village in the parish of Thorner, West Riding. No licence was issued for preaching there. Christopher Nesse (26 Dec. 1621-26 Dec. 1705) was a very notable Congregational. A.G.

Brommay moore I meet M^r Skiñer who was goinge for wauton he tould me there was 40 quakers mett wth in halfe a mile of Tadcaster vpon the highway o^r horses beinge very weary yett consideringe the latness of the day beinge then 5 of the clock and 2 mils and a halfe to them made me to march soe fast as o^r horses would carry vs and had the luck to meet wth 29 of them, 3 of them beinge speekers one sidle a bould fellow one of Oliuers ould Capt^e being of them : haueinge brought them to Tadcaster I marched to Yorke where I thinke wee may expect more of this Imploym^t: my Lord this my Duety Obligeth me to giue y^e from

My Lord

yo^r Lords^{pp^s} most obedie^t and
humble Saruant

R. HODSHON.

the prisbeterians
beinge stobourne Surley but
stronge yonge fellowes
Yorke August the 29th 1670.¹

Friends Break Open their Meeting House in Bristol.

[Address] Att y^e Letter Office wth M^r James Hickes sen^r:
Leaue this For the right worpⁿ (my most honrd freind)
Joseph Wylliamson Esq^r att Whitehall

[Endorsed] 12 Sep^t. 1670. R. 14. M^r Baskerville. Quakers
att Bristoll. Cottag^{rs} in Kingswood.

Bristoll 12th Sept^r 1670.

Honrd S^r.

The occurrences of this last weeke yesterday & this day, comānd mee to give you this subsequent account. S^r the last Weeke the fines & penaltyes on the severall nonconformists were levyed by distresse (on theyre Convictions) that caused a greate murmuringe & fewe or none will buy the distresses: Yesterday the Quakers (who of late met in the street in silence neare their meetinge place) tooke the boldnesse fower tymes to breake open the doore of theyre meetinge house (which was formerly by Order of his Ma^{tye} & Counsell seized for the use of the Kinge) (there beinge noe knowne proprietor) On this the Mayor & Aldermen have comitted sixteene of them to the comon prison of Newgate where they are like to lye; Not wth standinge all the endeavours of the Magistracy they cannot suppress them by reason of theyre many trickes & evasions & meetinge out of the

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 278. 76 (2). *Cal.* 1670, p. 401.

Libertyes of the Citty. (Here's wantinge a Troope of his Ma^{ties} horse).

But this Day nere to us in the Forrest of Kingswood in Glouc^r sheire here's fell out a worse busines (viz^t) the Forresters beinge very many of them indicted for Cottagers (on the Statute at Glouc^r sessions) The processe comeinge forth wth the sherriffs officers to take them up to answer they have risen in a Tumultuous manner (as I heare wth Drum & Trumpet) to the number of ab^t 3 or 400, abuseinge some of the Forrest officers & beateinge them. I heare the Trayned bands are to bee raysted this night to suppressse them. I hope there's noe greate danger in the whole, but these ill concatenations succeedinge one another aswell trouble mee by theyre aspect, as comit this Lines to Your consideraçon, beinge the Zealous oblations

Most Honrd S^r your most humble servant

JA. BASKERVILLE.¹

[Endorsed] Sept. 14. 1670. ord^r ag^t y^e Quakers at Bristoll, y^e Cottag^{rs} of Kingswood.

At the Court at Whitehall
the 14th of September 1670.

By the King's most Excellent Ma^{tie} & y^e Right Hono^{ble} y^e
Lords of his Ma^{ties} most Hono^{ble} Privy Councill.

His Ma^{tie} beinge Informed by a Letter from Bristoll of the 12th instant, That the Quakers in that City, vpon Sunday last, tooke the boldness 4 times to break open the Doore of their Meeting-House (which was formerly by Order of his Ma^{tie} & Councill seized for the vse of the King, there beinge no knowne Proprieto^r) wherevpon the Maior & Aldermen have Comitted sixteen of them to Newgate; And that notwithstanding all the endeavo^{rs} of the Magistracy they cannot suppressse them by reason of their many Tricks & Evasions, & meeting out of the Libertyes of the City . . . It was therevpon Ordered by his Ma^{tie} in Councill That one of his Ma^{ties} principall Secretaryes of State do write to S^r Robert Atkins Kn^t of the Bathe, & Recorder of the said City speedily to Informe himselfe of the said Matters & Tumultuous proceedings & to Report the true state thereof to this Board, that so such further Order may be given therein as shall be fitt & necessary for the þservation of the publique peace.

EDW. WALKER.²

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 278. 158. *Cal.* 1670, p. 433.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 278: 163. *Cal.* 1670, p. 435.

The Jury in the Penn-Meade Trial.

H. MUDDIMAN to M^r Warner, Winchester. Newsletter.

Whitehall Novemb^r the 3^d 1670.

. . . M^r Bushell & other of the Jury who submitted not to the Paym^t of the ffines then laide on them for not finding Pen & Mead guilty moved the Co^{rt} of Common Pleas for an Habeas Corpus vpon which the Court referred them to the search of Precedents in the like Case, which when they produced on the 29th of the last the Court finding them not to reach their Case as being not in Criminall matters referred them to a farthe[r] search.¹

H. MUDDIMAN to Mr Warner, Winchester. Newsletter.

Whitehall November the 17th, 1670.

. . . On the 15th M^r Bushell & the other Jury men who continued Prisoners for not paying their ffines were brought to the Comon Bench Bar where they were ordered to the ffilet y^r prison p^per to y^r Co^{rt}, since their Case has bin Agreed by Councill on both sides but the Court has not given their opinion . . .²

SIR JOHN ROBINSON to Williamson.

[Address] These To his honord ffreind Joseph Williamson, Esq^r p^rsent.

[Endorsed] 18 July 1671. S^r Jo. Robinson.

S^r

My lord Arlington was at the Tower and din'd with me on Saturday, gaue me the Warrants for the releasm^t of old Blood & Perrott, and for the confinem^t of young Blood, which is accordingly done. S^r Samuell Starling hath conquer'd all his last yeares enemies, that malitiously brought Suites in Lawe ag^t him for doeing his duty in his Mayoralty : viz' Hayes and Jekell dare noe further meddle with him. The Phenatique Jury men that were fin'd for not finding Guilty the Quakers &c at the Old Bayly, they lay in Prison for their ffines, brought their Habeas Corpū in the Co^mon Pleas, Baile was taken for them many Months agoe, This businesse hath beene severall times argued before the Judges & this Terme eight of them gaue their opinions ag^t the other fower, that the Jurymen should be remanded to Newgate, for that the Cause was Criminall and not cognizable in that Co^{rt} but lay before the Judges of the Kings Bench : This

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 280. 74. Cal. 1670, p. 513.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 280. 113. Cal. 1670, p. 533.

was a businesse of greate consequence in his Ma^{ty} Governm. There was a verdict pass'd ag^t him at Guildhall before Judg Vaughan concerning a Popular elec^{con} of the Bridgmaster, he hath gott Arrest of Judgm^t and silenc'd his Enemy Turner, soe that he dares not further contend with him; Worthy M^r Middleton the Tooth Drawer, who was the last yeare taken at a Conventicle, fined tenn pounds and distreyn'd, he appealed, brought two Acc^{ons}, one a Trespasse and th'other for his mony, he was non suited in both and payes S^r Sam: treble Cost. He now magnifies my L^d Cheife Justice Vaughan for his kindnesse to him.

Sessions begunn yesterday at Hickses Hall. This day in the morning I caus'd to be brought to the Bench the twenty seaven Sabatarians or fifth Monarchy men w^{ch} I comitted to Newgate. The oath of Allegiance was there offered and read to them, they all refused to take it . . .

Yo^r most affec^{con}ate Brother and
humble serv^t

J. ROBINSON.

Tower 18th of
July (71) 10 at night.¹

George Keith and the Viscountess Conway.

[Address] ffor the right hon^{ble} The Lady viscountesse Conway.

Madam

We return our humble thanks to your L^{ty} for giuing M^s Pordage leaue to visit vs heere and for y^r L^{ty}s goodnesse in permitting her to stay so long at Ragley after her discharge we are al sorry she is not suitable to your L^{ty}s buisnesse and so we find she is In That she is not so happy as to giue content. . . . I hope y^r L^{ty}s found some satisfaction in discourse with George Keyth, I doe not question but I should in his company, had it been my lot to haue been then at Ragley. Hoping he is not so rigid now against al the protestant ministers as he was when he wrote that discourse of Immediate Reuelation. Paul deseruedly commended the Ephesians for their faith in the Lord Jesus, and their loue to all the saints, for al that are really Holy partake of the diuine Image, and so may Challenge an interest in the hearts of al That loue our Lord Jesus in sincerity, who euer maintaine This Catholick charity haue a real aduantage of al others, that confine Brotherly loue to their owne sect, which mistake

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 291. 207. *Cal.* 1671, p. 385.

is the great foundation of persecution, whether it exerts itself in bitter censures or uniuſt and cruel actions. whereas the ſumme of al true Religion conſiſts in unſelfiſh loue which is a pure emanation from the Eternal Diety ſending thoſe in whom it dwells and is active to be like him who is pleaſd to ſtyle himſelfe The father of mercies and the God of al comforts . . .

y^r L^{ys} moſt obliged ſeruant

TH. BROMLEY.¹

Vpton Nouember 10th.²

William Penn to the Navy Commiſſioners.

[Address] This for the L^d Brouncker, S^r John Mennes, Coll: Middleton, S^r Jer. Smyth, Saⁿ: Pepys Eſq^t, principall Officers & Comiſſion^{rs} of the Navy

[Endorsed] [Oc]tob^r 2. [16]70. M^r W^m Penn about y^e draught of y^e River Medway.

London 10^{ber} y^e 2^d 1670.

I juſt now receau'd a Letter from you intimateing a Draught of the River Medway (belonging to the Navy Office) to haue reman'd in my deceaſed ffathers hands, with your deſires it might be return'd, to answer that frequent use the Kings Service obliges you to make of it. But as I would ſhew my ſelfe extreamlie forward to answer the Commands of the Board, eſpetially when attended with ſoe plauſible a reaſon as any the leaſt publique benefit; and alſo moſt cheerefully evidence my great deſires to be Juſt, by reſtoreing what euer I haue noe reall right to: Soe I hope you will interpret it my duty (and but reaſon done my ffathers memory) to examine his Interest in it (in caſe I haue it amongst the many other of his Draughts) ſince I haue yet ſuperſtition enough (as ſome are pleaſ'd to call it) to vulture euery the ſmalleſt Relique that may be deem'd a badge of his Trade, w^{ch} rendred him what he was, and Us, his Relations, what we are. Not that I would be thought to queſtion your Verity at all, when you are pleaſd to tell me it belong'd to that Office, and was in his hands; But the integrity of ſuch Clarks, whoſe neglect or careleſſnes in loſeing or miſlaying it, may put them upon ſuch an answer as beleiuing it, paſſing with your preſent demands. I ſhall thus farre expreſs my willingneſſ & dilligence to answer your expectations as to examine his Catalogue of

¹ Thomas Bromley, of Upton-on-Severn, author of *The Way to the Sabbath of Reſt*, 1710, often reprinted.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 280. 88. *Cal.* 1670, p. 522.

Draughts, where if I find this, and not his, I shall dispatch it to you : and if once his, I shall not how ever stick to supplie your present exegency, confideing in your Generositie to returne it in some competent time to

Your very
Affec^t friend

WM. PENN.¹

[Address] For the Prinⁿ Officers & Commissioners off y^e Nauy at y^e Nauy Office in Seething Lane.

[Endorsed] 31 Xbr 70. M^r W^m Penn cannot find y^e draught of Medway, w^{ch} we say was lent his father, propounds our sending a Clerk to joyne wth him in looking for it amongst his fathers draughts.

London 31th 10^{br} 1670.

Since my comeing to town (which was very lately) I receiu'd a second letter from you about the Mid-way Draught ; but as I am most fully satisfy'd In the reason of sending for It, so if I may be equally credited I haue dilligently searchd his Closett & taken an account off his draughts, but find not y^t off y^e Mid-way amongst them ; Howeuer, I shall willingly make a review, & If you doubt my Skill, pray be pleas'd to Command any off y^r Clarks, to whom Its Known, to be with me ; & If any such thing be there, I shall as cheerfully restore it, as you were pleasd obleigingly to lend It to y^r old ffriend, & the deceased ffather off

Your very reall friend to serue you

WM. PENN.²

Walter Clement, of Gloucestershire.

[Endorsed] M^r Clement.

To the kings most excellent Ma^{tie}

The humble petition of Walter Clement of Alveston in the County of Glouc^r

Sheweth

That yo^r petiçoner haueing heretofore taken the oathes of alegiance & supremacy hath euer since behaued himselfe quietly & obediently vnder yo^r Ma^{ties} gouerem^t yet of late wthout any cause or occasion given, but meerely out of some private & pticuler

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 286. 179. Cal. 1670, p. 562.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 286. 228. Cal. 1670, p. 601.

animosity preiudice the oath of allegiance hath beene againe tendered to yo^r petiçon[^r] and he comitted to prison as for refusing to take the same.

Yo^r petiçoner humbly praise that yo^r Mat^{ie} wilbe pleased to referr it to the Lord Leiftennte of the said County or to any two deputy leiftennts of the same County (such as he shall appoint) to order & determin whether yo^r petiçoner shalbe againe compelled to take the said oath or be continued in prison or discharged & sett at liberty.

And yo^r petiçoner shall ever pray &c^r

[Address] To the worpⁿ Joseph Williamson esquire at his office in Whitehall These humbly p^sent.

[Endorsed] 19 Apr. 1671 D^r Vine^r. Clement of Glocestershire

M^r Williamson & my
most honord friend

S^r

I lately spake with S^r Bainam Throckmorton whoe told me he had beene with you concerning one Clement comitted by him and M^r Bathurst to y^e Gaole of Gloc. in his discourse I perceived a mistake of his Concerning my selfe which was that I had a l^{fe} to my L^d Arlington fro^m o^r B^p touching that matter. I was yesterday at y^e office to waite uppon you but heard you were not to be spoke with wherefore I make bold to send you this with y^e enclosed w^{ch} y^e B^p of Gloc. writ with his owne hand that I might shew you at Convenient time y^t you might if you thought fit acquaint my Lo. Arlington with it that his Honour might have a true acc^t of y^e p^{son} Concernd if he thought fit to take any further noetice of him.

This paper was that w^{ch} S^r Bainam mistooke for a l^{fe} w^h y^e B^p did not desire should be communicated by any precise time but when soever occasion should make me soe happie as to waite upon you. S^r I beseech you pardon this trouble to

S^r
your most obliged
& humble servant

THO VYNER.

Winchesterstreet
April 19. 71.

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 288. 28. Cal. 1671, p. 120, under date "1671 [March?]"

[Enclosure]

[Endorsed] Informaçon Clement of Glocstershire. B^p of Glocest^r Certificate Rec^d from Dr Vine^r Apr. 1671.

Walter Clemens hath bene a man y^t hath giuen Councill & encouragment to the Anabaptists & Quakers in this County of Gloucester & others neere adjoining. By his Councill some legally prosecuted haue escaped the law after just imprisonment.

There is little done in Gloucester shire but he is a cheife agent in it: & studies how to euade the Laws.

To curbe him in his carriere, he was seizd on by chance in Gloucester, & because it was not easy otherwise to reach him, he was offerd the oath of Allegiance, wth because he refused to take, he was comitted to prison as the statute comānds by two Justices of peace, viz S^r Bainha^m Throckmorton & M^r Bathurst.

Vnder p^tence of a Habeas corpus, he got to London but neuer appeared at the Kings Bench.

I suppose tis the sole P^resident y^t euer any man was taken out of the hand of justice, this way.¹

[Endorsed] Clement.

Walter Clement beinge an Attorney at law was reteyned by S^r John Newton & others ag^t S^r Bainham Throckmorton to defend seuerall businesses by him p^rsecuted ag^t them.

That Clement being at Glouc^r at the Quarter Sessions vpon occasions of his practice, vnderstanding that S^r Bainam had taken a displeasure ag^t him and had an intençon to endeauo^r his comittem^t to prison (though he knew not any cause wherevpon he might doe it) desired a Gentleman of quality to speake wth him concerneing it Which the Gentl. did, and S^r Bainam promised him not to molest the said Clement but to forbear farther troubling him Yet the same day after the Gentleman was gone out of towne and the Sessions was ended Alderman Waggstaff of the City of Glouc^r granted a warr^t to bring the said Clem^t before him to answeare such things as should be obiected ag^t him whoe comeing before him, the Alderman said he had not any thing ag^t him, but said that S^r Bainam Throckmorton caused him to grant the warr^t and would not meddle in the busines vntill he had spoken wth S^r Bainam And therevpon the Alderman went wth Clem^t to S^r Bainam whoe then seemed a stranger to it and not to know any thing of the warr^t or arrest. Wherevpon the Alderman avered that he granted the warr^t at his instance and then he tooke it vpon him and proposed the oath of Allegiance (haueing not any

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 289. 71. Cal. 1671, p. 193.

thing else to object ag him). Then Clem^t informed them of his extraordinary occasions and offered any baile to appeare at the next Sessions for the County) to answeare any thing that might be objected ag^t him, w^{ch} seemed to be granted and S^r Bainam wth Lawrence Bathurst Esq^r went to the Castle at Glouc^r as if they would haue taken baile, and Caused Clem^t to be brought theither to them and then S^r Bainam and Lawrence Bathurst tendered him the oath of Allegiance whoe informed them he had taken it before, and if they would take his baile he would satisfie them therein the next Sessions Yet they comitted him to prison as for refuseing to take the said oath The same day after the comittm^t one Davis S^r Bainams Clerke came to the prison to Clem^t informed him that it was determined before they came from Clowerwall^t to serue him soe But that if he would procure the Gentlemen to comply wth S^r Bainam in the busines of Kingeswood he should haue his liberty, and heare noe more of it. And that if he had not medled in the busines of Kingeswood that trouble had not come vpon him.

About a weeke after Alderman Waggstaff acknowledged to two Gentlemen of quality That he granted the warr^t at S^r Bainams request.

Whereby it appeares that this was done rather for some priuate end than for the publike safety (w^{ch} is the end of the oath) And it farther appeares that Clem^t hath beene for a long time before publikely at the Assizes & Sessions managing his Clients causes there wthout the least question or interrupcion.

Clement being an Atto^{ney} of the Co^{te} of Comon pleas at Westm^r did take the oathes of allegiance & Supremacy when sworne an Atto^{ney} As all Atto^{neys} of that Co^{te} constantly doe Therefore vnnecessary for him to take the same oath againe vnlesse fresh and new cause of suspition be given by him And if all men should be compellable vpon every requireing to take the said Oath it would be greate disturbance to men in theire trautils Clement being a pson generally knowne & liueing in the Country and imployed in many Gentlemens affaires If there had beene cause of suspition of him, other Gentlemen would haue beene as carefull of his Ma^{tie} as S^r Bainham, and himselfe might haue sooner done it.

Vpon this Clement petitions his Ma^{tie} shewing that he had taken the Oath before, and that it was now tendered for some pticuler animosity or for some priuate end, and prayed that it might be referred to the Lord Lievetenn^t of the County or any two of the deputy Lievetenn^{ts} whome he should appoint Where-

^t Now Clearwell in the Forest of Dean. Lawrence Bathurst lived at Lechlade.

vpon his Ma^{tie} was graciously pleased to refer the same accordingly and to order that if they found the said Clement had formerly taken the said Oath, and that it was now tendered vpon some pticular animosity & p̄iudice, that they should sett the said Clement at liberty from his imprisonm^t. And therevpon the said Lord Lievetenn^t referred the same to S^r Richard Ashfield S^r Edward ffust & S^r Gabriel Lowe or any two of them Which said S^r Richard Ashfield & S^r Edward ffust examining the busines, and finding that the said Clement had formerly taken the said Oath, and that his said comittm^t was more out of pticular animosity & p̄iudice then for any reasonable cause discharged him from his said Imprisonm^t.

The Oath was ordained for safety of his Ma^{tie} the forfeitures for not taking it are to his Ma^{tie}, and the penalites are at his Ma^{ties} pleasure And he cann pardon all or remitt pte after conviccon, and therefore much more before conviccon.

If a priuate pson may release an Offence ag^t him why should the hands of a Prince be more bound.

The Lord Lievetenn^t of the County is principally intrusted wth the peace & safety of the County, and is alsoe a Justice of the peace of the County, therefore fittest to Judge of psons and is supposed to know best whoe are dangerous and whoe are not And soe as ffitt as any to have such a matter referred to him it only relating to the Peace.

If a priuate pson is at liberty to try his cause at law or refer it to whome he please why shall not the Prince haue the same liberty allowed him w^{ch} to deny him is instead of allowing him a p̄rogative Royall to tye vp his hands where theires are at liberty.

The reference was not to discharge him from taking the Oath, but to examine whether he was comitted vpon private animosity, and if soe and that he had formerly taken the Oath then to discharge him of his imprisonm^t, both w^{ch} were manifest and therefore was discharged.¹

Margaret Fox and the Swarthmoor Estate.

4th Aprill 1671.

Docquett.

A pardon vnto Margarett ffell als ffox for Refusing to take the Oath of Allegiance & Supremacy & of the Sentence or Judgm^t of Premunire passed vpon her for the same & of all paines penalties and forfeitures incurred thereby, And likewise his Ma^{ty} Graunt of the Estate of the said Margarett ffell als Fox vnto

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 230. 53. *Cal.* 1671, p. 597, under date "1671 [April?]." See also *Cal.* 1667-8, p. 141.

Susan ffell & Rachell ffell Daughters of the said Margarett, together wth such other Clauses & Non obstantes as are vsuall in pdons of like nature, Subsc^d by M^r Attorney G^rall by warr^t vnd^d his Ma^{ty}s Signe Manuall, & ꝑ^{ro}cu^{re} by the Lord Arlington.

W. TRUMBULL.¹

Elizabeth Bodely to the King.

Deale Ap^r: 19: 1671:

M^r Secretary.

Here is in town a very scandellous & repellious paper which expressly speaketh against the Actions of his most Sacrid Ma^{ty}, p^{ro}tendes to bee deliv^{er}d vnto the king the 7 day of the 12 moneth (as shee calls it). These Romish judggles are brought forth by foolish Quakers It is subscribed by one Elizabeth Bodely & justyfyed by the Quaker to bee d^{el}iv^{er}d to his Ma^{ty}s own hand: If possible shall get one of the Coppys & send you But it is so full of venom that no subject can read it without a trembling spirit.

S^r I think I doe but my duty to acquainte yo^r hono^r with this wicked writing for I am

Yo^r hono^rs obed^t serv^t

RI. WATTS.

I am confident none durst p^{ro}sume to deliver such a wicked peece & a small trouble might bring the Author to condinne punishm^t and discouer to the world w^h lyers the Quakers are.²

George Watkinson's Legacy.

Grant of Forfeited Legacys.

Whereas AB. late of J. in Our County of H. deceased did by his last will & Testament bequeath & leave in Legacy several Summes of Money to y^e Use & benefit of [*blank in book*] viz two hundred pounds to y^e [*blank in book*] & twenty pounds to y^e [*blank in book*] contrary to y^e Laws of this Our Kingdome in that case provided, which said Summes doe therefore become forfeited & payable to Us by y^e Laws aforesaid, We being graciously disposed to gratefy therewith Our &c. LB. Our will & Pleasure is, That you forthwith prepare a Bill for Our Royall Signature to passe Our Privy Seal, containing Our Grant of y^e said Summes so forfeited to Us as aforesaid to the said LB. his Executors &

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. Docquets, vol. 25, no. 38. Cal. 1671, p. 171.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 289. 72. Cal. 1671, p. 194.

Adminestrators for his & their proper Use as of Our Free Guift without Account, With Power in Our name to demand, sue for, & recover y^e same & every part there of, with such other Clauses as may render Our said Grant full & sufficient. And &c. Given &c. 1671

By &c.

To Our Attorney Generall.¹

[Endorsed] L^d Frescheuille Pr Seale for Quakers mony.

CR.

Wheras George Watkinson late of Scotton in Our County of Yorke deceased did by his last will and testament bequeath and leave in Legacy seuerall summs of mony to the use and benefitt of certaine unlawfull meetings and assemblies of seditious persons and Quakers (viz^l) two hundred pounds to the Quakers of Scotton contrary to the laws of this O^r Kingdome in that case prouided which said summes doe therefore become forfeited & payable to vs by the laws aforesaid Wee being graciously disposed to gratify therewith Our R^t Trusty & well beloved John L^d Frescheuille Our will & pleasure is that you forthwith prepare a Bill for Our Royall signature to pass Our Pr. Seale containing Our grant of the said summes so forfeited to Vs as aforesaid to the said John L^d Frescheuille his Executors & administrators for his & their proper vse as of Our free guift without account with power in Our name to demand sue for and recouer the same and euery part thereof with such other clauses as may render Our said grant full and sufficient. And &c. Giuen [at] Windsore 16th day of June 1671.

ARLINGTON.

To Our Attorney Generall.²

[Endorsed] vlt Junii 1671.
Docq^u

June 1671.

L^d ffrescheuille.

Whereas George Watkinson late of Scotton in the County of Yorke Gent did by his lat Will and Testam^t Giue and bequeath the sum^m of 200^l to the benefitt and Support of the Quakers of the s^d County of Yorke & 20^l to the Quakers of Scotton meeting contrary to the laws of this Realme by reason whereof the s^d money is become forfeited His Ma^{ty} is graciously Pleased to grant

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II., Entry Book 21, fo. 94. *Cal.* 1671, p. 325.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II., Entry Book 34, fo. 104. *Cal.* 1671, p. 325.

unto John Lord ffrescheuille his Executors and Assigns the s^d seu'all sums of 200^l & 20^l to his owne use without Account with such Clauses as are usuall in grants of like nature Subscribed by M^r Attorney G^rfall by Warr^t und^r his Ma^{ty} signe Manuall Procured by the Lord Arlington.¹

LORD FFRESCHEVILLE to Williamson.

Yorke the 7th of Aug:

S^r

I suppose you haue beene ingaged in his Maiestyes attendance and my former letter hath come very slowly to y^r hands, but that this will speed better. The 2 poore men Ellis and Strangewayes I feare haue suffered delays in their businesse by reason of your absence, and I cannott wonder at it for my owne concernments w^{ch} were very neere perfected before I left the Towne (I meane both that old one of the Aduowson and the Grant of the Quakers Legacy) haue stucke (as I thinke in S^r George Downings hands) and my sollicitor cannott obtaine from him the tender of the Docketts to the L^{ds} Comissioners. If it lay wth your conueniencse to aduance them you would highly oblige me, for I am muche disappointed in the vnexpected delay. Before the end of the Assizes heere, where there is a great concourse of the Gentry of this County I shall p^sent my Lord Arlington an account of what occurs :

I am S^r y^r most humble and faithfull seruant

J FFRESCHEVILLE.²

Carting Quakers to Prison.

[Address] These ffor Joseph Williamson Esq^r at y^r Lord Arlingtons Whitehall.

[Endorsed] Yarmouth R. 7 Aug. 1671 M^r Bower.

S^r

Sunday last there was a Quakers meeting at Paikfeild in Suffolke about seauen miles from this Towne, w^{ch} the Cheife Constable being informed of, takeing Some assistance wth him went to disperse, So many as he knew he tooke their names, the rest being in number 11 refused to giue him there names vpon w^{ch} he Sett a guard vpon them & went to S^r Thomas Meddowes for

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II., Docquets, vol. 25, no. 88. *Cal.* 1671, p. 325.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 292. 26. *Cal.* 1671, p. 419. Lord Frescheville did not obtain the whole of the legacy. See further on this subject in *THE JOURNAL*, vol. x.

a warrant to bring them before him, at his returne he Shewed them his warrant & required them to goe wth him, they told him no, for the warrant required him to bring them before the Justice & therefore they would not goe vpon w^{ch} the Constable gott a Cart,¹ but they not being free to goe in of themselues the Constable with his assistance was forst to put them in, the first that were put in were so cross that they would lye at their length So y^t they could not Stow halfe of them where vpon the Carter laid them one vpon an oth^r, but this not being for their ease they then Sett vp, being brought to y^e doore where the Justice was, they could not pswade them to come out of y^e Cart, vpon w^{ch} the Carter cast of the belly band of the filler, lifted vp the tibbs of y^e Cart & so threw them out altogeth^r at y^e Carts arse, w^{ch} So cooled their Courage y^t coming before S^r Thomas they all gaue in their names & were dismiss for y^e p^sent not else but y^t I am

S^r yo^r humble Seru^t

RICH. BOWER.²

Notes by Secretary Williamson.

Sept. 21. 1671.

It's said the Quakers are known not to be much at the burnings of the City.³

9 Nov. 1671.

Ennys was wth y^e K last night to desire the like liberty might be given to all as to others, i.e. the Quakers for so he alleadged

Keep out y^e Quakers from Meetings or else admitt of others more Sober, as Independents, Presbyterians. Shutt up their doores deface their houses & lock them up. If they meet in y^e Streets leave them to it wthout all force.

at Devonshire House they have a house
 Gracechurch Street }
 Bull & Mouth at Aldersgate }
 Quakers Meetings
 in Southwarke one
 in Whelers Street one
 in Ratcliffe one building now.

¹ Another instance of Friends being carted to jail is given in Camb. *Jnl.* ii. 14.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 292. 27. *Cal.* 1671, p. 419.

³ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 293. 28. *Cal.* 1671, p. 496.

16 Nov. 1671.
a Quakers House Building in Ratcliffe¹

13 Dr. 1671.
. . . N.B. My L^d May^r does nothing. Vincent still continues even this last day. q. how it comes about. But doe not mention Vincent to him but only y^e Quakers who haue no pityers so long as they are not beaten.²

The Quaker's Dinner Party.

SIR THOMAS PLAYER to Williamson.

[Address] These to y^e honoured Joseph Williamson Esq^r at his Ma^{ties} Court humbly p^{re}sent.

[Endorsed] M^r Player. London 16th Oct. 71. R. 17th.

Honoured S^r

I acknowledge I doe not deserue any degree of your friendshipp, haueeng soe litle improu'd y^e opportunitie you gaue mee of addresseng my selfe to you ; & if this hearty acknowledg-ment haue any vertue in it, I hope to gaine your pardon, & regaine your fauour, w^{ch} I feare I may haue lost. I could plead in excuse for myselfe that I haue watched all opportunities to haue writt something y^t might haue binne worth your perusall ; but since your departure, here hath nothing fallen out either of good or ill, y^t Could deserue your reading, if it had not binne to slight a story, I Could haue told you that your brother Robinson, S^r And : King & myselfe were invited to dinner by Captⁿ Mead y^e great quaker to his house at Clapham ; where wee had ten or 12 dishes of meat, but noe butchers meat, that wee had most abominable Christmas pyes, that wee were serued all in Siluer, & made halfe drunke though y^e quaker neuer dranke to us, with many other pleasant Circumstances. . . .

Againe if need be sollicite my forgiuenesse w^{ch} I am Confident you will not deny to soe great a penitent, nor to

S^r

Your most faithfull Seru^{nt}

THO: PLAYER.

Guildhall

Octob: 16th 1671.³

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 301. 14, 294, 36. *Cal.* 1671, pp. 561, 569.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 294. 178. *Cal.* 1671-2, p. 28.

³ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 293. 133. *Cal.* 1671, p. 527. See *Camb. Jul.* ii. 420.

William Penn, "The Great Opinionist."

SILAS TAYLOR [the Essex Antiquary] to Williamson.

[Address] To the Much Honored Joseph Williamson Esq^r
at my Lord Arlingtons office in White Hall, London.Harw^{ch} Oct: 26. 1671.S^r

. . . On Tuesday out of one of our packet boats from Holland arrived here S^r W^m Pen's eldest sonne, the great opinionist, he went presently & associated himselfe with the Quakers of this Towne. I can heare of noe more. I am

S^r

Your very humble servant,

SILAS TAYLOR.¹**Ambrose Rigge to the King.**

King Charles

The Inocency of my Cause, & the integrity of my hart to thee & all men, hath born up my Spirit this many yeares under great and Sore Sufferings wthin this Kingdom my Native Country. Who can Say in the p^sence of god, the great Searcher of all harts, That I doe wthout any manner of deceit or Reservation whatsoever, Bear true & faithfull Alegiance to thee; Neither was I ever an enemy to thy father or thee, in word or deed. Soe as to Seek any hurt to yo^r persons or Goverment; nor (I hope) never shall, for I hate y^e thought of it in my Selfe, or any other in whomsoever it shall apear; yett have I suffered Straite & Close imprisonment, welnigh this Ten yeares, because I dare not breake y^e Comande of Christ to Swear, which nothing Short of y^e mighty arme of y^e Lord could have Suported me under to this day, Who hath Comanded mee to write to thee, That as hee once Eminently delivered thee out of the hands of thy Enemies in Sussex that thou wouldest deliver one of his opressed Servants from his Straite and Close imprisonment there, it being wholly Left to thy power & pleasure to doe it by Law, This I was Comanded of y^e Lord to desire of thee, otherwise I should have Still continued in quiet & patient Suffering wthout aquainting thee there wth as hitherto I have done.

Whose heart is true & a faithfull
to thee & all men, Called

AMBROS RIGGE.

Horsham prison in Sussex
this 27th of the ⁸/₁₀ 1671.²

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 293. 175. *Cal.* 1671, p. 541.² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 292. 113. *Cal.* 1671, p. 450.

Ambrose Rigges Petition.

[Endorsed] Ambros Rigges pet. Lord Brounker.

To the Kings most Excellent Ma^{tie}

The humble Petiçon of Ambrosse Rigge Prisoner in
Horsham Goale in Sussex.

Humbly Sheweth

That your poore petiçoner hath remained in close and strict Confinem^t almost this ten yeares in this most sad, and lamentable Prison, without the least regard or pittie had either to the length or Cruelty of his sufferings; for that hee dare not goe against the naturall Scitement of his Conscience in Swearing though hee Solemnely protest before God (to whom hee hopes one day to appeare) that hee bares a loyall and faithfull heart towards yo^r Ma^{ty} Person and Governm^t, and hates the thought of ill of you, either in himselfe or Others.

May it therefore please your most sacred Ma^{ty} to take his sad Condiçon into your Princely Consideracon, and give Order for his discharge, that hee may not dye in this loathsome Place, but Spend the few dayes hee has to live in compleating his Pennance for his Sins, and preparing himself after his Conscience to leave this miserable world.

And yo^r Ma^{ty} poore Pet^r shall ever pray &c.¹

Pardon to Ambrose Rigg.

Draft.

Our Will and Pleasure is That you forthwith prepare a Bill for Our Royall Signature to passe Our Great Seale, containeing Our Gracious Pardon unto Ambrose Rigge Prisoner at Horsham Goale in Our County of Sussex and and Jonathan Jennings of Linhurst in Our County of [*blank*] convicted of a præmunire, and of all other offences whatsoever by them committed. Wherein you are to insert such beneficiall words & Clauses as may render this Our Graunt most full and effectuell. Giuen at Our Court at Whitehall [*blank*]day February 167½.

By his Ma^{ties} Comānd.

Jennings &c^a pardon.²

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 292. 114. Cal. 1671, p. 450.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 303. 117. Cal. 1671-2, p. 170.

Rich Quakers and the Statute of Premunire.

SIR JOHN ROBINSON to Williamson.

[Endorsed] 23 Dec. 1671. S^r Jo. Robinson affaires in y^r Citty.Tower, 23^o Dec^r (71).

Deare Brother

You were yesterday very busy, and I was in greate hast. These 14 dayes past I haue euery day imployed my selfe in millitary & Ciuill affaires in & aboute the Citty, to see them in order before I goe out of Towne. the Militia is in good hands and well setl'd in y^e Hamletts; The publike meeting Howses that were [?] closed] the preachers haue submitted and promis'd to giue noe further offence; I haue spoake with 2 of the Justices of the peace of Southworke who haue promis'd to take care of that part, and aduertise them that are preachers to desist. My L^d Mayo^r tells me that he sent for Vincent & seu'all others and hath discours'd them He promiseth faire, that if they will not leaue of, he will execute the Lawes vpon them; He is at a stand what to doe with the Quakers. I acquainted him what I did with two Meetinge howses of the Quakers. In my Quart^{rs} I keepe them out of their howses, and if any of them preache take them vpp, and send them to Newgate for six months. Penn I serv'd soe. Own^{rs} of their howses, there's none to be found. They are a besotted people of two sorts fooles and knaues, of knaues some of them are rich men and there's noe other way to proceed ag^t them but to Indict them vpon the Statute of Premunire & seize their Estates & imprison them during the Kings pleasure; If this rule was generally followed & kept close to, it would breake them without any noise or tumult . . .

Yo^r affecconate brother & seru^tJ. ROBINSON.¹**Sunday Trading.**[Address] To m^r James Hicke sen^r at the Letter Office.[Endorsed] [torn]th 25 decem^r 1671.

. . . Just Now Our Maior going to Church, found as hee passed by seu'all Quakers shops open which hee caused his Constables to shut y^e windowes of, hauing first caused them to throw in the goods on y^e bulks into the shops. What hee will doe with them after sermon I cannot tell.

Waymth 25 Dec^r 1671.²¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 294. 216. *Cal.* 1671-2, p. 40.² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 294. 224. *Cal.* 1671-2, p. 43.

An Appeal from Nottinghamshire.

To the King and both Houses of Parliament.

Friends,

We have much cleerness to present our suffering condition unto you, as to our own concernments, though we are sensible that many of our dear Friends and Brethren are deeply exercised in the same Tryal with us, which unto you have been presented in a general manner, but as our sufferings are carried on by such persons as do not seem to be sensible either by Law, Equity or mercy, so we cannot but lay before you the sad effects which are produced by their means and yet likely to be continued if not by you prevented, for we do not perceive that they who first put their hands to work against us (since by your act they were encouraged) do intend to spare us whilst we have any thing they can take from us, and many of us they have already left in a very low Estate as to outward things, for they have taken both our Corn, Cattle, and Houshold goods, so that we are as a people which seemingly are appointed to a day of outward distress in a high degree, and whereas we have been capable of doing good unto others, and have relieved many in their outward wants, and paid our Taxes to the King, and our Rents unto whom they were due, and maintained considerable Families in a comfortable manner, we are now made altogether incapable of doing such things through the violence of some men against us that pretend your Act for what they do, and that you who are the outward authority of a Nation, should have your authority concerned in the desolation of so many honest Families (and especially the name and authority of the King) we may have some cause to hope that the serious consideration of your own concernment may stop all future proceedings in such a manner, and to cause all persons who do imploy themselves to ruine us to cease from their violence, for our hearts are grieved within us to see how men act daily against us to their own hurt, besides the sorrow that attends us to see our Children and Families deprived of that comfortable lively-hood which they and we have been partakers of through the mercy of God, and we do not know that we have ever given just occasion why it should be so done unto us, and having clear Consciencs in the sight of God for having any intention against you to do you harm, we must needs say that we are afflicted in our Innocency, and it is a very great comfort to us as from the Lord that we are Innocent from any just charge of evil, and as the Lord God hath made us Innocent and in that life preserves us, he doth not condemn us as being guilty of offences against you, and therefore you have no cause at all to punish [us] as offenders.

Oh King and Parliament, Remember the time of your own adversity, and how a way was made for you to come into your places of authority, and be ye merciful as God hath shewed mercy unto you, for our condition is sad as to outward things, and though we shall not now trouble you with particulars, believing you may have seen something of our sufferings stated with other of our dear Friends, yet know that we have since that time suffered much and the same thing is still continued in a high degree, for as the Informers cleareth one place they go to another where they have any hopes to compass their own gain, and there is one Justice that appeareth ready to answer their minds in what they would have done, so that it is absolute necessity that causeth us thus to complain unto you, for we may hope that all are not like minded to bring outward ruine upon us and our Families, and we may also hope to meet with some tenderness and pittie from such a great Assembly wherein the body of the Nation is so much concerned and we know if you incline your Ear to that of God in you, our cause will be pleaded beyond what we can lay before you, for that good and just principle takes notice of all your thoughts, words, and works, and if you do well, it will then be well with you, but if you turn your ear from the instruction of Life, and follow on your own way to afflict the innocent, then will you cause the Holy One to turn against you, and draw down his hand heavy upon you.

Oh King, Counsel, and Parliament, Consider in the Fear of God the End for which you have power in outward government, and make use of your power for the benefit of all that are under your power, and give glory to Christ Jesus, who is King and Lord in government everlasting, that so by your means the whole nation may be settled in love, peace and quietness, to every ones happiness.

So having briefly and plainly demonstrated the truth of our conditions unto you (from too true experience) we shall commit all things wherein we are concerned unto the true and living God; and in the Joy of his presence we rest, and can truly say that we are your Friends for your everlasting good.

From the People of God called *Quakers* in the County of Nottingham, the 15 of the 11 Month, 1670.

[1st column.]

THOMAS INGAL
WILLIAM CLAYTOR
THOMAS ELSAM
JOHN THEAKER
ROBERT CARNIL
THOMAS RIDGE
WILLIAM RAWORTH
WILLIAM WILSON

THOMAS CRANE
ROBERT SHAW
JOSEPH WALLS
JOHN TRUSWEL
JOHN SMITH
HUGH NEALD
STEVEN PYE
JOHN GASKIN

EXTRACTS FROM STATE PAPERS.

WILLIAM BIRKET	RICHARD WATS
JONATHAN HUMPHRY	JOHN BING
JOHN CAM	ROBERT MOOR
THOMAS AUKELAND	WILLIAM MALSON
JOHN ABERT	FRAUNCIS CLAY
WILLIAM KENT	JOHN BINGHAM
MICHAEL EMLY	GEORGE HOPKINSON
JOSIAH TURNER	TIMOTHY GARLAND
WILLIAM HEEMAN	JOHN LANGFORD
RICHARD BIRKET	SAMUEL HOOTEN
JOHN HALL	JOHN HOTTEN
JOHN DEWICK	GEORGE COCKRAM
ROGER TRUSWEL	[3rd column.]
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JOSEPH HUMPHRY	EDWARD POE
JAMES CAM	RICHARD RICHARDSON
GEORGE CAM	SAMUEL RECKLESS
ROGER TRUSWEL JU.	JOHN ROUSE
WILLIAM BLANCH	WILLIAM WOOD
RALPH BATEMAN	WILLIAM WILLAMAT
JOHN BATEMEN	GEORGE HOPKINSON
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WILLIAM WATSON	THOMAS GOODMAN
JOHN LAW	GEORGE BRUMLEY
EDWARD BUTLER	GEORGE OATS
NATHANIEL PRICE	JAMES SLARK
TOBIAS HOLDER	JOHN RECKLESS
ANTHONY SMITH	WILLIAM WATSON
GEORGE SMITH	JOHN HART
JOSEPH WATS	WILLIAM SMITH
EDWARD ASLINE	WILLIAM TROTTER
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SAMUEL BARK	JOSEPH RECKLESS
JOSIAH BARK	JAMES STAR
SAMUEL BARK JU.	SAMUEL OATS
ROBERT GRACE	HENRY DUBBLEDAY
MATTHEW BRACKNEY	JOHN DRAPER
GEORGE WHITWORTH	JOHN BARKER
ROBERT MARRIOT	THOMAS SAMSON
RICHARD BROWNLEY	JOHN GOODRICH
RICHARD COOPER	ALEXANDER SAMSON
FRANCIS COOPER	GEORGE WHELDEAL
CHRISTOPHER BRANDERITH	JOHN RICHERSON
NATHANIEL CLAY	NATHANIEL HOPKINSON
JOHN ROBERTS	GEORGE ROGERS
JOHN BULLIVANT	WILLIAM HUDSON

THOMAS FARNWORTH
 SAMUEL NICHOLSON
 ROBERT PARTRIDGE

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THOMAS EMLEY
 JOHN BICKS
 JOHN CAMSEL
 GERVAS LAMBERT
 ISAAC SMITH
 ROGER STORRES
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 ANN SPENCER
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 ELIZABETH CADE
 MARY WALKER
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 ELIZABETH AUKLAND
 JANE ABERT
 AVIS HEEMAN
 ANNE BIRKIT
 ANNE ANSEBERY

IZABEL KILLINGER
 ELIZABETH TRUSWEL
 RUTH RIDGE
 ELIZABETH HUMPHRY
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 ELIZABETH HOOTON
 ANNE WILSON
 MARY BRIG
 ELIZABETH MOOR
 MARY LEADBEATER
 ALCE BINGHAM
 MARY HOPKINSON
 JUDITH GARLAND
 ALCE SINYARD
 ELIZABETH HOOTON JU.
 KATHERINE TOMLINSON

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ELIZABETH PETTY
 MARY HOLMS
 ELIZABETH COCKRUM
 SARAH WATSON
 HANNAH RECKLESS
 JANE CLARK
 BARBARY SMITH
 PRUDENCE HARDING
 MILLECENT GOSS
 ELIZABETH SMITH
 ANNE SMITH
 ELIZABETH MATCHET
 HANNAH RECKLESS JU.
 JOYCE ROE
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SUSANNAH SMITH	REBECCA ROBINSON
GRACE RICHERSON	ELIZABETH BRADWEL
SARAH HYFIELD	MARY OATS
EMMAT BURROUGHS	MARY NEED
ANNE COLLINE	JOAN HYFIELD
SUSANNAH ARMSTRONG	ELIZABETH DUBBEDAY
SARAH NOBLE	MARGRET SAMSON
PATIENCE WILKINSON	MARGRET GOODRICH
HANNAH POE	MARY SAMSON, &c. ¹
ELIZABETH GAMBLE	

The General Pardon of 1672.

[Endorsed] Order of Council for the Quakers generall pardon

At the Court at Whitehall
the 8th of May 1672.

The Kings most excellent Ma^{tie}

Arch B ^p of Canterbury	Visco ^t ffaconberge
Lord Keeper	Visc ^t Halifax
Duke of Lauderdale	Lord B ^p of London
Lord Chamberlain	Lord Newport
Earle of Bridgwater	Lord Hollis
Earl of Essex	M ^r Visc Chamberlain
Earl of Anglesey	M ^r Secretary Trevor
Earl of Bathe	S ^r John Duncombe
Earl of Carlisle	M ^r Chancellor of the Dutchy
Earl of Craven	Master of the Ordinance
Earl of Shaffsbury	S ^r Thomas Osborne

Whereas his Ma^{tie} of his Princely Clemency was graciously pleased to direct that Letters should be written from this Board to the Sherriffs of the respective Countyes & Citties and Countyes, and Townes & Countyes, within his Ma^{ties} Kingdome of England & Dominion of Wales, requireing them to returne perfect lists or Callenders of the Names time and causes of Comittment of all such Prisoners called Quakers as remaine in their severall Goales, or prisons, which they accordingly did, & the same were by order of his Ma^{tie} in Councell of the third of this instant delivered into the hands of the right Hono^{ble} the Lord Keeper of the great seale of England, who haveing considered thereof did this day returne them againe together with his opinion therevpon as followeth, viz^t

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 287. 69A. Cal. 1671, p. 594.

The Returnes that are made touching the prison^s in the severall Goales are of severall Kindes.

- 1 All such of them as are returned to be convicted to be Transported or to be Convicted of a Priemunire (vpon which Convictions I suppose Judgment was given) are not Legally to be discharged but by his Ma^{ties} pardon vnder the great seale.
- 2 All those that are returned to be in prison vpon writts of Excommunicato Capiendo not mentioning the Cause ought not to be discharged till the cause appeares, ffor if it be for Tythes, Legacyes, Defamation or other private Interest, they ought not to bee discharged till the partie be satisfied.
- 3 All those that are returned in prison for debt or vpon Exchequer processe or of any of the other Courts at Westminster, are not to be Discharged till it be knowne for what cause those processes were Issued & those debts be discharged.
- 4 Those that are in prison for not paying their ffynes ought not to be discharged without paying their ffynes or a Pardon. All the rest I conceive may be discharged.

Which being this day taken into Consideraçon his Ma^{tie} was graciously pleased to declare, that he will Pardon all those persons called Quakers, now in prison for any offence comitted relateing only to his Ma^{tie} and not to the prejudice of any other person. And it was therevpon ordered by his Ma^{tie} in Councell That a List of the Names of the Quakers in the seuerall Prisons together with the Causes of their Comittment be & is herewith sent to his Ma^{ties} Attorney Generall who is required & Authorized to prepare a Bill for his Ma^{ties} Royall Signature conteyning a Pardon to passe the great seale of England, for all such to whom his Ma^{tie} may legally grant the same & in Case of any difficultie that he attend the Lord Keeper & receive his Directions therein.

EDW. WALKER.¹

FLEET.	SUSSEX.	
William Adams	Ambrose Rigg	Stephen Eager
Robert Hart	Nicholas Beard	Richard Newnham &
John Boulton &	Richard Scrace	Richard Green
William Welch	Walter Scrace	
	John Shutter	SURREY.
	William Geering	George Brigstocke
NEWGATE.	Moses ffrench	Edward Taylor
Edward Pattison	Thomas Avery	Vriah Worlington
John Ellis	John Marten	Andrew Hall
Richard Cannon	John Ellis	W ^m Bowman Sen ^r
Arthur Cooke		W ^m Bowman Jun ^r

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 307. 166. *Cal.* 1671-2, p. 489.

W ^m Welland	SOUTHTON.	Sarah Kent
Richard Broughton	Philip Bence	Alice vx ^r Tho East
William Hills	Robert Mercer	Grace vx ^r Rich
Abra : Shapton	Martin Bence	Huchins
John Baker	Thomas Manner	Ann Greenway
Joseph Parker	John Rogers	Eliz. vx ^r Edw.
Thomas Harlow	James Puckeridge	Chesterman
William Collard	Edward Pritchett	Hannah Gates
John Stephens	John Bishop &	Eliz. Whiteheart
William Harris	James Miller	Ann Trusse
W ^m Kidder &		Ellen Binfeild
Thomas Moore		Eliz vx ^r Tho. Tudway
	BERKS.	Frances vx ^r Jo Kent
WORCESTER.	Tho. Curtis	Eliz : Tudway
Richard Payton	James Marlow	Hannah Webb
	Thomas Tudway	Sarah vx ^r Jos :
LEICESTER.	John Paine	Phipps
Lawrence Farmer &	Geo. Lamboll	Anne Tompson
W ^m Christian	Thomas Bartlett	Rachell Cope
	Robert Pocock	Marg Whitehart
MONMOUTH.	Benjamin Coale	Mary Greenaway
Anthony Ridley &	W ^m Yeate	Eliz. Booth
Lewis Thomas	Tho. Cunnicke	Ann vx ^r Tho Curtis
	Richard Green	Jone vx ^r John Philp
DURHAM.	John Tray	Mary Kent
John Langstaffe	Antho. Sadler	Mary Saunders
Humfrey Norton	Leonard Keyes	Thomasin vx ^r W ^m
Joseph Heeling	W ^m Lamboll	Chapman
Francis Temple	James Lavell	Eliz Philp
John Hunter	Leonard Coale	Susan Westwood
Tho. Yeale	Robert Paine	Hannah Wrenn
John Vshaw	Richard Hutchins	John Stephens
Roger Hudson	Edw. Taylor	Tho. Clarke
Edward Lampson	John Littleworth	Richard Slade
Anthony Hodgshon &	Isaac Penington	Mary Slade
Emanuel Grice	Alex Merrit	John Langly
	Benjamin Clerke	W ^m Weston
STAFFORD.	John Kent Jun ^r	Ch ^r Cheesman
Tho. Taylor	Margery Richardson	Judith Smith
Tho. Woolrich	Ann ux ^r Henry	Mary Winter
Peter Littleton	Sharpe	Joseph Phipps
Edward Scotson	Hannah Kent	Henry Adams
John Till &	Jane ux ^r George	Oliver Lockey
James Kendall	Hussey	Samuell Burges
	Anne Ball	Geo White
	Mary vx ^r Leon : Cole	William Dobson

Oliver Sansom &
John Cotterell

DEVON.

Alex Richards
William Jacobs &
John Jannicliffe

CARMARTHEN.

James Picton

LINCOLN.

Raph Harbottle
John Williamson
Charles Howett
Richard Parnell
W^m Hagworthing-
ham

Roger Williams
W^m Cliffe
W^m Philipps &
John Bayly

NORFOLKE.

Edmond Sconce
Nicholas Reeston
Henry Kettle
Edmund Racke
Richard Cockerell
Robert Elden
Tho. Murford
Robert Gowsell
Edward Bensley
Joseph Harrison
Edmund Pattison
Mary Cirake
Anne Hollaway
Lewis Gedge
Tho Watson
John Cady &
W^m Hemstole

KENT.

Richard Perry
James Gimond

DORSET.

Henry Wheadon
Joshua Brooke

John Leach
W^m Scott
ffrancis Bound
Angell Smith
Charles Noake
Andrew Downton
John Cawley
John Parsons
Robert Angell
W^m Kite
W^m Gawler
John Debnam
John Maynard
John Bennett &
ffrancis Guy

OXFORD.

Joseph Davies
Henry Philipps
W^m Pettifer
Robert Thorpe
John Thorpe
Joseph Stephens
John Benham
Tho. Perry
Tho. Besley
John Renn
Tho Minchin
Geo Weston
Giles Tidmarsh
Jefferey Bennett &
Tho Gilpin.

SOMERSET.

W^m Beaton
Sam^l Scott
John Leverick
John ffudge
John Slade
Sam^l Trent
John Anderdon
Tho : Plaice
W^m Day
W^m Salway
Richard Cooper
Roger Nott

John Nott
John Coles
Andrew Elliott
John Slocombe
Tho : Stone
W^m Dare
W^m Gravett
Jonathan Collier
John Anger
Owen Henry
John Smith
John Adams
John Collins
Joseph Peirs
W^m Roach
John Denbury
Rice Morris
George Clapp
Nathanⁿ Parke
John Cary
Giles Brookes
Amos Parsons
Henry Turner
Henry Lambert
Tho : Sawrey
W^m Leakey &
Toby Wells

WARRWICK.

Tho. Goodare
Tho. Cooke
W^m Parre
Richard Feild
W^m Bevington
W^m Dewsbury
Henry Jackson
W^m Lucas
John Carpenter
Paul Newnham
James Wagstaff
Mary Cooper
W^m Cocktill &
Tho. Wincott

BUCKS.

John Raunce &
Nich. Noy.

CUMBERLAND.
Tho. Sturdy &
Stephen Peirson

WILTES.
Walter Penn
John Miller
John Kingman
Robert Button
John Lennard
Edw. Gye
John Smith
Joane Gainé
Jane Selfe
Isaac Selfe
Henry Long
James Eve &
Edw. Marshall

YORKE.
John Todd
Tho. Wayte
Francis Colton
George Peckett
Tho Aldam
Josiah Box
Tho Bambrough
John Burly
Anth. Carr
John Hall
John Kellam
Tho. Kellam
John Willson
Robert Simpson
W^m Brooksbanck
John Leake
W^m Wright
John Wetwand
W^m Clarkson
Robert Butterey
John Lumley
W^m Regby
Rich. Wilson & Ann
ux.
John Hicks
Timothy Marshall
Robert Cutter

Anth. Willson
ffrancis Stringer
W^m Spray
Robert Lunn
ffrancis Booth
John Bradford
Samuell Binns
Edward Hussey
W^m Clayton &
John Whitacre

CITY OF EXON.

John Bennett

MOUNTGOMERY.

Charles Lloyd
W^m Lewis
Cadwallader
Edwards
Hugh Davyd
Rich^d David Griffith
Margarett Lewis
Sarah Wilson
Anne Lawrence
Tho Lloyd
Richard Davyes
Watkin David
Owen Jones &
Eliz. Hughes

SUFFOLK.

Edward Hall
Anne Hall
Edw. Manning
John Brag
John Sparke
James Lilly &
Tho. King

NORTHTON.

Daniel Ree
John Nottingham
Thomas Page
John Houghton
Nicholas Day
Joseph Garrett
William Robinson
John Cary
Tho. Allen

Richard Coe
John Tresloe
W^m Lyne
Francis Child
Thomas Dent &
Eliz Harris &
Richard Cooper

HERTFORD.

Nich. Lucas
Samⁿ Traherne
Jeremy Herne
Henry Feast
Henry Marshall
John Wytham
Richard Thomas
ffrancis Hatten
Tho : Crawley
Robt ffairerian
Samⁿ Woollaston
Robert Crooke
John Thorowgood
Henry Sweeting
Henry Stout
Jeremy Deane
Willm Burr
Lewis Lawndy
Tho. Moss
W^m ffayreman
Mary Whittenbury
John Piggott
Edw. Parkin
W^m Larkin
Tho. Wood
W^m Browne
Priscilla Grapes
Sarah Grapes
Roger Cooper
Ebinezor Golledge
Tho. Archer
W^m Archer
Tho. Kirby
Tho. Vance
Tho. Hill
Robert Pryer &
Tho. Chalkley

CITY OF LINCOLN.	William Bridge	Owen Roberts
Martin Mason	Margaret Clarke	Samuell Everatt
CAMBRIDGE.	Thomas Arthur	Ranulphus Alcott
Edward Smith	Nathan ⁿ Plumsted &	Thomas Overton
John Byng	Richard Richardson	John Holston
W ^m Wytham	KINGS BENCH.	James ffarmer
Edward Sutton	John Griffith	Richard Lownes
Robert Matthew	Jonathan Jennings	John Simpson
Giles Pemberton	John Alway	Joseph ffletcher &
Phillip Williamson	Abraham Dikson	Richard Hoogen
Tho. Rivers	Matthew Perryn	CORNEWALL.
Francis Holcroft &	Tho. Naylor	Nicholas Jose
James Rogers	W ^m Gibson	Stephen Read
HUNTINGTON.	Theophilus Green	John Wallish
John Peacock	John Wrenn	Thomas Richards
Robert Ingram	Tho. Paul	Richard Dennis
ffrancis Penn	ffrancis Cooley	John Matthew
Robert Whitehead	Richard Cock	Thomas Tyack
Eliz. Throstle &	Richard Guy	John Ellis &
John King	John Smith	Lawrence Growdon
BEDFORD.	Joshua Sparrow	CITY OF WORCEST ^r
John ffen	John Maddocks	Robert Smith
John Bunion	George Tippin	
John Dunne	Henry fforty	This is a true List of
Tho. Haynes	Samuell Hart	the Names of such
Geo. ffarr	Joseph Townsend	Persons comonly
James Rogers	John ffelder &	called Quakers &
John Rush	Robert Hodgson	others which are by
Tabitha Rush &	LANCASTER.	vertue of an Order
John Curfe	Richard Clayton &	of Councill of the
ESSEX.	ffrancis Dunne	8 th of May last past
Edwin Morrell	SALOP.	to be inserted in a
Joseph Smith	W ^m Payne	generall Pardon.
John Clarke	James ffarmer	EDW. WALKER. ¹

[Address] ffor the Right honor^{bl} the Erle of Arlington these.
 [Endorsed] M^r Blood, May 23. 72. Prisoners in Small Goales
 to bee pdoned.

My Lord

According vnto y^r Lord^{ps} direction I Inquiered after y^e order
 of councell for y^e relece of prisoners and find it to be no larger then
 vpon letters sent to y^e sherrifs of each county for an accountp

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 307. 166. Cal. 1671-2, p. 489.

of what quakers were prisonⁿ vpon y^e accoumpt of conscience and no other crime that y^e Aturny generall should draw vp a pardon for to contain them all to which haue bene added som others since by order of councell, but I cannot find any other order of councell that relates to prisoners, so y^t many are like to remaine still in prison y^t are of other perswasions then quakers, and vnderstanding that y^e Lord^p by y^e Kings apoyntment hath by warra^t releced some that peticoned his Maiesty I humbly offer to y^e Lord^p whither it be not y^e best way to peticon his Maiesty for these prisoners incerted in this inclosed that they may be releced by spetiall wara^t conditionall that they be in for no other crimes then such as are mentioned in y^e sayd list of prisoners, but if y^e Lord^p thinke it not a convenient way I humbly desire y^e Lord^{ps} directions, these are prisoners recomended vnto my care and I would willingly haue my reputation kepte vp that I may bee the better inabled to sarue his Maiesty.

If yo^r Lord^p think fit to signify your pleshur herein by M^r Bridgman or any other way it shall be obsarved by
 yor Lord^{ps} most obliged
 servant

May 23. 72.

THO BLOOD.¹

[Two lists follow of 18 prisoners in Bodmin, Exeter, Stoke cannon Devon, Kings Bench & Durham, none apparently Quakers.]

A Generall pardon to Quakers prisoners in the Goals of seuerall Counties of England, for all offences, contempts and misdemeanors by them or any of them committed before the day of last ag^t seuerall Statutes, in not comeing to Church & heareing diuine seruice, in refusing to take the Oath of allegiance & Supremacy and frequenting seditious Conventicles &^c and of all premunires Judgment convictions sentences & excommunications &^c.

12 June 1672.

To M^r. Attorney.²

August, 1672.
 Quakers pdon.

A pdon vnto the seūall psons therin named of all Offences Contempts & Misdemeano^{rs} comitted ag^t the Seūall Statutes made in the 1st, 23^d, 25th, & 35th yeares of the Reigne of Queene Elizabeth in the 3^d yeare of King James & in the 16th yeare of

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 309. 103(3). *Cal.* 1672, p. 45.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. Entry Book 34. *Cal.* 1672, p. 214.

his Ma^{ties} Reigne, in not comeing to Church & heareing Divine Service, In refusing to take the Oath of Allegiance & Sup^macy, & frequenting or being p^sent att Seditious Conventicles, And of all p^munires Judgem^{ts} Conviccons, Sentences of Excom^municaçon & Transportacon therevpon & of all ffynes Amerciam^{ts} paines, penalties and forfeitures thereby incurr'd, with Restitucon of Lands & Goods & Such other Clauses & Non obstantes as are vsual in pdons of like nature. Subsc^r & pcur^d vt Supra.¹

A Fire in St. Katherine's.

A narratiue of the late fyer in St. Katherines drawne by the best informaçon that at p^sent can be had.

Vpon Saturday night May the 25th (72) aboute 11. a'clock the ffyer begann in St. Katherines in a Quakers howse, a Tobacconist one Thomas Lacey, it being seaven or eight howses from Iron Gate neere the Tower; Within a Quart^r of an houres time, The lieuf^t of the Tower rec^d the Alarum, vpon which he presently drew the Companies in the Tower to their Armes and rais'd the offic^{rs} of the ordnance and Mynt, and the Lieuf^t of the Tower gaue order for men to be sent upp vpon the White Tower with necessaries for preventing of fyer, and water with Bucketts Ladders and other things needfull were carried vpon the Line and all the Bullworks in the Tower, and this not without great necessity, by reason of great fflakes of ffyer fell in all parts of y^e Tower the wind being full East. . . [4½ folio pages—80 houses burned, 30 blown up, 30 more shattered, 7 vessels burned.]

The Examination of Thomas Lacy Quaker taken before S^r John Robinson the 28th Day of May 1672.

ffirst this Examinant saith to the best of my knowledge that hee and his wife and one childe one man Servant were gone to bedd halfe an houre after tenn not leaveing soe much fier in the house below staires as would light a pipe of tobacco without the helpe of amatch, as for his maid servant the Examinant saith hee left hir below to make some matches for his tinder box, which shee did make, and accordingly brought them upp to hir Masters bedside presently before a leaven a clocke, and soe hee gave his order to goe downe and locke the doores and come away to bedd, which I doe not know that shee did any thinge otherwise, shee lyeing two paire of staires next the Streete, and I laye backwards one paire of Staires.

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. Docquetts, vol. 25, fo. 288.

To the best of my knowledge halfe an houre after Eleaven the Childe being froward wakened my wife and shee awaked mee and told mee that shee heard Some noise backward vppon the water cry out fier upon which I started out off my bedd and saw a little shedd or washouse all on fire wherevpon I rann downe staires to see if I could quench it but goeing upp staires to my wife tooke my childe in my armes and bidd my wife follow mee, when I was come downe I bethought my selfe of some mony I had in my chamber went vpp againe and perceaveing the fire appeareing durst not stay to bringe my mony but came presently downe in two minnetts and the fire mett mee at the staire foote and burnt my face, wherevpon findeing my wife and childe gone out I followed hir out and cried fire in the Streete, and being got almost as farr as the Kings head taverne I mett one man in blacke clothes armed and tooke mee by the Shoulders and call mee roague and gave mee a kicke on the buttockes, goe backe and helpe to quench the fire, soe I rann backe to save my selfe into the house of M^r Mayden who lent mee a coate to cover my nakednesse.

And this is all I cann saye uppon my owne knowledge
witnessse my hand

THOMAS LACY.'

Long-time Prisoners.

For the King & his Privie Councill.

Since the King has declared his will and pleasure to bee that the Execution of all and all manner of pœnall Lawes in matters Ecclesiasticall against what soever sort of Nonconformists or Recusants be immediately suspended and that they are suspended.

Wee doe tenderly request you to take into your serious considerations the present sufferings and deep afflictions of our many Innocent ffreinds and Bretheren called Quakers who lye in Prisons & nautious goales vntill this day, meerely for matters relating to their tender Consciences, many suffering vnder the sentence of a Præmunire, and many vnder penall Lawes in matters Ecclesiasticall as for non Conformity and vnder Excommunications and many remaine Prisoners vnder the sentence of banishment, and have remained above seaven yeares ; And vnder the sentence of premunire some have remained in prison ffoure yeares, many six, & many seaven or Eight and some Tenn yeares, & vpwards whereby many are greatlie impaired in their healths and ruined in their estates, and honest employments and trades, to the vndoeing of their ffamilies and the great prejudice of many poore

. ' S.P.Dom. Car. II. 310. 3. Cal. 1672, p. 82.

people who have been imployed by them, when they had libertie to follow their trades abroad ; which they have been long deprived of by their seveere restraints, besides a great number of Innocent men and Women, who have laid downe their lives in prisons. Wherefore from that sence wee have of their deep suffring and sore oppression that many still lye vnder, Wee (as bound in Christian dutie) desire that these our freinds and Bretheren may be discharged from these their present suffrings & imprisonm^t that they may enioy their liberties in the peaceable exercise of their Consciencs and to follow their lawfull trades & callings, And that for the same end yo^e would be pleased to grant forth a Proclamation, or otherwise give order for their release ; that yo^r power may be extended in Mercy to the Releife of the oppressed who owe nothing but Love and good will to you and all mankind.

And this is the Request of the peacaeble people called Quakers.

An account of 125 persons who are Prisoners vnder the Sentence of a Premunire.

BERKSHIRE.

John Payne
William Yett
Robert Pocock
Thomas Tudway
William Lamboll
Leonard Keyes
Leonard Coale
John Boulton
James Laxall
George Lamboll
Thomas Bartlett
John Tray
Thomas Curtis
Benjamin Coale

Robert Payne
Richard Hutchins
Richard Green
Anthony Sadler
James Marlow
John Littleworth
Thomas Cunnick
Isaac Pennington
Alexander Merret
Benjamin Clarke
John Kent &
John Stevens

These 27 persons have been prisoners on the account afores^d most of them above seaven yeares.

CUMBERLAND.

Thomas Storey &
Steven Pearson

} have remained prisoners on y^e same account above seaven yeares.

DURHAM.

John Langstaffe

} Prisoner on y^e same account above Eight yeares.

DORSETTSHIRE.

John Pittman	}	Angell Smith	}	have been all Prisoners
William Scott		Francis Bowne		under the same sentence
Charles Noak		Andrew Downton		above seven years.

LINCOLNSHIRE.

John Williamson &	}	have been Prisoners above seven years.
Ralph Harbottle		

NORFOLKE.

Edward Shooter	Joseph Townsend	}	have remained		
Robert Turner	Anth: Preston			Prisoners above	
Thomas Waller	John Hazlewood &				Eight years.
Joseph Whittworth	John Yaksly				
Ben: Townsend					

NORTHAMPTON.

Thomas Dent &	}	have remained prison's several years.
George Eyre		

OXFORDSHIRE.

William Pettifer &	}	Prison's on y ^e same Account above Eight
Henry Phillipps		years.

SUSSEX.

Steven Eager	John Shooter	}	have most of them			
Nicholas Beard	John Martin			remained prisoners		
William Gearing	William Norton				on y ^e same acco ^t	
Richard Scrase	Moses french					above Eight years.
Walter Scrase	Thomas Avery &					
John Ellis	John(?) Wenham					
Ambrosse Rigg	[2nd and 3rd letter					
	erased]					

HARTFORDSHIRE.

Thomas Chalkly	}	have Been prisoners on y ^e same account
Robert Pryor &		about 7 years.
Thomas Hill		

SOMERSETSHIRE.

John Adams
 Joseph Pearce
 Thomas Budd
 John Collins
 William Roach
 John Denbury
 Rice Morris
 George Clapp
 Nathaniell Parke
 John Cary
 Giles Brookes
 Amos Parsons
 Henry Turner
 Henry Lambert
 Andrew Raymond

The most of these were first imprisoned for meeting and after ffourteene monthes Imprisonment had the sentence of a Præmunire past vpon y^m for not sweareing and have remained prison's above tenn yeares.

The most of whom are very poore men several of them haveing great charges of Children and ffamilyes & little else to mainteyn them but their daily Labours.

SURREY.

Robert Hodgson & } Prisoners in y^e Kings bench for y^e same
 Tenn more } Cause.

MIDDLESEX.

John Boulton
 John Keinsey
 W^m Welch &
 one more } Prisoners in the fleet on the same account.
 Two Prisoners in Newgate on y^e same account.

WORCESTERSHIRE.

Robert Smith & } have been prisoners above Eight yeares on
 Richard Peyton } y^e same account.

WARWICKSHIRE.

Thomas Goodayre	}	William Bevington	}	These have been prison's for the Cause aforesaid above 7 yeares.
Thomas Cooke		Jacob Gibbs		
Richard feild		Paul Newman		
William Parr		Job Carpenter		
Henry Jackson		James Waggstaffe		
Thomas feild		William Lucas		
William Deusbery		Mary Cooper		

STAFFORDSHIRE.

Thomas Taylor } hath been prisoner above nine yeares for y^e
same Cause.

MOUNTGOMERY in Wales.

William Lewis	}	Charles Lloyd	} These have remained	
Marg ^t Lewis		Cadwallider Edwards		prison's on y ^e same
Edward Evans		Humphrey Wilson		account above
Kath : Evans		Anne Lawrence		seaven yeares.
Richard Davis		Sarah Wilson		
Hugh Davis				

CARMARTHEN.

James Pickton } hath remained a prisoner for y^e same above
nine yeares.

And besides these there remains prisoners

1 Vnder the Sentence of banishment about	60 Persons.
2 Vppon Excommunications about	30 Persons.
3 ffor ffines and Meetings above	100 persons.

Alsoe of late time very many more are deep sufferers vpon the late Act by the great loss & spoile of their goods, for their Innocent Meetings, many whereof being poore labouring men, who have had not soe much as their working tooles left them, but their poor Children, & ffamilies ruined, by the spoylers and severall more of late time imprisoned for their tender Consciences, who are soe numerous that at present wee have not a perticuler account of them.^t

A Counterfeit Quaker.

SILAS TAYLOR to Williamson.

Harwich ffeb : 15 : 167½.

S^r

I haue rec^d none of your l^{tes} beeing now about noone, nor any account of yo^r occurrences. The reason of it is the extraordinary ill managem^t of the stages betwixt us & London & truely S^r it would doe well considering the usefulness of this place that there were a settled stage, betwixt vs & Colchester, for this stage is not car'd for by y^e post office; but one of our Townse

^t S.P.Dom. Car. II. 311. 114. Cal. 1672, p. 214, under date "1672 [June ?]."

men manages it for one peny for euey letter brought or sent betwixt Colechester & Harw^{ch} w^{ch} beeing but 60 miles from London it is hard we should be obliged to pay more then any other place in England for y^r same distance.

Our news here is nothing ; yesterday there went out of this port many colliers light for Newcastle belonging to Ipswich & this towne.

The last night we made a stop of a shipwright that would haue pas'd in y^r packet boat for Holland, & further to secure him he was presd into a catch belonging to y^r Royall James who is here pressing : He sayd he was a Hollander & at first counterfeited himselfe a quaker but whilst he was vnder examination & finding himselfe discouerd he took up a glasse of wine & began his Mat^{rs} health of his owne accord. I am

S^r your most humble seru^t

SYLAS TAYLOR.¹

Dover.

[Endorsed] 28 Oct. 1671. Re : 31. M^r Carlisle.

Douer Octb^r 28th 71.

S^r

I thinke itt is My Duty to acquaint you wth the transactions of this day & the rude carrages of about 2 or 3 hundred men, headed by the Maior of this Towne, who Caused the horne to bee blowne about the Towne Charging all freemen in his owne name to appeare att the Guild Hall att 2 in the afternoon who accordingly did in a tumultuous manner I rather thinke itt In a Rebellious manner to alter the Constitution & gou'ment of this Corporation Contrary to our Lawes & Charters which hath been held good about 120 years and owned by the King & Counsell 7^{ber} the 15th 1670 yett notwithstanding this our Maior who is noe great polli-tion is guided by a party of men, some quakers, Many Anna-baptists & most of them non Conformists & excommunicated psons, & truly when I saw them flock together itt Looked wth the face of Rebellion ass itt began in 42 & he that is one of the Ring Leaderes was one thatt surprized Douer Castle in the year aboute said & severall of these Disturbers hath been in actuall armes against the King. . . .

Y^r most humble seruant,

JO: CARLILE.²

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 304. 35. Cal. 1671-2, p. 138.

² S.P.Dom. Car. II. 293. 183. Cal. 1671, p. 545.

“The Wilde of Kent.”

[Address] ffor the Honor^{ble} S^r Joseph Williamson one of The
Clarkes of His Matt^{ties} Most Honor^{ble} Priuy Councill att Whithall.

[Endorsed] Sheernesse Aug. 6. 1672. R. 7. Major Darrell.

Sh. 6th of August.

S^r

This is the returne of a thousand thankes ffor y^e most obliging
Letter w^{ch} I will study to deserue by euery act of my Lyfe. . . .
This place affoordes none [news] but that s^r William Penns sonn
a Renowned quaker and Two or three Brethren moore are very
busy in the wilde of Kent In planting their Gospell and elightening
that dark Country w^{ch} is the receptacle of all sisme and Rebellion
a gentleman of this Country told me this newes yesterday and
that these Impostures have numerous Companies folowing
them.

S^r I am y^e most humble and euer obliged Serv^t

A. DARRELL.¹

¹ S.P.Dom. Car. II. 313. 227. Cal. 1672, p. 450.

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