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## P R E F A C E.

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**T**HE two previous volumes of Extracts from the Burgh Records of Glasgow, published in 1876 and 1881, contain selections from these records, so far as known to exist,<sup>1</sup> from January 1573-4 till 20th December, 1662. This volume brings down the series from 17th January, 1663, till the Revolution Settlement in 1690.

In 1894 a volume of Charters and other Documents relating to the City was issued, containing the charters from that of William the Lion to the Bishop of Glasgow in 1175-8 to that of Charles I. in favour of the Magistrates and Council of the City in 1648—the Latin charters being accompanied by translations. A preface to that volume was issued in 1897, and in it—drawing upon the two volumes of extracts above referred to—an attempt was made to sketch what may be regarded as the constitutional history of the burgh from its foundation till the end of the reign of Charles I. on 30th January, 1649.

In view of the importance to the city, both in an historical and business aspect, of having the charters brought down till the

<sup>1</sup> The Records are wanting from—  
27th April, 1586, till 22nd October, 1588 ;  
31st July, 1590, till 5th October, 1594 ;

27th October, 1601, till 13th June, 1605 ; and  
25th August, 1613, till 30th September,  
1623.

latest date, arrangements may, it is to be hoped, be made by the Corporation for having this work completed, even should no further progress be made with the publication of extracts from the records. The position which the city now claims to occupy among the municipalities of the kingdom, may well lead the corporation to deal with the matter, in view, especially, of what is being done by other public bodies.

Apart from much that is of interest otherwise as to the general history of Glasgow during the period between the restoration of Charles II. and the Revolution Settlement in 1690, the present volume deals with the final relief of the city from subordination to the archbishop of Glasgow, or to the lay successors of the archbishop, in the election of its own magistrates.

The development of the city—from its original subordination to these superiors till it acquired its present position of independence as a royal burgh—has passed through four successive stages—*first*, as a burgh of barony, in the enjoyment of many of the rights and privileges of a royal burgh; *second*, as a burgh of regality, with regality rights; *third*, as a royal burgh holding of the crown, but subject to the right of the archbishops to select the magistrates; and *fourth*, as a royal burgh emancipated from that subjection, and entitled to elect its own magistrates. To these successive stages reference has to be made, and specially to the stages third and fourth above mentioned.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> For fuller details of the history of the City from its foundation till the execution of King Charles I. in 1649, see Part I. of Glasgow Charters, published in 1897.



The charter by William the Lion to Joceline, Bishop of Glasgow, circa 1175-8, authorised the bishop and his successors to have a burgh at Glasgow and a market there on Thursdays, "with all the freedoms and customs which any of my burghs in my whole land best, most fully, quietly, and honourably has." The charter of James II. to Bishop William, of 20th April, 1450, again, confirmed to the bishop and his successors the city of Glasgow, barony of Glasgow, and lands called Bishopforest,<sup>1</sup> "in free, pure, and unmixed regality." But whatever privileges the citizens may have had under these charters, the right to elect their magistrates belonged to the bishop, and one illustration of the way in which it was exercised is recorded in the year 1553. On the Tuesday next after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel, when the new bailies used to be elected, the provost and the whole council presented to Archbishop Beaton, in the inner flower garden of the palace, where he was conversing with some of the canons of the chapter, a schedule containing the names of some of the most worthy and substantial men of the city, and, from it, he selected the bailies for the following year. Before the municipal election of 1561 came round, however, the Reformation had occurred, and the archbishop had gone to France. Nevertheless, the town council did their accustomed part. They proceeded to the Bishop's Palace to obtain the prelate's choice, but, finding that

<sup>1</sup> The lauds of Bishopforest, though included in the regality of Glasgow, were situated in the stewartry of Kirkcudbright. In Archbishop Law's Testament the whole revenue derived from the lands of Bishop-

forest for the crop and year 1632 are set down at £33 6s. 8d. Scots, or £2 15s. 6½d. Sterling. [Hamilton's Descriptions of Lanarkshire, &c. (Maitland Club, p. 149).]

he had disappeared they proceeded to elect the magistrates themselves. Owing to the loss of council records, further particulars regarding elections are not available till 1574, but it is probable that during the absence of the archbishop, and before the appointment of his successor, the procedure was similar to that of 1561.

In 1560 the Scottish Estates approved of the Confession of Faith, revoked all acts authorising any form of belief or worship other than was set forth in that document, and abjured the authority of the Pope.<sup>1</sup> But the old spiritual estate still subsisted, and its dignitaries remained one of the estates of the realm. The only secular difference effected by the Reformation of 1560 was the substitution of protestants, and these frequently laymen, for the old church dignitaries. For a short period the temporalities of the archbishopric appear to have been held by John Porterfield, minister of Kilmarnock, the licence for whose election was issued on 8th February, 1571-2. Matters, however, were altered by the concordat of Leith in 1572, which provided for the maintenance of the titles of archbishops and bishops, and the existing boundaries of dioceses. Under this new form of episcopacy, archbishops were appointed to the sees of St. Andrews and Glasgow, and bishops to the other sees. This concordat was approved by the General Assembly at Perth in 1572, and James Boyd, of Trochrig, minister of Kirkoswald, was promoted to the archbishopric. The licence for his election was dated 30th September, 1573, and when the earliest extant records of the city

<sup>1</sup> 1560, c. 2, Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, II., p. 534.

commence he was archbishop, and his kinsman, Robert Lord Boyd, of Kilmarnock, was provost of the city. These relations between the archbishop and his kinsman continued till the General Assembly, held in Edinburgh, on 24th October, 1578, when the archbishop was accused by the presbyterian party of neglecting his duties, and was required to make submission. This he did on 7th July, 1579.<sup>1</sup> He was succeeded as archbishop by Robert Montgomery, from Stirling, who was deposed on 24th April, 1582, by the General Assembly, which had previously decided against the continuance of bishops. The privy council, however, supported him, and a conflict between the civil and ecclesiastical authorities took place. The parliament, which met in Edinburgh in May, 1584, annulled the proceedings of the ecclesiastical courts against Montgomery, and ordained that he might enjoy all honours, dignities, and benefices, as if these ecclesiastical proceedings had never been taken.<sup>2</sup> Against this action by parliament the kirk protested, as an invasion of its rights, but Montgomery resumed his functions, nominating the provost and bailies at the election in October of that and the subsequent year. In 1585 he seems to have entered into arrangements with the King and William Erskine, parson of Campsie, the latter of whom was vested in the archbishopric by a charter under the great seal, dated 21st December, 1585.<sup>3</sup> On 29th July, 1587, the parliament then held at Edinburgh annexed to the crown, to remain therewith in all time coming, all lands, lordships, and other rights and properties which at that time

<sup>1</sup> He died on 21st June, 1581.

<sup>2</sup> 1584, c. 31, A.P.S., III., p. 311.

<sup>3</sup> The Council Records from 27th April, 1586, till 22nd October, 1588, are wanting.

belonged to any archbishop, bishop, or other ecclesiastic or beneficed person, save such as were specially excepted, including the castles, mansions, and gardens of archbishops and other prelates. This act was ordered to receive effect as at Martinmas, 1587, and by a charter, dated 3rd November of that year, the king conveyed to Walter Stewart, commendator of Blantyre, the lands and barony of Glasgow, the city and burgh of regality of Glasgow, and other lands therein specified, with all patronages which had belonged to the archbishop, and the offices of bailiary and justiciary of the whole regality; and under this charter the commendator exercised the right to nominate the provost and bailies.<sup>1</sup> Previous to 2nd January, 1595-6, the commendator denuded himself, in favour of the king, of certain lands which belonged to the archbishopric, and apparently also of the right to nominate the provost and bailies, as that power of nomination was in some unexplained way transferred to the Duke of Lennox. On 5th October, 1596, the town council applied to the duke as "having power by the king's grace to the nomination of bailies," and he selected the provost and bailies for the year. On 16th December, 1597, an act of parliament conveyed to the duke the superiority of the archbishopric for his lifetime. On 17th November, 1600, he got a formal grant of the right to elect the magistrates, and to exercise jurisdiction over the temporalities of the archbishopric, and on 7th April, 1603, he obtained a charter of the lordship of Glasgow. On 29th June, 1598, the Convention of Estates had passed an act whereby, in consideration of the great services

<sup>1</sup> The Council Records from 31st July, 1590, till 5th October, 1594, are wanting.

rendered to Queen Mary and to King James by Archbishop Beaton, the king and the estates restored him to all the heritages, honours, dignities, benefices, and offices which had previously belonged to him, and declared that he should enjoy his whole heritages and benefices, though he had never made confession of his faith or acknowledged the religion then professed in Scotland.<sup>1</sup> From this restitution, however, the right of choosing the provost and bailies of the burgh of Glasgow was excepted. On 2nd October, 1599, the Duke of Lennox selected the provost and bailies, and in each of the two following years similar appointments were made by him.<sup>2</sup>

Archbishop Beaton died at Paris on 25th April, 1603, and on 20th July, 1603, the king appointed John Spottiswood, parson of Calder, to the See, but he was not consecrated till 21st October, 1610. After his appointment to the archbishopric, Spottiswood became the king's chief adviser as to the measures by which the hierarchy was re-established in Scotland, and it was at his earnest request that the king, on 8th April, 1611, granted a charter under the great seal, by which he not only confirmed to the burgh and city all the rights, privileges, and immunities which it had enjoyed, but erected it into a free royal burgh, with all the rights and privileges thereto belonging, to be held in feu farm heritage and free burgage for ever, for the service of burgh used and wont, and the annual payment to the archbishop and his successors of sixteen merks Scots (11s. 1½d.

<sup>1</sup> 1598, c. 14; 1600, c. 57; A.P.S., IV., pp. 169, 256.

<sup>2</sup> The Council Records from 27th October, 1601, till 13th June, 1605, are wanting.

sterling). The grant was so restricted as to place the city in a position much less favourable than that of Edinburgh, Dundee, and the other royal burghs of the period. These had long enjoyed the right to elect their own magistrates, and to exercise jurisdiction, relieved from all control save the supervision of the Lord High Chamberlain. But, under the charter of 1611, this privilege was withheld, and it was declared that it should in no degree prejudice the freedoms and privileges granted by the crown to the archbishop, his power of electing the magistrates as then in use, and the privilege of regality, nor the emoluments, duties, maills, customs, or other commodities belonging to him and his successors.<sup>1</sup> An attempt had been made in 1606 to procure for the citizens the right to choose their magistrates, and the draft of an act to effect that object was prepared, but, in consequence of opposition by interested parties, the proposal did not receive legislative sanction.<sup>2</sup>

On the death of Archbishop Gledstanes of St. Andrews, Archbishop Spottiswoode was transferred to that see, and was installed on 6th August, 1615. Spottiswoode was succeeded in the archbishopric of Glasgow by James Law, bishop of Orkney, who was appointed by the king on 20th July and installed in September of that year. He held that office till his death in November, 1632.

On 7th August, 1621, Archbishop Law, "as lord of the barony of Glasgow," granted a charter to Ludovick Duke

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow Charters, Part II., pp. 278-283, No. xcii.; Part I., p. cclx. This Charter was ratified by Parliament on 23rd October, 1612. 1612, c. 18, A.P.S., IV., p. 484, and

on 28th June, 1633; 1633, c. 79, A.P.S., V., 88. Glasgow Charters, II., p. 284, No. xciii.

<sup>2</sup> Glasgow Charters, Part II., p. 271, No. xc.; I., p. cccxii., *et seq.*

of Lennox, therein designed Earl Darnley and Richmond, Lord Methven, Tarbolton and St. Andrews, Great Admiral and Chamberlain of Scotland, and his heirs male and successors, heritably, of the office of bailiary, regality, and justiciary within the lordship and barony of Glasgow, as well within as without the burgh of Glasgow, with special power to appoint deputes, hold courts in civil and criminal cases, and to repledge from other jurisdictions. This grant proceeded on the narrative that the duke and his predecessors had enjoyed those offices beyond all memory, and that by their assistance the tenants and inhabitants had been kept in steadfast service and obedience to the archbishop. The offices thus described were appointed to be held blench under the archbishop, for the yearly payment of a penny at the castle of Glasgow, and the duke and his successors were taken bound to have one of their deputes continually resident in the burgh, and ready on every occasion to apprehend, incarcerate, and punish transgressors according to the measure of their fault.<sup>1</sup>

Duke Ludovic died on 16th February, 1624, and was succeeded by his brother Esme, son of Esme, the first duke. Esme, the third duke, died on 30th July, 1624, and was succeeded by his eldest son James, then a minor.

Archbishop Law was succeeded by Patrick Lindsay, who was translated by Charles I. from the see of Ross, conform to Charter, dated 16th April, 1633.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow Charters, Part II., p. 314, No. CL.; Part I., p. ccxcii. Confirmed by King Charles I. on 1st July, 1629 (Reg. Mag. Sig., 1620-33. p. 473, No. 139).

<sup>2</sup> Reg. Mag. Sig., 1620-33, p. 732, No. 2161. Ratified by Parliament, 28th June, 1633 (1633, c. 62, A.P.S., V., p. 70).



In May, 1633, King Charles visited Scotland, accompanied by the Duke of Lennox, the Marquis of Hamilton, the Earl of Morton, Dr. Laud, bishop of London; and Dr. White, bishop of Ely, and on 20th June he opened the Scottish Parliament at Edinburgh. By this parliament an act was passed in favour of Glasgow, confirming its several charters, without prejudice, however, to the rights of the Duke of Lennox and his successors, in their offices of bailiary and justiciary of the barony and regality, and to those also of the archbishop and his successors, as regarded the right to elect and nominate the magistrates of the burgh, and their right to lands and privileges.<sup>1</sup>

On 16th October, 1636, the king granted to the city another charter by which he confirmed all its previous grants and rights, and of new created it a royal burgh, to be held in free burgage for the yearly payment to the crown of twenty merks, and to the archbishop of sixteen merks. The charter, however, reserved to the Duke of Lennox and his successors the whole liberties and privileges within the burgh and regality of Glasgow, which he or his predecessors had used or possessed in any time past, including those to which they and their bailies and deputes were accustomed in relation to the fair of Glasgow.<sup>2</sup> The archbishop and chapter and the authorities of the college seem to have been apprehensive that the extensive grants conferred by this charter were prejudicial to their rights, and to remove these objections the town council granted a

<sup>1</sup> 1633, c. 79, A.P.S., V., 87-89; Glasgow Charters, Part II., pp. 351-5.

<sup>2</sup> Original in the archives of the city. Glasgow Charters, Part II., pp. 375-95.

bond, dated 6th December, 1636, by which it was declared that the charter should in no respect prejudice either the see or the college and that the rights conferred by it should not, so far as these parties were concerned, extend beyond those granted to the burgh by James II. on 8th April, 1611, and 21st December, 1613.<sup>1</sup>

Archbishop Lindsay and others of the Scottish bishops were deposed and excommunicated by the General Assembly on 13th December, 1638. The archbishop left Scotland in consequence, and proceeded to England, where he died a few years afterwards.

On 17th August, 1639, the General Assembly of the Kirk passed an act ordaining episcopal government and civil places and power of kirkmen to be held as unlawful in the kirk.<sup>2</sup> This act was ratified and confirmed by the parliament held at Edinburgh on 6th June, 1640; and all acts in prejudice thereof were rescinded and annulled.<sup>3</sup>

On 6th September, 1641, King Charles granted a charter under his privy seal, in which, after narrating that the temporality of the archbishopric of Glasgow had fallen to his disposal by the abolition in Scotland of the estate of bishops and archbishops, and referring to the close connection which existed between him and the family of Lennox, and to the fidelity and service of

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow Charters, Part II., pp. 395-7. By the charter of 1613 King James bestowed on the town council and community certain lands which had belonged to the subdeans of Glasgow, and which were then at the disposal of his majesty by virtue

of the annexation of church lands to the crown (*Ib.* pp. 284-91).

<sup>2</sup> Glasgow Charters, Part II., pp. 397-400.

<sup>3</sup> 1640, c. 19, A.P.S., V., p. 276; Glasgow Charters, Part II., p. 400.

James, Duke of Lennox and Richmond, he, with the consent of the officers of state, disposed to the duke and his heirs male, whom failing, to his heirs and assignees whomsoever, the lands and barony of Glasgow, with the castle, city, burgh, and regality thereof, and all lands which had in ancient times belonged to the archbishop, wherever situated, with the heritable right to nominate and annually elect the provost, bailies, and other officers of the city as freely as the archbishops had done. He also constituted the duke and his successors lords of regality of the barony of Glasgow, with all the powers that attached to that office. He further granted to the duke and his heirs male the superiority of the subjects so conveyed, and appointed the farmers, tenants, and possessors thereof to hold of the duke and his heirs in feu, for the yearly payment of the fermes and duties specified in their infeftments. He moreover incorporated the lands, lordship, baronies, burgh, and regality into a temporal lordship and regality, to be called "the lordship of Glasgow," to be held by the duke and his successors for the yearly payment to the crown of two hundred merks scots (£11 2s. 2½d. sterling), but without prejudice to an act of parliament in favour of the burgh concerning its liberties.<sup>1</sup>

That act, passed on 16th November, 1641, proceeded on the narrative that, in the election of magistrates, the burgh had heretofore required the assent and approbation of the archbishop, and, during such time as episcopacy was not allowed, that of the then late Ludovick, Duke of Lennox and Richmond, who was heritably infeft

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow Charters, Part II. pp. 403-10, November, 1641 (1641, c. 273, A.P.S., V., p. No. cx. Ratified by Parliament on 17th 506).

in the archbishopric, with the privileges belonging thereto, and specially the nomination of the magistrates of the town of Glasgow. The burgh being then, however, "one of the best peopled and pryme burghes within the kingdome, it is most agreeable to reasone that they should have free liberty to elect and choyse such persones as should be most fit both to serve the Prince and governe the burghe itselfe, as other burghs of this kingdome." The king, therefore, with the advice of the estates, and the consent of James Duke of Lennox and Richmond, ordained that the burgh should, in all time coming, have as free liberty in the election and choosing of their magistrates, yearly, at the accustomed times, as any other burgh in Scotland, "with this speciall provisione and conditione"—a provision and condition absolutely inconsistent with the narrative and the intention therein expressed—"that the proveist, baillies, and counsell of the burghe and their successoures shall present yeirlie, in all tyme coming, ane leit of three persones to be proveist of the said burgh," to the duke and his successoures, "of the whilke nomber the said" duke and his successors "shall nominat one to be proveist for the yeir followeing, whom they shall be obleist to receive and admit to be their proveist the same year; provyding the said duke and his foiresaidis, be themselves or ther commissioner, be present yeerlie within the said burghe at the castle which belongs to the duke and his successoures the tyme of the electione of ther magistrates; and in case of ther absence, in that caise it shall be lauchfull to them to goe on in the election of their proveist for that yeir of ther absence allenerly." <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 1641, c. 103, A.P.S., V., p. 412; Appendix, p. 709; Glasgow Charters, Part II., pp. 410-411.

To give effect to the arrangement set forth in the charter of 1641 and the act of parliament of 1641, c. 103, the town council, by its minute of 4th October, 1642, set forth the procedure to be followed in the future election of the provosts, and having selected a leet of three for the provostship, sent it up to the castle in order that the duke or his commissioner might nominate the provost. There the council's deputation were received by a number of the duke's "freinds and servands," who produced a commission by the duke in favour of four persons, with power to them, conjunctly and severally, to choose the magistrates. The deputation, however, declined to recognise this commission, as being disconform to the act of parliament which bore "onlie ane commissioner, and power to nominat ane to be provest out of an lyt of thrie persones." Upon this "informalitie and disconformitie" the deputation took instruments, and having reported their proceedings to the council, William Stewart was elected provost, and two merchants and one craftsman were elected bailies. On the 7th, the town councillors were elected. A similar course was adopted in the elections for 1643 and 1644, and thereafter, till 1647, the condition of the city was such that the committee of the estates practically took the appointment of the provosts, bailies, and council into their own hands. Matters had, however, so far reverted to the old condition that, on 5th October, 1647, the commissioner for the Duke of Lennox nominated the provost, who was duly elected for the following year; but at the date of the annual election in 1648 neither the duke nor his commissioner was in Glasgow.

On 30th January, 1649, King Charles I. was executed, and his son, Charles II., landed in Scotland on 23rd June, 1650, to endure bitter humiliations as a condition of succession to the crown of Scotland. These accepted, however, he was crowned at Scone; on 1st January, 1651; was defeated by Cromwell on 3rd September; escaped to Normandy on 15th October; lived an exile, without character or means, for three years in France, nearly two at Cologne, and three in the Low Countries; and then, on the termination of the Protectorate, was recalled to England, to live a venal profligate life as its sovereign.

Reverting to the conditions under which the provost and bailies of Glasgow were appointed,—on 2nd October, 1649, the duke and his commissioner were absent, and the provost was elected by the magistrates and council. Under similar circumstances the provost was elected on 1st October, 1650, and on 30th September, 1651. But on 23rd March, 1652, the commissioners of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of England appointed the neighbours and inhabitants of Glasgow, “according to thair former rites and customs,” to choose their magistrates, and they elected a provost and bailies to hold office till the ordinary time of election at Michaelmas following. On 5th October, 1652, the commissioner of the Duke of Lennox elected one of a leet of three to be provost, and he with three bailies were elected. No reference to an election in 1653 and 1654 appears.

On 30th March, 1655, Duke James died, and was succeeded by his son, Esme.

On 2nd October thereafter a leet for the election of the provost was sent to the duke at the castle, whereupon Sir George Maxwell, of

Nether Pollok, produced a "commissiounne subscrivit be some of the said Duke of Lennox freinds." This, however, was held by the council to be "cleir contrair and disconforme to" the act of parliament of 1641, and was disregarded by the magistrates and council, who elected John Anderson to be provost for the year to come. On 30th September, 1656, a leet of three persons having been submitted to "Sir George Maxwell, of Nether Pollok, knight, cled. with ane commissiounne granted to him be the Dutches of Lennox, quha is tutrix to the young duik, her sone," he nominated John Andersone to be reappointed provost for the year to come, and he was accordingly re-elected. On 29th September, 1657, the provost submitted to the town council a letter from the Lord Protector, desiring the election of the magistrates of the burgh to be deferred till he was more fully informed in regard to the matter. The election was, on 6th October, accordingly deferred, subject to a protest that the delay should not in future be prejudicial to the magistrates and council anent their ordinary election of magistrates as formerly, "conforme to the friedome and libertie grantit to this burghe thairanent and thair use and consuetude thairuntill of befoir." The letter of the Protector, it appears, caused considerable alarm, not only in Glasgow, but in the burghs generally, as leading possibly to an invasion of their constitutional privileges. In December, accordingly, the three former magistrates were commissioned to maintain and defend the liberties and privileges of the burgh in regard to the election of its magistrates and council. These commissioners appeared before a committee appointed by the council of state to investigate and report, and, after negotiation, they, on 4th January, 1658, reported



that, in the interest of peace, they had consented that at the next election at Michaelmas nine persons of the existing council should be removed, and a similar number "of that pairtie quha ar awned be Mr. Patrick Gillespie, and sould be named be Lord Desbrowie," should be put in their places. This proposal was communicated by Lord Desbrough to Gillespie, and the town council also appointed it to be submitted to him, but he refused to receive their offer. The matter, therefore, appears to have been relegated to Edinburgh, and in obedience to an order of the council of state the town records for the years 1645 and 1648 were sent there, and certain persons were appointed to appear on the 23rd and 24th of February, 1658. The result of this hearing before the council of state was that, on 27th February, an order by them, dated 24th February, was received, appointing a new election of magistrates, to take place on the following Tuesday—the councillors to be chosen on the next Friday, and the dean of guild; deacon convener, and other members on the Wednesday thereafter, "conforme to old use and wont." On 2nd March, accordingly, a leet of three for the provostship was sent up to the castle, when Sir George Maxwell produced a commission by the duke of an old date, but the representatives of the burgh declined to recognise it, "it beiring to mak ane nominatioun as aforesaid at the ordinarie electioun of the said provest, and that this election was for ane tyme extraordinar." Returning to the council, and reporting what had been done, John Anderson was elected provost, three persons were elected bailies, and thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen were elected councillors, all till Michaelmas following. On 5th October, 1658, Lord Cochrane, as commis-

sioner for the Duke of Lennox, nominated John Bell, who was elected provost. On 4th October, 1659, John Bell was re-elected provost on the nomination of the commissioner for the tutrix of the Duke.

On 18th June, 1660, proclamation was ordered to be made of the "happie returne" of King Charles II., and his restoration to his throne and dignity.

Esme Duke of Lennox died on 14th August, 1660, unmarried, and was succeeded by his cousin Charles, sixth Duke.

On 2nd October, in the same year, a letter from the Earl of Glencairn, then high chancellor of Scotland, was produced to the town council desiring that the magistrates who had been most unjustly thrust from their places in 1648 might be made use of as magistrates for the following year. Obedience was agreed to be given to the desire, and Colin Campbell, elder, was re-elected provost—neither the duke nor his commissioner being found at the castle to exercise their right.

On 14th November, 1661, Andrew Fairfoul was nominated to the archbishopric by the king, and was consecrated at London on 15th December of the same year.

On 23rd September, 1661, the town council, apprehending that by the restoration of bishops the manner of electing the magistrates was likely to be inverted, otherwise than was set down in the act of parliament, 1641, c. 103, appointed a committee to consider as to petitioning the king to vest these elections in the hands of the council, as was done in regard to other free royal burghs. Under this remit Sir John Nisbet,

advocate, prepared the requisite supplication to the king; but, if it was presented, it did not meet with success. On 1st October, 1661, the duke and his commissioner being absent from the castle, the council re-elected Colin Campbell to be provost.

On 30th September, 1662, the council having assembled to elect the magistrates for the following year, William Forbes, servitor to the archbishop, produced a nomination by the archbishop of John Bell of Hammilton Ferm, merchant, to be provost. The council, on a vote, accepted the nomination and elected Bell, but before he took the oath he protested that the archbishop's nomination "should not be prejudiciall to the toune heirafter anent their former right" to elect their magistrates. On 6th October, 1663, the archbishop and the provost appear to have been attending the parliament then sitting, but the bailies and council convened for the usual elections, when a letter from the archbishop, stating the cause of his absence, desired that the magistrates then in office should be continued for the following year. This request was agreed to, and the provost and bailies were continued in office, under protestation that this "should be nowayes hurtfull or prejudiciall to the townes liberties heirafter." The provost thus elected appeared and took the requisite oath, but at the next meeting the council renewed an act to restrain "the great abuses" which might take place in the election of the town council "through the unboundarie limit of the provost" in their election.

On 18th January, 1664, Alexander Burnet was promoted from Aberdeen to the archbishopric of Glasgow, and was installed at St. Andrews on the 11th of April of that year.

On 4th October thereafter, at the meeting of the town council for the election of the provost and magistrates, a presentation by the archbishop in favour of William Anderson, merchant, to be provost, was submitted. But Anderson was not a member of the council at the time, and three members were sent to the archbishop to represent that the custom had ever been to present for the provostship one of the merchant rank who was a member of the council, and to request him to issue a new presentation. The archbishop, however, declined to alter his presentation. Anderson was thereupon sent for to the council, was elected, and took the requisite oath. Leets for the bailies were then made up and sent to the archbishop, and he having chosen three, the persons so selected were appointed bailies. On 3rd October, 1665, 2nd October, 1666, 1st October, 1667, 6th October, 1668, and 5th October, 1669, a similar course was followed. William Anderson was re-elected in 1665 and 1666; John Anderson, of Dowhill, elder, was elected in 1667; William Anderson was re-elected in 1668; and James Campbell in 1669.

Whenever a befitting opportunity occurred the town council appear to have sought to have the elections of the provost and magistrates placed in their own hands, and such an opportunity presented itself when, on 24th December, 1669, Archbishop Burnet resigned the see and retired into private life. His resignation is said to have been caused by a desire to obviate proceedings against him by

Lauderdale, then secretary of state, for revealing proceedings in the privy council, "so as to reach the ear of the sovereign through another channel, in behalf of the presbyterians, who had engaged in the rebellion and skirmish at Pentland."

Negotiations were then opened with Bishop Leighton, of Dunblane, to accept the see of Glasgow, but he was averse to the proposal, and his reluctance was only overcome by his being induced to believe that the articles which he submitted to the government, with a view to constitutional rule and toleration for the covenanters, would be carried into effect. While he remained Bishop of Dunblane, he acted for a time as commendator or administrator of Glasgow.

On 16th April, 1670, the provost reported to the town council that he had been thwarted by some persons in his endeavour to get the elections of the provost and bailies placed in the town's own hands. But on 10th May the dean of guild was commissioned to go to London and petition the king to grant this privilege, and also to obtain the right of the bailiary and barony of Glasgow. The provost, moreover, was appointed to go to Edinburgh "to advyse quhat is neidfull to be done therintill." As the result apparently of the negotiations in London, the dean, on 18th June, reported "that the duke of Lennox will be lyklye to quyt any priviledge he hes over the toune as bailie of the regalitie," and on this report he was authorised to "deall to gett that done if nocht the whoill."

Charles Duke of Lennox was present in the parliament which met in Edinburgh on 22nd July, 1670, and visited Glasgow in that

year. As Bishop Leighton had not been invested with the bishopric in time for the election of the magistrates in 1670, the king, by letter dated 24th August of that year, required the town council to receive William Anderson to be provost for the ensuing year, and remitted to them to elect the other magistrates. Obedience was given to this letter. On 3rd October, 1671, a letter from Lord Lauderdale was submitted to the council, requiring them to reappoint William Anderson to be provost for the ensuing year, and this was done. On 1st October, 1672, a letter from Archbishop Leighton of that date was presented to the council, desiring to know, "as being himselfe impartiall," whom they would have to be their provost, and intimating that "the persone whom they should recommend (unless his grace upon very weightie reasons to the contrair) sall lykly be nominat be the archbishop." On receipt of this communication the council nominated William Anderson, and the archbishop having accepted that nomination, he was forthwith elected.

In October, 1672, Charles Duke of Lennox died at Elsinore, while acting as ambassador at the court of Denmark. As he had no issue, the dukedom, with the bailiary of the regality of Glasgow reverted to King Charles II., who on 6th July, 1680, was served nearest collateral heir in special of the duke his cousin, but the liferent of the Lennox estates was settled on the duchess, who survived till 1702. The bailiary was bestowed by the king on William Duke of Hamilton for his lifetime, and he was invested in the office in 1673, according to M'Ure,

the local historian, who was present at the ceremony, and states that the office was held by him till his death in 1694.

On 2nd May, 1673, the merchants of the burgh having learned that Archbishop Leighton was in London, intending to demit his office, and fearing that, if his demission were received, great prejudice to the burgh and country would result, entreated the magistrates and council to apply to such persons at court as they might think proper on the subject. On 30th September, 1673, a leet of three persons for the provostship having been presented to the archbishop at the castle, he selected William Anderson, who was appointed provost for the following year.

About this time Archbishop Leighton resigned the see and subsequently retired to England. When on a visit to London, and resident in an inn, he died on 25th June, 1684. On his demission Alexander Burnet was restored to the see by the king on 7th September, 1674, and received his patent on 12th March thereafter. Thus restored, Burnet, who during his retirement had made himself more agreeable to the authorities, became the pliant tool of Lauderdale.

On 6th October, 1674, Archbishop Burnet nominated John Bell, formerly provost, for election as provost, and he was thereupon elected. Bell seems to have carried matters with a high hand from the time of his taking office, and to have assumed a position of hostility to William Anderson, his immediate predecessor. Anderson, and others who protested against the provost's action, accordingly withdrew from the council. On 26th October, the council disavowed the action of Provost Anderson

as their commissioner at a previous convention of burghs, and authorised letters of disavowal to be issued, and assurances to be given of the readiness of the council to serve the king in all his commands. On 5th October, 1675, the archbishop having nominated John Bell to be continued provost, the council admitted him accordingly. On similar nominations, James Campbell was elected provost on 3rd October, 1676, and 2nd October, 1677. On 1st October, 1678, John Bell, former provost, was nominated by the archbishop to be reappointed provost, and was thereupon elected.

On 30th September, 1679, a letter from the king, dated 12th September, was produced to the council, in which, "seeing by the translatione of Alexander, lait lord archbishop of Glasgow to St. Andrews (in whom was the legell right of election) that archbishoprick is void" he required the then provost and magistrates to be continued in office for the following year. To this order the council gave immediate effect. The installation of archbishop Burnet to the see of St. Andrews, mentioned in the king's letter, does not appear to have taken effect till the 28th of October.

On 23rd October, Arthur Ross, bishop of Galloway, was appointed archbishop of Glasgow, and was installed at St. Andrews on the same day as that on which archbishop Burnet was installed as archbishop of St. Andrews.

About this time the Duke of Hamilton was sheriff of Lanarkshire and bailie of the regality of Glasgow, but on 20th August, 1680, King Charles granted the bailiary to his natural son, Charles Duke of Lennox and Richmond, to be held by him



as vassal of the archbishop, under reservation of the liferent of William Duke of Hamilton. This grant was ratified by Parliament in the following year.<sup>1</sup>

On 5th October, 1680, and 11th October, 1681, John Bell was re-elected provost on the nomination of the archbishop.<sup>2</sup> On the 14th of the last mentioned month the magistrates of that and each of the two preceding years, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the council. The provost thereupon petitioned the privy council to approve of the election, but on 8th November the king's commissioner and the privy council, found it to be irregular, and ordered a new election to be made on the 18th instant, under certification that if this were not done the archbishop would be recommended to appoint new magistrates, and they would themselves nominate a council for the burgh. A new and formal election of the council for the following year was thereupon made, and on the 18th the provost, bailies, and council took the oath and test, and signed the same in presence of Lord Ross.

On 25th April, 1682, a letter from the Marquis of Montrose to the magistrates and council was produced. In it he intimated that the king had appointed him bailie of the regality, and that, out of respect for the city and kindness to Bailie Nisbet, then dean of guild, he had appointed him depute bailie of the regality. The marquis further declared his intention to continue the office

<sup>1</sup> 1681, c. 15, A.P.S., VIII., pp. 251-2.

<sup>2</sup> During Bell's provostship the Duke of Albany, better known as the Duke of York, and afterwards King James VII., visited Glasgow. He and several of his

servants were made burgesses of the City, and the cost of their entertainment during the two days over which the visit extended was £4,001 12s. Scots.

to the dean's successors in office, if there were no "indispensible caws to the contrary." In reply to this communication a letter of thanks was forthwith sent to the marquis. On 1st July of the same year a minute of the town council sets forth that "in respect it does not consist with the knowledge of the magistrates and council who is bailie of the regality," it was agreed that the fair of Glasgow for that year should be proclaimed in name of the king, the archbishop, and magistrates, without naming any bailie of the regality. What the grounds were of the dubiety thus expressed as to who was bailie of the regality does not appear. Possibly the town council were not able to reconcile the facts. William Duke of Hamilton, who survived till 1694, held a liferent appointment, and one of the king's natural sons, Charles Duke of Lennox and Richmond, held a grant of the office subject to the liferent. How, under these circumstances, therefore, the king could have appointed the Marquis of Montrose to hold the office needed explanation. It is curious to notice that, notwithstanding the doubt thus expressed, a deputation of the council was appointed on 26th August to thank the marquis for his favours and kindness to the town and "to think and try for something to be given to his lordship and his lady, by way of complement."

On 3rd October, 1682, John Barnes was appointed provost on the nomination of the archbishop, and thereupon he, notwithstanding the protest of John Bell, the former provost, proceeded, according to Bell's statement, to appoint councillors without the sanction of the town council, and contrary both to the

provost's burgess oath and all previous practice. On 1st October, 1683, James Campbell, a former provost, protested against the misapplication of public funds, and was answered *tu quoque*. This controversy affords a curious illustration of the mode in which public funds were applied at that time. On the following day John Barnes was continued provost on the archbishop's nomination. On 27th September, 1684, the magistrates and council considering "the great pains and trouble the provest has been at in ryding and doing the touns affaires these twa yeirs, they ordain the thesaurer to delyver him wp his band of £1,706 12s. 6d.," due by him to the town, without payment, and declared him to be free of the same. Three days afterwards, on the nomination of the archbishop, John Johnston of Clachrie was elected provost.

On 31st October Archbishop Ross was translated to St. Andrews, and on 4th November the council passed an act by which they rescinded the act of 27th September, ordaining the bond for £1,706 12s. 6d. to be delivered up to Barnes without payment; they also declared that his accounts were exorbitant and far beyond any allowance given to former provosts. They caused the bond to be delivered up to the treasurer of the burgh, and instructed him to put it to execution against Barnes. This order seems to have been carried into effect, for the Court of Session, on 3rd March, 1685, gave decree against him. The magistrates and council appointed in 1684 also challenged, as embezzlement of the town's revenues and common good, bonds, and acts of council, granted by the former magistrates, and among

them a bond for 20,000 merks granted to Archbishop Ross, then bishop of St. Andrews.

Alexander Cairncross, bishop of Aberdeen, was appointed archbishop of Glasgow, through the influence, it is said, of William Duke of Queensberry. Letters patent in his favour were issued on 3rd December. He was appointed on the 18th, and installed at St. Andrews on the 25th of that month.

On 6th February, 1685, King Charles II. died, and so ended what has been termed "the worst reign in English history." He was succeeded by his brother, James VII., to whom, on 28th February, the provost, magistrates, and council took the oath of allegiance. On 13th March they voted an address to the king.

On 19th September, 1685, the places of four councillors, who had failed to give attendance at the council, were declared vacant, and other persons were appointed. On 6th October Johnston was re-elected on the nomination of Archbishop Cairncross, but on 26th June, 1686, an order of the privy council, dated on the previous day, and following on a letter from the king, dated 19th March, directed the archbishop to require the town council to dismiss Johnston from the magistracy, and to install John Barnes, the former provost, in that office. The archbishop having communicated this order to the council, Barnes was appointed provost, and took the requisite oaths. Johnston's offence seems to have been against Archbishop Ross, and in obedience to an order of the privy council, dated 25th June, he appeared before the magistrates and council on 5th July and craved pardon "for his cryme and injurie done to his grace the Archbishop of St. Andrews." On

25th September a letter from the Earl of Perth, Lord High Chancellor in name of the privy council, intimated a letter from the king, dated 12th September, ordering all elections in royal burghs to be suspended till his royal pleasure was known, and authorising the magistrates and council then in office to continue till farther order. To this requirement the magistrates and council "consented with all humilitie and submission." On 18th November the archbishop appeared in the council chamber and produced a letter from the privy council, dated 11th November, by which they nominated and appointed John Barnes to be provost, three persons to be bailies, and other three to be dean of guild, deacon convener, and treasurer, respectively, with twenty-four councillors, a deacon of each of the eleven crafts, a visitor of the gardeners, and a visitor of the victual. In consequence of Archbishop Cairncross having refused, it is said, to agree to the measures of the court in regard to popery, and of the offence which he thereby gave to the king, he was deprived of the archbishopric on 13th January, 1687. He was succeeded by John Paterson, bishop of Edinburgh, who was recommended by the king on 21st January, elected on 24th February, appointed 23rd March, and installed at St. Andrews on 1st May, 1687.

On 4th October, 1687, the privy council, acting under the order of the king, dated 8th September, prohibited any new magistrates or councillors from being elected during the year. But on 3rd January, 1688, the archbishop appeared in the town council, and produced an act of the privy council, dated 22nd December, 1687, whereby, in obedience to a letter from the king, dated 9th December, the

archbishop was recommended to see His Majesty's instructions, as therein set forth, fully put to execution in every way. These instructions were, that the magistrates and council for the year to Michaelmas, 1688, should be chosen in the ordinary way. In accordance with this order the archbishop named Walter Gibson, merchant, to be provost, and from leets presented to him, he appointed Colin Bell and John Gilhagie, merchants, and John Waddrope, craftsman, to be bailies. Thereafter, on 4th January, thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen were appointed to be on the council, and the dean of guild, deacon convener, treasurer, and other officers, were also appointed.

On 2nd October, 1688, the privy council, under instructions from the king, by letter dated 13th September, empowered the magistrates of all royal burghs to continue in their respective offices till His Majesty's further pleasure was signified. And, on 4th December, the privy council, again, under instructions from the king, by letter dated 12th November, authorised the election of the provost, bailies, and other office-bearers, to proceed as usual. Thereafter, the archbishop appointed Walter Gibson to continue provost till Michaelmas following, and from leets submitted by him appointed three persons to be bailies.

The manifold arbitrary acts of King James raised against him widespread popular indignation, and led to his expulsion from the throne. In response to formal solicitation from influential persons, his son-in-law, William Prince of Orange, landed with an army, in England, on 4th November, 1688, and the king fled to France on 23rd December. On 24th January, 1689, the provost submitted

to the council an address to be presented to the Prince, which was approved and signed by the majority. With obvious caution, however, the provost was appointed to advise as to whether the address should be sent, and if sent, by what persons it should be presented. It was probably sent, for the citizens were in sympathy with it. King James returned to Ireland with a body of French troops, but was defeated at the Battle of the Boyne, on 1st July, 1690, and returned to France, where he died on 6th September, 1701.

On 13th February, 1689, a Convention Parliament in England, having declared the throne vacant, William and Mary were proclaimed King and Queen of Great Britain and Ireland. On 4th April the Scottish Estates also declared the throne vacant, and on the 11th of that month agreed to offer the crown of Scotland to the English sovereigns. This offer was accepted by them, and they took the coronation oath in a form prescribed by the Estates.

On 22nd July prelacy and all superiority of any office in the church above presbyters were abolished by an act of parliament which rescinded the acts in favour of episcopacy in the reign of Charles II., and all other acts inconsistent with that then passed.

On 24th June, 1689, the royal commissioner and the privy council, acting under orders from the sovereigns, directed a new and free election of the bailies, dean of guild, treasurer, and town council, on 2nd and 3rd July, by "a poll of habile burgessis bearing burden, scot and lot." The persons so elected were appointed to remain in office till Michaelmas following, and were

required to send to the king a list of three persons, of whom one might be elected provost.

The king's letter granting this privilege to Glasgow appears to have excited discussion in the parliament held at Edinburgh in June. A letter, addressed by Andrew Kennedy, of Cloburne, to William Denham, of Westshiell, in London, dated 22nd June, states that the king's letter displeased the commissioner, the Duke of Hamilton:—

“It was said to be lyke the old tread of letters, bot uthers thought that Glasgow should have hade this liberty or now, and in effect it deserves better at King Williams hands then any toun in Scotland; and many think that the King will erect it in ane absolut burgh royal. But you know Duke Hamiltoun was made baillie of the regality for his life, when the King succeeded as aire to the Duke of Lenox; and it is pretendit that now, in the vacancie of the Bishoprick, the right made to the Duke of Lenox after the 38 revives. Bot this is thought a vaine pretence, because by the act 1662, restoring Bishops, the Dukes right was made void; so that now upon their abolishing, it is falen in the Kings hand, and the King, as come in the Bishops place, hes the only power of election; for the Duke of Lenox, as baillie, never had it, nor pretendit to it. However, the mater was remitted to be examined by the Kings advocat.”<sup>1</sup>

The information thus given is supplemented by a letter from John Anderson, of Dowhill, and Robert Spreull to Lord Melville, the Secretary of State, dated 25th June, 1689. It is as follows:—

“My Lord,—By Saterdag's poast I gave your lordship informatioun of what past in councell in relatione to his Majesties letter in favours of the towne of Glasgowe, his grace the Duke of Hamilton putteing a stope to that benefit his Majestie had given us, pretending that the King had not been rightly informed of his interest.” [A petition to the lords of councill was accordingly put in] “desyring that in respect of the urgent necessite of the publick safetie, and the difficulties of the towne, their lordships wold be pleased to allowe them the benefitt of the act of the estates, conforme to his Majesties letter, always reserving his Majesties

<sup>1</sup> Leven and Melville Papers, 1689-91 (Bannatyne Club), p. 74.



right untill his pleasure be known. After som debait in counsell concerning it, they have allowed ane electione of the bayllies and counsell, and that they should send up a list of thrie persons to the King, owt of whiche his Majestie may nominat on to be provest. Now, my Lord, this is nather confoirme to the Kings mynd, nor to the towns priviledge; for the Kings mynd is that we should have full and ample libertie to elect our magistrats as freely as any other brughe in the kingdome, and caries no restrictione, and also it puts the towne in a worse condition then it was; for all that the towne was obliged to doe according to the settlement by act of parliament to the Duke of Lennox (in whose place his Majestie now stands) [was] only to present a list of thrie persons to the Duik or his commissioner, especially commissioner for that effect, at the Castle of Glasgow. If his grace, or non from him wer there, they proceeded to the electione of there provest as the act of Parliament authorised them; and very frequently they have done, when either there was no commissioner at the castle, or that his commission did not exactly meet with the matter. Now, my Lord, by this act of counsell, the towne is highly prejudged, and the end of his Majesties letter is frustrat. Wherfor I humbly crave that your lordship will be pleased to infoirme his Majestie heirof, that his Majestie may renew his letter to the counsell, dispensing with this his right, and authorising the people to elect there provest as freely as any other brughe hath done. My Lord, the publick interest and safetie of the natione and of the place calls for this, and also the people hopes for his Majesties favour and goodness in it. My Lord, for your cleirer informatione I have sent to Mr. Nairne the copie of the act of counsell, as alsoe the just double of the act of parliament, whereby your lordship will find wherein they disagrie. His grace the Duck of Hamiltone did mantaine this debait very hotly. My Lord, I humbly beg that this may not be delayed, both for the publick good and the privat concerne of the towne, for both can hardly admitt any delaye. I am, my Lord, your lordships oblidged servant, [Subscribed] Jo. ANDERSON. Ro. SPREULL."<sup>1</sup>

The Duke of Hamilton, on the other hand, represented his views to Lord Melville in a letter dated Holyrood House, 4th July, 1689, in which he said:—

“Upon receiving the Kings letter to the counsell, it not appearing that the King had been informed of his right in choysing of the provest of Glasgow,

<sup>1</sup> *Ib.* pp. 85-86.

and, having seen ane act of parliament ratefeing ane agreement betuixt the toune and the Duke of Lennox, that he should choyse out of a leet of three to be presented to him, the provost; the counsell therfore did appoynt them to goe choyse their magistrats, according to his Majesties letter, and to send a leet of three to his Majestie to choyse the provost. And accordingly thay took out their act, and I hear are about making their elections, and, his Majestie being now in the place of the Duke of Lennox, it is ane intrest I think so much for his service, that he should not departe from it, seeing he hes good right to it in law, which I hope your lordship will let him know. And, if your lordship at distance procure things from the King, that may relate to his service here, yow will find the inconveniency of not first advysing these matters with those the King trusts here; and why they should make any complaint I cannot understand, since they have taken out their act, and are proceeding in their electione.”<sup>1</sup>

In virtue of the order by the privy council of 24th June, a free election of the bailies and council, by a poll of the burgesses, took place on the 3rd of July in presence of Sir William Fleming, of Ferme, and George Anderson, town clerk, and it was resolved to ascertain whether the king desired the leet for the provostship to be submitted by the council or by the burgesses. No reply appears to have been received to the letter which John Anderson and Robert Spreule wrote to Lord Melville on the 25th of June, and Anderson again wrote his lordship on the 6th of August intreating him to obtain—

“his Majesties allowance to the present magistrats and counsell of Glasgow to elect there provest, signified to them by a line from his Majestie. The bearer, Mr. Sprule, who is goeing for London upon som particulare of his owne, can infoirme your Lordship how muche it tends to the hurt and prejudice of the towne that we have not a Provest. I knowe your Lordship is takene up about the great and weghtie concernes of the natione, to which this ought to give waye. But, my Lord, this being of soe much concerne to this poor place, I entreat your Lordships most convenient and spare hower to obtaine it.”<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Ib.* pp. 142-3.    <sup>2</sup> *Ib.* pp. 237-8.

The result of this correspondence does not appear further than may be inferred from the fact, recorded in the town council's minute of 26th August, that on that day the double of a Signature or Letter of Gift was produced and read, which was to be presented to the King and Queen "for getting the election of the proveist and baillies in their owne hands (bishops now being abolished)." <sup>1</sup> This document was approved, and John Anderson, of Dowhill, was appointed to proceed to London and present it to their Majesties "for getting the same made effectual." With a view to this, a formal commission was given in favour of Anderson. As the result of this action their Majesties granted the privilege sought, and on Anderson's return he presented to the council an account of his expenses and necessary outlays, amounting to £424 19s. Scots. On 1st October, 1689, the ordinary day for the election of the provost and bailies of the burgh, a letter from the king, dated 19th September, was produced to the council, allowing them "to elect and choose as well your proveist as other magistrates for the ensuing year." Thereupon John Anderson was elected provost, and John Leckie, John Gibson, and George Nisbet were elected bailies. The temporary privilege thus conferred on the city was made perpetual by a Letter of Gift by the king and queen, which Provost Anderson produced to the town council on 18th January, 1690. By this letter a charter was ordered to be issued, under the great seal, confirming all charters, grants, and privileges by previous sovereigns in favour of the city, and farther their Majesties, as

<sup>1</sup> *Postea*, p. 429.

having come in place of the archbishop, granted to the city and the town council full power and liberty "to choise and elect their proveist, baillies, and hail other magistrats in the ordinar maner and at the ordinar tyme, as freelie as any other royall burgh in the kingdome doe or may choise their proveist, bailies, and magistrats," beginning the first election at Michaelmas following, and so to continue in all time coming. Having thus, at last, succeeded so far, the provost was appointed on 1st February to proceed to Edinburgh and get the grant passed the great seal. At the same time he presented an account of his personal expenses and disbursements, including the dues of the secretary and his servants and gifts to "persones of qualitie who were the touns freinds in dealling with his Majestie to procure the said Letter of Gift." That account amounted to £3,673 Scots, with £57 paid for the exchange of £215 sterling of that sum. This account was unanimously approved and ordered to be paid, and the provost was most heartily thanked. An address to their Majesties was also voted. The provost lost no time in executing the commission granted to him on the 1st, for on the 24th he produced to the council the confirmation under the great seal of the Letter of Gift above mentioned,<sup>1</sup> and the treasurer was directed to pay the charges connected with the gift, and the provost's personal expenses, amounting in all to £681 12s. Scots.

<sup>1</sup> The Signature or Letter of Gift appears to have been prepared by Sir John Dalrymple, his Majesty's Advocate, to whom a fee of £66 15s. was paid. The expense of John Anderson and Bailie Woddrope going to Edinburgh, and of drink money to the Lord Advocate's servants and others,

amounted to £21 2s., making £87 17s. in all. A copy of the Charter (in Latin), dated 4th January, 1689, written to the great Seal and registered 15th February and sealed 17th February, 1690, with an English translation is given *postea*, pp. 454-6.

With a view to having the letter of gift confirmed by parliament it was ordered, on 21st April, 1690, to be sent to the provost in Edinburgh, and on 2nd June he submitted to the town council the draft of the requisite act which he was to endeavour to have passed. On 11th August he produced the act which had been passed on 14th June. Under the powers thus obtained the first free election of the provost and bailies took place on 30th September, and the councillors for the following year were appointed on 3rd October, 1690.

As regards the subsequent elections of the provosts, magistrates, and council of the city, these, like the corresponding elections in other royal burghs, were regulated by the sett of the burgh, till the introduction of a uniform system of election under the provisions of the Municipal Reform Act of 1833.

The preparation of this volume, which records the enfranchisement of the city from subjection to the archbishop, and its establishment with all the rights and privileges of the most favoured royal burgh, has been the work mainly of Mr. Robert Renwick, whose intimate knowledge of Old Glasgow is, I believe, unique. The elaborate Index, without which such a work as this is deprived of much of its value, has also been prepared by him. For such ungrudging gratuitous labour warm acknowledgement is due.

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# EXTRACTS

FROM THE

## RECORDS OF THE BURGH OF GLASGOW.

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17 *January* 1663.

Recommendis to the deane of gild to caus open againe the wall at the Well up the Stincking Vennell, and to remove the old wark therof, and caus mak it lyk <sup>gait</sup>. the wall in Trongait for service of the inhabitantis.

Recommendis to the bailies to caus deburs quhat they think neidfull for Sojouris. supplie of the quartermaisteris of the sojouris.

Appoyntis Baillie Rae, deane of gild, [and] deacon-convener to compt Excys. with Sir James Turner anent the tounes excyse for the moneths of August, September, and October last.

It is statut and ordained that no more through stones be put in the Hie Hie Kirk Kirk yaird nor ar alreddie, without consent of the counsell first had and <sup>yaird</sup>. obtained therto, certefeing all who does in the contrarie they sall be holdin as contemnners of authoritie, and the stones castine out againe and brokin.

Ordaines the ten dollouris that wer takin from Arthour Kirk, merchand, Wilsoune. as ane unlaw, be delyvered to the deacon convener quhen he sall requyr the samyne to set the sone of umquhill Patrik Wilsoune, who was beddell in the Hie Kirk, to ane craft.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of fourtie Warrand. pundis deburst be him to John Philp, travellour, to buy a hors.

26 *January* 1663.

The magistrats and counsell taking to ther consideratioune the death Anent the and removall of ther faithfull and honest pastoures, wherby now ther haill <sup>planting of</sup> the kirkis.

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kirks ar vacand, to their great greiffe,<sup>1</sup> and being most willing to have ther kirks againe sufficientlie planted with ministers, have concludit and appoyntit to plant the Blackfreir Kirk first; and appoyntis baillies Rae and Colhoun, with Mr. Patrick Bell and Johnne Walkinschaw, to informe the bishop heiranent and of ther ardent desyr to have ther haill kirks planted; and to deill with his lordship for the better effectuating therof, anent the planting of Mr. John Bowie; and that according to his lordshipis promeis he would pay pleasantlie to the toun ministers quhat his predicesouris wer in wse of payment. And to speik alsoe to his lordship anent the precenter, and to show that the toun is most willing to bestow on him what was be ther predicesouris on the lyk. As alsoe recommends to the saids persones to speik Mr. Glendie, in the tounes name, anent his exercesing of the ministerie heir.

Report,  
provest,  
tack of the  
excyse of  
Gorballis.

Johnne Bell, provest, having made compt and reckoning of the abaitment grantit of the excyse payable be the toun thes sex moneths immediatlie preceding Maij last was,<sup>2</sup> and that he haid wairit out and

<sup>1</sup> Previous to the restoration of episcopacy in 1661, the town council owned the teinds and paid the stipends of all the ministers. The ministers whose stipends were so paid in 1660 were—

Barony—Mr. Donald Cargill,	£866	13	4
Cathedral or Inner High—			
Mr. Ralph Rodger, -	1,013	6	8
Do. (Collegiate)—Mr. John Carstairs, -	730	0	0
Outer High (Collegiate)—			
Mr. Robert M'Quaird, -	730	0	0
Tron—Mr. Hugh Blair, -	720	12	0

Cargill, Rodger, and Carstairs were deposed in 1662; M'Quaird was indicted for treason in July, 1661; and Blair died on 27th January, 1663. Mr. George Young, who held the collegiate charge of the Tron had died on 26th March, 1659, and the last moiety of his stipend (£220 12s.) was paid by the town to his relict in 1659-60. Mr. Patrick Gillespie, who is said to have been minister of the Outer High church, was also principal of the college, and no stipend appears to have been paid to

him by the town in 1660. He was indicted for treason in 1661.

<sup>2</sup> By act 1644, c. 137, parliament resolved that to meet the cost of the Scots armies in England and Ireland money should be raised "be way of excise," leviable on certain commodities, conform to a prescribed table of rates. The excise thus imposed was to last only for a year, but it was continued by subsequent enactments. By 1645, c. 45, town councils were appointed to collect the excise in burghs, they being allowed to retain ten per cent. towards expenses of collection and for charitable purposes. Two years later (1647, c. 252) the system of farming was introduced. Previous entries in the records afford particulars regarding the collection and farming of the excise in Glasgow. By act of parliament 1661, c. 128, excise duties were imposed on various commodities to provide an annuity to the king of £40,000 sterling for maintenance of his forces and defraying the charges of government. Of this sum the proportion levied from the town of Glasgow

deburst the samyne for obtaining severall particulars in favouris of the toune, and especiallie in obtaining ane tack from the shyre of the excys of aill, beir and acquavytie, to be browne and topped within the Gorballis and haill remanent of the parochin of Goveane during the haill tyme of the continowance therof during the act of parliament; quhilk tack the said John Bell, provest, producit and renuncit and gave over the samyn and all benefit can accres therby in favouris of the toun. The quhilk premisses the counsell taking unto ther consideratioun did not onlie accept of the said tack but approved of the said John Bell his debursmentis of the said abaitmentis abovewrittin, for the quhilk he haid not befor this maide compt, but alsoe the counsell returnit great thanks to the said provest for his great paines and dilligence therin, and promised to keip in mynd the same. And soe not only the said John Bell was dischargit of all monye he haid formerlie in his handis belonging to the toune, but alsoe thrie pund sterling allowit to be given to Mathew Colquhoun for his hors alledgit lost in the tounes service in the said John Belles companie. And ordaines fyve rex dollouris to be given to Mr. William Nimmo for drawing up of ane paper anent ane bussines belonging to the toune. And farder the said baillies and counsell allowes and approves of the said John Bell his delyvering to Duik Hammiltoun of the assignatioun formerlie subscriyvit be them in and to the haill byruns restand awin be the towne of the tynd tack dewtie of the tynd great and small within the parochine of Cambusnethane as being a pairt of the spiritualitie of the archbishoprick of Glesgow since they haid right therto<sup>1</sup>; and obleissis them and ther successouris to renew the same in favouris of any wther person his grace sall desyr them sua to doe at any tyme heirefter. And farder the saids baillies and counsell recommendit to the said John Bell to transact and agrie with William Conynghame, provest of Air, anent the particuller betwixt the toun and them.

was £1,744 4s. sterling yearly. By act 1662, c. 74, parliament gave relief to various shires and burghs, including Glasgow, which was reduced to the extent of £19 monthly over and above a previous abatement of £30 monthly, making together £588 sterling

yearly. A further reduction was made in 1663 (c. 28), when the proportion of excise payable by Glasgow was fixed at £1,076 4s. sterling yearly.

<sup>1</sup> These teinds were acquired by the city in 1641 [see Glasgow Charters, II., p. 419].

Excys,  
Goveane,  
Paull.

Recommends to the provest and baillies to have ane cair to set the excyse of the parochin of Goveane, except the Gorballes, and that at the best rait they can for the guid of the toune. And recommends to the deane of gild and thesaurer to acquent the brewers in Meikle Goveane and Partik theranent, and to Claud Paull, officer, to mak the strickest search he can all maner of way for trying out of the malt brought to the Gorballes to be broune.

31 January 1663.

Warrant,  
Miller,  
precentor.

Ordaines John Miller to have ane warrant for the sowme of fyve pundis sterling deburst be him to ane young man that com from Aberdein to be precentor heir, and that for defraying of his charges afeild and bak againe.

Dennestoune,  
captive with  
the Turks.

Coline Campbell, elder, having made report that (*blank*) Robesoune who did wryt heir of before anent the liberating of umquhill Androw Dennestounes sone from the slaverie of the Turkis, and Robert Marschell also had spokin to the said Coline the last tyme he was in Edinburgh theranent, ordaines the clark to wryt ane letter to the said Robert Marschell now at Edinburgh to desyre him to speik to the said (*blank*) Robesoune and to deall with him to sie if he will tak the monye alredie collectit for that end, and to give suretie ather for restorieing of the same or then the captive, the toune securing him for the rest of the ransome.

Fleshmercat.

Consideratioune being had anent the eight schilling Scotis awand out yearlie of the fleshmercat to the craftis hospitall, ordaines the samyne to be bought in be the toune at seavintine yeares purches besyde the byrunes therof.

Carstaires.

Ordaines Mr. John Carstaires steipand to be payit to him for the terme of Mertimes last.

Officers.

Ordaines the officaires to get their clothes, except John Grier, and he to want quhill he mak his compt of the tynd tak dewtie that is restand in his hand. As also ordaines Thomas Finesone who hes the skellet to get a stand clothes.

7 February 1663.

Bowie and  
Glandie,  
ministers of  
this burgh.

Seing that Mr. Johne Bowie and Mr. John Glandie ar now admittit twa of the ordinarie ministeris of this burgh, to preach in the Tron Kirk

and Blakfrier Kirk, as they sall be appoyntit, it is concludit therfor that they sall preach in the said twa kirkis *vicisim* so that he who preaches in the ane kirk foir noone sall preach in the uther in the afternoone; and ordaines the said Mr. John Bowie to begin the morne in the Trongait Kirk and the said Mr. John Glandie in the Blakfriars, and so to conteinow that way *vicisim* quhill the counselles farder orderis.

Recommends to the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to provyd <sup>Steiple in</sup> for ane knock and ane paill of belles to be put in the steiple now in <sup>Briggait.</sup> building in Briggait, and ordaines the tounes armes to be fixit on the belles.

Report was made be the deane of gild that he had caused transport <sup>Tounes leid in</sup> the tounes fourtein sous of leid from the hie kirk and laid the samyn <sup>Hutchesonnes</sup> in Hutchesounes Hospitall.

Appoynts Mr. Robert Goveane to pay out of the monyes he hes in <sup>Warrand,</sup> his handis belonging to the toun to Mr. John Bowie ten pund sterling <sup>Goveane.</sup> for service done be him the tyme of the want of the ministers, and alsoe to pay to Mr. John Glendie wther ten pund sterling; and ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Mr. James Crichtoune fyve pund sterling, and to Mr. Robert Young wther fyve pund sterling for service done be them to the toun the tyme of the want of the ministers.

21 February 1663.

Recommends to the magistrats to deall with the ministers and present <sup>New</sup> sessionne to mak choyse of ane new sessionne; and to recommend to the <sup>sessionne.</sup> new sessionne to be electit to set doune ane act that who beis electit and refuissis to accept, to pay fyftie pundis of penaltie, and twelfe shillings to be exactit aff everie on for everie dayes absence without ane sufficient knoune excus.

For the tounes better guid and commoditie to be servit by ane foott <sup>Foot post.</sup> post, it is concluded to pay Johne Fergusoune, weiklie, threttie shillings Scottis, to keep and sustein the said foot post.

Ordaines the clarke to wryt ane letter to Edinburgh to (*blank*) <sup>Dennestoune</sup> Robertsoune, in the counsell, to sie if he will accept the fyve hundreth <sup>captive.</sup> markis collectit for the releiff of John Dennestone, captive with the Turkis, and to give band ather to restor the mony or the captive, the toun giving securitie for payment of the rest of the ransome.

Act anent  
Bell and  
Dunckiesoune.

In respect of the incivill, bais, contemptable and unchristian cariage of John Bell, wright, and John Dunckiesoune, brassmith, towardis some of the ministers of Godis word within this burgh, quherof much was confest be themselves and the rest cleirly made appeir be sundrie probabilities; quhilk bais fact of thairis is not thought worthie to be put upon particular record, it being alreddie sufficientlie knoune both to toune and cuntrie, to their great shame and disgrace, it is therfor concluded and ordained that ilk ane of them pay ane hundreth pundis Scotis to be applyed for the use of the poor and uthir guid commoun workis within the toune and about the same, and is to be performed befor they com out of ward; and wpon Wednesday nixt to come, both of them to be takin to such ane publict place as the magistratis sall think fit and appoynt, and there to be laid in the stockes betwixt ten houres and twelwe houres, with ane paper put on their foirheid shewing that this is done to them for their most uncivill and ungodlie cariage towardis Godis ministers. And funder for their bais and contemptable cariage thir mayne yeares bygaine, during the tyme of the lying of the Inglishes heir, towards the magistratis and wtheris in authoritie, in contempt of lafull authoritie, in all abuses that then fell out, quherin they beheaved themselves as ringleiders, they ar to be actit for keeping ane moir godlie cariage heirafter, and that they attend God ordinances in all tyme coming, according to the actis of his Majesties privie counsell emittit theranent, and that under the pain of benishment of them of this burgh in all tyme thereafter.

7 March 1663.

Fenares,  
Gorballes.

It is concluded that the toune sall releive the Gorballes of all burdings can com on them throw difficiency of the excyse sua long as they pay fourtie shillings to the toune for ilk mask malt that is broune there, as the toune payes themselves. And as for bygaine faultis committit be them in breking of their box and the disposing on the bandis and utheris was therin, without consent of the magistratis and counsell of this burgh their superiouris, all theis particulars ar appoyntit to be laid asyd so long as they behave themselves as becometh tennentis to their maisters. And appoyntis Johne Ker, present baillie of Gorballes, to tak in all the bandis that ar to the foir belonging to the fewares of the Gor-

balles and wer takin out of the said box and to keep them wp; and to sie Claud Paull, officer, pay it out of the first end therof of his bygane felles.

Ordaines Mr. Robert Goveane to caus arreis Silvertounhilles haill Silvertoun-dewties awand to him out of the Provan in securitie of that quhilk he is <sup>bill.</sup> awand to the toune and also to tak securitie of theis who ar to pay for twa chalder of tynd in lew of that quhilk the said laird is obleist to pay yearlie to the toun and the dean of gild to put the said Mr. Robert to it.

Ther was red ane letter direct from Alexander Robertsoune, in Den nestoune. Edinburgh, anent the releiving of John Den nestoune now under the Turkis, quherupon it is appoyntit that the fyve hundredth markis be sent east upon Robert Marschelles report of the sufficiency of the man.

Ordaines the maister of work to sett the pewes in the Laigh Kirk. Pewes.

It is ordained that the hundreth pundis consignit be John Dunkie- <sup>Dunkesone's</sup> soune, brassmith, be divydit as fallowes, to the persones after specifeit <sup>fyne divyded.</sup> for their supplie, viz., to Barbara Conynghame, relict of umquhill Johne Bogill, thriescoir pundis, but quhat shoe is awand to Hutchesounes hospitall is appoyntit to be payit to the collectour aff the first end therof; to Walter Wilsoune, merchand, twentie pundis, and to Patrik Buntine, smith, twentie pundis.

14 March 1663.

There was brought home be John Young, out of Edinburgh, <sup>Bands pro-</sup> and producit on the counsell table, bands quhilkis wer grantit <sup>ducit.</sup> be the lait Argyll, viz., ane band to the toune for ten thousand pundis, ane wther to Hutchesounes hospitall quhilk belongs now to the toune for ten thousand markis, quhilkis ar ordained to be put wp againe quher they wer taken wp;<sup>1</sup> ane uther for eight hundreth pundis awand to Hutchesounes hospitall quhilk is delyvered to John Walkinshaw, now maister therof.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioune how <sup>xx li. starling</sup> that for all the paines takin, the poor in toune being so numerous and <sup>to be payit to</sup> the poor.

<sup>1</sup> So far as ascertained there is no record of this advance of money to the Marquis of Argyll, but applications for repayment are frequently noticed. On 13th March, 1652, payment of interest or annualrent was asked, and on 27th December following "ane sharpe

lettre was to be written." On 30th April, 1660, it is stated that Argyll was then owing "above seaven yeares annualrent." Apparently no part of the principal was repaid at the date of the above entry.

the contributiounes allotit for their monethlie mentinance being so litle and cannot be gottin in tymeouslie notwithstanding of all the great paines and expenssis waired out upon twa men and several officers to atend them in collecting therof. As also how that their ar verie manye persones in the contributiounes rollis who vexes the magistratis dailie with there complentis theranent, crying out that they have nothing to pay and had neid of contributiounes themselves, and yet for all that their potis, pannes, stoups and wther their household geir is poyndit for the same, quherby the said magistratis ar in great vexatiounes, and so the poor ar frustrat and so not tymeouslie payit and supplied as they aught, quhilk occasiounes many and divers supplicatiounes to be brought in befor the counsell for supplie, quhilk aught not to be, and so the counsell is drawne therby to verie great charges and expenssis; for remeid quherof and mainlie for tymeous supplie to be given to the poor, and in answer to the supplicatiounes made be the ministers and kirk sessiounes theranent to the saidis magistratis and counsell, the aforesaidis magistratis and counsell hes concluded that there sall be payit monethlie be the thesaurers of this burgh the sowme of twentie pundis starling for the use of the said poor and to begin (*blank*). But first of all it is ordained that ane search be made throw the whoill toune be the magistrats and such of the sessiounes as sall be appoyntit that all straingers, being beggers and burdingsome persones to the toune, be takin notice of and put out of the same, and notice taken also of all persones who hes set houssis to any of that qualitie and their names given to the magistratis to the effect they may be punished according to the former proclamatiounes; discharging the setting of houssis to straingers and mainlie to beggers and burdingsome persones. And then that the haill poor rolles be revised and all put and deleit out therof that aught to be and wtheris to be added, but non to be kept nor added therto but the tounes awine poor allenerlie. As also it is ordained that during the tounes payment of the said sowm above-wryttin, monethlie, that no bill be given in or hard at counsell table for helpe or supplie to any maner of persone or persones; and the payment of the said twentie pundis starling monethlie is to indur and conteinow during the will and pleasour of the said provest, baillies, and counsell and their successouris allenerlie quhill they caus sett doune ane new



contributiounes roll for ingathering and collecting the poors contributiounes from the inhabitantis as formerlie for their supplie within the same conforme to the lawes of this kingdome sett doun theranent.

Appoyntis the thrie baillies, deane of gild, and deacon conveyner, <sup>To survey the</sup> and wtheris whom they sall pleas to joyne to themselves to divyd the <sup>towne.</sup> townes in severall partes as they sall think convenient and to mak diligent search for all strangers being beggers and burdingsome persones to the townes, and to expell and put them aff the same, and to tak up the names of all such as hes sett housis to such persones, that ordour may be takin with them, conforme to priour proclamatiounes emittit theranent.

Appoyntes Hugh Neisbit to goe to Dumbartane with ane letter to <sup>Campsie</sup> show that ane strainger, callit Mr. Campsie, hes brought in to Clyd some <sup>wyne.</sup> Spanish wyne quhilk his servand had sold at Calies to Niniane Andersoune; and becaus the wyne did not ansuer to the expectatiounes of the parties havand intres they wer willing to quat the bargane, and the strainger was willing to quat them; and so it seimes the strainger is willing to mak ane offer of the said wyne to the twa burghes, Glasgow and Dumbartane; and in that caise the said Hugh is heirby commissionat to joyne with the commissioner of Dumbartane to heir the strainger and to doe therin quhat sall be thought most conducable for the guid of the twa burghes; quherat the saidis magistratis and counsell obleissis them to abyde; and ordanes the clark to subscriyve both ane letter and commissiounes to him for that effect.

4 April 1663.

It is concluded be pluralitie of votis that the letteres of captiounes <sup>Silvertoun-</sup> the townes hes against the laird of Silvertounhill be put to executiounes <sup>hill.</sup> against him and that ane proces of apprysing be led on his landis, and this to be done be sight of the magistratis, dean of gild, and deacon conveyner; and they ar to put Mr. Robert Goveane, wrytter, to it to sie thir things performed.

Appoyntis the fyve hundreth markis that was collectit for friething <sup>For Dennes-</sup> of John Dennes-toun, under the slaverie of the Turkis, be sent east <sup>tounes</sup> to Edinburgh, be sight of baillie Rae, after he hes spokin to Robert <sup>liberatione.</sup> Marschell therintill.

- Differences  
betwixt  
Glasgow and  
Dumbartane.      Foirsuameikle as report was made be the provest that the provest of Dumbartane being heir laitlie he declared to him that he wold deal with their toune counsell to obteane ane warrand for that burgh for removing of all differences betwixt the twa burghes if the provest of this burgh wold doe the lyk with this counsell; and quhat difference should be fund among them might be referred to the decisioune of the chancellour; quherwpon the saids baillies and counsell does heirby commissionat John Bell, present provest of this burgh, to-meit with the provest of Dumbartane for that effect if he obtain the lyk warrand fra the counsell of Dumbartane for effectuating the premissis forsaid as said is.
- Vennell well.      The keyes of the well at the vennell is delyvered to Robert Bell, tailyeour, and he is to have twa dollouris yeirlie for his attending thereupon.
- Baird.      Appoyntis the maister of work to give weiklie to Patrik Baird, merchand, during the tyme of his wyfes distractioun, twentie schilling Scotis

8 April 1663.

- Land neir the  
fleschmercat.      Appoyntes the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to try who hes power to sell the ruinous landis on the east syd of the fleshmercat, with the rige of land at the bak therof, and of their willingnes to sell the samyne.
- Venter seek.      Appointis the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to appoynt some of their number as they think convenient to taist the seek now cellered be Mr. Campsie.

9 April 1663.

- Campsies  
wyne seek.      Report was made by the deane of gild that, conforme to ordouris, he had conveyined the members of his hous anent the bargane of seek imported be Mr. Campsie, and that the most pairt of them inclyned not to tak the samyne, but that some of their number had consented to tak the halfe therof. And the deacon conveyiner made his report that he had done the lyk with the craftis, but that as yit he could not give ane direct ansuer, but desyred tyme to fyve houres in the afternoone this day for that effect, quhilk was grantit. Therafter Mathow Aikine and Coline M'Loukas compeired, as pairt of theis of the merchandis who had

undertakin to receive the merchandis halfe, and producit a subscrivit tikit under their handis quhilk was given bak againe, yit it was told them be the provest that unles the craftis took there halfe the said Mathow Aikine and his pertinens wold get non unles they took the haill. Therafter all things theranent was conteinowed to this day at fyve aclok in the afternoone; and the dean of gild to mak his report to baillie Colhoune (*blank*) and Frederik Hammiltoun of his acceptatioune or not. And if he refused then the said baillie Colhoune and wtheris wer to sie the toun fred and to declair to the strainger that he had libertie to sell his wyne to whom he wold, he not wronging the liberties of the toun.

The band formerlie grantit to William Andersoun of 3000 markis <sup>Bands</sup> as a pairt of the pryce of Lynnings haugh was producit and riven, the <sup>cancellet.</sup> samyne being payit be Mr. Robert Goveane conforme to his compt.

18 April 1663.

There was producit the rolles of all strangers, beggers, and burding- <sup>Removing</sup> some persones, be theis who wer formerlie appoyntit to survey the toun. <sup>strangers and</sup> It is therfor ordained that theis who wer appoyntit to mak the said <sup>burdingsom</sup> survey to sie all theis whom they think fitt put off the toun and that <sup>personas.</sup> betwixt and Witsonday nixt; and to goe about all meines for effectuating therof, and to give in their dilligence theranent heirafter; and ordaines ane proclamatioune to be drawine up and sent throw the toun quhen it sould be thought fit commanding all the said strangers to remove, and they to be frie of ony maill paying. And to discharge all maner of persones to sett any houssis to the lyk heirafter, under the paine of the tinsell of their friedome within the burgh and farder punishment be sight of the magistratis.

It is concluded that the monye quhilk is to be deburst for the pail <sup>Monye to</sup> of belles to the steiple in Briggait be sent to Holland upon the tounes <sup>Holland.</sup> venter.

It is concluded that the axeltrie now lying at Hutchesounes hospitall <sup>Dalrumple.</sup> be giftit frielie to Sir James Dunrumple according to the desyr of ane letter.

It is concluded that all meanes be used and gon about for dissolving <sup>Personage of</sup> the personage of Glasgow from the bishopprik, and to get the same allocat <sup>Glasgow.</sup>

for payment of the steipends to the ministers of this burgh and barrony; and recommends this to the cair of the provest, baillie, counsell, and such uthers they please to joyne with them for effectuating the said mater.

Inglis,  
musicianer.

Appoyntis Mr. Patrik Bell and Frederik Hammiltoune to meit with Robert Inglis, who offered himselfe to teach musick within this burgh, and they to try what he wold be att and to report.

Cauldwall.

Grantis licence to Johne Cauldwall to put ane through ston in the hie kirk yaird, he paying the kirk thesaurer ten markis.

Wilsoune,  
bedle.

Patrik Wilsoune, sone lauffull to umquhill Patrik Wilsoune, ane of the bedelis of the Hie Kirk, is admittit and receavit to serve as bedle in the Blackfrier Kirk in place of umquhill Arthour Hammiltoune.

9 May 1663.

Beggars to  
remove aff  
tounes.

Ordaines ane proclamatioune to be publictlie sent throw the tounes, with touk of drum, commanding all theis who wer chargit to remove off the tounes as strangers, beggars, and burdingsome persones, that they remove betwixt and Witsonday nixt, or at that terme precislie, with certificatioune to all who neglectis to doe the same sall be punished and publictlie benished, to their shame and disgrace, and to declair that they may remove without payment of ony maill to their landlord, in respect their houssis wer sett to them who ar such as against prior proclamatiounes that was emitted theranent; and to discharge any to sett houssis to ony persones of the lyk qualitie, under the paine of tinsell of their friedom and farder punishing of them in their persone and guidis be sight of the magistrat.

Pollok to  
Silvercraigs.

James Pollok is appoyntit to ryd doune to Silver Craigs, and ther, as the tounes baillie, to hold ane court and to appoynt ane factour for collecting of the rentis thair of for the tounes use.

Bogill.

Grantis licence to James Bogill to put ane thrugh stone in the Hie Kirk yaird, he paying to the thesaurer of the kirk sessioun as uthers does for the lyk.

Makie.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in be William Makie in Dum-bartane, craving licence to collect ane contributioune for making wp of his loses, and conforme to the act of parliament made in his favouris theranent, it is concludit that it sall be leasome to the said William or

ony twa for him to collect ane contributioun throw the toune for ony thing they please to give that way.

It is concluded that Robert Snype, couper, sall have the place in Snype. Hutchesounes hospitall last occupied by umquhill Mr. Johne Smith.

The provest, baillies, and counsell of the said burgh being conveyned, Aires of and talking to their consideratioun how that Johne Stewart, elder, umquhill maissoun, burges of the samyne, did mak and constitut the provest, baillies, John Stewart, and counsell therof for the tyme, his lafull sessionaris and assignayes in and to the soume of thrie thowsand merkis, and that for the use of the repairing of that kirk within the samyne called the Blackfrier Kirk, quherof twa thowsand merks was adebtit be William Lightbodie, maltman, burges of the said burgh, and the uther thowsand merks be John Stewart, younger, maissoun, burges therof; quhilk twa thowsand merks that was awand be the said William Lightbodie is now upliftit be the said provest, baillies, and counsell for the use for the quhilk the samyne was then destinat and appoyntit be the said defunct, and the forsaid wther thowsand markis that was awand be the forsaid umquhill John Stewart, younger, is yet restand awand unpayit. And now seing that Jonet and Mareon Stewarts, lafull doughters to the said umquhill John Stewart, younger, hes obtenit themselves dewlie servit airis to the forsaid umquhill John Stewart, elder, their guidisiris lafull brother, and therby intends to quarrell and impugne the forsaid assignatioun and right maide be the said umquhill John Stewart, elder, as being ane deid done be him to their prejudice *in lecte egritudinis*, [it was arranged that the magistrates and council should renounce any claim to the 1,000 merks on condition that they were allowed to retain the 2,000 merks already received.]

23 May 1663.

Recomendis to the provest [and four others] to have ane cair of the New key. new key now in building at the Broomelaw, and to sie it doune in height, and in baking and all wther wayes as they think fittest.

Ordaines ane proclamatioun be sent throw the toune for keeping the Bank, xxix of Maij instant in all things conforme to the act of parliament. of Maij to be keepit.

Appoyntis baillie Rae [and two others] to sie the loane at the Round Roundcroft. Croft justit, conforme to the old meithes, and thereafter to be calsayed.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
new key.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of twentie pundis starling deburst be him to Johne Clark, msasoune, in pairt payment of his building the new key at the Broomelaw.

2 June 1663.

Commone  
guidis.

The quhilk day, being the first Twesday of Junij instant and so the ordinarie day appoyntit for rouping of the commone guidis of this burgh, and the magistratis and counsell being conveyned upon the Grein, conforme to old use and wont for that effect, after lafull rouping the mlynes and casualities belonging therto wer sett [for a year for 7,650 merks], and that by and attour fyftie bolles grund malt to be payit ather to the bishop or to the toun as the toun sall give ordouris conforme to old use and wont. ["Laidles and haill casualities belonging therto," 2,350 merks; "custome and casualities of the meilmercat and pekis," 980 merks; "the dewties and casualities of the trone," 980 merks; "brig and custome and casualities therof," 1,670 merks; "gras of the Meikle Grein," £80; "the excys of acquavytie toppit and sold within this burgh," £19 "starling" (£228 Scots); "gras of St. Mungowes Litle Kirk yaird is set to John Andersoune, elder, of Dowhill, for payment of a rex dollour quhilk he presentlie payit in hand to the officeris."]

6 June 1663.

Bell,  
bibliotheacar.

In answer to the supplicatioun given in befor them be Mr. James Bell, sone lafull to Mr. Robert Bell, minister at Dalry and burges of this burgh, cravand ane presentatioun to that place as to be bibleothecar in the college of Glasgow, now at the tounes gift and presentatioun, conforme to the contract and appoyntment past betwixt them and the moderatouris and members of the said college theranent, the said provest, baillies, and counsell, for certane guid consideratiounes moving them towards the said Mr. James, being ane burges sone and oy to their old reverend and worthie pastour, umquhill Mr. Johne Bell, who sometyme servit the cure of the ministrie here during his lyfetye, they have given and grantit, and be thir presentis gives and grantis to the said Mr. James Bell ane presentatioun to the said vacant place as to be bibleothecar in the said college, with the haill dewes and casualities belonging therto,

and that for the space of four yeares furth and fra Michaelmes nixt to cum, and willis and desyres the principall, professouris, and regentis to admitt and receave him therto conforme to the tenour of the said contract.

The provest having made report that he had spoken to Mr. John Glendie, Glendie, conforme to the counsellis ordouris, it is unanimouslie concludit that the said Mr. Johne sall be in als guid conditioun in relation to his steipand as his predicessouris wer in use of payment.

Recommendis to the provest, baillies, deane of gild, deacon conveyner, New key. to lay downe ane way how the back of the new key at the Broomelaw should be filled up with sand; and in the interim appoyntis ane bank to be sent throw the towne for commanding the maisteris of famellies to send out their servandis for beiring of sand for that effect.

13 June 1663.

It is ordained ane bank be sent throw the toune be touk of drum to command all theis who wer accomptit as straingers and burdingsome persones to remove aff the toune with all dilligence, with certificatioun to all who refuses sall be kairted publictly throw the toune, and all their landlordis to be punished conforme to the will of the magistratis.

Appoyntis the key at the Broomelaw to be heightit twa stones heigher nor it was ordained to be of befor; and ordaines the deane of gild to try for moir oakin timber ather in the Hie Kirk or bak galrie for facing therof.

Considering that all sort of blowing of mutton is discharged, and that now the fleshouris, slayers of mutton, does mak holles in the foirmost leg and therby workis in wind throw the whoill bouk, to the great greiff of the beholders, and cannot eshew to be dangerous to theis who makis use therof; and therfor it is declared be the said magistratis and counsell that such working of muttone sall be punished conforme to the blowing of mutton; and ordaines intimatioun heirof to be made to the haill fleshouris.

Recommendis to the provest to repair east to Edinburgh against the doune sitting of the parliament; and ordaines Robert Campbell, younger, to have ane warrand for the sowme of fyftie pundis starling deburst be him to the provest in pairt payment of the charges to be susteined be him to ane compt.

4 July 1663.

Excise passing to the Isles.

It is resolved that no discharge or warrand be given to any maner of persone who repaires to the Isles for herring fishing to gett any excyse of their malt frie under cullour for brewing of the samyne for the use of their company, unles they transport that their malt aff the kingdome.

New key.

Recommends to theis who ar appoyntit to have ane cair of the new key to compt and end with John Clark for building therof and give ordour for his payment.

Building of smiddies.

It is declared be the said magistratis and counsell that it sall not be leasome to any maner of persone within this burgh heirafter to build ane smiddie within any landis or tenementis within the said burgh, unles the haill tenement, heigh and laigh, belong to the builder, or then the builder obtien licence of theis that aught the landis above him.

25 July 1663.

Scotistarbett.

The magistratis having receavit letteres from the provest shewing that Scotistarbett was insisting in his caus of improbatioune of his mortificatione, after consideratioune had therof it was resolvit that the samyne should be defendit so far as law wold.

Contributione.

It was concludit that ane contributioun should be made throw the toune for helpe of that poor man who had his landis brunt in Drumfries.

Warrant, drogs and plaisteris.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of threttie eight pundis four shillings deburst be him to James Frank for drogs, plaisters, and wtheris, bestowed by him wpon the curing of divers poor persones recommendit be the magistratis to him for that effect.

Warrant, bell ringing.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of ten pundis monye deburst be him to Androw Thomsoune, bedell in the Laigh Kirk, for the ringing of the counsell and deane of gildis bell, conforme as James Watsoune his predicessour got of befor.

Well, Wast Port.

Ordaines the new builded well outwith the Wast Port to be opened.

21 August 1663.

Sympsoune.

Appoyntis the keyes of the new wall outwith the Wast Port to be delyvered to William Simpsoune, merchand, to the effect he may mak the best use therof he can during the counsellis will allenerlie.



Recomendis to John Ker, baillie in Gorballes, to sett the tounes hous in the muir to John Sheilles in Titwood the best commodious way he can for the tounes guid. Hous in muir  
of Gorballes.

Recomendis to the deacon conveyiner and wtheris of the counsell dwelling in Stockwelgait to advert and sie to the commone well ther that it be not wronged, as is reported, by washing therat or utherwayes. Well in  
Stockwelgait.

Recomendis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to advert to the wrong done by the fleshouris by tugging and touking and cutting the sheip skines. Sheipskinnes

*5 September 1663.*

Appoyntis baillie Colhoune and the deane of gild to attend the provest at the clois of the parliament. Colquhoune  
and Barnes  
to Edinburgh.

*6 October 1663.*

The thrie baillies and counsell being conveyined (this being the ordinarie day for the electioun of their magistratis) there was ane letter producit direct to them from the archbishop of Glasgow, shewing him to be necessarlie deteined at Edinburgh for his Majesties service in attending the parliament, and so could not attend with them at this tyme, and therfor desyred that the present magistratis might be conteinowd for the fallowing year as they wer the year preceding. After reading quherof the said baillies and counsell, in ane voyce, war content that John Bell, who was provest this last year, should conteinow provest for a year to com, conforme to the tenour of the said bishops letter. And as for the electioun of the baillies, they being ever of befor given out be lytis containing nyne persones, out of the quhilkis the said archbishop was in use to nominat thrie to bear office as baillies, and that at the ordinarie tyme; after much reasoning to and again it was concluded, be pluralitie of votis, that the old baillies, they ar to say, James Campbell, Robert Rae, and James Colhoune, should remain yit baillies of this burgh for the year enshewing, with this protestatioun and provisioun allenerlie, that this forme of electioun should be nowayes hurtfull or prejudiciall to the tounes liberties heirafter for setting doune of lytis for choysing out therof their baillies as formerlie, according to the burghis libertie and priviledge used of befor in choysing their said baillies; as also with-

out prejudice of theis laudable actis of counsell set doune of befor whereby it is statut and ordained that non should bear office as baillies within this burgh longer than ane year, and that they should not be put on lyt againe for twa yeares thereafter. And then, according to the first protestatioun and provisioun, the said James Campbelle, Robert Rae, and James Colhoune, at the earnest requeist and desyre of the said counsell, did accept the said office of bailliarie in and wpon them, and gave their oathes *de fidei administratione* therintill as use is.

15 October 1663.

Provest,  
report.

Johne Belle, who was provest the last year, being withdrawne, throw attending the parliament, from the ordinarie day of electioun and sua absent that day, and being conteinowd provest conforme to the tenour of that act, and being now present, did accept the said charge in and wpon him, and gave his oathe *de fidei administratione* therintill as effeires. Lyk as he made report of sundrie of his actings at parliament since he went last there, quhilk wer all approvin be the baillies and counsell,<sup>1</sup> who appoyntit the baillies, deane of gild, and deacon conveyner to meit with the said John Bell, provest, and to compt with him anent quhat the toun is awand him for his attendence and wther debursmentis. . . . And now after compt there is fund to be awand the provest threttie eight pundis starling to compleit him fullie, to be payit out of the excyse.

Act anent the  
forme and  
manner of  
choysing the  
tounecounsell  
heirafter.

The provest, baillies, and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyner and taking to their consideratioun the great abuses may be and fall in

<sup>1</sup> An act in favour of the merchants of Glasgow, passed on 8th July, narrates the act 1661, c. 277, for encouraging of shipping and navigation, under the provisions of which foreign goods could not be imported except in ships belonging to this kingdom, or to the kingdom where the goods were produced. Trusting to the enforcement of the act, Glasgow merchants "hes gone about to expend the most parte of their fortunes for building of ships and advancing of trades; notwithstanding whair of several strangers and others, and specially Dutchmen, hes imported severall

commodities and goods in Dutch vessels on the river of Clyd and uther parts." In consequence of this infringement of the act, and the difficulty of enforcing its provisions, the merchants "are lyk to be ruined in thair fortunes, ther being ten or twelve new vessels alreadie built and in building belonging to the city of Glasgow." Having considered these representations, parliament ratified the former act, and directed the King's admiral and other officials to put it to due execution in future. [Acts of Parl., 1663, c. 8, vii., p. 454.]

be the electioun of the toun counsell throw the unboundarie limit of the provest in the electioun therof, throw his particular nominatioun of theis who ar to be choysen, and seing that by ane most laudable act set doune of befor and subscrivit be the whoill counsell for the tyme, in tokin of their approbatioun of the samyne, anent the number of the persones who should be present at the choysing of the said toun counsell, the then magistratis and counsell intending to mak the samyne of greater authoritie, hes therfor enactit, statut and ordained that in all tyme coming the last present electit provest and baillies for the tyme, with theis that did bear office as provest and baillies within this burgh the twa yeares immediatlie preceeding, shall meit at the ordinarie tyme, being warned conforme to the said priour act for electing of the said counsell; and now, for preventing of the said unboundarie limit of the provest, it is this day enactit, statut and ordained that the provest, altho president in the said meiting and electioun of the said counsell, sall not have libertie to nominat in ane lyt ane counsellour with ane wther counsellour; and if the rest of theis who ar present sall differ from the said provest in lyting of persones ane vott then sall decyd the samyne whither that persone or ony uther the rest of the electouris pleaseth to nominat sall be the persone to be lytit; and that the persone lytit be of the gravest, soberest, most prudent, and most peacable dispositiounes within the burgh, alwayes astricting themselves to the merchand and treds according to the privilege of the burgh.

Ordaines the deacon conveyiner to be satisfeit in name of the poor of <sup>Craftis</sup> the craftis hospitall of viij s. of annualrent they had to be wpliftit out <sup>hospitall</sup> of the fleshmercat yearlie, and that conforme to seavintine yeares purches.

In respect the provest could not conveniently attend the electioun <sup>Counsell to</sup> and choysing of the counsell on Fryday last the ordinarie day for a year <sup>be choysen</sup> to com, appoyntis the same to be done on Fryday nixt, and the deane of gild, deacon conveyiner, and uther office bearers wpon Wednesday nixt.

16 October 1663.

Conveined John Bell, provest, James Campbell, Robert Rae, and <sup>Counsell</sup> James Colhoun, new electit baillies, with Mr. Patrik Bell, William <sup>choysen</sup> Cumyng, and Andrew Moodie, who bear office as baillies within this burgh

the year immediatlie preceeding that year the said present baillies war first choysen, and that for electing the toun counsell for a year to come; and they being wanting of the full number for that effect, conforme to priour actis, fyve persones, they present did elect theis fallowing to mak up the said number, viz., John Andersoune, elder, Frederick Hammiltoune, John Walkinshaw, James Pollok, and John Miller, decon conveyiner, who being sent for com and being sittin doune they all made choyse of the persones fallowing to be on the said toun counsell for the year to come, viz.:—**Merchands**—Coline Campbell, elder [and twelve others]; **crafts**—Andrew Moodie [and eleven others]. And ordaines them all to be warned be ane toun officer to meit the morrow in the counsell hous at ten houres to accept and give their oathes as use is.

17 October 1663.

Beggars.

Recomendis to the magistratis to caus try out thrie men who ar meit for puting the beggars aff the streit, and who refuissis to undertak that the magistratis if they think fitt benish them aff the toun.

Accidentall  
fyre.

In answer to the supplicatioune given in be Thomas Wast in Gorballes, who had laitlie his houssis and all the guidis therin brunt by accidentall fyre, it is concluded be the magistratis and counsell that for his supplie and wtheris who hes suffered by fyre that there be ane collectionuone made throw the haill toun from hous to hous, and for this effect made choyse of the persones fallowing, viz. [two persons for each of (1) the Wyndheid quarter; (2) the nixt quarter and the north syd of the Gallowgait; (3) the haill Troungait; (4) the Stockwelgait and Wyndis; (5) the Saltmercat and sowth syd of the Gallowgait; (6) the Briggait], and they are appoyntit to give in their monye they ar to collect to theis who sall be appoyntit be the counsell to receave the same to the effect it may be distribut conforme to the counsellis ordour. And recommendis to Mr. Patrik Bell to speik to the ministers and to desyre them to exhort the people to extend their charitie for so pious a work.

Diurnallis.

Ordanes the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of fyftie four shilling starling deburst be him to (*blank*) Mein, merchand, burges of Edinburgh, for diurnalles and wther letters furnished be him to this burgh theis (*blank*) weikis bygaine.

21 October 1663.

Conveined John Bell, provest [bailies and "ordinarie counsellouris"], Electione. and for electioun of the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner the persones after specifeit wer aded to them, viz. [the deacons of the cordiners, baxters, weavers, chyrurgeanes, wrights, and bonnetmakers; and the visitor of maltmen], as also John Cauldwall [and six others].

From a leet of three persons presented by the merchant rank, John Barnes was Deane of gild. continued deane of guild.

From a leet of three persons presented by the crafts rank, John Miller was continued Deacon conveyiner.

And thereafter the fornamed persones, aded to the magistratis and counsell for electing the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner, being removed, the persones fallowing wer put on lyt that ane of them might be choysen thesaurer of this burgh for the year enshewing, viz., Robert Campbell, younger, John Boill, merchandis; quhilkis being votted, be pluralitie of votis, the said Robert Campbell was choysen thesaurer.

From a leet of two, John Boill elected water bailie.

Water bailie.

From a leet of five, including the "old visitour," presented by the maltmen, John Wallace was chosen visitour.

Visitour.

From a leet of two, John Orr was continued master of work.

Maister of wark.

24 October 1663.

It is statut and ordained that the wheat breid, tallow and candle be sold for a year to com at the pryces fallowing, viz., the twelfe penny loaff, weill bakin of fyne flour, weigh ten unces thrice drops, according to the table set doune anent the pryce of wheat, and so the twa shilling, iij s., iiij s., v s., and vj s. loaffes conforme be sold according to the said weight. Item, the staine of ruch tallow to be sold for fyftie shilling, and the stone of weill made candle for fyftie eight shilling, under the paines contained in the old actis set doune theranent. And does ratifie the said haill old actis published yearlie for guid ordour keeping in burgh; and ordaines the same to be proclaimed on Wednesday nixt.

Statutis,  
breid, tallow,  
and candle.

31 October 1663.

Ordaines the executouris of umquhill Mr. Hugh Blair to be payit of his halfe yeares stipend that was awand at Witsonday last, they allowing first quhat was awand be the defunct to the poor of the merchand hospitall.

Executoures,  
Blair.

Scotistarbet. Recommendis to John<sup>e</sup> Young, the tounes agent, Scotistarbetis busines, and he to adverteis the toune tymouslie quhen it is callit.

Foot post. Forsuameikle as the hors post is dischargit, it is concludit that John<sup>e</sup> Fergusoune, post, be containowd foott post, and to have as before thrie pundis Scotis per weik, and he onlie to receave a penny starling for ilk letter he receaves, and als much for ilk letter homwardis.

7 November 1663.

Beddelis and shoollmasteres Ordaines the haill kirk officiares and haill persones who keepes Scotis scooles in toune to be wairned to compeir the nixt counsell day and show their warrand.

10 November 1663.

Clark, Broomelaw. It is concluded, be pluralitie of votis, that John Clark, measoune, be not payit of the monye awand be the toune to him quhill first be mak wp againe the defect of the new peir he builded at the Broomelaw.

14 November 1663.

Report, Rae, beggers. It being formerlie recomendit to the baillies to try out some men who wold keep the beggers aff the streitis, baillie Rae made report that he had delt with John Williamsoune theranent, who was willing to undertak the said charge, and recomendis to him yit to agrie with him and put him to it.

Bell and Pollok to Edinburgh. After dew consultatioune had, be plurality of votis, Mr. Patrik Bell and James Pollok ar made choyse of to repair to Edinburgh and to attend the sessioun there anent the summondis of wakening given be Dum-bartane to the toune of the old caus, Scotistarbetis busines, William Livingstounes particular anent the tobacco, and the caus that is lyklie to fall in anent the minister of the Barrony Kirk stipend.

Liddell. It is recomendit to the provest or ony wtheris he pleaseth to tak with him to deall with Mr. David Liddell anent the charge [he] hes to give to the toune anent his stipend, and to setle with him the best way he can for the tounes guid, that that caus may be turned in the right channell.

Linningis-haugh. Recomendis to Niniane Andersoune to buy in the twa aikers of land in Linnings haugh that is not yit bought the best commodious way he can.

It being formerlie recomendit to baillie Colhoun and the deane of Hie Kirk. gild to sight and vew the rooff of the Hie Kirk, in respect of the raine falles therin in great aboundance, it was reportit be them that they did find the north syd of the said rooff verie farr decayed; and appoyntis the samyne to be yit sightit be them and wtheris of the counsell and to report.

The kirk beddelles being conveyin anent the neglect of their dewtie, <sup>Beddelles.</sup> ordaines ilk ane of them to carie in their hands, at all respective meittings of divyne service, ane whyt staff, as was in use of old, not onlie for wakening thois that sleips in the kirk but also to walk to and fro, from corner to corner, in the kirkis, for removing of bairnes and boyes out of the kirkis who trubles the same by making of din in tyme of divyne service.

The persones fallowing wer permitted to keep and hold Scotis shooles <sup>Licence to shool keepers.</sup> within the toune, they and their spoussis, if they ony have, keepand and attending the ordinances within the samyne, viz.:—Jonet Ramesay in Drygait, Elizabeth Miller, Williame Bogill, Marian Watsoune, spous to William M'Nab, Alexander Wilsoune, George Steinstounes wyfe, Mr. Johne Moresoune and his spous, John Patersoune, Margaret Murray, George Frissall, William Broik, Robert Forrest, Agnes Hutchesoune, Elisabeth Boyd, Jeane Mauchen.

Licence is grantit to James Hadden, sone lauffull to umquhill Mr. <sup>Licence Haddow.</sup> Johne Hadden, to keep and hold ane Scotis school within this burgh, he keeping and attending the ordinances within the samyne.

21 November 1663.

It is to be remembrit that the collectionne made for the Gorballis, being <sup>Collectionne Gorballes.</sup> four hundereth four scoir and twelffe pundis, is put in the handis of William Cummyng, to be distribut to thes who susteined loas throw the fyr in the Gorballis laitlie accordingle as he sall be ordoured.

It is concludit that the justice court be holdin and keiped every last <sup>Justice Court.</sup> Tewsday in the moneth.

It is statuit and ordained that noe through staine in the hie kirk yaird <sup>Anent through stanes.</sup> be made heigher nor ane foot height above the grund, for eshewing of trubles that commounlie ayyssis there by burying of the deid. And grants licens to Robert Finnesoune to put ane staine in the said kirk yaird.

Licence,  
Bernardon,  
french  
shool-  
maister.

In answer to the supplicatioune given in be James Bernardon, professour of the French tongue, dancing and fencing, after consideratioune had thair of, they grant to him licence and libertie to hold and keep a shool for that effect; and the lyk licence is not to be grantit to any uther persone for the space of fyve yearis. As also they have condeschendit that he sall be frie during the said space of all impositiounes and burdings; and to have ane yearlie fiell of fourtie shillings starling.

29 November 1663.

Letter to  
Edinburgh  
anent the  
hie kirk.

Ordaines the clark to wryte ane letter in the counsellis name to Mr. Patrik Bell at Edinburgh to petitione the privie counsell anent the decayed conditione of the fabrik of the hie kirk, and that the Kings Majestie may be informed thairanent and some meane to be fund out for repairing therof.

Hie kirk  
paisses.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Peter Clark ten markis for drawing of the hie kirk paisses.

5 December 1663.

Letter to the  
clark of secret  
counsell.

Appointis ane letter to be sent to the clark of the secret counsell in relatione to ane letter sent heir be the lordis therof anent the subscribing of the declaratioune.

Wilsoune to  
keip the key  
of the well at  
the south  
port.

Ordaines Jonet Wilsoune, who dwelles neir the Barresyet and narrest to that commoune well there, to get the keyes of the said well delyvered to her, and shoe to be payit for attending the opening and closing therof as wtheris was of befor.

19 December 1663.

Letter to the  
secret  
counsell.

Ordaines ane letter to be sent to the lordis of his Majesties most honorabill privie counsell, in answer to that direct be them to this place, and ordaines the clark to subscribe the same in name of the counsell.

Provest to  
Edinburgh.

In regaird the contraversie betwixt this burgh and Dumbartane is to fall in in Januarij nixt, after the Yuill vacance, ordaines the provest to ryd to Edinburgh for that effect after the first day of Januarij nixt; and to tak with him whom he pleaseth.

Orr.

In respect Johne Orr, tailyour, is becum both old and poor, and is persewit befor the lordis of counsell and sessioun anent the right he hes to



the landis quhair he dwelles, so that if he be not helped he will prove burdingsome to the toune; ordaines a letter thairfor to be drect to Mr. Patrik Bell to imploy ane advocat to pleyd for him, and to doe his best to get him inrolled in the poores roll.

Recommends to the provest, baillie Rae, the deane of gild, John Walkinshaw and deacon conveyner, to meit and conveyn together and to consider <sup>Hie way, brigs to Goveane.</sup> wpon the best wayes for helping of the brigs betwixt this burgh and Goveane.

1 January 1664.

It is appoyntit that quhen the brigs betwixt this and Goveane <sup>ar Cathcart</sup> repaired, that the long staines on theis brigs be takin to mend the holl in <sup>lone heid.</sup> Carcart lone heid.

Johne Bell, provest, is appoyntit not onlie to repair to Edinburgh with <sup>Commis-</sup> all convenient dilligence against the dounsitting of the nixt sessioun, and <sup>sione,</sup> there to attend the calling of the long debait and pley betwixt this burgh <sup>provest,</sup> and Dumbartane, but also he is heirby commissioned to use his utmost meanes <sup>Dumbartane.</sup> and moyen to bring the said long debait and pley to some happie clois, ather be compositioun and agriement with the parties interested or then to prosecut the same in law to the utermost, as he sall think most convenient for the guid of this burgh; and quhatever the said John Bell, provest, shall happin to doe therintill the remanent magistratis and counsell of the samyne bindis and obleissis them and their successouris in office to stand and abyd therat, firme and stable but reclamatioun. And ordaines James Pollok to ryd east with the provest; and seing Mr. Patrik Bell is there alredie appoyntis baillies Campbell and Colhoune, Coline Campbell, elder, and Johne Walkinshaw to be in reddienes to goe east and to assist the provest and wtheris in solisting the lordis in favouris of the toune anent the said debait.

Recommendis to the provest to mak the best transactioun and <sup>Commis-</sup> agriement he can with the Earle of Annandaill anent the monyes left be <sup>sione to the</sup> Mr. Johnstoun to this burgh in relatioun to ane manufactorie, and for this <sup>provest anent</sup> <sup>Annandaill.</sup> effect to mak use of the monyes the said noble earle is awand to the toune.

16 January 1664.

Appoyntis the signatour obtained in anno 1611 to be sent east to the <sup>Charter sent</sup> provest, conforme to the desyre of his letter, with the ratificatioun therof, <sup>east.</sup>

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and ordaines the clark to wryt a letter to the provest and theis with him anent the busines of Dumbartane to give them thankis and to requeist them not to wirie.

30 *January* 1664.

Letter of  
thankis to the  
provest

Ane letter being produced quhilk com from the provest anent the period that the tounes caus against Dumbartane is put to, ordaines the clark, in their names, to wryt ane letter of thankis to the provest and theis with him, desyring them to borrow quhat monye they stand in neid off and it sall be payit thankfullie upon their report.

Drumers.

For good reasunes moving the toune, it is concluded that the drummers doe not touk to no stranger comes to the toune, or no wther persones publictlie, without licens of the magistratis.

Johnstounes  
friedome null.

Ordaines the friedome of Robert Johnstoune, who was once admittit burges of this burgh, and now makis his residence in Edinburgh, and wtheris of that kynd, to be cryed doune.

16 *February* 1664.

Report,  
provest and  
wtheris.

The provest and theis who wer with him in Edinburgh anent the debaitis with Dumbartane and Scotistartbit made their report that theis wholl businesses wer brought to the end and period they had wryttin of befor, and after thankis given to them for their cair therintill there was productit and given bak the whoill wrytis was sent east anent both theis pleyes and ordained to be put up in the ordinarie place. As also the provest produced ane decreit evictit at the tounes instance against the tennentis of Silvercraigs.

19 *February* 1664.

Claudie.

The provest, baillies and counsell, being convened in Hutchesounes hospitall, according to the sederunt sett doune in that record this day, all persones except the counsell being removed, compeired Mr. Johne Claudie who was of lait admittit ane of the ministers of this burgh and dimittit his charge, quhilk the toune did accept, and ordaines to be payit to him for his transport and in compleit payment of quhat the toune is awand to him twentie pund starling.

27 February 1664.

Appoyntis the provest to attend the sitting doune of the hie commissioun, and ane letter to be direct to the bishop in ansuer to his twa to the provest. Hie commissioun and letters to Edinburgh.

12 March 1664.

It is concludit that the poor boy, James Crawford, measonne, who gon Craufurd. madd, have for himselfe and theis that keeps him four shilling starling during the counselles will.

19 March 1664.

Ordaines ane letter to be wryttin to the bishop shewing that, according to his lordshipis ordour, the magistratis had spokin to the ministers of the prysbytrie anent the planting of their vacant kirkis, who had presentit to them the names of several qualified ministers out of the whilkis they had fallen on Mr. Richard Wadell, Mr. James Nairne, Mr. Alexander Young or [blank] Williamsoun, second minister in the wast kirk, and requist his lordship to deall with theis persones that their vacancie may be supplied.

3 April 1664.

The magistrates and counsell, being for the far most pairt conveyin to the ordinare place of thair meiting, befor they goe to the kirkis, and being informed that the archbishop of Glasgow was upon Fryday next to repair to St. Andrewes anent his transportatioun to this diosie, they did appoynt therfor James Colhoune, ane of the baillies, Mr. Patrik Bell, James Pollok, Robert Campbell, younger, Coline Campbell, younger, and John Boill, to repair to Edinburgh and their to attend the said archbishop from that place to St. Andrewes, and from thence to Edinburgh back againe, and from that to this burgh, and they to give tymeous advertisement of the day on quhilk he is to come out of Edinburgh to this place; and ordaines Frederik Hamiltoun to pay out of the monyes he receavit fra the collectouris of the mylnes the sowme of twentie fyve pund starling for defraying of their charges, quhair of they ar to give in ane accompt at their returne; and ordaines the clark in their names to caus wryt and subscribe ane letter direct to the said archbishop to the purpose fairsaid. To attend the bishop to St. Andrewes.  
Warrant Hamiltoun.

Commis-  
sionne  
Pollok to St.  
Andrewis.

James Pollok, ane of the lait baillies of this burgh, being to repair to the burgh of St. Andrewes, is heirby commissionat at his coming ther to seek in the twa yeares dewtie that is awand for Puckie and Puckie mylne, and to set the samyne landis at the hiest rate he can, ather to the magistratis and counsell of St. Andrewes, or to any honest persones powerfull who will give most therfor, and to give guid securitie for the dewtie therof; but if he agrie with the burgh of St. Andrewes, in respect they are superioris of the said landis and hes out therof yearlie ten pundis of few dewtie, that he doe it with such cawtioune as best can be devysit be men of law, to the effect this burgh may sustein no prejudice anent their heretabill title of the said landis, or then to transact and agrie with some honest man who is responsall for uplifting the said dewties and will mak ane honest and thankfull compt and payment therof to the toune, and to tak up the tennentis names of the said landis.

9 April 1664.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of twentie sex pundis twelfe shilling, deburst be him to James Franck for the pryce of certane oyles and medicamentis applyed be him for curing of divers poor seik folkis that wer recommendit be the magistratis to him for that effect.

16 April 1664.

Warrant,  
thesaurer  
for diurnalles  
payit to this  
dait.

Appoyntis the thesaurer to send in to Robert Mein, postmaster in Edinburgh, the sowme of fyftie sex shilling starling, quhilk compleitis to him full payment and satisfactioun for all diurnallis furnished be him to the toune preceeding this dait; and ordaines the said thesaurer to send in to Johne Nicoll for his adverteismentis from tyme to tyme, and wther service, fourty shilling starling monye.

Lamont.

Ane letter that come frome the laird of Lamont being red, quhairin he declaires that he is altogither ignorant of that suspensioune raised be Silvercraigs against the tounes decreit, ordaines ane courteous answer to be wryttin to him of his letter, and to show him by letter quhen the toune receaves the lyk satisfactioun of Silvercraigs, in passing fra the suspensioune, they will tak their mater to consideratioun, and shew them als much courtisie as they may without the tounes prejudice.

The toune finding themselves much prejudged with the assignatioun <sup>Silvertoun-</sup>made to them be the laird of Silvertounhill, in relatione to that twa chalder hill. victuall he owes the toune yearlie, ordaines Mr. Robert Goveane to speik to the laird theranent and informe him of that prejudice, and to show him that the toune will not midle with that assignatioun heirafter; and ordaines the said Mr. Robert to goe on against him for obteneing new decreitis for quhat he is awand and is not decreitit alredie, and to use captioun against him wpon the decreitis alredie recovered, and to use comprysings against his landis and the reversiounes therof with all dilligence.

Johne Rowat, merchand, be pluralitie of votis, is electit and choysen to <sup>Rowat,</sup>be jylour and keeper of the ward houssis within this burgh and prisoners <sup>jylour.</sup>therin, in place of umquhill Charles M'Claine, in quhilk charge he is to walk conforme to the injunctiounes formerlie set doune thairanent; and he is to give in sufficient band and cawtioun for thankfull service and for keeping the magistratis skaithles of all danger they can incur throw any escaping out of the tolbuith throw his default.

Appoyntis Alane Gairner, hamerman, to have ane cair to ring the bell <sup>New bell in</sup>in the steiple of the hospitall in Briggait, at such tymes as he sall be enjoyned <sup>Briggait.</sup>be the deane of gild, quhill farder advyce be had theranent the nixt meeting.

26 April 1664.

Appoyntis the provest, baillies Rae and Colhoune, and maister Patrik <sup>Ministers.</sup>Bell, to meit this afternoon with the archibishop and to deal earnestlie with him for the plantatioun of our kirkis.

James Pollok made report what he had done in his goeing to St. <sup>Report,</sup>Andrewes anent Pukie, and declared that he had agried with Thomas <sup>Pollok.</sup>Davidsonne, clark of Craill, to uplift the dewtie therof, who was to be heir against Whitsonday nixt to setle with the toune theranent.

7 May 1664.

Report being made be the provest that he had spokin with the bischop <sup>Bischop.</sup>anent the planting of the kirkis within this burgh, as also it was reported be him that the said bischop desyred ane meiting for removing of the difference betwixt him and the toune, the counsell thairfoir appoyntis the provest, baillies, and such wytheris they sall please to mak choyse of, to meit and treat with the said bishop theranent.

Orray and  
single  
weamen.

Ordaines ane bank to be sent throw the toune to discharge all mener of persones from setting of houssis to strainers or single or orray weamen, under the paine of ane hundreth markis to be exactit aff the contraveiner unforgiven, and to certifie all single and orray weamen who desertis ther service and takis houssis sall be notified and they benished aff the toune.

Gairners.

Recommends to the thrie baillies, the deacon conveyiner, John Walkinshaw and Niniane Andersonne, to meit and consider on the petitionne given in be the gairners, or any fyve of them to be a quorum, and thereafter to report.

21 May 1664.

Hie Kirk.

Recomends to baillie Colhoun, deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to sight the ruines of the hie kirk and to mak report theranent at the nixt meiting.

Baillfyres,  
29 of May.

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratioune that the twentie nyne of this instant is appoyntit to be keeped as ane solemn day, conforme to the act of parliament, in commemoratioune of his Majesties birth day and restauratioune, and seing the same falles this year on the Sabbath day; and they being carfull that all deboshrie and profanitie should be eshewed in respect of the said day, they have therfor concluded that there sall onlie be some particular bailfyres set on, wpon the tounes charges, in such places as the magistratis sall appoynt, and that all things theranent be done modestlie and civillie without ony kynd of profanitie, for the caus forsaid.

Stranger-  
beggars and  
orray  
weomen.

The said magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioune the great oppressioun that is done to this burgh be strainger beggars that comes therto and repaires therin and dwelles within the same, and be orray weomen that takis houssis and desertis ther service, contrair the old laudable actis of this burgh sett doune theranent, they therfor doe heirby impower theis who had commissioun the last year to expell the said begger strangers, and to tak notise of the orray weomen who takis houssis, to exerce the same power they had quhill Michaelmes nixt, and recommends to them earnestlie to be carfull therintill.

Linnings-  
hangh and  
Kinclaith.

Recommendis to the baillies, deane of gild, and deacon convener to buy in the rest of the landis of Linningshaugh yit not bought in be the toune, and to buy so much of the landis of Kinclaith as they think convenient for the tounes use.

In respect the bischop is to give ane call to maister Richard Twedell, <sup>Twaddell,</sup> now minister at Kelso, to com here to serve in the ministrie as parson in the hie kirk, and is to send to him ane act of transportatioun for that effect, it is concludit thairfor that John Andersoune and Peter Gemmill, twa of their number, goe allongs with the bischop to Edinburgh to concur theirintill and to here [*blank*] Young, minister of Tranent, preach, he being one nominat be the synod to come heir.

Recommends to the provest to speik to the bischop anent what sall be fund necessarie to be given to the twa studentis, Gregorie and George, for supplying a pairt of the vacancie of the ministrie of this burgh.

4 June 1664.

Recommendis to the baillies that some persones may be appoyntit be them in everie corner in the toune to cognosce the begger strangers and orrey weamen.

7 June 1664.

[Common good set for a year as follows :—Mills, 7950 merks, “attour fyftie bolles grund malt, quhilk is to be payit ather to the bischope or toune as the toune sall give ordour;” ladles, 1900 marks; meal market and pecks, 860 merks; tron, 1020 merks; bridge, 1620 merks; grass of the “Meikle Grein,” 110 merks; grass of “St. Mungowes little kirk yaird sett to Johne Andersoune of Dowhill for payment of a dollour, quhilk was given to the officeris.”]

18 June 1664.

Ordaines the clark to wryt ane letter, in the counselles name, to maister Patrick Bell for giving [him] thanks in their names for his paines since he went last to Edinburgh, and for his dealing with the bischop anent the debait about the ministers stipendis, and to desyre to heir maister [*blank*] preach, and to mak his acquaintance with him in his awine way, and with Mr. Young at Craumond.

Baillie Colhoune and the deane of gild made report anent the ruine of the hie kirk, with the provest, conforme to the counselles ordour, and they find it necessar that fyve or sex halfe sheits of leid be takin aff and cast of new, that is upon the north syd of the utter hie kirk, at the wast end thair of. Item, that about threttie foot of the sklaitit toofall there be tirred, new sarked and of new againe sklaitit, and that the kiples be tryed quhair defective and renewed about the same wast end. Item, at the east end of the same

toofall there is fyftine or twentie footis to be tirmed and of new theiked. Item, it is fund neidfull that the piked lofting in the hie steiple be helped and that some mcir leid is torne and raised in the east end on the north syd, and also that the glas windowes ar to be repaired.

Report clark  
anent quhat  
new entrent  
ministers and  
relictis  
receav after  
thair  
husbandis  
deceas.

The clark made report that he having, conforme to their ordour, wryttin to Sir William Thomesoune<sup>1</sup> to try quhat they doe their in Edinburgh with the relict or executoures of ministeris quhen they depairt this lyfe, and that he had receavit his ansuer theranent, quhilk was thus:—The constant custome of Edinburgh is to give to new intrantis fyve hundreth markis for their transport, and to enter to their stipend att the quarter they begine at, and the relict of the deceast minister receaves only that halfe yeares stipend in quhilk he died.

Well in the  
Barrasport

In respect of the heighting of the calsay at the Barrasyet, ordaines the well there to be heightit twa stones heigher rowind about for preservatioun of childerin falling therin.

25 June 1664.

The clark to  
wrytt letters  
to Bell and  
Pollok.

Ordaines the clark to wryt ane letter in their names to Mr. Patrik Bell, now their commissioner at Edinburgh, not to returne according to his desyre in his last letter, but that he remaine ther still to try Mr. Young and Mr. Cuik, and to mak himselfe acquaint with them, and to try out with whom the toune sall have to doe to give them ane call to the ministrie heir; as also to desyre him to speik to the lord Argyll anent the monye awand be him to the toune, conforme to the letter to be sent to him be the provest for that effect; as also to wrytt to James Pollok to persewe the executouris of vmquhile [blank] Thomesoune for the monye awand be the defunct to Pukie and Pukkie mylne, in respect the toune is ather to use dilligence or els be comptable for the monye.

Silvercraigs.

Ordaines the actioun againes Silvercraigs to be persewed with all dilligence.

Bruntiland.

In ansuir to the supplicatioun given in be the burgh of Bruntiland, cravand helpe and supplie for repairing their decaied peir and bulwarkis, it is concluded that ten pund starling be payed and deburst be the toune for that effect.

<sup>1</sup> Town-Clerk of Edinburgh.



2 July 1664.

Ordaines the clark to wryt ane letter to Mr. Patrik Bell, shewing him the recept of his letters, and that the counsell is content with all that he hes done, and to desyre him to doe all he can doe to withstand Mr. David Liddellis stipend, and to joine with the bischope for giving ane call to maisteris Young and Cuik, and that Young be called to the hie kirk in respectis of its stipend; and to be instant for calling the actiounes agains Silvercraigs, and to petitione the lordis that no suspensioun be grantit but *in presentia*, and to show that throw his middling with the rent the poor of the hospitallis [are] mightilie prejudged and wronged, and that he wold be pleased to stay there this short somer sessioun.

Letter to Bell  
in Edinburgh.

Forsuamekill as it was concluded of befor that some aikers in Kinclaith should be bought in be the toune to be joined to Linnings haugh, quhat monyes is to be payit therfor ordaines the samyne to be taken out of the first and reddiest of the monyes the toune hes, as the magistratis sall appoynt.

Kinclaith,  
aikers bought  
in.

The saidis magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun the great hurt and skaith persones that ar coming and goeing to and from the toune be the commoun lones getis, throw the casting of bullotis therintill, and the great prophanatioun of the Lordis name, sueiring and banning and debolishing, and that fightings and janglings fallowes therwpon, they therfor heirby statut and ordaine, that non of the inhabitantis within this burgh presume to tak wpon hand the casting of bullotis, and that under the paine of punishing the contraveiners in their persone and guidis at the will of the magistratis. As also they heirby statut and ordaine that all who hes bark holles or lymm holles that they caus mak their yaird dykis clos and fensible, that no bairnes get skaith therby, under the paine of punishing the contraveiners in their persone and guidis at the will of the magistratis, and ordaines thir presentis to be intimat throw touk of drum.

Casting of  
bullotis  
forbidden.

Bark and  
lymm holes

The said magistratis and counsell understanding that divers tymes heirtofoir severall young bairnes hes fallin over foir staires that ar open, to the hazard of their lyfes, and they being most desyrous to have the samyne preventit heirafter, they doe heirby command and charge all maner of persones within this burgh, to whom theis staires perteines, that they put rachters throw the haill lang open staires, for the better preservatioun of

Rachters to  
be put on the  
lang staires.

young childer in getting skaith therby, under the paine of punishing the contraveiners at the will of the magistratis, and recommendis to Baillie Rae to sie this donne.

16 *July* 1664.

Call to be  
given to  
Williamsoune

It is uanymouslie concludit in counsell that ane call be given to maister David Williamsoune, now minister at the wast kirk neir Edinburgh, to come and be ane of the ministers of this burgh, and recomendis the performance therof to the provest, baillies Campbell and Colhoune, and to invit him to com heir to preach that the bodie of the tounes people may heir him.

Poores roll.

Recommends to the baillies, and in particular to baillie Campbell and William Cumyng, to revise the rolles of the nonpayments of the poors contributioun roll, and to scoir out all who ar not able, and to seek in onlie from theis who are able the nonpayments; and Peter Gemmill and Mungow Mathie to be employed for that effect; and ordaines them to be payit of quhat they want out of the first and reddiest of quhat sall be gottin in, and to be farder considered for their paines.

6 *August* 1664.

Maisteris  
Baillie and  
Bogill.

Recomends to the magistratis to deall with maister Harie Baillie and maister John Bogill to supplie the Blakfrier kirk quhill the toun be plantit with ministers, and to satisfie the said maister Harie for bygain service and to give ordour for satisfeing them both in the futur.

Mr. Patrik Bell made report he had receavit the thre hundreth seavintine pundis that was awand be Scotistarbete.

15 *August* 1664.

Blair's  
Executores.

Ordaines theis who wer appointit to compt with the executoures of umquhill Mr. Hugh Blair to caus pay them the half yeares stipend quherin he deceast; and it is concludit that his relict sall have, by and attour that, ten pund starling.

Letter to the  
Bisshop.

Ordaines the clark to wryt ane letter to the bisshop, and clos thairin the letter sent here be maister Williamsoune, for craving his advyce quhat is nixt to be done for moving him to accept the call.

27 *August* 1664.

Mr. David  
Williamsoune

Be pluralitie of votis, it is concluded to insist farder for obtaining Mr.

David Williamsone to be transportit to this place, and that he be presentit to ane thousand punds, and to deall with the bischop to be pleased to use all meanes with the commissioun that the said maister David be transported; and ordaines Dowhill and baillie Colhoun to speik with the bischop heiranent this afternoone, and ane letter to be sent to the said Mr. David for this effect; and the saids baillie Colhoun and Dowhill to ryd to Edinburgh with the bischop for that same end if it sall be fund necessar be the rest of the magistratis so to doe.

Recommends to the deane of gild to sie to the delving of Linnings <sup>Linnings</sup> haugh. <sup>haugh.</sup>

Ordaines the charge given for vacant stipends be suspendit.

Letters being exhibit and producit testifeing the liberatioun of Johne <sup>Charge</sup> <sup>vacant,</sup> <sup>stipends to be</sup> <sup>suspendit.</sup> Dennestoun, sone lafull to umquhill Androw Dennestoun, merchand, <sup>Dennestoun</sup> <sup>liberatioun.</sup> burges of this burgh from the Turkis slaverie and bondage; after reading therof and consideratioun had thairanent, it was concludit that the rest of his ransome yit unpayit should be payit conforme to their former engadgment; and seing their is fyve hundreth markis thair of payit alredie, ordaines John Walkinshaw to have ane warrand for uther fyve hundreth markis deburst be him out of the monyes he receavit fra the collectorris at the mylnes for compleiting the John Dennestounes ransome; and recomends to baillie Rae to try out quhat was collectit for that effect amongst the landwart parishes and to report.

Recommendis to ony of the magistratis, after the skailling of ony buriell, <sup>Stinking</sup> <sup>vennell.</sup> to sight the calsay in the heid of the stinking vennell and if neid be to give ordour for mending and repairing the ill places therof.

3 September 1664.

There was red ane letter sent from Mr. David Williamsone to the <sup>William-</sup> <sup>sonne.</sup> provest, as ane ansuer of ane former of his, direct to the said Mr. David, wherin he refuisses to embrace the call given to him wpon the same reones and grounds contained in his former letter, quhilk is thought be the toune not to be satisfactorie, and therfor it is concluded that that mater be farder insisit wpon and the clark to wryt ane letter to him that they will tak no excus aff his hands but follow that call to the utermost, and appoyntis baillie Colhoun and Dowhill to acquent the bischop heiranent.

Tynd,  
barrony.

It is concluded that maister Robert Goveane proceed against theis in the barrony who ar awand the thrid pairt of their tynds, to the effect the tounne may obtain payment therof.

Act ratified,  
deacones of  
craftis.

There being red ane act formerlie set doune be the deacon conveyiner, deacones of craftis, and their bretherin of counsell for the tyme, bearing dait the xxvij of October, 1660 yeares, wherby it is statut and ordained for the causis therin contained that no persone quhatsomever should no longer brook or keep office as deacon of his calling nor a year allenerlie, and that under the paine of ane hundreth pundis to be payit be that trade or calling who does contravein, to be applyed for supplie of the poor of the craftis hospitall; quhilk being red as said is, after dew consideratioun had theranent the samyne act was ratified, allowed and approvine, be the said provest, baillies and counsell; and ordaines the samyne to stand in full force according therto.

Dobbie.

After dissolving of the counsell, the magistratis, with ane considerable number of the counsell, went and sightit ane new hous now in building be Johne Dobbie, maltman, at that pairt callit the spout mouth, according to the desyr of his bill given in theranent. After sighting therof thei fand the said Johne was in the wrong for nocht seeking ane visitatioun befor he begane his wark, conforme to prior actis, in respect the boundis he was building on was neir to the commounne passage at the tounes welles callit the spoutis, and thei did find also he was com too far out, and therfor thei ordained him to sklait the easing dropp in the foir front therof twa footis wp, and unlaws him for his said wrong in twentie punds, for quhilk he becom in will. And at the same tyme it was recommendit to the deane of gild and maister Patrik Bell to caus sklait that well callit Bogilles well the most commodious way he can.

Bogils well.

10 September 1664.

Kilburnie-  
Grinok.

In relatioun to ane act of the dait the twentie of Julij j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> sixtie ane yeares, and utheris set doune of befor, anent the tounes bargane in buying of Kilburnie-Grinok and utheris belonging therto, appoyntis the provest to meet with the lord Cochrane on Tuesday next, or uther times as the said lord sall appoynt; and the said provest to tak with him whomsoever he will, and to report befor any kind of clos be.

Warrand,  
Walkinshaw,  
hie kirk.

Ordaines John Walkinshaw to have ane warrand for the sowme of £309 1s. 8d. deburst, out of the monyes he receavit fra the collectouris at the

mynes, to James Colhoun, baillie, in compleit payment of his work wrought at the hie kirk rooff and lead furnished therto, conforme to the compt made with him be thois who wer appoyntit. Warrant,  
Walkinshaw.

17 September 1664.

Ordaines Johne Walkinshaw to have ane warrant for the sowme of thrie hundreth pundis deburst be him to William Boyd for building of thrie be the tounes imployment, ane therof betwixt and Borrowfield on Cumlachie burne, ane uther at the Kinning hous, and the thrid at Malsmyre betwixt and Goveane. Act in  
favouris of  
the gairners.

Anent the petitione given in befor them be the corporatioun of gairners, burgessis of this burgh, makand mentioun that quher, above theis thrie scoir yeares past, thei and their predicesouris hes bein in use of electioun of ane deacon or visitour of their calling, and was in use to conveye the bretherin therof for exacting quarter comptis, for the help and supplie of their poor decayed bretherin and the payment of ane small moytie to the poor in the craftis hospitall, yearlie; quhilk power being ingrossit in ane paper grantit be the magistratis and counsell for the tyme to the petitioners predicesouris was lost be ane of their number in the commoun muir in the tyme of pestilence, wherby sundrie of that calling takis advantage and sua will nocht be subject to that guid ordour thei wont of befor, nor yet pay in their quarter comptis as thei wont to doe for supplie of their said poor decayed bretherin; cravand therfor the said provest, baillies and counsell, to tak the premissis to their consideratioun, and to give to them that authoritie that thei had of befor, now lost, by granting to them ane deacon or visitour who sall have power to conveye the remanent bretherin of calling, in collecting their quarter comptis for supplie of their poor decayed bretherin, and rectifieing of wrongs that happinis to be committed amongs them, and therwpon gave in the artickles following:—*Inprimis*, that their calling might have a visitour or deacon to conveye their calling, according to wonted use, and the said deacon or visitour to be elected according as their lordshipis sall think fitt, ather be their lordshipis nominatioun, wpon ane list to be given in theranent, or be the gairners themselves. *Secundo*, that their said deacon or visitour be impowered to meit the bretherin quarterlie, with his maisteris, for supplie of their poor and censuring of any knoune enormities. *Tertio*, that the said

deacon or visitour may tak notise of steilling of growing seeds, plantis, herbes, floures and tries, and may delait the offenders to the magistratis. Quhilkis articles thei also cravit to be authoriszed be the said provest, baillies, and counsell, as the said petitione and artickles in themselves mair fullie proportis. Quhilkis being red, and the saids provest, baillies and counsell, after long advysment had theranent, having remittit the tryell of the said petitione and articles to the consideratioune of divers of the counsell and to report; who having mett and considered therupon made their report as fallowes, to wit:—That it was their judgment that the counsell may grant to the petitioners their desyre contained in the saids thrie artickles and demands, with this ristrictioun that it sall not be leasome to any of the gairners quhatsomever, visitour or utheris, to stop or impeid any persone quhatsomever to goe throw all pairtis of the toun for selling of kail, herbes, seeds and fruitis of all sortis, or yet to stop or impeid any burges of this burgh, their wyfes, bairnes or relictis, to keep standis in any place of the toun thei please for selling of seedis, fruitis, or wtheris of that kynd, without any impediment quhatsomever; and that it sall be leasome to any maner of persone quhatsomever within this burgh, who hes ony yaird or yairds, to delve, dress, or work, to imploy any persone or persones thei pleas, in toun or out-with the samyne, or to doe the samyne be themselves as thei think convenient. After heiring of the said report it was concluded be the saidis provest, baillies and counsell, that the saidis gairners sall have ane oversman or visitour who sall be choysen be the magistratis and counsell and their successouris onlie, and that on the first counsell day after Mertimes, yearlie, without ony list to be given in theranent, who sall have power to meit and conveye his bretherin for makin collectiones for the poor, and keeping of comlie and guid ordour amongs them, and censuring of knowne faults and enormities, quhilk censuring is to be done be sight of ane of the baillies for the tyme, and that the said oversman or visitour sall have power to tak notise of all stollin seedis, herbes, plantis, floures and tries, and delait the offenders to the magistratis; thei keeping the conditiones contained in the restrictiones above wryttin and no wtherwes.

24 September 1664.

Williamsoune      The provest made report that, according to the counselles ordour and

maister David Williamsounes letter, he did ryd out to him to Kilsyth and conferred with him anent the call given be the toune to him, who declared he had settled with the paroch quherin he was, and so could not nor wold not transport himselfe.

Grantis licence to Coline Campbell, elder, to tak in the peice commoune Campbell waist grund on the wast syd of his yaird, and that be sight of the deane of gild, provyding he big a dyk about it lyk the hospitalles yaird dyk there.<sup>1</sup>

It is concludit that ane brig be builded for the moir comodious entrie to Brig to Linnings haugh, now bought in be the toune, and to be set doune according and where the magistratis and counsell sall think most fit, and to be in all things lyk that brig at the provest yaird end<sup>2</sup> at the Barrasyet port, but to

<sup>1</sup> Blythwood mansion, on the south side of Bridgegate, adjoined, or was in close proximity to the Merchants' Hospital. It is said to have been built by Colin Campbell, who was provost of Glasgow in 1660, and to have been occupied as the town residence of the Blythwood family till about the year 1773.

<sup>2</sup> Provost Bell's house, in which he is said to have entertained the Duke of York (afterwards James VII.) on his visit to Glasgow in October, 1681, was situated on the south side of Bridgegate and west side of Saltmarket Street. In an instrument of sasine, dated 25 October, 1657, in favor of John Bell, provost, and his spouse, Jonet Campbell, daughter of Colin Campbell, elder, a former provost, part of the property is described as lying on the "south syd of the Briggait," and bounded by streets on the north and east, and "the burne of Mollendinor on the south" (William Yair's MS. Protocols, 1657-60, f. 236). On 7th July, 1719, James Bell, of Hamilton Ferme, made up a title as heir of his father, John Bell, of Hamilton Ferme, sometime provost of Glasgow (MS. Sasine Reg., 1719-21, f. 16). In 1797 the property, then belonging to Laurence Coulter and Janet Coulter, his sister, was purchased by the Town Council with a view to opening up and so far straightening Saltmarket Street southward (Inventory of Writs, II., b. 5, lot 12); and after the im-

provement was effected the Town Council sold the surplus ground in 1815. The corner property, fronting Bridgegate and Saltmarket, part of the ground which Provost Bell purchased in 1657, was recently reacquired by the corporation of Glasgow, for the purposes of the Improvements Act of 1897. (Purchase No. 96.)

About three years after the purchase of 1659, John Bell, "sometime provost," and Jonet Campbell, his spouse, acquired an adjoining property, which is described in a sasine dated 7th May, 1662, as lying on the south side of Bridgegate, and "bounded between the lands now belonging to the said John Bell on the east, the burn of Mollendinor on the south, and the lands now belonging to Mathew Wilsone on the west." This property was conveyed to the ex-provost and his spouse by James Bell of Duncystoune, merchant, burgess of Glasgow, with consent of (1) Mr. John Wilkie of Broomhous, for himself and as administrator for James Wilkie, son of him and his spouse, Isobella Bell, who was a daughter of the late James Bell, sometime provost of Glasgow; and (2) Mr. Patrick Young, one of the regents of the college of Glasgow, for himself and for his spouse, Dorothea Bell, another daughter of the late provost James Bell. (William Yair's MS. Protocols, 1660-2, p. 178.)

be four foot wyder at the ledges, and thei have instantlie agried with William Boyd for the building therof for payment of seavine hundreth markis.

1 October 1664.

Warrant,  
Walkinshaw.

Ordaines Johne Walkinshaw to have ane warrant for the sowme of twa hundreth markis deburst be him to William Andersoune, elder, merchand, as a pairt of the pryce of Peitboig and Dassiegrein, sold be him to the toune; and sicklyk for the sowme of ane hundreth thrie scoir fyftine pundis sex shilling deburst be him, also out of the monyes receavit be him from the collectouris at the mylnes, to theis seamen sent out be the toune in his Majesties service, quherof the maister of work is to give in ane accompt.

Gray.

In answer to the supplicatioun given in be Johne Gray, merchand, craving to be admittit miller in the Subdeanes mylnes, the saidis magistratis and counsell unanimouslie admitts the said Johne Gray to the said millership.

Blackfrier  
Kirk.

Recomends yit to baillie Campbell and Frederik Hammiltoun to speik to Mr. Harie Baillie, to desyre him to preach at the Blackfrier kirk, and to try what satisfactioun sall be given him for his bygaune service, and to report.

4 October 1664.

Electione.

The provest, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyned, as being the ordinarie day for electioun of the magistratis of this burgh for the year enshewing, compeired maister Androw Burnet, servitour to the right reverend Alexander, by the mercie of God, archbishop of Glasgow, and producit ane presentatioun subscrivit be the said archbishop, wherin his lordship declared that he, being weill assured of the fitnes and qualificatioun of Williame Andersoune, merchand, within this burgh, to exerce the office of provest therin, of the zeall to promove his Majesties service and his guid affectioun to the church, did therin present and nominat the said Williame Andersoune to be provest of this burgh for this enshewing year, requyring the saids provest, baillies and counsell, to admitt and receive the above-named Williame Andersoune, immediatlie after sight therof, to the said office of provest for the said year enshewing, giving him the oath of alledgeance, tendering to him the declaratioun and taking his oath *de fidei administratione*. After reading quherof, consideratioun was takin be the saids provest, baillies and counsell, that the abovenamed Williame Andersoune, now presentit to be



provest, is not of the number of the toune counsell, and that the custome hes ever bein that there was never one that was presentit to the said office but such as wer on counsell the tyme of their electioun, it was resolved therfor be the saids present magistratis and counsell to send wp to the said archbishop James Campbell, James Colhoun, twa of the present baillies, and Johne Walkinshaw, to deall with his lordship that he wold be pleased to send ane new presentatioun for the effect forsaid, conteining the name of any of the merchand rank now on counsell to be provest of this burgh for the said year enshewing, and if his lordship will not alter, then thei ar to protest that the admissioun of the said Williame Andersoun to the said office be not prejudiciall to the liberties of this burgh; and thereafter, if the said archbishop will not alter, the said thrie persones ar to convoy the aforesaid Williame Andersoun doune with them to the counsell to accept. And then the saids persones, having gone to the castill of Glasgow to the said archbishop and againe returned, it was declared be them that the said archbishop wold not alter his said presentatioun, and that notwithstanding therof thei had nocht made the forsaid protestatioun, wherwpon immediatlie the saids present magistratis and counsell did send some of their number to the aforesaid Williame Andersoun, now presentit as said is, to come and accept of his said office, who being come with theis who wer sent for him, did accept his said office and charge as provest, and gave his oath *de fidei administratione* therintill; and the declaratioun contened in the act of parliament with the oath of allegiance being red and tendered to him, he gave his oath according therto, and subscriyved the same with his hand. Thereafter the aforesaid Williame Andersoun, now provest of this burgh, remaining at the counsell table, with John Bell, lait provest, and the thrie baillies (the haill remanent persones of the said counsell being removed from the said counsell table) did sett doune the lytis for choysing out sex persones of the merchand rank and thrie of the craftis rank to be presentit to the said archbishop, to the effect his lordship may mak choyse of twa of the said merchand and ane of the said craftis rank to bear office as baillies of this burgh for the year to cum. [For merchand rank: Mr. Patrik Bell, William Cumyng, James Pollok, Johne Herbertsoun, Robert Campbell and Hugh Neisbit. For crafts rank: John Miller, deacon convener, John Ker, tailor, and Ninian Andersoun, maltman.] And then Robert Rae and James Colhoun, lait baillies, and William Yair,

clerk, wer directit with the said lytis wp to the castill of Glasgow to the said archbishop, to be presentit according to use and custome . . . . who being returned declared that the said archbishop had made choys and markit the saids James Pollok and John Herbertsoun for the merchand rank, and the aforesaid John Ker for the craftis rank, to beir office as the thrie baillies of this burgh for the year to come; and thei all thrie being present did accept the said office in and wpon them, and gave their oath *de fidei administratione* therintill.

7 October 1664.

Election of  
Counsell.

William Andersoun, present provest, [the thrie new bailies], John Bell, lait provest, James Campbell, Robert Rae and James Colquhoun, the thrie lait baillies, in regaird the said John Bell, lait provest, and lait thrie baillies, had borne office twa yeares togither, the said present provest and baillies therfor, to mak up the number of twelfe persones to mak choyse of the counsell, conforme to prior actis, causit warne John Andersoun, elder, of Dowhill, John Walkinshaw, Peter Gemmill, and William Boyd; who having all conveyed, the said present provest did put on lyt the hail persones on the old counsell with uther persones in the toune off the counsell, according to their qualitie, out of the quhilkis lytis, be pluralitie of votis, the persones afternamed wer electit and choysen to be on the toune counsell for the year enshewing (and the forsaid hail electouris declared that this forme of electioun sall be no wayes prejudiciall in the futur to the act set doune anent the formall electioun of the toune counsell in anno 1637). The persones names ar theis, viz., [thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen.] And ordaines them all to be warnid against the morrow at ten houres to meit in the counselhaus.

8 October 1664.

Vacant  
ministre.

Recomends to the provest and baillies to speik with the bischop anent the tounes vacancie of the ministrie within the burgh, that the sayme may be supplied with the best conveniencie, and to report.

Kilburnie-  
Grinock.

Forsuameikle as it is formerlie concludit be the magistratis and counsell for the tyme that Kilburnie-Grinock be bought in for the use of the toune, and that my Lord Cochrane hes undertakin the perfecting of that bargane, it

is therfor recomendit to the present provest, Johne Bell and Johne Andersoune, elder, lait provestis, to meit with the said Lord Cochrane anent the compleiting of the said bargane, but to report befor any clois be.

Ordaines Johne Walkinshaw to have ane warrand for the sowme of four hundred pundis, deburst be him, out of the monyes he receavit from the collectoures at the mylnes, to Johne Low, for the pryce of ane peice land in Kinclaith, sold be him and his doughter to the toune.

12 October 1664.

[From a leet of three persons presented by the merchant rank, Frederik Deane of gild. Hammiltoune was chosen dean of guild.

From a leet of three persons presented by the crafts rank, Walter Neilsoune, Deacon conveiner, maltman, was chosen deacon convener.

From a leet of three, John Watsoune chosen treasurer.

From a leet of two, John Cauldwall chosen water bailie.

From a leet of five, John Miller chosen visitor of maltmen.

From a leet of three, James Birsat chosen master of work.]

Treasurer.

Water baillie.

Visitour.

Maister of work.

14 October 1664.

The counsell being acquaint that the bischope was to give ane call to one Mr. Ros to be minister at the Hie Kirk, it is concluded that the toun for themselves wryt ane letter to him showing their concurrence with the bischop therintill, and to evidence their assent to the man, and the clark to subseryve the samyne.

Recomends to the provest and baillies to end and clois with Mr. David Liddell. Liddell, be sight of the bischop.

15 October 1664.

[The 12d. loaf to weigh 16 oz. ; the tron stone of rough tallow to be sold for 46s., and the tron stone of well made candle for 54s.]

It is statut and ordained that ane bank be sent throw the toune to command all maner of persones to remove and away tak their red, stones and timber aff the hie streit, betwixt and Wednesday nixt, under the paine of twentie pundis, and ordaines that no fleshour nor wtheris suffer their kyne to stand on the hie streitis in the night tyme, under the paine of xx s. the peice.

Statuts,  
bread, tallow,  
candle.  
Cleiring the  
streit.

M'Gilcreist, counsellour. Forasmuch as Thomas Allane was choysen as ane of the merchand rank to be ane ordinary counsellour for the year enshewing, who hes made ane lauffull excus of his inabilitie, therfor it is concludit that Donald M'Gilcreist merchand, supplie that place, and ordaines him to be warned for that effect.

Clark, keeper of the dead bell. It is concludit that Johne Clark, merchand, callit Laird, get the charge of the keeping of the deid bell that George Allane had last, during the counselles will alenerlie.

Liddell. As of befor, recommends to the provest and baillies to settle with Mr. David Liddell be sight of the bischop.

22 October 1664.

Tyndis. Appoyntis the provest, baillies, Johne Bell, Johne Andersoune, elder, deane of gild and deacon conveyner, to meit and conveyn with theis men in the barronrie who is awand the thrid pairt of their tyndis, and to compt with them theiranent for bringing of that particular to some guid clois.

Liddell. The magistratis having made report that they had spokin with Mr. David Liddell and the bischop anent the said maister David his particular, it was concluded in counsell that if the said maister David was content to accept threttine hundreth markis yearly for his stipend and communioune elementis, for yeares bygaine and to come, the toune was willing to pay him accordinglie, and to secur him in the futur, and to give him ten pund starling in satisfactioun of bygaine charges.

Provest to Edinburgh. It is recomendit to the provest to repair to Edinburgh for doeing and agenting the tounes busines, and to tak with him whomsoever he pleaseth, and he is to waken Dumbartane busines and the actioun against Silvercraigs, and to sie to all things tends to the guid of the toune, and to mynd the monye awand be the lait Argyll, and to be myndfull of Silvertounehilles busines, and to imploy in thir things whom he pleaseth; and if Baillie Pollok aither goe with him or after him, he is to mynd Puckie mylne.

Procuratour fiscall. Mr. Johne Herbertsoune is conteinowed procuratour fiscall for a year to come.

Baillie of Gorballes. John Miller, tailyeour, is electit and choysen to be baillie of Gorballes for a year to come.

Finniesoune. It being regraitit that (*blank*) Finniesoune that makis the graves does not carie himself as becometh his statioun, but wrongs many poor people in

goeing to their houssis after the corps ar buried, and does there miscarie himselfe shamfullie, it is therfor recommendit to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to try out ane man to joyne with Finniesoune for a tyme for making of the graves.

Recommends to the baillies to choyse out men for sighting of the quarters and trying out strangers and orray weomen. Orray weomen.

It is concluded to give to the gentleman who is seiking contributioun Brig of Die. for repairing the brig of Die, and ane uther there in the north, ten or twelfe pund starling, or then to let him tak the benefeit of ane contributioun.

29 October 1664.

It is concluded that in absence of the provest from the counsell the oldest baillie sall preceid for him in counsell. Precedent in absence of provest.

It is concludit in counsell that the haill barrony men who deteines their tyndis from the toune, also Silvertounehill, be persewed befor the lordis for all byrunes, as also the executoures of the lait bishop for that the toune was distressed for be Mr. David Liddell. Barrony men.

It is also concludit in counsell to pay to Mr. David Liddell, minister at the barrony kirk, in satisfacioun of his haill steipend and communion elementis, and for the twa hundreth markis was promysed to him for his expenssis, nyne hundreth pundis per annum, or then that the charge given be him be suspendit; and appoyntis the provest and Johne Walkinshaw to mak offer of the monye, if he be content, and Johne Walkinshaw to deburs the monye. Liddell.

The magistratis and counsell having hard the report of the deane of gild and deacon conveyner anent their choysing of a man to helpe Finniesoune to mak the graves, they reportit that thei had agried with one (*blank*) Moresoune, and the counsell condeschendis to pay him for a tyme ten pundis quarterlie; and (*blank*) Finniesoune is heirby discharged to repair to any mans hous heirafter, as he oftin heirtfoir done, under the pain of deprivatioun. Finniesoune.

Ordaines John Louk to be payit for teilling and harrowing Linnings-haugh, according as he was agried with be the lait deane of gild. Linnings-haugh.

Recommends to the deane of gild and Robert Rae to agrie with Walter Waddrop and utheris, who hes lands in Kinklaith bewast theis landis bought Kinclaith and Linnings-haugh. Kinclaith and Linnings-haugh.

be the toune fra Robert Andersoune, and also to caus cast in the brae at the wast end of Kinclaith, and to plant Linningshaugh about with tries.

Inglis.

Recommends to the provest to speik with the bishop anent the precentor in the Hie Kirk in favoris of Robert Inglis.

Officer in  
Gorballes.

It is concluded that the toune pay in againe the threttie sex pundis was collectit be way of stent laitlie in Gorballes for payment of the officiares fiell, and the same to be deburst upon repairing of ane peice brokin calsay there. And that in the Gorball court there be ane act set doune ordaining everie fewer to pay to the officiar yearlie sex shilling Scotis, and everie coatter twa or thrie shilling Scotis, in name of Yuill waidges, and sua the officiar to be payit at Yuill yearlie heirafter.

31 October 1664.

Call, Mr.  
Mylne.

It is concludit that ane call be given to Mr. Alexander Mylne, now minister at Cambushnethan, to be ane minister within this burgh, and to preach in the kirkis thereof as he sall be appoyntit be the provest, baillies and counsell, and his stipend to be yearlie ane thousand pundis, with four scoir pundis for his hous mail; and the provest and baillies with such as thei pleas to tak with them ar appoyntit to present the call to him.

12 November 1664.

Lamont.

In ansuer to ane letter direct be the laird of Lamont to the said magistratis and counsell anent the monye awand be him and Silvercraigs to the toune, appoyntis John Bell, Robert Rae, and John Walkinshaw to meet with Silvercraigs and the uther gentleman with him that brought the letter, to sie if thei cann agree anent the quantitie of the sowme and thois who ar to be bund cawtioners for it.

Liddell.

It is concludit to tak ane discharge fra Mr. David Liddell of the eightine hundreth pundis he hes gottin thir twa last yeares in satisfacioune of his stipend, and that he be chargit to tak ane localitie in tyme coming; and the provest to be wrytten to for that effect to try how it sall be performed.

Warrand,  
reader.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to William Brok, lait reader in the Laigh Kirk in Trongait, fyftine pundis Scotis, in satisfacioune to him of his last quarters fiell in the said service, and for uther reasones and consideratiounes knoune to the toune.

28 November 1664.

Ordaines the clerk to wryt to the provest, in name of the toune, anent <sup>Lettre to the</sup> Silvercraigs busines, to get the decreit extractit, and to be myndfull of <sup>provest.</sup> Argylls monye, Silvertounehill, and the barrony men anent their teithes; and ordaines James Pollok to ryd east conforme to the provestis letter.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of nyne scoir <sup>Warrand,</sup> twa pundis deburst be him for the herring was sent east to the tounes <sup>thesaurer.</sup> advocatis and utheris, and for the sowme of twa hundreth and alevine pundis ten shillings deburst be him for the officers clothes.

Ordaines James Gray, wright, to get the key of that chamber in <sup>Gray,</sup> Hutchesounes hospitall last occupied be umquhill Mr. Thomas Glen. <sup>Hutchesounes hospitall.</sup>

3 December 1664.

Ordaines Johne Walkinshaw to have ane warrand for the sowme of fyve <sup>Warrand,</sup> hundreth pundis Scotis, deburst be him out of the excyse of mylnes to Mr. <sup>minister.</sup> Alexander Mylne, minister within this burgh, at his first entrie to his charge.

It is concludit that the defectis of the Hie kirk be looked to, and for this <sup>Hie kirk.</sup> effect ordaines the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to sight and consider the same and to give ordour for the decayed pairtes thereof.

17 December 1664.

Recomends to the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to try out quhat <sup>To try out</sup> fitt witnesses they can get within the toune for proving against Dumbartane, <sup>witnesses,</sup> to the effect they may be summond against the day appoyntit. <sup>Dumbartane.</sup>

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of fourtie thrie <sup>Warrand.</sup> pundis iiij s., deburst be him to James Campbell and Robert Rae, for their charges and theis war with them quhen they went doune to the wast syd to try out witnesses anent Dumbartane and causing summond them.

In ansuer to the supplicatioun given in be Evir M'Neill, who is expert <sup>M'Neill,</sup> of cuttin the deaceas of the stone, quherintill beiring that in anno 1658, the <sup>cuttin the</sup> tyme he come first to this burgh, he was admittit burges gratis, upon <sup>stone.</sup> conditioun that he should remaine the most pairt of his tyme within this burgh; and now seing he is entred now in contract with the toune as one of their commoun servandis, and hes ane pensioune of them for helping of poor

ones who ar under that deceas; cravand therfor earnestlie their lordshippis wold caus admitt him burges and gildbrother after the surrent forme, that the benefeit therof may accres to his childerin, according as thei doe to all uther their commone servandis. After reiding therof, and consideratioune had theranent, the said magistratis and counsell grantit the said Evir his said desyre; and appoyntis the deane of gild to admitt him burges and gildbrother, and his fynes to be holdin as payit, being now ane of the tounes commounne servantis, to the effect that the benefeit therof may redound to his childerin.

Charter  
subscrivit.

There was subscrivit ane chartour in favouris of Mr. Williame Flemyng, commissar of Glasgow, of four aikers of land in Over Old Gallowmuir.

24 December 1664.

Silvercraigs.

Appoyntis Johne Andersoune, elder, [and four others] to meit with Robert Campbell and to setle with him anent the tounes right to Silvercraigs, and to report theranent befor conclusiounne.

Goveane to  
persew for  
barrony  
tyndis.

Appoyntis maister Robert Goveane to persew with all dilligence the laird of Silvertoune-hill befor the commissar of Glasgow for all byrunes of his tyndis for quhat he hes nocht decreit alredie; as also to persew the remanent of the men in barrony for quhat tyndis thei ar awand in to the toune, and to put the same to dew executiounne as accordis of law.

Toune  
divydit in 5  
quarters.

Appoyntis the thrie baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyner, to divyd the toune in fyve pairtis, and to joyne with themselves in everie quarter such persones as thei please, and to mak search throw the haill toune for trying out of strangers and orray weomen.

Chyrurgianes

Appoyntis the deacon conveyner [and three others] to meit and to tak tryell of the complent given in be the chirurgianes against Daniel Broune, and to report.

Rige land to  
be bought  
from the  
commissar.

Recommends to the deane of gild and Johne Walkinshaw to meit and consider anent the buying in to the toune from the commissar that rige of land foiranent quher he dwelles, and to report theranent.

Boyd to  
attend the  
Hie Kirk.

It is concluded that Williame Boyd, measoune, sall have the great Metrapolitan Kirk to attend upon in place of umquhill Mathow Colhoune, he taking the same on the same conditiounes the said umquhill Mathow had it, conforme to the act set doune theranent.



29 December 1664.

Ordaines theis persones who wer formerlie appoyntit to meit with Silvercraigs. Robert Campbell anent their selling to him the tounes right of the lands of Silvercraigs to meit with them yet, and the provest to be joyned to them to close with the said Robert theranent.

Ordaines John Walkinshaw to have ane warrand for the sowme of sex Warrand, hundreth markis to be given to the commissar for the rige of land, bocht in Walkinshaw. fra him to the toune, foiranent the place quhair he dwelles.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in be Thomas Montcur, goldsmith, <sup>Act in</sup> showing that he had servit his prentiship in Aberdein, and that sen syne he <sup>favouris</sup> had servit four year jurnayman in Edinburgh with dacone (*blank*), and that <sup>Montcur,</sup> goldsmith. now he was attained to be a perfect craftisman and was of intentioune to transport himselfe to this burgh and tak wp ane buith therin, the toune making him burges and gildbrother for his better incuragment, it was concludit that so soone he takis wp ane buith and setles himselfe here he sall be made burges without payment of any fyne, and yit to be holdin as payit, that the benefeit therof may redound to him and his childerin, and also promissis wpon his guid behaviour he sall be thereafter admittit gild brother.

31 December 1664.

The provest gave in the compt of the debursments anent his twa last Warrand, voyages to Edinburgh; and ordaines Johne Walkinshaw to have ane warrand <sup>provestis</sup> debursmentis for [£391 15s. Scots for the provost's disbursements in addition to £15 sterling formerly paid]. As also to have ane warrand for four scoir pund starling farder deburst be him to the said provest, he being now to goe to Edinburgh upon thair accompt for Dumbartane, and quhair of he is to give in ane accompt.

It is appoyntit be the haill magistratis and counsell that in respect of Bowie. the great and extraordinarie paines takin be maister Johne Bowie the tyme the toune wantit ministers, there being non but himselfe since the removing of maister Johne Claudie, in keeping of sessiounes, attending mariages and baptismes, visiting the seik and utheris incumbent burdings, it is concludit be the counsell that he get bak his band of twentie pund starling he formerlie borrowit from the toune.

Warrant,  
Walkinshaw.  
Baillie, Ordaines Johne Walkinshaw to have ane warrant for the sowme of fyftine pund starling deburst be him, out of the mouyes he receavit from the collectoris at the mylnes, to maister Harie Baillie, for preaching sundrie tymes in the toune quhen thei wantit ministers.

Warrantdis,  
Walkinshaw. Ordaines Johne Walkinshaw to pay to Walter Waddrop for the aiker of land the toune bought from him, and to William Stewart for his rige land bought from him, both in Kinclaith, according as the deane of gild and Robert Rae sall appoynt who bought the same for the tounes use.

Lait bischops  
bairnes. Recommends to John Bell [and three others] to speik with (*blank*) Auchinmutie, doer for the lait bischops bairnes, anent that quhilk he requyres of the toune of alledgit debt awand, and to report.

Andersoune. In ansuer to the supplicatioun given in be James Andersoune, travellour, craving supplie in respect he hes laitlie haill four horssis dead at ane instant, it is concluded the toune lend him ane hundreth pundis be band, and ordaines Johne Walkinshaw to deburs the same.

25 February 1665.

Generall  
survey of the  
toune. The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun the great increas of strangers and uncouth beggers within this burgh, and the great numbers of orray weomen and servantis that desertis service and takis chambers, and they being most carfull and willing that the same be tymeouslie remeidit, it is ordained that ane generall survey be takin throw the haill toune be the severall partes and quarters therof, as the samyne is heirafter divydet, viz., baillie Herbertsoune and John Walkinshaw ar to tak ane survey of the Saltmarcat and Gallowgait, on both sydis; Walter Neilsoune, James Colhoune, and such as they pleas to tak with them, ar to tak ane survey of the haill boundis above the Gramer Shool, on both sydis, Wyndheidis, Rottin Raw, Stable Grein and Drygait; the deane of gild and Niniane Andersoune to tak a survey of the haill Briggait, on both syds; baillie Ker and Dowhill, elder, to survey the haill Trongait; baillie Pollok and William Gray ar to survey the midle quarter quhilk is fra the Croce to the Gramer Shoole, on both sydis; Androw Moodie and Peter Gemmill ar to survey the Stockwelgait, on both sydis, and Shittwynd<sup>1</sup>; John Caldwell and John Watsoune, thesaurer, to survey the haill thrie wyndis<sup>2</sup>; and John Miller, baillie

<sup>1</sup> St. Enochs Wynd.

<sup>2</sup> Old Wynd, Mains Wynd, and New Wynd.

of Gorballes, with his constables, ar to survey the haill Gorballes. And all of them ar to report there dilligence at the next meeting of the counsell.

*4 March 1665.*

Appoyntis the provest and baillies to speik with the principall and College. regentis of the college anent the great wrongs and abuses done by the collegianes to the Gramer Shooole.

Theis persones who wer formerlie appoyntit for survey of the toune made Surveyers their report and gave in their rolles (except Androw Moodie and John <sup>report.</sup> Cauldwall); quhilkis rolles ar given to baillie Pollok, and the baillies and utheris ar appoyntit to sie all such removed aff the toune who ar ordained be the said surveyers.

Recomends to the deane of gild deacon conveyiner and Robert Rae to Burne setle and agrie with the provest and Johne Marschell anent the buying in of <sup>crookes.</sup> the burne crookis from them.

Recomends to the deane of gild to caus mend and repair Partick brig, as Brigs to be also the tounes great brige, of the hurt it hes gott in the tyme of this lait <sup>mendit.</sup> great frost.

*8 March 1665.*

It is concluded that the provest goe east to Edinburgh, at his awne Argylls convenient tyme, and to tak with him the lait Argyles thrie bandis to the effect <sup>bandis.</sup> they may be produced in dew tyme, conforme to the proclamatioune; and he is to goe about all effectuall meines that the toune may get their awine.

It is concluded that Glasgow raice be kept in maner and as is set <sup>Glasgow</sup> doune and contained in the Diurnall, and recommends to the provest to caus <sup>raice.</sup> provyd what is necessar to be made for the effect.

*25 March 1665.*

The provest gave in the comptis of his debursmentis and charges, the <sup>Compt.</sup> first anent Dumbartane busines and the uther anent Argylls bandis, be the <sup>provest.</sup> quhilk it is fund that the said provest had deburst to advocatis and their men, at thrie severall consultatiounes, and to clarkis the tyme of this last sessioun, and for expensis of witnesses and monye given to baillie Pollok, to the seamen and to the clark that booked them, £626 12s. 4d.; and for his awine charges

and horssis hyre, the said twa last tymes, being the first tyme twa moneth and the last tyme fyftine dayes, £510; extending in hail to [£1136 12s. 4d.]

Bank.

Ordaines ane bank to be sent throw the toune, about the end of Aprill next to come, to command all theis to remove aff the toune who ar oppoyntit be theis who did survey the same, and that no maner of person set ony houssis to ony of that rank, under the paine of ten pundis ilk persone unforgiven.

Hie kirk.

Recomends to William Boyd to tak ane view of the fabrik of the Hie kirk and to consider what is most necessar to be done for helping the defectis therof, and to mak report theranent nixt meiting.

Smith,  
beddell in the  
Laigh kirk.

The beddelschip of the Laigh Kirk in Trongait is conferred wpon and given to James Smith, merchand, and he is not onlie to be carfull anent the ringing of the belles but also he is to walk throw the kirk in tyme of divyne service, with ane whyt staff in his hand, as wont to be of old, for the crubbing of bairnes and utheris that makis disturbance in the kirk, and for impeiding of all abusess therein.

Act in  
favouris of  
Johne  
Robesoun  
for payment  
of £600.

In anser to the supplicatioun given in be Johne Robesoun, sone lafull to umquhill Williame Robesoun, mechand, burges of this burgh, whois parentis and predicessouris have bein for a long tyme in guid reputatioun and conditioun within the samyne, craving some supplie to helpe him to some honest conditioun of lyfe, the said magistratis and counsell, taking the same to their consideratioun, and wnderstanding that umquhill Jonet Dick, his guiddam, was ever alledging the toune was awand her some monye shoe lent, they have therfor concluded that there sall be payit for the use of the said Johne Robesoun the sowme of sex hundredth pundis Scotis for the effect forsaid, and that to be and stand in full satisfactioun of the said alledgit debt; and ordaines Johne Andersoun of Douhill, elder, to pay the same to him out of the monyes he receavit from the collectoris at the mylnes.

22 April 1665.

Cruikis of  
mylndame  
bought.

The deane of gild being formerlie appoyntit to buy in the cruikis of Mylndame for the use of the toune, he made his report this day that he had settled with the awneris theranent, and the toune was to pay ane thousand twa hundreth markis therfor; and the said magistratis and counsell ordaines the securities to be drawine wp accordinglie.

Ordaines Johne Andersoune, elder, of Douhill, to have ane warrand <sup>Burne crookis</sup> for the sowme of twa hundreth markis deburst be him to Johne Marschell, <sup>bought.</sup> merchand, for the pryce of that halfe aiker of land callit the burne crookis bought be the toune from him; and for fyve pund starling he deburst to David Spens, clark of Rutherglen, to helpe him to mak wp the excyse tak <sup>Spens.</sup> dewtie he has to pay for the parochin of Goveane; and the said David is nocht to be hard thereanent heirafter. As also he is ordained to pay to Johne Barnes for his twa aiker of land he hes in Kinclaith, according <sup>Kinclaith.</sup> as the rest of the land there was bought, if he please to accept the samyne, and also to pay to Mathew Wilsoune nyne scoir ten pundis for the land sold be him to the toune.

Ordaines William Boyd to caus mend the glass windowes of the Hie <sup>Hie kirk to</sup> kirk, and to give in his compt therwpon; and to caus provyd lymn for <sup>be repaired.</sup> poynting the said kirk.

It is appoyntit that ane call be given to maister William Stirling, <sup>Call to</sup> now minister at Drymmen, to come heir and to serve as ane of the ordinarie <sup>Stirling.</sup> ministers of this burgh.

Recomends to the provest to speik the bischope anent the planting of <sup>Anent the</sup> ane minister in the Uter Hie Kirk, and to pay his stipend and the minister <sup>planting of</sup> of the Barrony kirk, and to pay the fyve chalder victuall the bischopes <sup>ministers.</sup> wer in use to pay of old to the minister of the kirk in Trongait, the toune quyting to his lordship their right thei have to the tyndis of the barrony.

Ordaines the maister of wark to caus mend the calsay outwith the <sup>Calsayes to</sup> Stablegrein port and the calsay outwith the Gallowgait port; and the <sup>be mendit.</sup> deane of gild to caus mend the calsay outwith the Wast port.

Ordaines ane bank to be sent throw the toune be touk of drum to <sup>Bank for</sup> charge the haill inhabitantis, in his Majesties name and theiris, to bring <sup>bringing in</sup> in their haill armes and to delyver the same to the magistratis to be kept <sup>of armes.</sup> in the tolbuith, with certificatioune to all who neglectis to doe the samyne sall be looked wpon as disaffected to the present government and sua punishied accordinglie.

In anser to the supplicatioune given in be the tounes fewers and <sup>Shoole in</sup> tennentis in Gorballis, grantis to them that old hous neir the tounes barne <sup>Gorballes.</sup> their last occupied be (*blank*) to be ane schoole for instructing and training wp of their bairnes, and that during the tounes will and pleasour allenerlie.

Land at flesh-  
mercat.

Recomends to the deane of gild and Robert Rae to buy in umquhile Robert Watsones land at the fleshmercat als commodiouslie as they can.

Warrant,  
poor people  
in prisone.

Ordaines the theasurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of fyve pund starling deburst be him to John Rowat for meit and drink furnished be him, at command of the magistratis, to divers poor people wer put in prisone.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the theasurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of twa hundreth pundis Scotis, deburst be him to William Boyd in pairt payment of the building of the brig at Linnings haugh; and for ane hundreth pundis, deburst to the goldsmith in pairt payment of the coups he is making to the toune for the raice.

29 April 1665.

St. Rollokis  
kirk yaird.

Ordaines ane tak to be drawine wp and subscribed in favouris of James Farie for setting to him of St. Rollokis kirk yaird and the grass therof, for nyntine yeares, for payment of xxx s. Scotis yearlie; reserving to the toune libertie for buriing in the said kirk yaird all maner of persones thei pleas, conforme to old use and wont; and this to be insert in the tounes rentall.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> By the tack, which was subscribed on 3rd June, the provost, bailies, and council set to James Farie, hammerman, burgess of Glasgow, "his aires, executores, and assignayes (upon conditiounes of the reservatiounes underwrytine), all and hail that kirkyaird called St. Rolloks kirkyaird, and haill grase therof, and all pertinentis of the samyne, lyand within the territorie of the said burgh, out-with the Stablegreen port, neir to that place ther called Plummers-holl, and that dureing the haill space, yeires, and cropes of nynteine yeires and cropes after his entrie therto, quhilk was and begane at Beltane last bypast; and sua furth to continue yeirlie thereafter dureing the said space; with this expres provisioun and conditioun, and no other wayes, that it sall be no wayes leasume to the said James Farie and his fairsaids to delf, teal, or manuire the said kirkyaird at no tyme dureing this tack; but that it shall lay still for

grase; as also that it sall be leasume to the saids proveist, baillies, and counsell, and to ther successoures in office to caus burie the corpes of any persone whatsomever they pleas within the said kirk yaird, at all tymes they thinking fit to doe the samyne, dureing the tyme of this tack, but any kinde of impediement whatsomever. For the quhilk tack and assedatioun above wrytine, the said James Farie bindes and obleissis him and his fairsaids to thankfullie content and pay to the said proveist, baillies, and counsell, and their successoures in office, or to ther thesaurers in ther names, the sowme of threttie schilling Scots money yeirlie, at the terme of Martimes dureing this tack; beginand the first termes payment therof at Martimes nixtocum, and sua furth to continue in thankfull payment of the said tack dewtie dureing the tyme of this tack abovewrytine."

Forsuameikle as at the last meiting it was ordained that a call should be given to maister William Stirling to come heir and serve as ane of the <sup>Presentatiounes,</sup> <sup>Stirling.</sup> ordinarie ministers of this burgh, it is therfor ordained this day that ane presentatioun be drawine up in his favouris for that effect, and to ane thousand pund of stipend, and four scoir pundis of hous maill, yearlie, as the rest of the tounes ministers getis; and he to preach in any kirk according as he sall be enjoyned by the present magistratis and their successoris in office; and ordaines the clark to draw up the said presentatioun according as utheris the lyk, and to subscriyve the same in their names; and appoyntis James Pollok, baillie, and Peter Gemmill to ryd to the said maister William on Moonday next airle and to present to him the said presentatioun.

Appoyntis the provest [and four others] to conveyn befor them theis <sup>Barrony men,</sup> <sup>tynds.</sup> in the barronrie who keeps wp the thrid pairt of their tynds, and does heirby grant to them full power and commissioun to end and clois with them theranent, that the monye may be gottin in in dew tyme against the term; and appoyntis maister Robert Goveane to acquaint the said barrony men for that effect.

It is concluded that ane brig be builded at the foot of Comlachie <sup>Brig, Com-</sup> <sup>lachie burne.</sup> burne, neir to the foot of the burne at Duncane Aikines well.

Appoyntis the deane of gild [and two others] to sight and visit that <sup>Licence to</sup> <sup>provost to</sup> <sup>win stones.</sup> pairt where the provest desyres to win some stones for building of ane dyk, and to grant him licence for that effect if it be nocht prejudicial to the toun.

6 May 1665.

After consideratioun had of the bad payment made of that allocation <sup>Silvertoun-</sup> <sup>hill.</sup> made be the laird of Silvertounehill, for making wp of the twa chalder victuall he is to pay to the toun yearlie, for the better keeping of compt with him it is concluded he get the said allocation bak agane, and quhat Mr. Robert Goveane hes receavit be vertew thair of he is heirby ordained to give it to him bak agane.

The provest, baillies and counsell being conveyned. Anent the act <sup>Act anent</sup> <sup>Hamiltoun</sup> <sup>dean of gild</sup> of remitt grantit be the lordis of his Majesties most honorabill privie counsell, beiring dait att Edinburgh the thrid day of Maij 1665, anent

ane petititioun presentit be John Listoun and John Wood, tanners, within this burgh, schewing that quhair the petitioners having bought the number of nyne hundreth salt hydys or thairby, for the sowme of nyne thousand markis, from James Bogle, merchand in Glasgow, there did fall out ane difference betwixt the petitioners and the said James with quhat weightis the same should be weighted at the delyverie, the petitioners alledging that, conforme to their bargane, the said hydys were to be delyvered by the commounne tron weightis, conforme to the commounne custome and use as hes bein practised theis hundreth yeares bygaine, and the said James Bogle, sellar of the said hydys, alledging they wer to be delyvered be his awine weightis, and the petitioners refusing to receave them, so the said James having made his applicatioun to the deane of gild of the said burgh of Glasgow, his awine confident friend and co-pairtner, if not in this particular bargane yit in manye utheris, the said deane of gild, upon ane complent preferrit to him be the said James Bogle, having called the supplicantis befor him, by himselfe, without calling ane counsell by his bretherin, *brevi manu* and at his awine hand, against the constant practique within burgh, without any probatioun, in ane arbitrarie way, ordained the applicantis furthwith to be committit to prisone, except thei wold receave the said hydys with the said James Bogle his weightis; and that notwithstanding the supplicantis their appealing to their priviledges as burgessis, and that thei wer content to ansuer the said James in ane legall way, which was all that could be demanded in such a caice, the deane of gild not being altogether judge compitent in such a mater. And the supplicantis being imprisoned, conforme to his command, and having purchased suspensioun, wpon just and relevant ground, as the letters producit beares, and being at libertie, yit notwithstanding, by the said deane of gild his ordour, thinking himselfe not abundantlie satisfeit with quhat he hes done alredie, his officirs doe attend, both day and night, the supplicantis their dwelling houseis, to their great prejudices and discredit, so that they ar forced to flie the toune: Humblie therfor desyring some way might be taken that they may be in securitie and have reparatioun for their being wrongouslie imprisoned, as the said petititioun beares, the lordis of his Majesties privie counsell having hard and considered the said petititioun, did remit the cognitioun therof to the



provest and baillies of Glasgow, with power to them to heir both parties and to determine therin as they sall think just and reasonable, as the said act of remitt mair fullie proportis. Quhilk being this day, in the morning, exhibit and producit be the said John Listoune and John Wood, befor the provest and baillies of this burgh, and they having sent for Frederik Hammiltoune, deane of gild therof, who after heiring of the same declaired, as he had his office of the provest, baillies and counsell of Glasgow, so he was willing to have the mater tryed befor them, as was this day reportit in counsell be the said provest and baillies; and againe the said act of remitt being at length red in presens of the said provest, baillies, and counsell, both parties being present, and at length hard to speik for themselves and thereafter removed; after matur advyce and deliberatioune had in the said mater, and reasoning to and againe, be pluraltie of votis, it was fund that the said Frederik Hammiltoune, deane of gild, had malversit in his office first in keeping of ane court be himselve without ane quorum of his bretherin, quhilk is contrair to the gildrie, and lykwayes in imprisoning of the said Johne Listoune at his awine hand, without concurrence of the magistratis, quhilk is lykwayes cleir contrair to the said gildrie; and thereafter the forsaid provest, baillies and counsell, taking to their consideratioune the said faultis did, by the lyk pluraltie of votis, suspend the said deane of gild fra his charge as deane of gild of this burgh during their further pleasour.

12 May 1665.

Forsuameikle as Williame Selkrig, wrytter, had takin on him at his awine hand, not acquainting the magistratis and counsell for obtaining of any warrand of them to found ane laigh chope quhilk he intends to build under his foir hinging stair, and quhich hes bein discharged to be so done be severall actis of counsell, and seing that place quherin he intendis to build his said chop is ane comodious walk to people to repair in, in tyme of raine and foull wether, it is therfor heirby declared be the said provest, baillies and counsell, that it sall be nowayes leasome to the said Williame, or ony of his sucessouris, to build the said chop in that place, but that the same remaine as it was for ane comodious walk heirafter.

Act contra  
Selkrig.

H

Pollok to  
supply the  
dean of gild's  
vacancie.

It is concluded that in respect Frederik Hammiltoune, deane of gild, is suspendit fra his charge during the counselles will and pleasour, for the caussis contained in the act set doune theranent, and seeing necessar it is that that place be supplied be some fitt persone during the vacancie, to preceid in that court as deane of gild, and to doe everie thing incumbent theranent, as the said Frederik might have done before he was suspendit, and that without ony kynd of brek or prejudice to the letter of gildrie; and for choysing ane mane to that purpois thei did put out ane lyt of theis thrie persones, viz.:—James Pollok, ane of the present baillies of this burgh, James Campbell and Johnne Barnes, lait deane of gild, that ane of them may be choysen to the effect forsaide. Be pluralitie of votis the said James Pollok was made choyse of to the effect above wryttin, who being present did accept and gave his oath as use is.

27 May 1665.

29 Maij 1665. It is statut and ordained that seing Moonday nixt is the twentie nyne of Maij, and so appoyntit to be keepit as ane solemme day in commemoratione of his Majesties birth and restauratioun, it is concludit therfor that the same be keepit in all the solemnities, conforme to the act of parliament.

3 June 1665.

Provest, com-  
missioner.

Williame Andersoune, provest, is electit and choysen commissioner to the nixt generall conventioun of burrowes to be holdin at Aberdein, and ordaines the clark to give him his commissioun, sealled and subscrivit, conforme to the missive direct theranent; and the deacon conveyiner is choysen to be his assessour; and the provest is hereby warrandit to tak any young men with him he pleases.

Auditours,  
Douhill, elder,  
his comptes.

Recomends to the provest, baillies, [and five others] to heire Douhill, elder, his compt of excyse, and the said auditoris ar appoyntit to allow to him, in the first end therof, quhat the toune is awand to him for seck bestowed wpon divers friendis.

Warrand,  
brig.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of twa hundreth pundis deburst be him, farder, to Williame Boyd in pairt payment of the building the brig at the end of Linnings haugh, and quhilk makis him wp four hundreth pundis.

6 June 1665.

[Common good set for a year as follows:—mills, 7900 merks; ladles, Common £1433 6s. 8d.; meal market and pecks, 800 merks; tron, 810 merks; bridge, <sup>good.</sup> 1580 merks.].

After lawfull rousing the grass of the Old Grein and Linnings haugh, <sup>Gras of the</sup> being the New Grein, for this present cropt, was sett to Johne Herbert- <sup>two greines</sup> <sup>sett.</sup> sounne, wrytter, for payment of eight scoir ten markis Scotis; quhilk eight scoir ten markis is to be payit in hand to the thesaurer; and their is reservit to the inhabitantis libertie to wash and dry their clothes, but nocht to bleitch them theron, as thei wer in use to doe on the Old Grein.

After lawfull rousing the gras of St. Mungowes Little kirk yaird, this <sup>St. Mungowes</sup> <sup>yaird.</sup> cropt, was set to John Andersounne of Douhill, conforme to old use and yaird. wont, for payment of ane rex dollour quhilk was presentlie given to the officeris.

10 June 1665.

It is concludit that fyftie pund starling be payit to the archbishop <sup>Gorballes and</sup> to confirme the tounes right of the landis of Gorballes and Linnings haugh, <sup>Linnings</sup> <sup>haugh.</sup> and to get ane new chartour *de novo damus*; and Johne Cauldwall to deburs the monye and the clark to give warrand for that effect.<sup>1</sup>

24 June 1665.

In respect the provest hes wryttin that he cannot win to Aberdein, <sup>Walkinshaw</sup> <sup>to Aberdein</sup> <sup>and utheris.</sup> it is therfor concludit that Johne Walkinshaw goe thither, and have the commissiounne for himselfe, and Walter Neilsounne to be assessour, for attending the general meiting of the burrowes there in the tounes name; and Peter Gemmill is ordained to ryd with them.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Robert Mein, the post, fiftie ane <sup>Warrand,</sup> <sup>thesaurer for</sup> <sup>diurnalles.</sup> pundis xij s. for diurnalles and newes furnished be him to the tounne, fra the second of October last to the xxij of Junij instant.

<sup>1</sup> By charter dated 20th June, 1665, Archbishop Burnet confirmed to the magistrates and council of Glasgow the £6 lands of Gorbals and the lands of Linningshaugh. The latter are in one part of the charter called a "12s. land," and are elsewhere described as 12 acres of land. For Gorbals there

were payable the old yearly duty of £6 in money and 8 bolls meal to the mill of Partick, and for Linningshaugh £4 12s. 4d. Scots of old duty, with an augmentation of 14d. yearly. (MS. Inventory of Writs, I., b. 44, No. 27.)

**Carron brigg.** Appoyntis James Colquhoun and Williame Boyd to ryd to the foord of Carron wpon Tuesday nixt, and to be there against ten houres, conforme to the desyre of ane letter direct from some gentlemen in the shyre of Stirling and burgh therof anent the helping of Carrone brigg.

15 *July* 1665.

**Commissioner, burrowes and estaitis.** The provest is electit commissioner to the particular conventioun of burrowes at Edinburgh the twentie eight of this instant; as also to the conventioun of estaitis to be holdin ther the second of August nixt; and ordaines the clerk to seall and subscriyve commissounes to him for that effect.

**Cathcart loanheid.** Recomends to baillie Pollok and baillie of Gorballes to caus mend the holl at Cathcart loane heid in Gorballes.

**Agriement, ane brig.** Report being made be baillie Pollok anent his agriement with Johne Clark, measoure, for the building of ane brig at Duncane Aikines well, for the sowme of thrie hundreth markis, the same was allowed and approveine.

**Monye lent to Gemmill.** It is concluded that twa hundreth punds be lent out of the excyse monye to Johne Gemmill, merchand, in respect he is knowne to be ane verie honest man and hes lost his stok be sea venter; and ordaines Dowhill to deburs the monye, receive the band, and compt therfor at making of his compt.

**Monteith.** The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun the lamentable estait of Margaret Monteith, who is now distractit, and that shoe was borne within this burgh of honest parentis, and the wyfe of ane honest man, it is therfor concluded that there be payit her ilk day, be the maister of wark, during her distractioun, sex shilling Scotis.

29 *August* 1665.

**Barrony tyndis.** Recommends to theis who wer formerlie appoyntit to clois with the barrony men anent their tynds to conveyin them, with the first conveniencie, be small numbers, and to clos with them theranent.

**Silvercraigs.** Recommends to theis who wer formerlie appoyntit to setle with Robert Campbell anent Silvercraigs to meit and conveyin among themselves, and to think upon the best and easiest meanes to put the toune in posses-

sioune of the said landis, and that ather be imploying of Robert Campbell, younger, therintill, or utherwayes as they sall think most meit for the toune's guid.

*2 September 1665.*

Ordaines the maister of wark to caus mend, beat and repair the Portis, whoill portis, and to mak them all fixit, with dilligence, and ordaines ane bank to be sent throw the toune be touk of drume to command the whoill inhabitantis to clois their clos footis and ends of their yairds, that no repair be made therby, now in this dangerous tyme, for fear of the plague of pestilence, and that betwixt and this day eight dayes, under the paine of ane hundreth pundis and farder punishing of their persones be sight of the magistratis.

Ordaines ane dispositioun to be made and subscrivit in favouris of <sup>M'Cuir,</sup> Robert M'Cuir, merchand, of sua meikle of that peice land the toune <sup>Mylnehill.</sup> bocht fra John Marschell as the toune hes nocht made use of, in recompence to him of quhat the toune hes takin aff his land in Mylnehill.

*23 September 1665.*

It is unanimsoullie concludit be the saids magistratis and counsell, for <sup>Act anent</sup> many guid reasones and consideratiounes moving them, that sua lang as it <sup>unlawes.</sup> sall pleas the toune to have ane denner on the day of the electioun of the magistratis, that the toune thesaurer pay the expenssis therof; and to mak this wp againe to the toune it is concludit and ordained that the haill unlawes be brought in to the use of the toune, and that the samyne be collectit be the clark, or ony of his servantis he pleases to appoynt for that effect, and that compt be made therof once in the year, and quhat is gottin to be delyvered to the thesaurer to mak up the said expenssis of the denner; and this is to be without prejudice to any of the baillies heir-after, to bestow such pairt of the said unlawes, as thei think convenient, wpon any poor indigent persone or persones, and to give bak to such persone or persones such quantitie of the unlawes takin from them as thei sall think convenient; and the superplus therof to be delyvered to the thesaurer as is abovewryttin.

**Lands at back of fleshmercat.** Appoyntis baillie Pollok and Robert Rae to clois the bargane anent the buying in, for the tounes use, theis old lands at the fleshmercat quhilc somtyme pertained to umquhill Robert Watsons, fleshour, and to mak ther report theranent.

**Warrant, tolbuith.** Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of ten rex dollouris deburst be him to John Rowat, keeper of the tolbuith, for meit and drink furnished to divers poor people was put in the tolbuith, at command of the baillies, and wer not able to mentein themselves.

3 October 1665.

**Election, provest.** The provest, baillies and counsell, being conveyned, as wpon the ordinarie day for the electioun of the magistratis, for the year enshewing, compeired Mr. Gilbert Strachan, servitour to the right reverend father in God, Alexander, archbishop of Glasgow, and producit ane letter direct be his lordship to the magistratis and counsell quherin he noninatis William Andersoune, who was provest this last year, to be provest for the year enshewing; after reading quherof the said William Andersoune, being present, did accept and receive the said charge in and wpon him for a year to come, and gave his oath *de fidei administratione* theranent as use is.

**Baillies.** [From leets presented by the provost and former baillies, the archbishop chose John Walkinshaw and Peter Gemmill, merchants, and John Miller, tailor, to be baillies for the year ensuing.]

6 October 1665.

**New counsell.** [The magistrates of the last and two preceding years, with persons added to make up the full number as formerly, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the town council for the ensuing year.]

7 October 1665.

**Act in favouris of the sojouris.** There being ane letter producit in counsell from Sir James Turnour, shewing that of lait it pleased the toun to confer some litle thing monethlie wpon the first thrie companies come heir to be quartered, to be bestowed wpon sojouris who had wyfes, and that for the keeping of honest mens houssis frie of the burdine of married persones, and that the lord Lithgowes company hes gott nothing of that kynd since thei come

first heir, and therfor, at desyre of the said Sir James, it is concluded that the said four companies sall get for this moneth, and in tyme coming during their lying heir and the counselles will, four pund starling monethlie for the caus forsaid, to be bestowed wpon maried sojouris.

11 October 1665.

[From leets made up as formerly, the following were elected :—James Deane of gild, Pollok, dean of gild; Walter Neilsoune, deacon convener; James Padie, etc. treasurer; John Caldwell, water bailie; John Miller, visitor of maltmen; James Birsat, master of work.]

14 October 1665.

Appoyntis the provest, baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyiner, Land at flesh-mercant. and such as they please to tak with them of the counsell, to visit theis landis at the fleshmercat quhilk the toune intends to buy, and how steddable they may prove to the toune, and to report.

[Tron stone of rough tallow to be sold for 48 s.; and the troy stone of well-Tallow, made candle for 56 s. candle.]

John Herbertsone elected bailie of Gorbals.

Mr. John Herbertsone continued procurator fiscal.]

Recommends to the deane of gild to caus provyd some mein to furnish Guardis. coalles to the guardis.

[A warrand given for £5 to Mr. Andrew Burnet, town's agent, "for his Charter, paines in passing the tounes new chartour of confirmatioune of Gorballis and Linningshaugh." Gorbals, Linningshaugh.]

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of thrie Warrand, scoir eightine pundis eightine shilling deburst for the new cock put new cock in upon the heigh steiple of the Hie Kirk, weightand twentie ane pund the Hie Kirk. weight of copper, and for gold binkis and gilding therof, and uther expenssis in puting wp the same, conforme to the particular compt therof given in be the maister of work.

21 October 1665.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of four Warrand, scoir fourtine pundis xv s. iiij d. deburst be him to Robert Campbell, Silvercraigs, younger, for his charges in goeing to Silvercraigs and there taking possessioun of the samyne in the tounes name.

28 October 1665.

Statut, broid. The statut anent the wheit breid was set doune, and it is ordained to be sold, conforme to the statut, for alevine pund the boll of wheit, quhilke is ten unces and thre drop for twelfe penneis Scotis, and sua accordinglie to be sold les or mair. And ordaines the whoill baxters to baik sufficient leavined breid.

Land at flesh-mercatur. It is concluded that the old land at the fleshmercat be bought for twa thousand eight hundreth markis.

Duk Hammiltounne to be payit. It is concludit that duk Hammiltounne be payit of that quhilke he is seeking of ane old stent, in anno 1633, and the clark to give ordour and warrand to the thesaurer therfor, after the compt is casten wp. It is ane hundreth thrie scoir sex pund xiiij s. iiij d.

Tak, listers. It is concludit the listers get a new tak of the walk mylne, conforme to the former, and the same dewtie, for so many yeares they pleas, keeping the conditiones in the old tak.

Warrand. Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for thrie hundreth markis monye, for building the new brig over Cumlachie, at that well callit Duncane Aikines well.

Kinclath. Recomends to the deane of gild, deacon conveyner and Robert Rae, to buy in for the tounes use the whoill landis in Kinclath yit unbought.

Minister, barrony kirk. Ordaines John Cauldwall to have ane warrand for the sowme of eightine hundreth pundis deburst be him, out of the moneys he receavit fra the collectouris at the mylnes, to the minister of the barrony kirk, for his steipend the croptis 1664 and 1665 instant.

Tak subscrivit. The contract betwixt the tounne and the minister of the barrony kirk was subscrivit.

4 November 1665.

Bucket monye. Appoyntis Robert Rae and Johne Cauldwall to call in for, and give in to the counsell table, the haill monye is lying in any mans hands quhatsoever, formerlie collectit for buying of armes or in name of bukit monye.

Barrony teithes. Recommends to the baillies [and six others] to caus wairne in the barrony men that is adebit any teithes to the tounne, and to setle with them theranent, and the majour pairt to be ane quorum, and baillie Walkinshaw to conveyn them.



It is concludit that Johne Hall get ane tak set to him of the litle <sup>Tak set to</sup> yard at the bak of the meill mercat, and that during the tounes pleasour, <sup>Hall.</sup> for payment of ane small tak dewtie.

Recommends to the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to speik the <sup>Rige bocht</sup> man who occupyes the rig was bought fra the commissar, if he will <sup>fra the</sup> quait his tak therof; and if the toun mak it ane commoune vennell to <sup>commissar.</sup> consider how the nighburis sall be made fensible, and to report.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for [£494 11s. 6d.] <sup>Warrand,</sup> deburst for the expenses upon the guard hous made in Trongait and <sup>guard hous.</sup> materialles bocht therto.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for [£148] deburst be <sup>Warrand,</sup> him to Jonet Reid, spous to William Hammiltoun, for the tounes denner <sup>denner.</sup> at the last electioun of the magistratis.

11 November 1665.

Notice being given to the magistratis that wpon Moonday nixt ther <sup>Visitatioun</sup> is ane visitatioun to be of the kirk of Goveane, anent some repairing <sup>of Goveane</sup> therof, and in respect of the tounes intrest, as now heritouris of Gorballes, <sup>kirk.</sup> appoyntis Johne Walkinshaw, baillie, and Johne Herbertsoun, present baillie of Gorballes, to attend the said meiting, and to mak their report theranent.

Ordaines Dowhill, younger, to have ane warrand for [£701 Scots] <sup>Warrand,</sup> deburst be him, out of the excyse, for defraying of the commissioners <sup>Dowhill.</sup> charges the tyme he was heir laitly with his train.

9 December 1665.

Baillie Walkinshaw and Johne Herbertsoun made report that thei <sup>Report anent</sup> did attend the meiting at Goveane, conforme to the counsell ordouris, and <sup>Goveane</sup> that thei had condeschendit for the toun, as heritouris of Gorballes, to <sup>kirk.</sup> mend and repair Goveane kirk, conforme to ane act set doune therwpon.

The said baillies and counsell, taking to their consideratioun how <sup>Brodbreidge,</sup> the toun hes bein slightit be John Brodbreidge, in not performing his <sup>chymnes.</sup> ingadgment in relatioun to the perfecting the knock in Briggait, it is concluded that he be seased wpon by the magistratis and compellit to performe theis his ingadgmentis; and as for the chymnes he wes to mak

ther, for sundrie guid reasones it is concludit that the samyne chymnes be made and put wp in the stiple of the tolbuith.

Warrant,  
herring.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for [£197 16s. 8d.] deburst be him for threttie five halfe barrellis herring was sent to Edinburgh to the tounes advocatis and utheris, and for packing therof, and for halfe barrelles to some of them.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of twentie pundis Scotis, deburst be him to Johne Clark, measoune, for mending a holl that fell out in the gavill of the Subdeanes Mylne and building a litle brig at Cathcart Lone heid.

30 December 1665.

Bischoep.

Ordaines the bischops chamberlain to be ansuered in quhat is dew be the toun for the fewdewtie of Gorballes, 1664, and quhat is awand out of Partick mylne, new mylne, Linnings haugh, or utheris, the said cropt.

Pollok to  
Puckie and  
Puckie  
mylnes.

Ordaines the deane of gild to have ane commissioun to repair to Puckie and Puckie mylnes, to setle ane sufficient chamberland ther for wplifting the rentis therof, and to doe his best to get in all bygane yeares restand awand unpayit, and to give discharges wpon receipt therof, and he to be comptable conforme to his intromissioun.

Commissaris  
rig.

Appoyntis baillie Gemmill to joyne with the deane of gild and deacon conveyner for sighting of the rig bocht fra commissar Flemyng to be ane vennell, and to setle with the present tennent theranent, but mainlie to consider befor ony use be made therof how the nighbouris sall be made fensible, that no prejudice come to them therby.

Warrantis,  
Andersoune.

Ordaines Johne Andersoune, younger of Dowhill, to have ane warrant for the sowmes following, deburst be him out of the monye receavit fra the collectouris at the mylnes, viz., to the provest fyftie pund starling for defraying his debursementis and charges in Edinburgh, being to repair therto for puting ane clois to the debait betwixt this burgh and Dumbartane. Item, for the sowme of ten pund starling deburst be him to Niniane and Williame Gilhagies, sones lafull to Johne Gilhagie, maltman, to help them to transport themselves bak againe to England, and for their better advance to ane honest lyfe quhen thei come ther, their parentis being nowayes able to helpe them. Item, for the sowme

of four scoir pund Scotis, deburst for the transportatioun of Harie Andersone, sone naturall to umquhill Harie Andersone, merchand, to Barbados for his lyfliehood.

Ordaines ane new chartour to be made and subscrivit in favouris of Bircatt. David Bircatt, tailyeur, of ane peice waist grund he and his predecessouris hes had, past memorie of man, neir the foot of the Old Wynd, with warrandice fra the tounes fact and deid allenerlie, for payment of twa penneis Scotis yearlie if requyred.

8 January 1666.

It is concluded that the provest deall with all dilligence and earnestly with Argyll, ather to subscriye ane submissioun to the archbishop of Glasgow anent what was awand be his umquhill father to the toun, or then to joyne with the rest of the lait Argylls creditouris in persewing therfor in law, or utherways as thei sall goe on as he sall think most fitt for the guid of the toun.

After consultatioun had, Williame Stirling, wrytter, is electit and choysen to supplie the place now occupied be Mr. Robert Goveane, in collecting the monyes conteaned in the tounes rentall, during the counselles will and pleasour.

2 February 1666.

It is concludit and ordained be all theis present that theis guidis laitle brought to this burgh fra Jedburgh and theraway, contrair his Majesties proclamatioun, be brunt all publictly at the mercat croce.

12 February 1666.

The baillies and counsell being convened, after reading of severall letters come from the provest, informing that ther is ane decreit obtained against Dumbartane, quhilk he is attending to get extractit, but that the extracting therof, consultatiounes theranent, and utheris the tounes affaires will cost much monye, it is therfor recommendit, be the whoill counsell present, to the baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyner to meit and consider quhat monye sall be sent, and ordaines the clark to subscribe ane warrand therfor, according as thei sall enjoyne; and that Dowhill, younger, ryd himselfe to Edinburgh with the monyes, to delyver the

same and to helpe the provest in what is neidfull, and attend him till his returne. And thereafter ordaines the said Dowhill, younger, to have ane warrand for the sowme of [£2,217 2s.] Scotis, deburst be him, out of the monyes receavit be him fra the collectouris at the mylnes, quhilk is to be delyvered to the provest, and he to mak compt therof at his returne; and for the sowme of [£966] deburst be him for seck sent east to friendis for the same busines.

14 March 1666.

Knock, bell,  
and chymnes.

The agriement made be the deane of gild with Johne Brodbridge, anent the rouling of the knox in Briggait, and for ringing of the bell ther, at the ordinarie tymes appoyntit, fra Candlemes last to Candlemes nixt, and for making of the chymnes quhilkis ar to be sett wp in the tolbuith steiple, conforme to his first bargan quhen he should have sett wp the same in the steiple in Briggait, and the giving of him ten ston iron farder nor the said first bargane, is this day allowed and approvin.

New grein.

Appoyntis the maister of work to pay weiklie to James Louk, maltman, twentie shilling to attend the new grein and to wphold the dykes therof, and for keeping of all horssis and uther bestiall aff the same.

17 March 1666.

News letters  
payit for.

It is appoyntit to be remembrit that the news letters and diurnalls ar all payit for to the seavintine day of January last.

Pollok, officer,  
depryved of  
his office.

George Pollok, officer, being compleined wpon for taking some monye out of the collectiones made for the poor at the kirk doores, in absence of the collectour, and for drinking and debusching pairt therof, and for sundrie uther enormities and wrongs, is deposed and put out of his place.

To compt  
with Barnes.

Ordaines Baillie Gemmill, the deane of gild and John Caldwell, to compt with Johne Barnes anent what monyes he hes in his hands was given be the toune to him to buy the belles that wer appoyntit for the steiple in Briggait.

Coalhewgh.

The said magistratis and counsell understanding the coalles to be become verie scant and dear, so that the hutch bought of befor on the hill for four shilling is now bought for no les than sex shilling, and that in

regaird of the decay of the coal hewes about the toune, quhilk make ane great outcry among the inhabitantis and mainlie the poor, and the said magistratis and counsell knowing the same to be most trew, and being informed that coalles may be win and gottin in their awin land in Gorballes, thei have therfor concludit to give to Patrik Bryce, weaver, ane thousand markis monye to sett doune ther twa shankis presentlie, and appoyntis Baillies Walkinshaw and Gemmill, with the deane of gild, to meet with the said Patrik and settle with him anent ane tak to be sett to him of the said coalhewes, conforme to the said Patrik his desyre given in, and to sett doune all conditiones to be performed be him during the tyme of the tak; and maister Robert Goveane is ordained to pay him the said thousand markis, and to have ane warrand therfor out of the reddiest of the tounes monyes he hes in his handis.

In answer to the supplicatioun given be ane great number of the inhabitantis about the Grayfrier port, anent the making of their yaird bocht fra the commissar for the use for quhilk it was bocht, ordaines Gilbert Currie, the present tennent, ather to quyt his possessioun or then to pay the yeares maill that is awand; and if he quitt the yaird he to be fred of the maill.

There is licence grantit to James Wilsoun, skipper, Robert Allane, Buriell place. his sone in law, George Weinzit, maltman, and William Sheilles, couper, ilk ane of them, to build a peice of the hie kirk yaird dyk for the use of a buriell place, according as utheris hes done the lyk; and appoyntis the deane of gild to sight the same.

Appoyntis the maister of Hutchesounes hospitall to be made choyse of Hutchesounes hospitall. on Tuesday nixt, ther, at twa hours in the afternoone, and the whoill counsell and ministers to be wairned for that effect.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of twa Warrand, hundreth markis Scotis deburst be him to John Bell, lait provost, for the minister, maill of that ludging occupied be the persone, ane of the ordinarie ludging. ministers of this burgh, belonging to the said John Bell, heretabillie, and that fra Witsonday last to Witsonday nixt, and quhilk is againe to be allowit to the toune in the first end of the annualrent of that thousand pundis, now in the tounes handis, the annualrent quherof is destinat to pay the maill of ane hous for the said persone and his successouris; and

declaring the payment of this said yeares hous maill sall nowayes infer any obleisment for payment of the maill of the samyne hous be the toune heirafter, provyding they tak not the same heirafter.

24 March 1666.

Silvercraigs. Recommendes to the provest, baillies, dean of gild and John Cauldwall to meit with Robert Campbell anent the bargane of Silvercraiges, and give he will stand to his first bargane to end and clos with him, and if not to end with Silvercraiges himself the best way they can for the guid of the towne.

Warrant, ringing bells. Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of ten pundes deburst be him to James Smithe, beddell in the Laigh Kirk, for ringing of the counsell bell and dean of gildes bell this last yeir.

Contract subscriyved. The contract set downe betwixt the toune and Patrick Bryce anent the coall heugh in Gorballes was subscriyved, quhilkes contienes at lenth the conditiounes therin mentiouned.

Warrant to Barnes. Report being maid be thes who wer appoyntit to compt with Johne Barnes anent the thrie hundrethe pund sterling he receavit to buy the belles to the stiple in Bridggait, that the same was all debursit be him upon the buying of the belles and uther wark of the stiple, except four hundrethe pundes nyntine shilling iiij d. Scotis, the saids magistratis and counsell dois heirby discharge the said Johne Barnes thair of, he paying in to Johne Cors, collector of the merchands hospitall, the said sowme of four hundrethe pund Scotis xix s. iiij d.

26 March 1666.

Warrant, Dowhill, younger. Ordaines Dowhill, younger, to have ane warrant for the sowme of eight scoir rex dolloris, extending to four hundrethe thrie scoir four pund Scotis money, quhilk is to be given to (*blank*) Cheisle, in Edinburgh, for his discharging of ane old pley quhilk he had against the toune.

3 April 1666.

Warrant, Dowhill, younger. Ordaines Dowhill, younger, to have ane warrant for the sowme of four hundrethe markes, deburst be him, out of the moneyes he receavit fra

the collectouris at the mylnes, to Hendrie Craige for the pryce of ane aiker of land the toun bought fra him in Kinclaithe. [Note on margin: "Beclus Dowhill made his compt befor his warrand was extractit it was drawine on Robert M'Cuir."]

Ordaines baillies Gemmill and Miller and the deane of gild to setle <sup>Anent the</sup> and agrie with Robert Rae anent ane tak of the peice land callit the Peit <sup>Peit bog.</sup> bog, with the peice ground laighe under the brae, betwixt the said Peit bog and Linnyns haughe and dyke ther buildit be umquhill Johnne Lawsonsone.

Thair being produced in counsell ane lettre direct thairto be the arch- <sup>Anent the</sup> bishope of Glasgow, in the quhilk his grace declaires that efter search he <sup>uplifting of</sup> findes severall persones, both men and women, who ordinarlie dishantes <sup>the fynes of</sup> publict ordinances and flateres themselves with hope of impunitie, bot knew <sup>thes who dis-</sup> not from whence thair confidence springes, and thairfor thought it his grace <sup>hantes the</sup> dewtie to advertise the counsell that his grace intendit (give thair fynes <sup>ordinances.</sup> be not exactlie levied be them) to imploy some of the officeris of his Majesties melitia, both to observe who withdrawes from ordinances and also to exact the penalties imposed by law, which his grace is verie unwilling to doe, both beclus his grace did forsie it will be ane dishonour and los to the towne and also ane greater prejudice and punishment to the persones that offend, as the said lettre in itself mair fullie proportes. Quhilk being severall tymes red, efter mature advyce and deliberatioun had thairanent, and the mater being staited quhither it was best for the towne that the magistrates should ingather and collect thes fynes imposed wpon dishanteres of the ordinances nor to commit the collecting thairto sojoris, efter dew consideratioun had thairanent it was concludit, be pluraltie of voites, that it was better for the towne that thes fynes wer collectit and upliftit be the magistrates (to the effect they might be applyed to pious uses) then that any sojoris should have the collecting thairto.

The imputing of George Allane, lait bellman, in William Drew his <sup>Allan, graves.</sup> place anent the making of the graves, was allowed and approven in counsell.

Recommends to the baillies and dean of gild to consider what calsayes <sup>Calsayes.</sup> within the towne ar neidfull to be mendit and repairit, and to caus doe the samyne.

Pollok.

George Pollok, ane of the townes ordinarie officeres, being formerlie deprived of his office for his bais miscariagesses, is this day againe, upon his many promiseises of amendment, restored againe thairto, bot with this conditione that if ever he be fund drunk, as he hes bein oft heirtfoir, or yit if he suffer any maner of persone justlie to compleine wpon him heirefter, then and in that case, and the wrong being tryed, he is to be deposed theirefter and never to be restored againe.

19 April 1666.

Decreit of  
of absolvitor  
against  
Dumbartane  
producit.

The provest produced the decreit of absolvitour purchased and obtaned at the tounes instance against Dumbartane; and in regaird that it hes bein so lang in debait and hes bein costlie and expensive to the toun, the baillies and haill counsell did rander to the provest heartie thankis for his paines in attending that actioun and bringing it to such ane happie clois; and appoyntis the baillies, deane of gild, Dowhill, elder, and Robert Rae, to meit with the provest and to tak his compt of his hand, in respect thei thought it not fitt to bring it in publict. . . And after heiring of the said compt, ordaines John Andersoune, younger of Dowhill, to have ane warrand for the sowme of fourtine hundreth pundis Scotis, deburst be him out of the monyes he receavit fra the collectouris at the mylnes to the provest; and that in compleit payment to him of his haill charges and expenssis, deburst be him for the toun since the first of November last and of theis sowmes he deburst in obteaning the said decreit of absolvitor.

[Two actions, one at the instance of the burgh of Glasgow and the other at the instance of Dumbarton, each against the other, had been pending in the supreme court at Edinburgh for some time. Both actions were decided in favour of Glasgow on 8th February, 1666. The extracts of the decreets, written on sheets of paper pasted together, and making up rolls extending to 33 and 44 feet in length, respectively, detail the titles and pleadings of parties, and conclude, the one with the declarator and the other with the absolvitor pronounced by the lords. Both actions were originally "raised and intentit befor the lait pretendit commissioners for administratione of justice to the people in Scotland," and were "therefter walkned and insisted on befor the lords of counsell and sessione." In the action by Glasgow against Dumbarton it is set forth that



"the said brugh of Glasgow, situat upon the river Clyde, was of old erected in ane frie brugh royall, with all liberties, freedomes and priviledgis belonging to ane frie brugh, more speciallie with als mutch freedome as wes allowed to any uther brugh within the natione, and therby naturallie and as ane necessarie and essentiall poynt of freedome had right and priviledge of merchandising, sailling out and in with their ships, barks, boats and uthers vesshellis upon the river of Clyde, and to aryve, load and unload ther goods at the places convenient within the said river, and acknowledged and reputed ane frie brugh long befor the brugh of Dumbartoun had any foundatione, errectione or being, by the publict acts and records of the land, of parliament, conventiones of estaits, conventiones of burrows, acts of the councellis of the Kings of Scotland, and of all publict judicatories within the samen, and therefore allowed place and precedencie to ryde, sitt and vote in parliament, and in all publict and nationall meetings long befor the brugh and towne of Dumbartoun, in sua far as that the brughes and townes of Air, Irving, Renfrew, Drumfries, and severall other brughes, to the number of twentie six or therby, quhilk gave place to the said brugh of Glasgow and are ranked and ordered efter Glasgow, gave place and prioritie befor Dumbartoun, for by ane chartour granted by King Robert, ratefieing and confirmeing ane chartour granted be King Alexander, erectting Glasgow in ane frie brugh with als mutch freedome as is allowed to any brugh within this natione, quhilk chartour relates to ane anterior chartour grantit to the said brugh by King William, who wes father to the said King Alexander, quherby the lyke priviledge and benefeit of erectione is granted to the brugh of Glasgow, as the said chartour daited the aughteen yeir of the reign of King Robert more fully proports. And be ane chartour granted be King Alexander the twentie sixt yeir of his reigne, ratified and confirmed be King Robert the twentie thrid yeir of his reigne, ther is priviledge and libertie granted to the citizens of Glasgow to traffique to Argyll and to pas thither and repas, without any impedement, ther said traffiqueing to Argyll being hindered and opposed be the men of Dumbartoun, pretendand Argyll to be upon thair syde of the firth of Clyde and sua within thair priviledge; by the whilk chartour of King Alexander and chartour of King Robert confirming the samen, it is declared that this traffiqueing and libertie to Argyll wes granted to Glasgow befor the foundatione of Dumbartoun, and sua befor it wes ane toune and had any being. And by ane mutuall indentour betwixt the brughs of Glasgow and Dumbartoun, daited j<sup>m</sup> four hundreth nyntie nyne yeires, the saids tuo burrowes contracted and agried for all tymes thereafter to ane mutuall compliace and correspondance and the

defence and maintenance of each of the utheris priviledges, condisceding to ane equall entres of the river of Clyde, nether of them pretendand priviledge nor prerogative over the other, nether are there any sillable, in all that indentour, so mutch as poynting at any of these presumed priviledges over Glasgow now contraverted by Dumbartowne. And be the act of burrowes in thair conventione, daited the nynteen day of Junii j<sup>m</sup> and six hundreth yeires, relateing to ane suplicatione presented to the meeting of the burrowes of the towne of Dumbartowne, craveing ane suplie for upholding of thair bulwarkis, foundit by them for withstanding the irruptiones of the watter of Levine, quhilk threatted the taking away of thair citie, and by ane posteriour act of the said conventione of burrowes of the dait the seventeen day of November thereafter, relative to the said first act and relative to ane act of the King and counsell for the tyme consequent to the said first act of the burrowes, ther is ane impost and exactione of certane pittie dewties upon the river of Clyde granted to the said towne of Dumbartowne, for the space of seven yeires allenerlie; quhilk impost and exactione is restricted and declared to be only of veshellis and goods imported to ther owne road and harbour of Dumbartowne in the watter of Levin, expreslie debarring and excluding them from medling with anything belonging to the priviledge of Glasgow within the said river of Clyde; quhairby it is manifest that the said towne of Dumbartowne befor and at the tyme of the saids acts of burrowes had not nor did not plead any right or priviledge superior and prejudiciall to the priviledge of the said brugh of Glasgow in the said river of Clyde, or to any benefeit aryseing therfrae and from veshellis and goods imported therein." The charter by King James VI. to Glasgow in 1661<sup>1</sup> is then referred to; "conforme to the whilk chartour, long befor and ever since, the said persewars and ther predicessouris, provest, baillyies, counsell, burgeses, inhabitants, and communitie of the said brugh of Glasgow, have enjoyed the said right and priviledges befor related, and have been in possession therof past all memorie; and notwithstanding the said brugh of Dumbartowne by no evident right and title whatsoever can plead or pretend any priviledge or right upon the said river of Clyde over any veshells aryveing therin, or goods imported in the samen, different and more then is allowed to the said brugh of Glasgow, or to any customes, anchoradges, measuradges, and uther pettie dewes in use to be payed and demanded of the veshells and goods of strangers aryveing in the said water, but the saids two burrowes of Glasgow and Dumbartowne, past all memorie, and ever since the mutuall indentor in the said yeir j<sup>m</sup> iiiii<sup>e</sup> and nyntie nyne yeires,

<sup>1</sup> Glas. Chart., pt. ii., pp. 278-83.

corresponding and complying in ane joynt and equall intrest in the freedome of the said river of Clyde and benefits of anchoradge and measuradge, and uther dewes in use to be payed by strangeris aryveing therin, and ay and whill ane chartour purchest be the said towne of Dumbartoune from King James the Sixt, in the yeir of God j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>a</sup> and nyne yeires, by whilk, and the exorbitant new grant therin includit, they acclaimed the right and priviledge of dewes in the said river Clyde solly and wholly to themselves, in sua far that the said towne of Glasgow and merchands therin aught and should aryve at ther brugh, make entries, and take cockits ther, load and unload ther, make sale of ther commodities therin, and should in effect and by necesser consequence resseid at and be incorporat be the said towne of Dumbartoune; posterior to the whilk chartour by act of interloquitour daited in the said yeir of God j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>a</sup> and elevine yeires, pronounced by the lords of sessione in ordour to ane suspensione raised by the towne of Glasgow against ane charge of horning given to ther merchants, at the instance of the said brugh of Dumbartoune, concerning ther priviledge in the said river, and the dewes payable and arryseing from the shipes and goods imported therein, after full heiring of both pairties, compeirand by thrie advocats one each syde, and production of all ther rights, *hinc inde*, the said towne of Glasgow is found to have right in manner foirsaid." Other proceedings were subsequently taken for settling the controversies between the burghs; arbiters had found the burghs to be entitled to equal rights and privileges in the river and the dues, but nevertheless the magistrates, council, burgesses, and inhabitants of Dumbarton—"daylie troubles and molests the saids persewaris in the enjoyment and possessione of ther priviledges in the said river of Clyde, and of the dewes aryseing therefrae in manner foirsaid, quhairthrow necesser it is to the saids persewaris, and it aught and should be found and declared . . . that the provest, bailies, counsell and communitie of the brugh of Dumbartoune hes no right to exact or uplift from the inhabitants, burgesses and communitie of the towne of Glasgow, nor of any veshells and shipes belonging to them or fraughted by them, aryveing within the river of Clyde at the foirsaid roads and ports of Potterige, Inschgreen, and Newark, and anchorage, weyadge, measuradge, tunnadge, dock maill, cockits, or uther dewes quhatsomever, but that it is lafull for the proveist, baillies, counsell and communitie of Glasgow to aryve with ther shipes and goods within the river of Clyde, speciallie at the foirsaid roads or ports of Potterige, Inschgreen, and Newark, and to load and unload ther and to transport ther goods upon the river of Clyde to Glasgow, frie of the burden of the foirsaid pretendit dewties of anchoradge, measuradge, weyadge, tunnadge, dock mailles, cockits, or uther

dewes whatsoever to the towne of Dumbartowne; and that therfor the provest, baillyies, counsell, communitie and inhabitants of the said brugh of Dumbartowne should be decerned to desist and ceas from all farder troubling or molesting the saids persewaris in aryveing with ther shipes and goodis upon the river of Clyde and loading and unloading ther shipes and goods at the saids roadis, as is alledgit." On behalf of the pursuers, it was maintained that—"Glasgow was ane episcopall sea seven or eight hundredth yeires befor Dumbartowne was foundit, as is cleir from Archbishop Spotiswoods historie, who relates that in anno five hundreth Saint Mungo was first bishope of the sea of Glasgow and that the said cittie and brugh was a famous nurserie of scholleris and more ancient then Dumbartowne, in sua far as the towne of Dumbartownes first chartour is only dated in anno j<sup>m</sup> ii<sup>o</sup> tuentie ane yeires, whereas the towne of Glasgow hes chartour granted to them by King Alexander in anno j<sup>m</sup> ij<sup>o</sup> and eleven yeires, givinge them power to trade befor the foundatione and erectione of the towne of Dumbartowne; and this is cleirly evident by another chartour granted to the towne and cittie of Glasgow by King Robert indewing them with all priviledges belonging to any other royall brugh granted by King William, father to the said King Alexander, purchased be Josleine, then bishope of Glasgow, erecting the towne and cittie of Glasgow in a royall brugh, whilk Josleine, as Archbishope Spotiswood relates, lived long befor the yeir ane thousand and tuo hundreth yeires; and the said Archbishope Spotiswood sayes that in bishope Josleine tymes the towne and cittie of Glasgow was erected in a royall burgh, and in all parliaments, conventiones of estaits, and burrowes within this kingdom, the towne and citie of Glasgow had and ever hes the precedencie far befor the brugh and towne of Dumbartowne." The magistrates of Dumbarton did not admit that Glasgow was erected into a royal burgh before 1611, and maintained that they had a prior right to the river and dues under their charter of 1609. The decree is in the following terms:—"The quhilk haill proces and progres therof, with ane uther actione of declaratour persewed at the towne of Dumbartowne ther instance againes the towne of Glasgow, and ther respective wholl rights, wryts, and entrie bookis produced *hinc inde*, and the depositiones of the witnesses aduced for either partie for proveing the towne of Dumbartownes possessione of the impositione and dewties contraverted, and the towne of Glasgows imunitie and freedome from these impositiones and dewties, and ther interruptiones of the foirsaid possessione, with the disputes at lenth abovementioned maid for either partie, and haill circumstances of this cause, being all at lenth hard, seen, and considerit be the

said lords, and they therewith being well and ryplie advysed, they gave ther decreit, finding, declaireing, decerning and ordaineing in favouris of the brugh of Glasgow, persewaris, and dischargeing the brugh of Dumbartowne in manner at lenth abovementionat; and fand that ther chartouris, infetments and rights producit for the brugh of Dumbartowne, with any possessione had be them of the dewties and impositiones, contraverted and instructed by the entrie bookis and depositiones of the witnesses aducit be them, could not give them ane valid and sufficient right to the impositiones and dewties contraverted in hail or in pairt; and assolzied the towne of Glasgow from that actione of declaratour depending at thair instance against the towne of Glasgow; and decerned, declaired, fand and discharged in favouris of the towne of Glasgow against the towne of Dumbartowne in this actione in manner at lenth abovementionat. And ordaines lettres and executorialis necesser to pas and be direct heiron in forme as effeires."

In the action at the instance of Dumbarton against Glasgow, the pursuers set forth that " King Alexander the Second, now be the space of four hundreth and fyftie yeares since and above, erected the said burgh of Dumbartane, situat in the west pairts of Scotland, in ane frie burgh royall, and gave and granted to the said burgh and inhabitants therof and ther successores, for evir, divers lands and rents, with the lyk priviledges and friedomes and imunities belonging or knowne to appertine to anie brough royall within the said kingdome of Scotland, and speciallie such as belonged to the burgh of Edinburgh; lykas the said umquhill King Alexander the Second, be his chartar undir the great seall, of the dait the twelt day of December j<sup>m</sup> ij<sup>th</sup> and tuentie yeires, gave and granted to the said burgh of Dumbartane and burgessis therof certaine lands, rents and priviledges, and speciallie the hail toll and custome betwixt the water of Kelving and the head of Lochleavin, prohibiteing straitlie that no person presume to transport or tack away the saids tolles or anie uther customes dew to the said burgh from the burgessis thereof and ther servands, undir the payne of death; lykas also the said king and sundrie uthers his predicesores, Kings of Scotland, have granted divers rychts, tytles, and priviledges to the proveist, bayllies, counsell and comontie of the said brough of Dumbartane, and ther predicesores and successores, with sundrie lands, rents, tenements and uthers belonging therto; and sicklyk umquhill King James the Sext hes not onlie ratified and approvin the ancient gifts, imunities, priviledges, and liberties granted to the said burgh of Dumbartane, burgessis and inhabitants therof, but also did of new grant to them sundrie imunities, priviledges, and liberties; and sicklyk, gave, granted and disponed to the said proveist, bayllies and counsell of the said burgh and ther successores all and hail the friedome and

libertie of the river of Leiven and of the river of Clyd, betuixt the water of Kellwing and the head of Lochlong, with power to them to intromett with and uptack the hail small customes within the bounds of the saids rivers, with deutes of cocqueits, entries of shippes, barks, creares, and uthers veshells, anchor-edges, water measures, dockmeales, shoar silver, assyse bolles, with the deutes of measurage, weyage and uther customes, imposts and deutes of all goods coming in or ganging forth to and frae the said burgh, ports, havens and lading places quhatsomevir within the saids rivers and bounds." Under this charter, which is dated 13th December, 1609, Dumbarton claimed the privileges and levied the dues which they now asked the court to sanction by declarator. This the lords declined to do, and granted absolvitor to the defenders.]

Tak sub-  
scrivit to  
Rae.

The tak of the peice land callit the Peit bog, and utheris therin contained, sett now to Robert Rae for nyntine yeares, was subscrivit, for quhilk he is to pay yearlie sextine pundis Scotis.

Rig bocht  
fra the  
commissar.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and Robert Rae to settle and agrie with any persone who desyres to tak any pairt af that rig, les or mair, in few, that was bocht fra the commissar.<sup>1</sup>

28 April 1666.

Warrantis,  
Andersoune.

Ordaines John Andersoune, younger of Dowhill, to have ane warrant for £62 18 s. deburst be him to William Selkrig, for that rig of land in Kinclaith bocht from him; and for tuentie pundis given to John Drew for quating his tak of the landis callit Mylne dame bocht fra John Marschell; and for ten pundis starling given to Mr. Androw Burnet for his paines taken in obteaning the decreit against Dumbartane and twentie shilling starling to his man.

Cordoners.

Appoyntis baillie Miller, the deane of gild, and baillie of the Gorballes, to consider on the bill given in be the cordoners, and on the grund of their complent about theis of their jurnaymen and uther cordoners

<sup>1</sup> After forming the New Vennel, four ells in breadth, the surplus ground was conveyed to "Maister Archibald Dennestoune, merchand," an adjoining proprietor, in consideration of a feu-duty of £20 Scots yearly, conform to feu contract dated 16th March, 1667. In this deed it is stated that the vennel had been

provided "for the better and frie passage to the nychtbours duelling thairabouts for passing to and fra the toune for their better eas and commoditie for careing in of water at all occasiounes necessarie." (MS. Inv. of Writs, b. 31.)

who takis wp buiths in the Gorballes, and how the same may be remeidit, and to mak report.

19 May 1666.

[The dean of guild reported that he had accounted with the factor at Puckie Report anent for the rents of crops 1663 and 1664. The charge amounted to £269 1 s. 8 d. Puckie. and the discharge to £219 13 s. 2 d. The dean received £52 10 s. 6 d., with £60 as part of rent for crop 1665, out of which he disbursed £10 as feu-duty to the burgh of St. Andrews for crop 1665, and 54 s. for letters of horning against the tenants. A tack of the lands was granted to "Thomas Adamesoune, clark of Carrill," for 19 years from Martinmas last, for the yearly rental of £210 Scots, "quhilk is to be payit yearlie betwixt Yuill and Candlemes, in Edinburgh, at David Boyd, merchant, his chope, there."]

Appoyntis baillie Miller to consider how the dame of the Subdeanes Subdeane mylnes sall be dight and faced with hewn stones. mylnes.

Recommends to the deane of gild and his bretherin of counsell to Kirlie. consider on the peice waist grund at the foot of the Gramer school wynd quhilk Kirlie desyres to tak in few of the toune.

2 June 1666.

Anent the supplicatioune and bill of complent given in befor the said Cordoneres. proveest, baillies and counsell, be James Mitchell, present deacone of the cordoners within this burgh, for himselfe and in name and behalfe of the remanent bretherin of that calling, makand mentioun that quher be the 154 act of the 12 parliament of King James the sext, of worthie memorie, entitulat: Exerceis of craftis within suburbs adjacent to burghes is forbidden; quhilk act beares that forsuameikle as the exerceis of craftisman in suburbs of the frie burghes is not only hurtfull to all our Sovereign Lordis leidges, for the insufficiencie of the wark, but also ministratis great occasioun to prenteises and servandis in frie burghes undewtifullie to leive their maisters and to remaine and abyd in the said suburbs, therby substracting themselves fra the jurisdictione of the proveest and baillies of the said burghes; and als the frie craftsmen ar greatlie damnified in respect of the great burdin thei bear within the said burgh, and there advantage of the work that should releive them is drawine away

to the said suburbes; therfor it is statut, decerned and declared, be the said act of parliament, that in all tyme thereafter there should be no exerceis of craftis in suburbs, but that the samyne should ceas in all tyme after the dait of the said act of parliament, quhilk was in anno 1592,<sup>1</sup> and that all work made in the said suburbes should be confiscat and takin be the provest and baillies of the said burghes fra the workmen in the said suburbes; as the said act of parliament in itselie mair fullie proportis. And now the craftismen, cordoners and tanners, in the village of Gorballes, ar growne so numerous and so much moir prejudiciall to the craftismen within this burgh than ever of befor, for amongst many particulares thei are grown so proud and insolent in their awine conceat, misregarding al law and authoritie, that thei have hyred and tysted away fra their maisters severall of their sevandis who ar to leive their said maisters at this terme of Whitsonday enshewing, and enters to theis unfriemen in the said village of Gorballes, at the least four of the speciall jurnay men within the toune of their calling ar to desert their maisters, and ar to tak wp work buithes there at their awine hand; quilk if the lyk be suffered their calling cannot eshew but to cume to uter ruine, and the honest bretherin of the said cordoners and tanners ar not only greatly prejudged therby but also the haill leidges damnified be the insufficient work made be theis unfriemen; humblie cravand, therfor, the said provest, baillies and counsell, to tak this grivance to their lordships wyse consideratioune and that thei wold sie the said act of parliament put to dew executioun, conforme to the tenour theirow, as the said complent mair fullie proportis. Quhilk being red wpon the nyntine day of Maij last bypast, in presence of the said provest, baillies and counsell, the way how to remeid the said complent above wryttin being remittit be them to Johne Miller, ane of the present baillies of this burgh, James Pollok, deane of gild therof, and Johne Herbertsoune present baillie of Gorballes, and the saidis Johne Miller, James Pollok and Johne Herbertsoune having at lenth considered therwpon, and wpon the forsaid act of parliament quherwpon the said complent is foundit, and knowing that the cordoners in Gorballes ar become much moir numerous than of old, and that thei

<sup>1</sup> 5 June, 1592, c. 76, Acts of Parliament (Record edition), III., p. 579.



wer certanelie informed that sundrie utheris wer to be sett wp there for exerceising their calling there, quhilk if nocht preventit tymeouslie will nocht faill to ruinat the haill cordoners and tanners within this burgh; and thei being this day againe requyred be the said magistratis and counsell to give in their overtour theranent, they all thrie being present declared that the best way to remove the said complent and so to prevent the ruine of the said cordoners and tanners within this burgh was to discharge the haill cordoners and tanners who ar alredie sett wp in Gorballes and exerceises their calling there to keep or hold any servant or prenteis, but all thei work therintill may be done with their awine handis; and for preveining the lyk heirafter it wold be statut and ordained that it sall nocht be leasoune to any cordoner or tanner to sett wp ather buith or hous or ony thing of that kynd for working their tred in the said village without licence had and obteaned therto of the provest, baillies and counsell of Glasgow for that effect. Quhilk overtour being proponed and declared as said is, and the samyne being thought verie reasonable be the said provest, baillies and counsell, thei, after guid advyce and deliberatioune had theranent, doe heirby enact, statut and ordaine that it sall nocht be leasome to any of the cordoners and tanners alreddie sett wp and placed in the said village of Gorballes to keep or hold any servant or prenteis for helping them forward in their work, but quhat thei doe therin thei work with their awine handis, and also hes statut and ordained that no cordoner or tanner sett wp hous or buith for using his tred heir-after in the said village without licence first had and obteaned therto of the provest, baillies and counsell of Glasgow, for that effect.

9 June 1666.

It is ordained that no maner of persone be suffered to work in the Quarrell. tounes quarrell, without the tounes licence first had and obteaned therto; and that they sell no milstones out of the said quarrell without the said licence.

Appoyntis baillie Miller [and five others] to goe out to the commoune Visitatione, and there to sight and consider the complentis given against (*blank*) Tod <sup>commoune.</sup> who occupyes umquhill David Peters mailling; as also the complent given in against umquhill Walter Neilsoune for taking in some of the tounes

march stones on Flemyngtoun within his stone dyk at Balgray; and to sight and consider theis partes of the commoun quhilk William Gilmour, fleshour, desyres to tak.

10 July 1666.

Provestis  
dyk.

Appointis the baillies, the deane of gild, Dowhill, elder, Robert Rae, William Boyd, Johne Johnstoune, James Ker, and Johne Cauldwall, to sight the boundis at the Bell croft quher the provest intends to build a dyk, and to meith him that he build within his awine bounds.

17 July 1666.

Sub deanes  
mylne laid,  
mylne and  
brig at the  
Saltmercat  
foot to be  
repaired.

The forsaid provest baillies and counsell being conveyined and taking to their consideratioun how that yeasterday there having falline out in the afternoone betwixt four and fyve houres, being the sextine of this instant, the most great impetuous raine that has been seine in the memorie of man, and that upon ane suddanty all in and verie neir the toune, quhilk rais northward and com doune the burne on the east syd of the toune sua that many wer supprysed therby, it falling out in such a suddanty, all that day being verie fair and hot till that tyme, and therby brak out the mylne laid of the subdeanes mylne foir anent the hie kirk-yaird, as also the north-west newk of the gavill of the subdeanes malt mylne, and brak doune and destroyed twa new laitly builded brigs, ane at the foot of the Saltmercat and the uther beneth that betwixt the new grein and litle grein; and seing it most necessar that the said mylne laid and mylne and the forsaid brig at the foot of the Saltmercat be speidilie repaired, in respect of the necessitie therof and the great repair made be the samyne brig, it is therfor unanimously concluded be the said baillies and counsell that the said mylne laid and mylne and brig at the foot of the Saltmercat, in respect of the great repair made therby, be repaired and builded with all dilligence, and for this effect appoyntis the baillies, deane of gild, Robert Rae and Johne Cauldwall to meit with Williame Boyd, measoune, and setle and agrie with him theranent.

Survey.

Forsuameikle as it is fund verie necessar that ane survey be made throw the whoill toune for trying out of strangers laitly come to toune, orray and idle weomen who desertis their service and takis wp houssis be

themselves, appoyntis therfor [certain persons to "search and try" (1) Stogwalgait, Briggait and Wynds; (2) Saltmercat and Gallowgait; (3) above the cross to the Grayfrier port; (4) from that port to the Wyndhead, and Rottinraw, Stable Grein and Drygait; and (5) the Trongait and out-with the port].

4 August 1666.

Robert M'Cuir, to have warrants for (1) 2,600 merks disbursed out of money received from collectors at the mills "to pay for the houssis and lands at the fleshmercat bocht in for the tounes use fra the aires and successoures of umquhill Patrik Adame"; and (2) 400 merks disbursed out of the same money to William Andersoune, clerk of session, "that was restand to him of the pryce of the lands of Peitboig and Dassiegrein bocht for the tounes use." <sup>Warrant, M'Cuir.</sup>

11 August 1666.

Appoyntis baillies Gemmill and Miller [and four others] to meit and advyse amongst themselves anent the maner of the fewing out of the landis bocht at the fleshmercat, to the fleshouris and utheris. <sup>Lands at Fleshmercat.</sup>

18 August 1666.

Ordaines the actiounne against Dumbartane anent their last ryot to be prosequit to the full as accords of law, and the magistratis of Dumbartane to be summoned for that effect. <sup>Ryot, Dumbartane.</sup>

Recommends to the provest and baillies to examine this day after noon the haill witnessis anent the complent given be Branschogle against Johne Rowat and utheris, and to report. <sup>Brandshogle.</sup>

1 September 1666.

It is concludit that the provest ryd east to attend the secretit counsell and to fallow out the complent given in against Dumbartane for their last ryot, in exacting some of their alledged dewes contrair to the decreit evictit laity against them, and he to tak with him whom he pleases to attend him. <sup>Provest to Edinburgh.</sup>

It is ordained that Walter Grahame, messenger, and Johne Blair, stabler, both of them be imprisoned in fast ward and put in the irones <sup>Branschogle.</sup>

for the wrong thei did to Branshogle in the tolbuith, he being ane prisoner, and suspends John Rowat from his charge as keeper of the tolbuith during the magistratis and counsellis will for the wrong also he did to the said Branshogle beyond his commissioun.

20 September 1666.

Syre at the  
wast port on  
the north  
syd.

Forsuameikle as it is regraitit be divers and sundrie persones that the syre in Trongait, on the north syd therof, from Hutchesounes hospitall wastward to St. Tenewes burn, was levelled and made once straught for convoyeng away the water that way, but now of lait divers persones, yea almost all who hes houssis and killes narrest the said syre, castis in stra, ilk ane foir against their awine land, to mak fuilzie of, quhilk stops the passage of the water should goe that way and jorgs wp so that filth and myre is made to be sein in the gutters, quhilk is very loathsome to the beholders; and the said magistratis taking this to their wyse consideratione, and being desyrus that the abuse should be remeided, thei therfor doe heirby statut and ordaine that no maner of persones presume to doe the lyk heirafter, but that everie heritour or tennent of the said landis narrest the syre keep the same frie, ilk ane foir against themselves for their partes therof, to the effect the passage of the watter be nocht gorged or impeided therby, and that under the paine of ten pundis to be exactit aff every contraveiner how oft and sua oft thei contravein heirafter the premissis.

Fleshouris.

Forsuameikle as the said provest, baillies and counsell, taking to their consideratione that it hes bein the use and custome of the fleshouris of this burgh heirtfoir to slay and blood the whoill bestiall thei kill on the hie streit in Trongait, on both sydis of the gait, quhilk is verie lothsome to the beholders, and also raises ane filthie and noysome stink and flew to all maner of persones that passeth that way throw the Kings hie streit, and is most unseimlie to be sein that the lyk should be done theron; and the said magistratis and counsell understanding that the lyk is nocht done in no place within this kingdome or outwith the same in ony weill governed citie, and now seing the said fleshouris may be provydit utherwayes and far moir commodious for blooding and killing the haill bestiall thei kill, and also thei being most desyrus that the said abuse

be remeidit heirafter, therfor thei doe heirby statut and ordaine that non of the said fleshouris within this burgh, nor no utheris in their names, doe presume or tak wpon hand to kill, slay or blood any kyne, oxen, bull, sheip or lamb, or any uther thing of that kind, in vew of the hie streit or any that passes that wais as formerlie, but commandis and charges them and ilk ane of them to provyd houssis in bak sydis for the doeing therof, as is done in Edinburgh and uther weill governed cities, and that betwixt and the terme of Witsonday nixt to come, under the paine of ane hundreth pundis monye to be exactit aff ilk ane of the said fleshouris to be applyed *ad pios usus*; and that sua oft and how oft any of them contraveines the premissis in killing and blooding their flesh in vew of the hie streit as formerlie after the said terme of Witsonday nixt.

Ordaines baillie Miller [and three others] to sett in few to any per- <sup>Land to be</sup> sone or persones who pleases such pairtis of that yaird was bought from <sup>set in feu.</sup> commissar Flemyng as may be spared. As also to set in few the lands at the bak of the fleshmercat quhilk the toune bocht laitly, to theis who hes or will build candle houssis ther, for use of yairds to ther said landis, or to the fleshouris who intends to big buithes to themselves to slay ther bestiall in; and that in the best comodious way they can for the guid of the toune.

It is concluded that the whoill monyes collectit for armes, in whois <sup>Armour</sup> handis soever it be lying in, or quhilk sall be collectit betwixt and Michael- <sup>monye.</sup> mes nixt, be collectit and intakin for the use of the poor of the merchand hospitall.

Allowes the clark to subscribe warrands to the collectouris of excyse <sup>Warrant,</sup> for debursing monethlie that quhilk is given to the poor; and also for <sup>clark.</sup> twentie eight pundis quhilk is monethlie deburst to the sojouris now lying in toune; and that alsweill for bygaines as in tyme coming.

Forsuameikle as divers complementes hes beine made this summer be <sup>Bark sayes.</sup> the tanneres within the samyne burgh against the in bringers and sellares of barks for thair use of tanning, quhilkes of late they use to cut far longer and broader nor of before, for in foir tymes they wer dung neir als small as thei ar quhen applyed to lether, the quhilk abus is not to be fund in noe pairt of this kingdome nor elsquher, quherby the saids tanneres ar greatlie prejudgit and damnified; and againe divers regrates and com-

plentes hes bein made be Johne Calder, Patrick M'Lintoche, Patrick M'Inturnour and utheres who bringes barks to this burgh to be sold, for that the sayes now made use of quherwith ther barks ar missoured ar maid of greater quantitie nor of befor, quhilk tends also to thair great hurt and prejudice; and the saids magistrates and counsell being most willing to remove the ground and caussis of the saids complentes, hes concludit that thair be four new sayes maid agrieable to ane of the old sayes lyand now in the tolbuthe, haveing ane broken step in the boddome, and marked with the dean of gildes mark, with the quhilk both pairties hes declared themselves content to the dean of gild of this burgh; and appoyntes the said new sayes to be marked with the said dean of gildes mark not onlie in the boddom bot also in everie step thair of, to the effect they be not altered nor changed, and that noe sayes be urged wpon the sellars of the said bark bot the saids new sayes soe sealed and marked as said is; and againe the saids magistrates and counsell statutis and ordaines that the wholl barks quhilkes sall be brought and missoured within this burgh sall be onlie of the lenth of thrie or four inches the longest speall thair of, and twa inches broad, to the quhilk the said sellars of bark hes given thair consent to the said dean of gild; and this is but prejudice to the said inbringeres of the said bark to mak thair awne pryce thair of as they and thair merchand can agrie, bot onlie that the saids barks be dung and cutted sufficientlie as they wont to be of old; and it is appoynted be the saids magistrates and counsell that they and thair successouris ar to give command quhenevir they will anent the matter of keiping of the said sayes or missoures.

29 September 1666.

**Floack brig.** It is concludit that there be payit out to helpe the rebuilding of Floack brig, quhilk is knowne to be verie necessar to the inhabitentis of this burgh who resort that way, the sowme of ane hundreth markes quhen the work is compleitit.

**Warrant.** Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for three hundreth markis deburst be him to William Boyd in compleit payment of the rebuilding of the brig at the foot of the Saltmercat, and for twentie rex dollouris deburst also to the said William Boyd for his attending the

rebuilding of the gavill of the subdeanes myles and dam therof; and for casting the paissis of the knock of the merchand hospitall, mending the heid of the tolbuith stair for eshewing some drops fell in the clerkis chamber.

Ther was subscrivit ane band in favouris of the archbishop of <sup>Band, Arch-</sup>Glasgow, conteining ane blank for inserting ane sowme, and is to be filled wp heir after the band is filled wp, quhilk band is to be delyvered to him for ane tak the said archbishop is to subscribe in favouris of the toune of the tyndis the toune had right to befor from the Lord Blantyre, and appoyntis the baillies, Dowhill, elder, the deane of gild and Robert Rae to goe with the provest to the bischop to sie the said band filled wp.

Ordaines Robert M'Cur to have [warrants for several sums, including Warrandis. £38 12 s. 8 d. disbursed "to Johne Johnstoune for his charges and expenssis in ryding with the archbishop to Dumfries," and for £696 "given to the bischope in pairt payment of that quhilk should be payit to him for the tak of the tyndis."

2 October 1666.

Anent the supplicatioun given [in be] Johne Rowat, merchand, <sup>Rouat.</sup> mentiouning that quher it was the pleasour of the said magistratis and counsell to admitt the supplicant keeper of their lordships tolbuith, quhilk he hes attendit theis divers yeares bygane, and laitly ane of the prisoners therin, the laird of Branshogle, having far exceidit the bounds of ane prisoner towards the supplicant, his keeper, trew it is that in ane passioun the supplicant did exceid his power and commissioun in laying him in the irones, for the quhilk he is verie sor grived from the bottom of his heart, albeit he was heighly provoked therto, and trewlie he dar say that he hes dearlie payit for it, for with the anger he took at that tyme he hes never sen syne bein quyt of ane most cruell collick and gravell, quherby he was verie lyklie to have lost his lyfe and is nocht yit fullie quyt of it; and seing it did pleasour their lordships for his great wrong and fault to suspend him from his charge, quhilk he confesses was most deservedly done in respect of his great rashness, yit now the supplicant wold most humblie beseek the said provest, baillies and counsell to pitie him at this tyme, seing their lordships knew he hes lived honestly heirtofoir and

come of honest and ancient parentis within this burgh, besyd that he is awand fyve thousand markis and hes the burdine of four motherles childerin; and that your lordships wold be pleased to readmitt the supplicant againe to his charge, and be the grace of God the lyk should never be sein in him againe, but sall indeavour to carie himselfe in all things as your lordships most humble servant; as the said supplicatioune mair fullie proportis. Quhilk being red, and the samyne being weill weighted and pondered, the said Johne Rowat being sent for, who come and declared his greiff anent the forsaid wrong committed be him, the said magistratis and counsell wpon consideratioune therof does heirby repone againe the said Johne Rowat to his former charge as keeper of the said tolbuith, wpon the conditiounes mentioned in the said supplicatioune, and ordaines him to fallow the enjunctiounes formerlie set doune to umquhill Gawine Nasmith, sometyme keeper of the said tolbuith, in all poyntis.

Election of  
provost and  
bailies.

[In a letter directed to the magistrates and council the archbishop nominated William Andersoune, present provost, to be provost for the year ensuing, and he accepted office. From leets presented by the provost and three bailies of last year the archbishop selected Robert Reid and John Andersoune, younger, merchants, and William Boyd, craftsman, to be bailies for the year ensuing.]

5 October 1666.

Counsell.

[The provost and bailies of this and the two preceding years elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the town council for the ensuing year.]

10 October 1666.

Dean of gild,  
etc.

[John Walkinshaw, dean of guild; John Miller, deacon-convener; Robert Scot, treasurer; Thomas Padie, water bailie; John Miller, visitor of maltmen; Thomas Bogle, master of work.]

Provost to  
Edinburgh.

It is concludit be all present that the provest goe east to Edinburgh the morne, to meit there with Silvertounhill and to sie if all things be cleir anent the closing the bargane betwixt the toune and him.



20 October 1666.

[Wheat loaf weighing 1 lb. to be sold for 12 d. Scots ; tron stone of "ruch Statutis,  
tallow," 40 s. ; candle, 48 s. the troy stone.] breid, etc.

[John Herbertsoun continued bailie of Gorbals.]

Gorballes.

[Mr. John Herbertsoun continued procurator fiscal.]

Procurator  
fiscal.

17 November 1666.

In respect the report goes that thair is som rysing in the west, contrare Guard  
authoritie, in Galloway and wther partes in the west cuntrie, it is thairfor appoynted.  
concludit that the townes people be putt in ane good postour for defence  
of the towne.

24 December 1666.

[Andrew Moodie appointed to use the office of bailie of Gorballes till Gorballes.  
Michaelmas next.]

3 January 1667.

It is concludit that Williame Yair conteinow and remayne clark of Nimmo.  
this burgh as formerlie be vertew of his right, and that maister William  
Nimmo be conjunct with him, and to have the halfe of the fies belonging  
to the toun clarkship, he first compeirand and acceptand and givand his  
oath as use is, and serve as becometh ; and that during the counselles will  
allenerlie.<sup>1</sup>

22 January 1667.

Recommends to the baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyner to Yairds at bak  
meit and lay off sua meikle of theis thrie rigs of land the toun hes, lying at of candle-  
the bak of the candle housses, to the awners therof, according to everie housses.  
manis lenth of his hous, the full breadth of the saids thrie rigs, and to agrie  
with them for ane yearlie fewdewtie therfor for the use of yairds.

Ordaines William Gray to have ane warrand for the sowme of four Warrantis,  
hundreth pundis deburst be him to the minister of the Barrony Kirk for Gray,  
compleiting to him of his stipend for the cropt 1666 last bypast ; and for Cochrane.  
the sowme of ane hundreth thrie scoir pundis for twa hogheitis of French  
wyne and for twentie seavine pund starling for ane butt of seck, quhilkis

<sup>1</sup> This arrangement did not take effect. See 8th February, 1669, *infra*.

wer given to the Lord Cochrane in recompens of ane dewtie of sextine markis be year was payable be the toune to the duk of Lennox preceding the last restauratioun of the bishops.

30 *January* 1667.

**Excys.** The deane of gild and deacon conveyner made their report that their respective housses had unanimouslie condeschendit that the excys of the malt should be heightit at the mylnes fyftine shilling the mask mair nor it now payes at present; and that for the better releiff of the inhabitantis of the present stent now laid on [be] the conventioun of estaitis; the said fyftine shilling now addit being takin aff againe quhen the taxatioun is payit.

7 *March* 1667.

**Mudlit malt.** Ane regrait being made that ther was ane evill corruptioun laitlie creipit in for that severall maltmen mudles there malt, quherby they grind fyve furlotis for a boll and yit gives that same boll to the brewers for fyve furlotis, wherby the toune is defraudit in the fyft pairt of the excyse and the fermerers of the mylnes of the fyft pairt of their dewtie; for remeid quherof in tyme comming, it is this day statut and ordained that all such mudlit malt that sall be brought heirafter to the mylnes to grind be confiscat for the tounes use.

**Yairdis at the candle-housses.** Report was made be the baillies and deane of gild that they had agreed with sundrie of theis who hes the candle housses at the bak of the fleshmercat, and that they had set the lenth of ilk ten elnes, with the breidth of the thrie rigs, for four pundis fewdewtie to be payit to the toune yearlie, and they to be frie for the first year, and each persone to have a charter therof accordingly.

**Peters-hill to be sett.** Grantis power and warrand to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to set that hill in Easter Commone callit Peters-hill to the present laborers therof, the best then can for the tounes profite, and get cautioune for the dewtie.

**Warrand, Gray.** Ordaines Williame Gray to have ane warrand for the sowme of twa hundreth markis, quhilk was lent to the laird of Silvertounehill the last tyme the provest was in Edinburgh, and quhilk is to be allowed be him to the toune att the making of his compt anent the pryce of the landis.

16 *March* 1667.

There was subscrivit ane tak of theis lands in Easter Commoun callit Tak, Peters-  
Petershill and Sheip Craigs, last occuppyed be umquhill John Shedden, in hill and  
favouris of James Gillies and John Miller, present laborers therof, for Sheip Craigs.  
nyntine yeares . . . for the yearlie payment of ane hundreth and ten  
markis.

30 *March* 1667.

Ordaines William Gray to have ane warrand for the sowme of fyve Warrand,  
pund starling, deburst . . . to Sir James Turnour, and that in com- Gray.  
pleit payment to him of the fourtie pundis that was monethlie payit to  
the companies of Lithgowes regiment that lay last in toune.

13 *April* 1667.

The provest, baillies and counsell being conveyned, and taking to their Rowatis  
consideratioune the great wrang committed be Johne Rowat, the keeper place vacant.  
and jylour of their prison houssis, in suffering seavine or eight of the  
prisoners that wer laitlie brought to this toune out of the wast cuntrie to  
have escaped out of the tolbuith, quherin thei wer wardit, his place therfor  
as keeper and jylour of the said tolbuith is heirby declared vacant; and  
seing their is ane necessitie the said place be supplied with all dilligence,  
thei unanimouslie made choyse of Mungow Mathie, merchand, to serve in Mathie electit  
the said service as keeper and jylour of the said haill prison housses, he jylour.  
finding sufficient cautioune as use is in the lyk, and to be lyable to the  
enjunctiounes formerlie sett doune to umquhill Gawine Nasmith, somtyme  
keeper of the said tolbuith, and utheris his successouris sen syne; and  
Dowhill, elder, promisses that he and his sone should be cautiouneris.

George Wilsoune, merchand, burges of this burgh, is electit com- Wilsoune  
moun post in place of Mungow Mathie who occuppyed the same last, post.  
and he to have the haill fies and casualties belonging therto, he finding  
cautioune to be faithfull and honest therintill.

22 *April* 1667.

The provest, baillies and counsell being conveyned, and taking to The generallis  
their consideratioune how that his excellence the lord generall his regi- regiment,  
ment of foot ar now lying within this burgh, quherof some hes lyne longer their quarters  
remittit.

and some shorter, and seing the single sojouris of them hes nothing to pay for their quarters in respect thei have got no pay for a long tyme, and that his said excellence the lord generall may prove heirafter less behovefull and stedable to the toune as all the worth of their quartering will extend to, therfor the said magistratis and counsell does heirby unanimouslie frielie discharge the payment of the said quarters that is dew and awand be the said sojouris since their said entrie to this toune, and ordaines Williame Yair, their clark, to subscrivve this discharge for them and in their names.

27 April 1667.

Andersoune  
of Stobcours.

It is concludit that Stobcours gett ane tak of the tynd of his lands during the tyme the toune hes tak therof, he depositating ane blank band in the handis of Robert Rae, baillie, to the effect the magistratis and counsell may fill wp therintill quhat pleases them for the worth of the said tak.

4 May 1667.

Warrand,  
Dundies  
troup.

Ordaines Dowhill, elder, to have ane warrand for . . . twa hundreth markis deburst be him to help to mak up the payment of quhat was awand be my lord Dundies troupe, that everie persone may get the twa pairt of quhat is awand to them therby.

Anent weir-  
ing of armes.

The said magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratione the great danger sundrie of our nighbouris may fall in regaird of the lait proclamatiounne emittit anent the inbringing of armes, and that many of our nighbouris and comburgessis may nocht now frielie travell abroad as thei wont to doe without carieing of some armes, it is therfor concluded that the provest sall ryd to Edinburgh and petitionne the lords of his Majesties privie counsell for granting libertie to our honest nighbouris for carieing armes quhen thei goe abroad.

3 June 1667.

Prenteissis  
Scotistarbet.

Appoyntis Dowhill, elder, the deacon conveyner and James Pollok to meit and conveyn among themselves and to consider wpon the right distributiounne of the twa hundreth and ten pundis that is newlie gottin

in of the dewtie of Puckie and Puckie mylne, to the use of the prenteises alreddie presentit or to be presentit be Scotistarbett.

Appoyntis baillie Rae [and three others] to meit and conveyin with Brodbridge. John Brodbridge, and to fitt compts with him what is awand to him be the toune for making of the chymn or utherwayes.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun how that James Phrank, their commoun chyrurgian, had desertit his charge and left the toune, contrair his obleisment contained in the contract set doune betwixt the toune and him theranent, and seing necessar it is that ane uther be appoyntit to supplie that charge, thei have therfor made choyse of Johne Hall, chyrurgian, to have that place last occupied be the said James Phrank, and he to have payit to him ane hundreth markis of fiell, according as was payit to the said James Phrank, yearlie; . . . and he to be payit farder for his drogs and plaisters, as the said James Phrank was payit, besyd his fiell, and he is to use his best dilligence for curing of all poor people sall be direct to him be the magistratis for that effect.

It is concludit that that rig of land quhilke umquhill Williame Hoome had, lying in Kinclaith, be bought in from his sone, he being in a capacitie to sell the samyne and he to be payit therfor, seing Dowhill, elder, is content to be bund for warrandice therof.

It is concludit that the crookis of mlyne dame, quhilke of old belonged to umquhill Williame Lausoune, be bocht in for the tounes use, and for the pryce the toune had bought the same befor, quhich is eight hundreth pundis, and the provest to be bund for warrandice therof.

Ordaines Williame Gray to have ane warrand for the sowme of ane hundreth pundis that was promittit to helpe to the building of that new brig at the foot of Cropnestok.

Report being made that the great brig, on the south end therof, was in ane decay, it is therfor ordained that the same be looked to and repaired with all dilligence, and recomendis the doeing therof to the deane of gild.

4 June 1667.

Being the ordinar day appoyntit for rousing the tounes commoun guidis, and the magistratis and counsell being conveyin on the Grein for Sett of milnes, etc.

that effect, conforme to old use and wont, after lawfull rousing the mylnes and haill casualties belonging therto wer sett [for 8100 merks, "attour fyftie bolles grund malt quhilk is to be payit ather to the bischop or toune, as the toune sall give ordour;" ladles, 2650 merks; mealmarket and pecks, £500; tron, 1120 merks; bridge, 1860 merks; "gras of St. Ninianes little kirkyaired" for a rex dollar paid to the officers, "to buy their denner."]

16 July 1667.

Warrant,  
denner.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for [£165 18 s. 8 d.] deburst to Jonet Reid for the tounes last denner furnisheit be her at the setting of the tounes commoune guides.

Four silver  
cupes to be  
made.

The magistratis and counsell considering they have onlie four silver cupes for serving of the communione tables, and that when they had the lyk to doe of befor the toune was necessitat to borrow from otheres, quhilk was noe credit, it is thairfor this day concludit that the dean of gild caus mak other four cupes for that effect, soe that the toune be not putt to borrow the lyk in tyme coming, and ordaines the thesaurer to pay therfor.

Warrant,  
bridge.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of ane hundreth pundes Scotis deburst be him to Johne Clark, maissone, for mending and beiting of ane decayed pairt of the south end of the great bridge.

17 August 1667.

Act anent the  
toune officers.

It being sufficiently knoune to the said magistratis and counsell that there is ane great outcry and complent throu the haill toune against the officers for not puting their decreitis to dew executioun as thei aught to doe, conforme as they ar obleist, quhilk hes caused many of the tounes people desert the toune court alreadie, and that many declairis they cannot come therto heirafter for the caus forsaide, but ar necessitat (tho to their far greater charges) to goe to the commissar court, for their he caussis the officeris and messouris poynd the toune people exactlie as thei aught to doe; quhilk is ane great discredit to the toune to sie messouris poynding burgesses upon the commissaris decreitis, quhilk was exceiding rair to be sein of befor but is now become verie commoune. Which wrongs and neglectis the said provest, baillies and counsell ar most

desyrous to have remeieit; and becaus it is supposed that the most pairt of the cautioneris of the said officers ar depairtit this lyfe, therfor it is heirby statut and ordained be the said provest, baillies and counsell, that the forsaid officers of this burgh, and ilk ane of them, find of new againe sufficient responsable cawtioners for doeing their dewtie in their office, and speciallie for puting of their haill decreitis they have or shall receave heirafter to dew executioun within fourtie dayes after their receipt therof, ather be obteaning payment to the pairtie who employes them of their just debt therin contened, or be poynding the guidis of thois against quhom thei ar obteaned, and be lawfull apprysing therof thrie mercat dayes immediatly after poynding, without longer delay, or then be wairding of the persones of theis against whom they ar recovered be vertew of acts of wardings to be takin out therwpon.

It is concludit that there be payit for the use of the building of <sup>Lesmahagow brig.</sup> Lesmahagow brig, in name of the toune, the sowme of fourtie pundis.

3 September 1667.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for [£262 11 s.] deburst <sup>Warrant,</sup> <sup>silver cupees.</sup> be him to Thomas Moncui, goldsmith, for the pryce of four new silver coupes the toune employed him to mak and bought from him for the use and celebratioun of the communicioun.

Albeit nothing heirtofoir is recordit in this record anent the buying in <sup>Act anent the</sup> for the tounes use the landis of Provane fra the laird of Silvertounhill, in <sup>landis of</sup> <sup>Provane.</sup> respect it was resolved and concluded that nothing should be wryttin or recorded in the bookis theranent quhill it was first sein whither it wold be ane bargane or not, and now this day the provest having relaited in counsell that the said bargane was closed and agried wpon, and that the pryce of the land was ane hundreth and sex thousand markis, and that the laird of Silvertounhill was to be discharged of ane comprysing led at the tounes instance against him, quherunto all present did acquiesce and accord. Lykas, the same day, in counsell, compeired the said laird and, in presens of them all and sundrie uther witnessis, subscriyved the heretabill lettres of dispositioun of the said landis, and the magistratis and counsell subscriyved ane band for payment of the said sowme of ane hundreth and sex thousand markis, quhilk is to be payit to the said Silvertounhillis

creditouris conforme and in maner as is conteaned in the said band; as also there was subscriyved be the said laird of Silvertounhill and the said magistratis and counsell [ane contract] anent the maner of payment to be made therof to the saidis lairdis creditouris, be the quhilk it is provydit that non of these monyes sall be payit without a precept fra the said laird, to the effect he may mak the best commpositioun he can with the said creditouris; and theis creditouris who ar infest in the said landis of Provane, be wadsetis or utherwayes, ar first to be payit, and in the second place theis who hes inhibitiounes; but it is provydit that the said haill preceptis be direct be the said laird of Silvertounhill betwixt and Mertimes 1668, utherwayes the toune thereafter may pay it to any of the said lairdis creditouris thei pleas, without preceptis; as also there was subscriyved sundrie uther particular wryts, as the inventor of the old wryts and utheris.<sup>1</sup>

25 September 1667.

Kilburnie,  
Grinok.

It is concluded, as it was of befor, that Kilburnie, Grinok, be bought in for the tounes use, and seing that Kilburnie himselve is come heire for the settling the rentall therof, to the effect the worth of the samyne may be the better knoune, in respect the samyne landis ar to be sold for sua manye yeares purches as thei all agrie on, ordaines therfor the provest, Johne Andersoune, baillie, and the deacon conveyiner to ryd doune thither with the said laird of Kilburnie to sie the rentall of the said landis exactlie satled.

28 September 1667.

Thomas  
Justice.

Forsuameikle as Thomas Justice, merchand, having ane idiot to his doughter named Issobell, and least shoe should prove burdingsome to the toune in caice he war removed by death, he hes payit in to the toune ane thousand markis, quherof he and Margaret Hill, his spous, ar to have their lyfrentis during their lyftymes, thei having a care of the said ideot that space, and after their deceassis the annualrent of the said ane thousand markis is to be waired wpon the said idiot for her maintenance, and after her deceas the principall sowme is to be payit in to the said Thomas Justice his narrest of kin being ane sone, doughter or oy, gotin of lawfull mariage,

<sup>1</sup> The titles and wryts are specified in MS. Inventory, L., bundle 45.



and failyieing of theis the monye is to belong to the toune; quherwpon the toune subscriyved this day ane band conforme therto.

In ansuer to the complent given in be sundrie nighbouris in Salt-M'Kinnies mercat streit anent that hous now sett wp be Alexander McKinnie for pyp hous; drying of his pyps, appoyntis the baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyner, James Pollok, and Johnne Cauldwall to sight the sayme; as also the maner of the baxters placing and setting their hedder and stickis; and to mack their report theranent for better preveining of skaith by fyre may come therby heirafter.

*1 October 1667.*

[The archbishop nominated John Andersoune of Dowhill, elder, to be provost; Provost and and from leets chose James Pollok and John Cauldwall, merchants, and John Ker, baillies, craftsman, to be bailies for the ensuing year.]

*4 October 1667.*

[The baillies of this and the two preceding years chose thirteen merchants and Counsell twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

*5 October 1667.*

It is concluded and ordained that ane book be made, and to ly in Ane entrie the clarkis chamber, to the effect that the entrie of each ship that come in book to be this river of Clyd may be booked therintill, and the awners to pay for the made. entrie of ilk ship as sall be heirafter declared. And appoyntis fyve salt Salt furlottis, furlotis to be made with all dilligence.

Ordaines James Andersoune, the bishops chamberland, to be payit of Cock stool to quhat he wantis conforme to his charge; and that ane couk stool be made be set wp and sett wp for punishing of malefactouris. againe.

*9 October 1667.*

[John Walkinshaw, deane of guild; John Miller, deacon-convener; James Deane of gild, Ker, treasurer; Thomas Padie, water bailie; John Wallace, visitor of maltmen; etc. Thomas Bogle, master of work; Peter Gemmill, bailie of Gorbals.]

*12 October 1667.*

Ordaines the lait theasurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of ten Warrand, tyndis.

pund starling, deburst be him to the deane, for himselfe and in name of the chapter of Glasgow, for the subscribing and sealling the tounes tak of the tyndis of the barrony paroch so far thei have of them.

Statutis,  
breid, tallow,  
and candle. [Wheat loaf of 14 oz. to be sold for 12 d. Scots; "ruch tallow," 48 s. the  
Procurement  
fiscall. stone; candle "of the fynest tallow and small weiket," 54 s. the troy stone.]  
[Mr. John Herbertsone continued procurator fiscal for a year.]

26 October 1667.

Barrony  
tyndis.

Ordaines the proces anent the barrony mens tyndis to be wakned againe and put on foot, and not to be left aff quhill the finall clos thereof.

Eglingtonne  
hie kirk.

It is concludit that Alexander Eglingtonne be maister of work to the great Hie Kirk, he and his cautioner with him obleising them to performe sic conditiounes as hes bein offered be utheris, and keeping the dewtie quhilk was performed be umquhill Mathow Colhounne and umquhill William Boyd, conforme to the old actis of counsell sett doune theranent; and he is to have of fiell twa hundreth markis yearlie, and to conteinow therein for the space of seavine yeares.

2 November 1667.

Tyndis.

In consideratiounne that the old takis of the tynds sett formerlie to the heritouris of the landis of Garngad, Gallowmuir and about Skellings myre, some aikers in Borrowfield, and the Parsone land, ar expyred, it is concludit that ane bank be sent throw the tounne to wairne all the heritouris of theis to tak new takis of theis landis, and that they come for that effect on Twesday and Thursday the nixt weik and the weik thereafter, with certificatiounne if thei failyie thei will get no new takis, but the tynd sheaff of their land will be drawne.

Band sub-  
scrivit, arch-  
bishop.

There was subscrivit ane band in favouris of the archbishop, conteaning the sowme of sex thousand markis, quhilk is delivered to the provest to be given to him; and the said provest is to report bak to the counsell ane band that the said archbishop hes of the tounne of ten thousand pund, that the samyne may be riven and destroyed; and ordaines the said provest to have ane warrand for the sowme of nyne thousand markis deburst be him, out of the monyes receavit be him fra the collectouris at the mylnes, to the said archbishop as a pairt of the said ten thousand pundis, and for

nyne hundreth markis deburst be him also for the bygaine annualrentis therof.

It is concludit that James Andersoun, sone lafull to Williame Andersoun, portioner of Newtoun, be baillie of the landis of Provane and collectour of the rent therof during the counsellis will and pleasour allenerlie; and he to have ane commissioun for that effect, and recommendis to him to hold courtis there with all conveniencie.

26 November 1667.

It is concludit in counsell that this claus following sall be insert in the takes of the teindis quhilkes ar now to be subscrivit in favouris of the heritouris of Garngadhill, Gallowmures and utheres, to witt:— that if it sall happine the townes tak they have therof [shall terminate] before the expyratione of the nyntine yeires, the magistrates and counsell and their successouris sall be bund and obleist to pay bak to the takeres of thes new takes als mutch of the gersume entres they pay as sall be equivalent to the yeires they sall want of the saides nyntine yeires.

The provest, baillies and counsell being conveyned, and forsuameikle as they, be their act of the dait the fyft day of October last by past, had then concludit and ordained that ane book sould be made and to lye in the clerkes chamber to the effect that each shipe that comes within the river of Clyd may be booked therintill, and the owners to pay for thair entrie for ilk shipe accordingle as sould be thereafter declared, in reference quherunto; and considering that the towne is at the expenssis of the making and upholding of the furlotes, they have this day statut and ordainit that everie French hundereth salt sall pay in for the townes use xiiij s. iiij d. of entrie, and everie shipe that is ane hundreth tune and above sall pay for its entrie ane rex dollour, and everie shipe within ane hundereth tune to pay xxx s. Scotis; and appoyntis the thesaurers present and to com to collect the saides entries and to be comptable therfor, also to have the charge of keeping the furlotes, and the out giving therof, and to tak bandis for restoring the samyne bak againe.

17 December 1667.

The provest produced the old band formerlie grantit to the bischop Band cancellit and riven.

for ten thousand pundis for the tyndis, quhilk was riven and distroyed, in respect of ane new band quhilk was grantit for quhat is restand of the said sowme.

Pewes to be  
sett.

It is concluded be the provest, baillies, and counsell conveyned, that the pewes in the haill kirkis of this burgh be sett out for mail to theis who pleases to tak them; and appoyntis baillie Cauldwall [and three others] to visit the haill saitis, and lay on the quantitie of mailles thereon.

Takis of the  
tynd.

Ordaines ane bank to be sent throw the toune, with touk of drum, to wairne the whoill heritouris of Garngad, Gallowmurs and utheris whois tak of their tynd ar fallin to cume and tak new takis.

Locallitie.

Appoyntis Robert Rae [and two others] with the quartermaisteris to sett doune the locallitie that is to be takin aff the inhabitantis who keeps no sojouris, for paying them that hes sojouris now lying in toune.

Ralstoune,  
visitour of  
gairners.

In answer to the desyre made be the deacon conveyner to the said magistratis and counsell, that thei wold be pleased to name ane visitour to the gairners for ane year to come, conforme to the lait gift grantit to them theranent, the saidis magistratis and counsell, after consideratioune had therintill, nominatis heirby Andrew Ralstoune, gairner, to be visitor of the saidis gairners in toune, for ane year to come.

Beggars to be  
putt aff the  
toune.

The provest, baillies and counsell, taking to their consideratioune how that this haill citie is greatly overburdined with ane number of commoune beggars, all straingers, quhilk aught nocht to be permittit in any weill governed citie within the kingdome, and therefor and for remeidung therof in tyme cuming, it is heirby statut and ordained that the whoill beggars, being strangers, be all removed aff the toune, and that non be permittit to begg therein but such as are weill knoune to have bein borne within the same; and, to the effect thei may be better knoune, appoyntis ane badge, with the tounes armes thereon, to be made and given to each one who is suffered to begg, and that non be suffered to begg except such as hes the said badge.

28 December 1667.

Warrant,  
Ladie  
Elphing-  
stoune.

Ordaines [warrant to be given for £ 887 2 s. disbursed] to Thomas Moncuir, goldsmith, for the making the propyne of silver work was given to the Ladie Elphingstone, the bishops doughter, at her mariage.

4 January 1668.

The provest declared in counsell that he and utheris with him had Bargan made with Newark. had ane meiting, yeasternight, with the lairdis, elder and younger, of Newark, and that thei had settled with them anent the taking of ane peice land of theirs in few, for loadining and livering of their ships there anchoring, and building ane harbour there, and that the saidis lairdis had subscrivit the contract of few this morning, quhilk was all allowed and approve be the saidis magistratis and counsell. And after this the twa few contractis made betwixt the saidis lairdis of Newark, elder and younger, and the toune, wer red and subscrivit, beiring that the saids Newark, elder and younger, had set ane mark land, as a part of their landis of Newark, to the toune in few, for payment yearlie of four markis few dewtie, and reliving them of the Kings taxatioune effeirand to a mark land;<sup>1</sup> as also ther was subscrivit twa bandis in favouris of Newark, elder, ather of them containing sex thousand markis, the one halfe at Candlemes nixt payable, and the uther at Witsonday nixt; as also ther was subscrivit ane uther band in favouris of the young laird, Sir George Maxwell of Newark, of ane thousand markis to be payit at Whitsonday nixt.

27 January 1668.

Williame Andersoune, lait provest, is appoyntit yit to ryd to Edin- Andersoune, burgh to attend the caus anent the bay salt, and the actioun depending warrand. anent the tyndis of the barrony parish, and also to advyce with some advocatis what securitie the toune sall give to theis to whom thei sall sett in few ony pairt of theis boundis bought fra the laird of Newark; and to try for a guid ingyneir.

It is concluded that ane peir or harbour, with some houssis and dykis, New pier to be builded with the best conveniencie, with what farder sall be fund be made. necessar to be done, wpon the grund now bought be the toune fra the laird of Newark, and that wpon the tounes publict charges, and that the haill benefeit and commoditie can be made therby redound to the tounes use.

It is concludit that John Falconer, reidmaker, have that place that Dead bell and graves.

<sup>1</sup> MS. Inventory of city writs, L, p. 17, b. 3.

was last occuppyed be umquhill Patrik Forsyth, in relatioune to the benefeit of the dead bell and making of the graves.

Knockis.

The provest having relaited in counsell that there was ane generall complent throw the whoill toune anent the misgoverning of the knockis, in consideratioune quherof it was concludit, be pluraltie of votis, that the keyes should be takin from Johne Brodbridge and delyvered againe to Andrew Purdoume; and the said Johne, being sent for, come and did lay doune the said keyes wpon the counsell table.

15 *February* 1668.

Falconer.

Anent the supplicatioune given in be John Falconer, bookbinder, for ane presentatioune grantit to ane sone of his be Scotistarbet to be bund prenteis to ane craft, . . . ordaines the fyftie pundis that is now lying in the handis of Robert Scot, lait thesaurer, to be delyverit to him for that effect.

29 *February* 1668.

Newwark,  
warrant.

Ordaines Dowhill, younger, to have ane warrant for the sowmes following, receavit be him fra the collectouris at the mylnes, viz.:—the sowme of fyve hundreth twa markes eight shilling viij d. deburst be him to the ladie Newwark, in name of bontadge, for the bargane the towne maid with her laird, and for fyve rex dollouris deburst be him to maister Hew Montgumerie for ryding to Newwark to tak her aith, and for twentie rex dollouris deburst to Johne Grahame for som wrytes he made betwixt the towne and Newwark, and for goeing ther to take seaseing as notar.

7 *March* 1668.

Tenement at  
fleshmarket,  
Candlerig.

It is concludit that the tounes tenement of land at the fleshmercat be takine doune at Witsonday nixt be sight of the deane of gild, and that ane fair and commodious entrie be made ther to the Candle rig.

21 *March* 1668.

Provane.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in be the tennentis of Provane, appoyntis Williame Andersoune, late provest, and his brother the baillie of Provane, to meit with the saides tennentes, and to conferre wpon the particullaris contained in their supplicatioune.

Ordaines Dowhill, younger, to have ane warrand for the sowme of <sup>Warrand,</sup> sex hunderethe marks deburst be him to Johne Clark, meassoune, be way <sup>Dowhill,</sup> of advance for some wark that is to be done be him in Newark releating <sup>younger.</sup> to Glasgows new port.

The provest, baillies and counsell, takeing to thair consideratiounes <sup>Act anent the</sup> how that the towne heirtofor is wronged with the payment of the <sup>persones hows</sup> persones hows maill, seing there is noe farder owand to him yeirlie be <sup>maill.</sup> the towne for payment therof bot the annuelrent of ane thousand pundis, quhilk lyes in thair handis for that effect, thairfor it is heirby inactit, statut and ordainit that noe farder be payit for the said hows maill heirafter bot thrie scoir pundis, quhilk is equivalent to the annuelrent of the said sowme of ane thousand pundis lyand in thair handis as said is for that effect.

Ordaines Dowhill, younger, to have ane warrand for the sowme of <sup>Warrand.</sup> twentie dollouris deburst be him for ane yooll bought for the townes use for passing fra the Bromelaw to Newport Glasgow, and againe to and fra in the townes bussines.

The magistrates and counsell being informed that the tennentes of <sup>Collectour of</sup> Provane made ane scruple to pay ther fermes unles they gat discharges <sup>the rentis of</sup> with warrandice, they therfor doe heirby commissionat and appoyntes <sup>Provane.</sup> James Andersoune, younger, collectour of the saids landis of Provane, to give discharges to the tennentis therof with ample warrandice to warrand them at all handis and against all deadlie, and the towne is to releive him theranent, he making payment in to the towne of the saidis rentis according to his intromissiounes.

Commissionatis the deane of gild and baillie of Provand to goe out to <sup>Moveables in</sup> the hall of Provand, and to agrie and setle with Silvertounhill anent some <sup>Provane.</sup> moveables standing in the hous, quhilk thei sall think most convenient to buy for the townes use.

4 April 1668.

Recomendis to the deane of gild to ryd doune to Newark, and to tak <sup>Newport</sup> suche persones [with] him as he pleases, to tak notice quhat the workers ar <sup>Glasgow.</sup> there doing at Newport Glasgow, and to consider quhat is best to be done ther anent the building of houssis and cellares.

18 *April* 1668.

Warrantis,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of twentie seavine pundis four shillings deburst be him to John Hall, chyrurgian, for the pryce of the medicamentis he applyed in curing of seavine poor persones who wer direct for curing to him be the magistratis, conforme to his compt given in theranent; and for the sowme of ane hundreth markis deburst be him to the laird of Silvertounhill for the pryce of certane moveables and utheris that wer bought from him, for the tounes use, standing in the mansiounne hous of Provand; and for fyftie ane pund ten shillings deburst also be him to Mungow Mathie, quhilk was restand awand to him for coal and candle furnished to the guards.

2 *May* 1668.

Hous of  
Provane.

The magistratis and counsell being informed that the mansiounne hous of Provand is in great decay, apoyntis therfor the deane of gild to sie to it and to the reparatiounne therof; and recommendis to Peter Gemmill, lait baillie, to provyd ane coble for the use of the loch therof.

Newport  
Glasgow.

The deane of gild, and uthers who wer with him at Newark, made their report anent their visiting of the tounes workis there, anent the building of ane hous chambers and building of sellars there, for the use of the burgessis, inhabitentis of this burgh, with ane dyk about the whoill boundis belonging to the toune, quherof thei producit ane draught drawne for that effect, quhilk was allowed and approvine and given to the maister of wark in keeping; and ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of threttie twa pundis sextine shilling deburst for their charges in goeing to sie the said workis.

Campbell.

Monye,  
thesaurer.

For sundrie and guid reasounes knowne to the said magistratis and counsell, it is concludit be them to quyt to Robert Campbell, elder, merchand, twa yeares annualrent of that fourtine thousand markis awand be him and cautioneris to the toune be band, he paying in the said sowme of fourtine thousand markis betwixt and Witsunday nixt to come, utherwayes this act to be null and of no avail, as if the same had nocht bein grantit; and ordaines the thesaurer to receave the monye and mak compt therof.



Anent the supplicatiounes given in befor them be Williame Gilmour, <sup>Act in</sup> present deacone of the fleshouris within the same, for himselfe and in <sup>favoris of</sup> name and behalfe of the remanent bretherin of that calling, makand <sup>the fleshouris.</sup> mentiounes that where it is notourly knoune the petitioners hes their lordships fleshmercat sett to them, and payes yearly therfor thrie hundreth markis to their lordships thesaurer, and this is payit equallie alyk be the whoill friemen, and not ane payes ane penny therof moir nor ane uther, and sua everie on of them aught to have their equall benefeit of the mercat; but that there ar some stokes quhilkis stands narrest the foir entrie of the said mercat quhilkis ar compted much better nor theis at the heid of it, and utheris at the syd therof; and that thei ar all in number seavintine persones, and that thrie of them hes gottine themselves seatted and fixed to theis commodious stokis and rowmes, that thei will nocht condeschend with the rest of the bretherin of calling to cast lottis everie year for their said stokis and rowmes, seing thei pay all alyk and so aught to have alyk benefeit; and as for weadowes, the relictis of friemen who lives among them, thei sall have the lyk benefeit with them, thei hyring and conducing with ane servand to serve them in the calling, as is in uther weill governed cities; and therfor seing threttine of them desyres earnestlie the said stokis and rowmes to be lotted yearly, and only thrie of them stands out, cravand earnestlie their lordships, for keeping better concord and peace in the calling, to ordaine their said stockis and rowmes to be lotted yearly and cavillit, to the effect, seing thei pay all alyk, they may have all alyk benefeit; as the said supplicatiounes given in be the said Williame Gilmour, deacon forsaid, in name of the calling, mair fullie proportis. Quhilk being red, on the fourtine of Aprill last bypast, in presens of the provest, baillies and counsell of this burgh conveyined for the tyme, thei did referr the samyne to the consideratiounes of James Pollok, Johne Walkinshaw, deane of gild, and Johne Miller, deacon conveyiner, and thei to mett and conveyin upon the premissis, and any twa of them to be ane quorum, and thereafter to report; according quherunto the said James Pollok, baillie, and the abovenamed Johne Miller, deacon conveyiner, having mett and conveyined sundrie tymes theranent with the said Williame Gilmour, deacone, and most pairt of the bretherin of calling, and having at lenth conferred with

them anent the whoill premissis contained in the said supplicatioun, and finding that the whoill bretherin of calling of fleshouris did all alyk pay for their stok mailles, and that there ar sundrie stokis in the mercat that hes nayther maister nor servand to attend them, and that there ar both some friemen and relictis of theis that ar departit this lyfe that hes sett some of the stokis for their awine propper gaine, to the great hurt and prejudice of the poor of the calling, conforme to the report made and given in be them this day; and therfor thei thought it most fitt and convenient that yearly thereafter, at the terme of Witsonday, the whoill stockis and rowmes in the said fleshmercat be castin lotis for be quhom the same sall be made use of for the year thereafter, and that therby the poor of the calling may come to have some of the best stokis als weill as the rich therof, from year to year; and fund it convenient that no maner of persone should have the benefeit of ane stok within the fleshmercat, nather relict nor utheris, but such as did work in the said fleshour tred and kepted servantis for that effect. Quhilk report being made as said is, the samyne was allowed and approvine be the said provest, baillies and counsell conveyned, who be this present act statutis and ordaines that the saidis haill stokis and rowmes in the fleshmercat sall be castin lotis for yearly at the said terme of Witsonday, and to begine at the terme of Witsonday nixt, conforme to the tenour of the said report, and that the said report sall stand unalterable in all tyme cuming.

Cowpers.

The provest, baillies and counsell, taking to their consideratioun the great wrong and abuse committit be the coupers in making of their herring barrells of clovine staps, and the great hurt and prejudice comes to the merchand therby, as dailie experience produces, therfor, and for preveining the lyk heirafter, it is heirby statut and ordained be them that no couper within this burgh presume or tak wpon hand to mak any barrells heirafter but such as sall be fund sufficient, made of unclovine staps, for the better serving of his Majesties leidges, conforme to the act of parliament and severall actis of burrowes emittit theranent, and that wnder the paine of confiscatioun of all barrells that sall be fund utherways made, and burning of them, quherof intimatioun was made to the deacon of coupers heirtofair to the effect he might intimat the saymne to the bretherine of calling, that thei might nocht pretend ignorance therof;

and becaus it is neidfull that the burghs of Renfrew and Dumbartane be also wryttin to and desyred to doe the lyk among their coupers, ordaines therfor the clark to wryt to them for that effect, and to desyre Dumbartane to acquaint theis in Kilpatrick theirwith.

16 May 1668.

Appoyntis John Miller [and two others] to sight the new mylne of <sup>New mylne of</sup> Partik, and to cognosce wpon her conditione and to report.

Ordaines ane bank to be sent throw the toune to sie who will buy the <sup>Bank, tene-</sup> stones, timber, thak and rubbish of the tounes tenement of land at the <sup>ment at flesh-</sup> east syd of the fleshmercat; and they who bids most therfor to have it, <sup>market.</sup> provyding they red the grund fullie.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowmes fallowing, <sup>Warrand,</sup> deburst be him to Donald McGilcreist for the caussis fallowing:—in the <sup>thesaurer.</sup> first, for the sowme of twentie seavine pundis fyve shilling deburst be him to the said Donald for his hors hyre and expenssis in goeing to Buit to buy sklati for the use of New Port Glasgow, and for the sowme of twa hundreth and fourtie pundis deburst be him be way of advance to the men who hes the sklait craigs there, and for twelfe pundis deburst be him for a hatt to the gentleman who helped him to mak the bargane, and for ane pund sex shilling eight pennies for twa pund of tobacco he gave to the workers to mak guid sklait; all extending to twa hundreth four scoir pundis alevine shilling eight pennies.

Report being made to the counsell that the deane of gild and deacon <sup>Buckit monye</sup> conveyner had settled amongst themselves anent the divisioun of the <sup>for buying of</sup> monyes collectit from theis that enters burgessis in name of paying for <sup>armes.</sup> armes, that the poor of the merchand and craftis hospitalles should have the samyne equallie betwixt them, ordaines therfor Johnne Cauldwall, baillie, to pay to the deacon conveyner or his collectour the equall halfe of the said monyes he collectit the last year.

26 May 1668.

Ordaines ane banck to be proclaimed throw the towne, be touk of <sup>Anent the</sup> drume, for observeing the twentie nyne day of Maij instant, conforme to <sup>29th of Maij.</sup> the act of parliament, in commemoratioun of his Majesties birth and restauratioun.

2 June 1668.

Mylnes, etc.,  
sett.

[Common good set for ensuing year as follows:—Mills, 8700 merks;<sup>1</sup> ladles, 3000 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 880 merks; tron, 1150 merks; bridge, 1810 merks, “but it was thereafter set for 1600 marks becaus Androw Noble who first took it was not able to give securitie.” The “gras of St. Ninians litle kirk yaird was set to John Andersoune of Dowhill, provest, for payment of ane rex dollour, quhilk was presently payit to the officeris for to help to pay their denner with.”]

13 June 1668.

Cauldwall.

Forsuameikle as baillie Cauldwall was formerlie charged at the instance of Auchinrwoch for apprehending the laird of Silvertounehill for some debt, and that he being apprehendit accordingly the said baillie being persuadit be some to dimit him, in respect of theis things betwixt the toun and the laird, the said provest, baillies and counsell therfor doe heirby bind and obleis them and their successouris to warrand relive and skaithles keep the said Johne Cauldwall theranent.

Collectione  
for Kilmar-  
nok.

Ane act of the secreit counsell being red, appoynting ane collectione to be made for supplie of theis who had their landis laitly brunt in Kilmarnok, it is concludit that a collectione be made heir within this burgh for that effect, according as the magistratis sall think fitt and convenient.

Laidlers.

Forsuameikle as their [is] great complent made against the laidlers be divers persones, appoyntis the deane of gild, deacon conveyner and visitour of maltmen to goe throw with the said laidlers on Wednesday nixt, and to sie them tak their dew honestlie and fairlie as becometh, that all men may sie the same, and to enjoyne them to tak their dewes that way during their tak.

20 June 1668.

Petershill.

Ordaines William Stirling to deburs [*blank*] Gillies who occupyes Peters hill, a pairt of the tounes commoun, twentie markis to helpe to build ane barne therwpon.

Timber im-  
portit for  
Newport  
Glasgow.

Forsuameikle as there is laitly brought in within the river of Clyd

<sup>1</sup> “Attour fyftie bolles grund malt to the bischop or toun, as he sall be ordered.” This stipulation was made yearly.

ane ship of timber belonging to the merchandis here, quhilk is supposed will be sufficient to compleit the timber wark at the tounes buildings at New Port Glasgow, it is therfor concludit and condeschendit to, be the said provest, baillies and counsell, that the said haill ship of timber be bought for the said use, and to the effect the sufficiencie thereof may be the better knoune appoyntis baillie Pollok [and three others] to ryd doune to Newark to sight the said timber if it [is] sufficient or nocht and to report.

4 July 1668.

Theis who wer appoynit the last counsell day to visit the timber laity Timber. brought in at Newark, quhilk the tounes hes concludit to buy for their work there, made report this day anent the sufficiencie therof. The magistrats and counsell therfor did setle and agrie with the merchand anent the pryce therof, quhilk is sextine hundreth and fyftie sex dollouris, with ten dollouris to the skipper. [Warrant to be given for payment]; as also for the sowme of ane hundred pund starling deburst . . . for advancement of the tounes work at New Port Glasgow, quhilk is to be given to John Clark, measoune, for that effect to ane compt.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of fourtie Warrand, rex dollouris deburst to theis heraldis and utheris that come here for thesaurer, cognosceing of armes, and that for the better eas and eshewing of inconveniences quhilk might fall wpon the inhabitantis theranent. heraldis.

Recommends to the deane of gild and maister of wark the rebuilding Brig. of the brig at the wast end of the New Grein.

James Mitchell, deacon of cordoners, being accused for some bais Mitchell cariage and misdemaner committit be him against John Cauldwall, baillie, fyned. he being present did acknowledge and confes the samyne most humblie, and did submitt himselfe most humblie to the magistratis and counsell theranent; and the said James being removed againe out of counsell he was wnlawed and fyned in ane hundreth pund Scotis, and to produce his burges tikit quhilk is ordained to be riven publictly if the said baillie get not satisfactioun betwixt and this day eight dayes.

1 August 1668.

Appoyntis Mathow Cumyng [and others] to goe throw the tounes in Contribu- the severall families therin, for collecting the contributioun for supplie of tiounes for theis in Kilmarnok who had their landis laity brunt by accidentall fyre. Kilmarnok.

Warrant,  
Liddellis  
glyb.

Appoyntis James Andersoune, baillie of Provane, to pay out to maister David Liddell, minister at the Barrony kirk, the tounes proportionall pairt for his mans and glyb dew to be payit for the landis of Provan and Linningshaugh.

24 August 1668.

Takis of the  
tyndis.

Committis warrant to Robert Rae to agrie with some persone or persones for drawing of the tynd of the landis of such persones as refusis to louse their takis.

Maynes,  
Provane.

Grantis power to James Andersoune, baillie of Provane, to sett the whoill Maynes therof, and to sell the present cropt growing theron belonging to the toun, and that be sight and advyce of the deane of gild and deacon conveyner, to such persones as will give most therfor.

Miltoune,  
tyndis.

Appoyntis baillie Pollok [and four others] to ryd out and sight the present growing cropt of Milltoun in Provane, in respect of the tounes interest to the tyndis therof.

New vennell.

In ansuer to the supplicatioun given in be the inhabitantis at the Grayfrier port and utheris, on both sydis of the gait ther, it is concludit that the equall halfe of the tounes new vennell ther be calsayed this year and the uther halfe the next year.

Takis sub-  
soryved.

There was subscriyved divers takis of the tynds.

29 August 1668.

New mylne.

Appoyntis Peter Gemmill, lait bailly, and Williame Wallace to speik to Stobcours anent his beating the new mylne at Partick.

Warrant,  
Andersoune.

Ordaines Dowhill, younger, to have ane warrant for the sowme of [£928 3 s. disbursed by him] for some wyne was disposed of to some noble men for their courtisie and favour showne to the toun.

Calsay to be  
laid.

Ordaines ane peice calsay to be laid at the heid of the Howgait, towardis the toun mylne, of the breadth that a hors with a load may easilie and saifie goe theron, and of the lenth as sall be fund necessar.

12 September 1668.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
Mein.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of fyve pund nyne shillings four pens starling, sent be him to Edinburgh to

Robert Mein, for the newes letters and gazetis fra the first of September 1667 to the first of September instant.

Appoyntis Williame Andersoune, lait proveist, to ryd to Edinburgh Andersoune, to petitione the counsell, the first counsell day, anent the militia now in anent the militia, outputing, as also to petitione anent the coall and candle deburst to the guardis.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of fourtie Warrand, ane pundis deburst be him to John Hall for certaine plaisters and plaisters and mendicamentis, applyed be him for curing of sundrie poor people direct to mendicamentis. him be the magistratis for that effect.

### 3 October 1668.

Grantis licence to Robert Park, who formerly held ane school at Licence, Carmyle in the barrony, to tak wp a school here within this burgh, for Park to hold a school, instructing of the youth in wrytting, reading and arthimetick, in ony place within this burgh except in Trongait.

There was subscryved a tak to Johne Hammiltoune of a pairt of the Takis subscryved. maynes of Porvane for (*blank*) yeares, quherof 1669 is the first crompt, for payment yearly of threttie twa bollis victuall, halfe beir, halfe meil; as also there was subscryved sundrie takis of the tyndis.

### 6 October 1668.

[On nomination by the archbishop, William Andersoune was reappointed provost; Provost and and from leets presented to him the archbishop chose John Walkinshaw and bailies. Peter Gemmell, merchants, and James Fairie, craftsman, to be bailies for the ensuing year.]

### 9 October 1668.

[The provosts and bailies of this and the two preceding years chose thirteen Council. merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the council for the year ensuing.]

### 14 October 1668.

[Robert Rae, dean of guild; Manasses Lyll, deacon-convener; Thomas Scot, Dean of gild, treasurer; John Miller, water bailie; William Wallace, visitor of maltmen and etc. mealmen; Thomas Bogle, master of work; Robert Tennent, visitor of gardeners—all for the ensuing year.]

Deacon conveyer.

In respect John Miller, lait deacon conveyer, was put on lytt, and he wald not be votted in respect of ane claus contained in the letter of gildrie not yit rectified, it was therfor unanimouslie concludit be the said provest, baillies, counsell and haill deacones of craft forsaide, that in all tyme coming, after ane deacon conveyer hes borne office twa year, as the said John Miller did, there sall be presentit be the craftis hous thrie uther of their number, that the magistratis, counsell and utheris forsaide may mak choyse of any ane of the thrie to beir office as deacon conveyer for the year thereafter, and the then old deacon conveyer nawayes to be lyttit or presentit with them.

17 October 1668.

Prices.

[Wheat loaf weighing 1 lb. 1 oz. 3 drops to be sold for 12 d. ; rough tallow, 40 s. the tron stone ; candle, 48 s. the troy stone.]

Gorballes.

[James Pollok elected bailie of Gorbals.]

Fiscal.

[John Herbertsoun continued procurator fiscal.]

Agriement with the wrightes.

It is recommendit to John Walker, baillie [and three others] to setle and aggrie with the wrightes wpon task, for making of doores, windowes, and for working of ilk deall, and to aggrie with them theranent als cheipe as they can for the weill of the towne, and that that wark cannot be weill sein to as it ought to be.

24 October 1668.

Watsoune.

Licence is grantit to Alexander Watsoune, tobacco pyp maker, for the better friedome of exerceing his tred and calling, to use the libertie of ane burges gratis within this burgh during his lyftyme.

Muire.

In ansuere to the supplicatioun given in befor them be Francis Muire, sope boyller, cravand liciance to exerce within this burgh his calling in makeing and boylling of sope, for serveing of the inhabitantes and otheres his Majesties leidges, after consideratioun had thairanent, they doe hereby give and grant liciance to the saides Francis Muire to make and sell sope to all persones whatsomevir within this burgh and otheres his Majesties leidges, als frielie as any other burges dois or may doe therin, for the space of seavine yeires, with this restrictioun that he sall nocht have libertie to sell any sope bot quhat he makes himself.



31 October 1668.

It is concludit that so many of the officers who wantis new clothes <sup>Clothes, officers.</sup>  
gett new syd coatis in sted of their clothes.

7 November 1668.

Ordaines the bischop's chamberlane to be payit for the tynd tak <sup>Bishop's</sup>  
dewtie of the parsonage of Glasgow, few dewtie of Gorballes and utheris, <sup>chamberlane.</sup>  
as is contained in his last discharge.

14 November 1668.

The provest, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyned, <sup>Ratifica-</sup>  
and being most humblie desyred to ratifie, allow and approve the contract <sup>tioune, ham-</sup>  
and agriement laitly made betwixt the hammermen of this burgh and <sup>mermen of</sup>  
the hammermen of Gorballes, and thei taking the samyne to considera- <sup>Glasgow and</sup>  
tionne that thei have allowed and approvine severall of the lyk natur <sup>Gorballes.</sup>  
amonges the treds at severall tymes of befor, and the said agriement being  
publictly red in counsell, the said magistratis and counsell allowes,  
ratifies and approves of the said contract, quhilk is of the dait the xiiij of  
November instant, in the haill heidis and artickles therin conteined,  
according to the ratificatioune grantit be them wpon the agriement made  
betwixt the weavers of this burgh and the weavers of Gorballes in all  
poyntis, quhilk ratificatioune is daitit the alevinth day of Aprill 1657  
yeares.<sup>1</sup>

28 December 1668.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun that <sup>Sellaris.</sup>  
ther ar now sex cellars alreddie compleit at Newport Glasgow, reddie to be  
sett, have therfor concludit the samyne be sett with all dilligence and to  
the hiest avall for the guid of the toune, and during the space of nyne  
yeares furth and fra Candlemes nixt to cume, and therfor ordaines ane  
bank to be sent throw the toune, with touk of drum, to wairne all maner  
of persones who desyres to tak the said cellares that thei cume the morrow  
to the tolbuith, and that thei who bidis most for the maill of ilk ane of  
them yearly the saids nyne yeares (the samyne being to be roused ther)  
sall gett them after lawfull rousing.

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow Records, ii., p.'362.

2 January 1669.

Contribu-  
tione for  
theis who  
laily suffered  
by suddan  
fyre.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratiounes that sundrie poor people dwelling beyond the Gallowgait Burne hes suffered great hurt and damage laily be suddan fyre, quherby sundrie barnes<sup>1</sup> and victuall was therin and in their stak yairdis being totallie consumed therby, and therfor hes concluded and ordained that ane voluntarie contributioun be collectit throw the haill toune among the inhabitantis for that effect, quhilk is to be distribut be sight of the said provest, baillies and counsell, and hes appoyntit the persones fallowing to be collectouris therof with all dilligence viz.:—[here follow names of persons appointed for each of the "persones quarter," Mr. Johne Bowies quarter, Mr. Mynes quarter, and Mr. Williame Stirlingis quarter]; and if any of the said collectouris be absent the magistratis and counsell to choyse utheris in their place.

Militia.

The outputing of the militia horssis, with their ryders, is committit to the provest and baillies, and thei ar heirby commissionat to agrie with any who will wndertak the service wpon the best conditioun thei can for the guid of the toune.

Provand

It is concluded that the provest use his best meanes and moeyen to get the toune confirmed in the landis of Provand, be the exchequer, in the best and easiest way that can be.

Buckitis to  
be made in  
case of  
suddan fyre.

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratiounes that suddane fyre ryces frequently in this place, to the great hurt and wrack of theis who suffers therby, and to the effect the samyne may be moir speidilie quenched heirafter quhen it happines to fall out, in regaird that the merchand and craftis hospitallis hes the benefeit now of the haill buckit monye, thei appoynt the said twa houssis and their collectouris to caus mak ane hundreth lether buckitis, with all convenient dilligence, for the effect forsaide, and the buckit monye to run in the old channel; and farder, for the better quenching of suddan fyre quhen it happines ryse heir, it is heirby statut and ordained be the said magistratis and counsell that

<sup>1</sup> It was probably on account of this fire that the name Burnt Barns originated. At first applied to the destroyed or injured buildings, the designation was latterly transferred to a

lane in their vicinity leading from Gallowgate to the Green, and now known as St. Mungo's Lane or Street.

everie heritour, and uther responsable persones within this burgh, caus mak and provyd ane sufficient lether buckit, and put their awine names therwpon, and to have them in reddines at all occasiounes in their awine houssis; and in tyme of suddan fyre (quhilk God avert) that thei send out the said buckitis with their ablest servandis for quenching of the said fyre and to carie water therwith; and the said buckitis to be in reddienes betwixt the fair of Glasgow nixt, under the paine of twentie pundis monye to be exactit aff ilk contraveiner; and that intimatioun be made heirof throw the toun be touk of drum; as also to inhibit and discharge all maner of persones to mak any repair to their barnes for threshing therin their victuall, ather morning or evining, unles thei have a lantrone or bowet with them for preserving the candle or light thei sie with, for eshewing of skaith may cume therby, as doolfull experience hes laitly taught, and that under most sever punishing of their persones and beinishing of them this burgh in all tyme thereafter.

23 January 1669.

Appoyntis the provest to goe east to Edinburgh to attend the <sup>Provest to</sup> passing of the tounes signatour of the landis of Provane, and for uther <sup>Edinburgh.</sup> busines there belonging to the toun.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have a warrand for the sowme of nyne Warrand, hundreth pundis deburst be him to maister David Liddell, minister at the <sup>thesaurer.</sup> Barrony kirk, for his last yeares stipend.

The contract made with the cordoners of this burgh and theis in <sup>Ratifica-</sup> Gorballes<sup>1</sup> war ratified and approvine in everie heid and artickle therof <sup>tioun of the</sup> therin contained, in all poyntis, according as is done with the contractis <sup>cordoners</sup> contract. made with the hammermen and weavers.

<sup>1</sup> This contract is described, in a ratification by the magistrates and council to the cordiners, dated 30th September, 1693, as a "contract past and perfyted betwixt the said incorporation of cordoners of Glasgow and the cordoners in Gorballe, dated 18th December, 1668, containing severall heads, articles, and clauses therintill, and particularlie, the said incorporation of the cordoners of Glasgow

grants only libertie be the said contract to the saids cordoners and shoemakers in Gorballe to stand in the mercat of Glasgow upon the mercat day for selling of their shoes and uthers therintill, for payment be ilk ane of them of the soume of eighteen shillings Scots yearlie" (Campbell's History of the Incorporation of Cordiners of Glasgow, p. 257).

8 *February* 1669.

Nimmos act  
null.

The provest, baillies and counsell [having taken into consideration the act dated 3rd January, 1667<sup>1</sup>]; and now seing the said Mr. William Nimmo did never compeir to accept the said charge as conjunct clark with the said William Yair, nor yit to performe any of the remanent dewties above mentioned . . . declares the forsaid act of the dait abovewryttin to be null and of non availl as the samyne had never bein grantit in favouris of the said Mr. William.

13 *February* 1669.

Poll monye.

In consideratioune of the complent given in be divers burgesses of this burgh, who laboris a pairt of the Broomhill lands, against Archibald Stirling for exacting aff them poll monye, they being all burgesses and inhabitantis of this burgh, quhilk is contrair to the act of the conventioun of estaitis set doune theranent; ordaines therfor the baillies to send for him and to mak him repay bak to them quhat he had so wrongously takin from them; and to caus him act himselfe not to truble any of the burgesses of this burgh in that maner heirafter, or then to imprisone him quhill he doe it.

Act against  
Reid.

Anent the complent given in against Johne Reid, maltman, for his and his wyfes resetting of stollin geir from sundrie persones at severall tymes, and for menteining of lies befor the haill counsell, in alledging that baillie Farie should have utred and spockin some ill words against the parsones, quhilk the said Johne Reid confest in presens of the counsell but wuld nocht mak it appeir, and for sundrie uther wrongs and enormities committed be him quhilk he confest in presens of the counsell; therfor the said magistratis and counsell doe foirfault the threattie dollouris alredie consigned be him, and ordaines the samyne to be distribut to the poor, and ordaines him to remayne in ward during the counsellis will and quhill he produce his burges tickit quhilk thei ordaine to be cryed doune and riven; and conteinowes the rest of his punishment till farder occasioun.

20 *March* 1669.

Report,  
provest.

The provest made report of his last dilligence in Edinburgh, and reportit that he had setled and agried anent the compositioun to be given

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, p. 89.

for the tounes signatour of the landis of Provan, and that the compositioun was eight hundreth markis.

Ordaines my lord lyounne to be payit of fyftie pund starling in Monye payit  
relatiounne to armes used be many who aught nocht to doe the same, and, <sup>to the lord</sup>  
to the effect the tounne may gett their releiff therof aff the transgressouris, <sup>lyounne.</sup>  
there is ane assignatiounne and factorie to be gottin from the said lord  
lyounne to his right; and ordaines Peter Gemmill and James Farie, baillies,  
for the tounes relieff, to cast the said fyftie pundis starling among the  
transgressouris, and to ward them quhill thei pay their proportionable  
pairtes therof.<sup>1</sup>

3 April 1669.

Ordaines John Cauldwall to have ane warrand for the sowme of sex Warrand,  
hundreth and fyftie markis deburst to Mr. Donald Catgill, sumtyme <sup>Cauldwall,</sup>  
minister at the barrony kirk, for Mr. David Liddell, now present minister <sup>steipand.</sup>  
therof, and quhilk is to be detained aff him, aff the first end of his nixt  
steipand.

William Stirling, wrytter, is made choyse of as the tounes procurator <sup>Procurator</sup>  
fiscall till Michaelmes nixt. <sup>fiscall.</sup>

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratiounne that Mathow  
seing the four scoir pundis that was deburst for Mathow Donaldis trans- <sup>Mathow</sup>  
portatioun to Jamaica is yit lying in the handis of John Cauldwall, and <sup>Donald.</sup>  
that the said Mathow hes brokin his leg and so not able for transporta-  
tioun, ordaines therfor the said John Cauldwall to deburse the samyne  
upon the said Mathow Donald as he thinkis meit and convenient, or so  
meikle therof as he thinkis guid quhill he be mendit.

William Yair having dimittit in the handis of the provest, baillies <sup>Tounne clark-</sup>  
and counsell of this burgh his right of the tounne clarkship therof, thei <sup>ship.</sup>  
therwpon instantly, without delay, did elect and mak choyse of the said  
Willieme Yair and George Andersounne, wrytter in Edinburgh, to be  
conjunct clarkes of this burgh; and for that effect gives, grantis, and  
dispones to the saidis William Yair and George Andersounne, equallie

<sup>1</sup> Under the act 1592, c. 29, which at this time regulated the office of the Lyon King of Arms, magistrates were responsible for its due observance within their respective jurisdictions.

betwixt them, during all the dayes of their joynt lyftymes, and failyieing of ather of them, be deceas, to the uthur surviving, during all the dayes of the survivors lyftyme, the forsaid office of clarkship within this burgh, with all and sundrie fies, casualities, profiteis, priviledges, immunities and dignities quhatsomever belonging therto . . .

1 May 1669.

Act in  
favouris of the  
maltmen.

Anent the petitioune given be Williame Wallace, present visitour of maltmen, for himselfe and in name and behalfe of the remanent bretherin of that calling, makand mentioun that quher, by ane old use and custome, that calling hes bein in use and custome about the tyme of Michelmes to present yearly to the magistratis and counsell of this burgh four persones of their number, with the old visitour, to the effect that ane of them might be choysen visitour for the year enshewing, quherby that calling hes susteined great hurt and prejudice be conteinowing, throw that abuse, some persones in that charge many and divers yeares together; and the said present visitour and remanent bretherin of that calling having takin that prejudice to their consideratioune, hes concluded that, in respect there ar many able men now among them who ar able to beir that office and charge, that non sall beir office as visitour of that calling longer nor twa yeares together; and for the better effectuating therof had appoyntit be their said act the abovenamed Williame Wallace, visitour forsaid, to petitioune the said magistratis and counsell and to obtain of them ane ratificatioune of their said act, as the samyne petitioune in itselfe mair fullie proportis. Quhilk being red, and after consideratioune had be the said magistratis and counsell theranent, and finding the said act and petitioune to be most reasonable, the aforsaid provest, baillies and counsell, all in ane voyce, but discrepans, did ratifie and approve, and heirby ratifies and approves the aforsaid act sett doune be the forsaid visitour and his bretherin of the said maltman calling, beiring that non of the bretherin of that calling sall be put on lytt to bear office as visitour therof after thei had borne office of that calling twa yeares together preceeding, and heirby declares that, notwithstanding of any act or statut made of befor in the contrair, the bretherin of the said calling of maltmen sall nocht be holdin or astrictit

to put any man heirafter on lytt to be choysen visitour who hes borne charge in that office the immediate twa yeares preceeding.

1 June 1669.

[Common good set for a year as follows:—Mills, 8,700 merks; ladles, 2,850 Mylnes, etc., merks; mealmarket and pecks, 860 merks; tron, 1,020 merks; bridge, 1,400 <sup>sett</sup> merks; “St. Ninians little kirk yaird,” a rex dollar to the officers “to buy their denner.”]

10 June 1669.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in be Johne Hall, chyrurgian, Hall grantis licence to him to build ane peice of ane ston wall betwixt theis buithes narrest the tolbuith, quhilk he hes laitly bought, and the gutter ther, for withholding the evill smell of the said gutter from the occupyers of the said buiths, provyding the samyne be but one stone thick allenerlie and of guid aslar wark and decently builded, in respect it is so neir the tolbuith.

12 June 1669.

Appoyntis the baillies to tak ane survey of the haill toune within Orray their respective quarters therof, and to tak with them such of the elders of <sup>weomen.</sup> the kirk sessioun or utheris as thei pleas for trying out of orray weomen who hes desertit their service, and hes takin houssis and chamberes of their awine; as also to tak tryell of the persones who setis them the houssis or chambers, and to report their dilligence theranent with the best conveniencie.

Appoyntis the deane of gild to visit the great brig, and to cognosce Great brig. the decayed pairtes therof and to caus mend the same.

26 June 1669.

Appoyntis the deane of gild to sie the haill wickitis of the haill <sup>Wickitis of</sup> tounes mylne doors sufficiently neidnailed and put fra opening. <sup>the mylnes</sup>

For sundrie and weightie caussis, it is concluded that ane accurat and <sup>neidnailed.</sup> dilligent man sall attend weikly the tounes work at Newport Glasgow, and he is to have for his expenssis and hors hyre ten markis that weik he attendis the work, and the deane of gild is appoyntit for the first weik;

and appoyntis that ane hors be spokin for to goe doune with the man weikly who must goe and attend the work.

10 August 1669.

Cumlachie.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioune that thei and their predicessouris had remittit the fewdewties and tynd tak dewties of the landis of Cumlachie in favouris of John Anderson, somtyme ane of the baillies of this burgh, and that during the lyftyme of umquhill Marioune Dorroch, his spous, who was lyfrentrix therof, they therfor heirby remitt the haill bygaines of the said fewdewties and tynd tak dewties of the said landis preceeding the deceas of the said umquhill Marioune Dorroch.

Sawers,  
pynter.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in be Hendrie Sawers, pynter, craving to be admittit burges and gildbrother of this burgh, conforme to his fatheris right; and the said magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioune what necessitie the toune hes of ane man of that calling, they therfor appoyntis him to be admittit burges and gild brother of this burgh conforme to his fatheris right frielie, without payment of any fyne, for his better incurragment therintill.

14 August 1669.

Musitian.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioune that this citie is altogether destitut of ane musitian for instructing the youth in the airt of musick, and seing it is the earnest desyre of manie honest men that ane able musitiane be tryed out and brought to this place for that effect, and seing the bischop is willing to bestow yearly wpon such a persone ane hundreth pundis Scotis for the mans better incurragment who is to be brought here, it is concluded that the toune pay him yearly thrie hundreth and fyftie markis, and that to conteinow during the counsellis will and pleasour.

Fleishouris in  
the land  
mercat.

Wpon good consideratiounes the magistratis and counsell discharges the fleishouris in the land mercat to kill any mutton or hudron on the hie streit, under the paine of ten pundis ilk persone in caice of failzie, and that thei keep their filth and pynches aff the foir gait.



21 August 1669.

Ordaines Simon Pittersgillis tak of the manufactorie hous for seavine Pittersgill, yeares to come to be given to him, for quhilk he is to pay fyve pund <sup>manufactorie.</sup> starling yearly and to wphold the hous on his awine expenssis during the said space, and keip the toune frie therof.

Ordaines the fyftie twa pundis awand for the fractiounes of the Gorballis <sup>militia hors.</sup> militia hors of Gorballes to be payit.

18 September 1669.

Appoyntis the haill wrytis mentioned in Mr. George Norvallis letter <sup>Wrytis sent east.</sup> be sought out and sent east tymouslie, to the effect ane ratificatioun may be drawine therof and past and expaid in the insheving parliament.

Grantis warrand to the clarkis to subscriye and delyver to Mr. <sup>Mouatis</sup> Charles Mowat his burges tikit as if he had payit his full burges fyne <sup>burges tikit.</sup> therfor, notwithstanding the book beires as that it was done wpon requeist, and that in respect he is to pay for his gildrie ane hundreth and fyftie pundis quhilk was promist to him quhen he subscrivit the band of the said sowme.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for fourtie pundis deburst <sup>Warrand,</sup> to the old drummer, and fourtie markis to the young drummer, to helpe to <sup>drummers.</sup> buy their clothes.

The provest, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyined, <sup>Hall, deacon</sup> be pluralitie of votis, it is concludit be them that in respect of the lait <sup>conveiner.</sup> deceas of Manasses Lyll, last deacon conveyiner, that John Hall, chyrurgian, sall give order anent the electioun of the new deacones for ane year to come, and he to have a caire the samyne be peacablie done, as if the said lait deacon convener wer on lyfe; and if any of the old deacones be conteinowed in their office for ane year to come, the said magistratis and counsell doe heirby dispens therwith for this year allenerlie, notwithstanding of any former act sett doune in the contrair, conforme to ane prior act set doune be the deacones of craftis theranent; and this to stand for this year only.

25 September 1669.

Ordaines Jonet Shearer, spous to James Love, wright, for her bais <sup>Sheirer to be</sup> and leud cariage in her druckines, in keeping company with sojoris, to be <sup>bennished.</sup>

bennished this burgh for ever, and that if ever her husband recept her heirafter he to be benished also.

Neisbit, commissioner to Lanerk.

Appoyntis Hugh Neisbit, merchand, burges of this burgh, to ryd to Lanerk against the fyft of October nixt to cume, in name of the toune, for the landis of Provand, to meit with the remanent commissioners and frie holders of the shyre of Lanerk, anent the making choyse of the shyres commissioners to the enshewing parliament; and ordaines him to have ane commissioun sealed and subscriyved for that effect.

Provest, commissioner to parliament and burrowes.

Williame Andersoune, provest, is electit and choysen commissioner for the toune to the nixt enshewing parliament, and to the nixt meiting of the burrowes, quhilk is four or fyve dayes befor that, and bailie Fairie is ellectit to ryd with him to the meiting of the burrowes; and the said provest is to mak choyse of whom he will to attend him at the meiting of the parliament; and who attends him thereat is to have als much to beir their charges as was allowed to theis who attendit John Bell, provest, at the last parliament he was commissioner at; and ordaines commissiounes to be given to the said provest for ather of the said meitings, sealed and subscrivit be ather of the clarkis.

## 2 October 1669.

New counsel-  
louris ad-  
mittit.

Forsuameikle as it was regraitit be some that ther ar sundrie of the number of the counsell depairtit this lyfe, and that utheris of them did never accept of the charge, and therfor desyred that befor the electioun the whoill number might be made up, quhilk being considered wpon and put to ane voyceing quhither it should be done or not, be pluralitie of votis it was concluded that the samyne should be done; and thereafter, be pluraltie of votis John Andersoune, merchand, the provestis brother, was electit and choysen ane ordinarie counsellor in place of John Gilhagie who did never accept the said charge; and in place of umquhill Manasses Lyll and umquhill Robert Scot, be pluralitie of votis, John Wood and John Listoun wer made choyse of as ordinarie counsellouris, who all thrie being sent for, come, did accept and give their oathes of fidelitie as use is.

Factorie to  
Yuill, Silver-  
craigs.

Ther was subscrivit, at the desyre of Robert Campbell, elder and younger, ane commissioun and factorie in favouris of Nicol Yuill, wrytter

in Invereray, for wplifting the rentis of Silvercraigs for ther use for this present crompt, j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup> sextie nyne, and nyne yeares therafter, and that for the said Robert Campbell, elder, and Robert Campbell, younger, their use and behove.

The provest, baillies and counsell, taking to their consideratiounes <sup>Whyt fisch and oysters.</sup> how the inhabitentis of this burgh ar abused be severall persones within the samyne, by their buying whyt fisch and oysters brought in here be straingers and travellouris to retail and sell over againe, quheras in all equitie and reasoun theis straingers and travellouris aught to sell them themselves; as also the travellouris importouris of oysters does commounlie buy the smalest of the oysters, to the effect thei may mak many hundreths in the laid, quhilk tendis greatly to the hurt and prejudice of the inhabitentis; for remeid quherof in the futur, it is enactit, statut and ordained, be the said magistratis and counsell, that no maner of persone within this burgh presume or tak wpon hand to buy any whyt fisch or oysters fra any travellouris or importers therof to this burgh, for retailing over againe, but that thei suffer the said travellouris and importouris therof to sell the samyne themselves, and that for eshewing the abuses befor mentioned, under the paine of punishing of them in their persones and guidis be sight of the magistratis; and to the effect that the said act and statutis may be better observed, they have heirby ordained Williame Stirling, their commoune servand who brekis the salmond, to attend the said mercat quher the fisch and oysters ar sold that the said statut and act be observed, and quher the oysters fall small the said Williame Stirling is to acquaint some of the baillies theranent.

*5 October 1669.*

[On the nomination of the archbishop, James Campbell, late bailie, was ap-Provost and pointed provost; and from leets presented to him the archbishop chose Ninian <sup>bailies.</sup> Andersoune and James Ker, merchants, and John Watsoune, maltman, to be bailies for the ensuing year.]

*8 October 1669.*

Being the ordinarie day for the electiounes of the toune counsell of Councillors. this burgh, and James Campbell, new electit provest, Niniane Andersoune and James Ker, twa of his baillies, John Andersoune elder of Dowhill,

and John Miller, lait deacon conveyiner, being only present of all theis who was wairned for that effect; and becaus, conforme to the ordour befor the electioun of said toune counsell, they wer to mak wp twelfe persones as the number appoyntit for that effect, they therfor sent John Andersoune, younger, [and six others] quhilkis compleitit the said number, and thereafter past on to the said electioun and electit the persones fallowing to be on the toune counsell for the year enshewing, viz.:—[thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen.]

9 October 1669.

Lytis for the  
deane of gild  
this year.

Frederick Hammiltoune having made complent to the magistratis and counsell for the wrong done to the merchand hous in anno 1665, they for remeid therof ordained the said Frederick Hammiltoune and the threttie sex men that wer on the hous that year, at least sua many of them as ar on lyfe, and for theis who ar deceast to choyse utheris in their place, to meit with the provest and baillies at the ordinarie tyme for making ane lytt to be presentit for choysing the deane of gild this year enshewing.

Act in fav-  
ouris of Hall  
reschindit.

Finding be ane act of counsell daitit the eightine day of September last bypast that Johne Hall was appoyntit to proceed in the place of umquhill Manasses Lyll, lait deacon conveyiner, and the counsell finding it contrair to the old laudable use and custom that quhen ane deacon conveyiner deceases the immediat deacon conveyiner befor should proceed quhill the new electioun of ane deacon conveyiner, thei therfor heirby reschind the said act made formerly in favouris of the said Johne Hall theranent, and appoyntis Johne Miller, who was deacon conveyiner immediatly befor Manasses Lyll, to conveyin the deacones of craftis conforme to old use and wont for making the lytis for making ane new deacon conveyiner this year.

13 October 1669.

Dean of guild  
etc.

[From leets made up as formerly, the following office-bearers chosen for the year ensuing:—John Andersoune, younger of Dowhill, dean of guild; William Wallace, deacon convener; John Louk, treasurer; Thomas Young, water bailie; John Findlay, visitor of maltmen; Hendrie Craig, master of work. The gardeners having presented a leet containing the names of John Bartoune and William Hutchesoune, "and the counsell, not being willing to be refractive to any libertie grantit to the said gairners heirtfoir," elected William Hutchesoune visitor.]

25 October 1669.

Appoyntis Baillie Ker [and four others] to collect all that hes bein Newport debursed at Newport Glasgow, and to sett doune all in ane compt, and to keep ane book of record for that effect.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to appoynt to the fleshouris fleshouris such convenient rume for killing of their flesh at the bak of the flesh mercat as thei think most convenient.

[The wheat loaf of 14 oz. to be sold for 12 d. Scots; tron stone of rough Braid, tallow, and candle, 40 s.; troy stone of well made candle, 48 s.]

[John Wallace, maltman, chosen bailie of Gorbals.]

Bailie of  
Gorbals.

[John Grahame elected procurator fiscal of the burgh.]

Procurator  
fiscal.

[The provost to take with him to Edinburgh £50 sterling to be applied towards his expenses, "and to get past ane ratificatioune of the tounes rightis of this burgh, the landis of Provand and Newport Glasgow and utheris."]

Ratifica-  
tioune.

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratioune that in regaird Alexander Eglingtoun, who was laitylly employed to attend and have ane cair of the great metropolitane church of this burgh, is now and hes bein withdrawine therfra be his imployment at Newport Glasgow, quherby the attendance of the said great kirk is greatly neglectit, quhilk may tend to the ruine of the fabrik therof, therfor the said magistratis and counsell hes made choyse of Hendrie Colhoune, wright, to attend the fabrik of the said great kirk wpon the conditiounes the said Alexander Eglingtoun had the samyne, and his entrie therto to begin at Mertimes nixt.

Colhoune to  
attend Hie  
kirk.

30 November 1669.

It is recommendit to the baillies, deane of gild, deacon conveyiner and Provand baillie of Provand to sie and consider quhat is neidfull to be done anent the mylne of Provand and the present tennent therof, and to report to the counsell.

16 December 1669.

Appoyntis the deane of gild [and six others] to goe wp and sight the Hie Kirk, and to mak report theranent the nixt meiting.

Visitatioune,  
Hie Kirk.

The magistratis and counsell being acquentit that the tounes quarrell is greatly abused be theis who workis therintill, recommendis to the deane of gild to sight and visit the samyne and to report.

Tounes  
quarrell.

20 *January* 1670.

Hie Kirk.

Report being made be theis who wer appoyntit to sight the great metropolitane kirk of this burgh, and the said magistratis and counsell considering the bad conditione therof, thei ordained the maister of wark to caus repair the samyne according as the deane of gild sall injoyne.

5 *February* 1670.

Locallitie,  
sojouris.

Appoyntis twelfe pundis Scotis to be payit monethlie to ilk ane of the companies now quartered in toun, in place of their locallitie, and four pundis Scotis to be payit monethly to Ensigne Midletoun for his hous maill.

Grahame,  
Barrony  
tyndis.  
Tounes  
quarrell.

Recommendis to Johnne Grahame to persew for and collect the tyndis awand be the Barrony men theis severall yeares bygaine.

The deane of gild having made report that he had sightit the tounes quarrell with utheris, conforme to former ordouris, recommendis yit to him to tak Johnne Cauldwallis band, cawtioner for Thomas Cauldwall, that he sall leive the quarrell right as he sall be injoynd, and sall be contened in the band, and thereafter to grant the said Thomas libertie to work therintill.

Litsters, frie  
burgesses.

Anent ane petitione presentit be the litsters of this burgh, shewing that thei wer summond to compeir befor the shirreff of Lanerk and his deputis at Rutherglen, quhilk sumondis thei had advocat in respect thei ar frie burgessis of this his Majesties frie royall burgh and so nocht lyable to ansuer to that judicatorie, the said magistratis and counsell after consideratione had theranent did condeschend that their pley be mentened on the tounes expenssis, and that advocatis and utheris be employed for defending therof.

12 *February* 1670.

Orrey  
weomen.

The said magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratione the great outcry made be many of the inhabitentis of this burgh, for that many of their weomen servandis therin hes theis divers yeares bygaine desertit their service, out of honest mens houssis, and hes tak wp houssis of their awine, quher som twa some thrie of them dwellis togither, quherby idle houssis ar keepit and many male reportis ar rysen by their bordle

houssis so keepit, and therby thei doe quhat thei can to bring the plague of God on this citie, therfor the said magistratis and counsell being most willing to goe about all meanes to withhold Godis judgment from ws, and to benish away againe that ill practis that is risen among ws, have concluded that twa of their number sall goe throw with the minister of ilk quarter, and some of the sessioun with them, as the minister sall appoynt, the haill quarter and ilk particular hous therof, and to tak notice of ilk idle and orray woman that hes takin wp houssis, and to mak them ather presently to returne to service or then to act and obleis themselves to remove aff the toun without delay, and to tak notice of theis persones who setis them the houssis that thei may be punished conforme to the proclamatioun made in the contrair; and for this effect the counsell appoyntit Johne Bell and James Colhoun to goe throw with the parson his quarter, Dowhill, elder, and Archibald Sheillis with maister Johne Bell throw his quarter, and the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to goe throw with maister Williame Stirling in his quarter, and Frederik Hammiltoun and Johne Barnes elder to goe throw with maister Alexander Mylne his quarter; and to mak report with the best conveniency.

In ansuer to the supplicatioun given in be James Moodie, maltman, Moodie. craving supplie in respect of his old age and povertie and inability to fend for himselfe, and for building and planting in the tounes commoun, all theis being considered thei allow him to wplift during his lyfytyme threttie pundis yearly of the thrie scoir pundis Scotis as the yearly tak dewty of that mailling that was laitly occupied by him in the Waster Commoun, and Johne Grahame, their collectour, to receave his discharge therwpon fra the tennent in pairt of payment.

Recommendis to the deane of gild and Frederick Hammiltoun New Grein. to sight quhat neidfull is to be done anent the New Grein and dyk therof to [be] builded, and thei to doe everie thing theranent as thei think fitt.

12 *March* 1670.

Report being made that ther had bein ane survey of the haill toun Orrey weomen. anent the trying out of orrey weomen, it is appoyntit that ane bank be made and sent throw the toun to certifie all theis who wer appoyntit to remove aff the toun that thei doe the samyne with all dilligence, with

certificatiounes who utherwayes does thei sall be put aff the toune by touk of drum, and also to inhibit all weomen who have bein servantis to tak wp privat houssis, and that non set houssis to such under the paine of punishment in the most severe way at the magistratis will.

**Fleshouris.** Appoyntis the deacon conveyer to speik to the fleshouris to provyd and big themselves houssis for killing of ther flesh, and to mak report therof the nixt meiting.

**Bell in Blackfrier kirk.** Ordaines the bell in the Blackfrier steiple to be takin doune and sent to Holland to be castin over againe, with the same name, armes and year of God as is presently therwpon.

**Irone ravill to the tolbuith stair.** Appoyntis Dowhill, elder, and James Colhoun to agrie with quhat smiths thei think fitting for making of ane irone ravill to the tolbuith stair.

**A persone to dwell at Newport.** Appoyntis the twa baillies [and five others] to try out ane fitt persone to dwell at the tounes hous at Newport Glasgow.

19 March 1670.

**Provand.** Recommendis to the magistratis to send some persone to Hammiltoun, anent ane summondis given to the toune to compeir befor the shirreff of Lanerk wpon the eight day of Aprill nixt to come, for the landis of Provane.

**Newport.** Appoyntis the provest and William Andersoune, lait provest, to be joyned to theis who wer appoyntit to try out ane fitt persone to dwell in their hous at Newport, and to sie if thei can agrie with maister William Conynghame the best way thei can for that effect, and to give him a tak for eight yeares, quherof he is to have the first thrie years frie, and to setle on the maill as thei can best agrie.

**Smithis hous at Newport.** Recommendis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyer to sett the smiths hous at Newport and to agrie with him theranent as thei best may.

**Fier, Provand.** Appoyntis the deane of gild, deacon conveyer, and James Andersoune, baillie of Provand, to conveyin the tennentis of Provand and to stryk the Provand fier for the cropt 1669 as thei think most fitting.

**Sheillis.** It is concluded that Agnes Sheillis, relict of umquhill Thomas Glen, gett fyve pundis monethlie, as uther weadowes gets, and to begin with her for this instant moneth of March.



Ordaines Johne Barnes, elder, to have ane warrand for the sowme Warrand, off fourtie eight pundis vij s. Scotis deburst be him to James Colhoun for Barnes. dressing of the pumps in Gorballis.

The provest, baillies and counsell being conveyned, anent ane suppli- Act, Bell. catione given in formerlie be Mr. Patrik Bell, merchand, burges of the samyne burgh, befor the deane of gild of this burgh and his brethren of counsell, and thereafter remittit be them to the said provest, baillies and counsell, makand mentiou that quher the said Mr. Patrik Bell, and his authoris and predicessouris, hes ane aiker of land, lyand within the territorie of this burgh, on the wast end of Egleshames croft, quhilk he intendis to dyk and park in, as utheris hes done their landis on the east end therof, quhilk aiker of land lyes nixt to certane landis belonging to John Smith, merchand, burges of the said burgh, to the quhilk ther [is] ane commoune passage appoyntit be act of counsell of the dait (*blank*) j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. (*blank*)<sup>1</sup> to remayne as ane publict passage to the landis in the said Eglishames croft; and that seing betwixt the said compleineris and the said John Smiths landis ther is ane hedge alreddie growand and sett be the said John Smith foragainst the south wast pairt therof, on the north end of said John Smiths yaird ther; and that the said Mr. Patrik and the aforesaid John Smith have sett, with both their consentis, ane quicksett betwixt their landis eastward fra the north east neuk of the said John Smiths yaird, the haill lenth of the said aiker of land, sua that ther is no passage left to the said John Smith his landis be-east his said yaird without he ather mak ane passage throw his awine yaird or then come throw the said Mr. Patrik his landis; and therfor the said Mr. Patrik craved the said deane of gild and his said bretherin of counsell to find and declair the said Mr. Patrik Bell to have libertie to build ane yet at the south west neuk of his said landis foragainst the said commone passage, throw the said John Smiths landis to the burne, that he may have frie ingres and regress to and fra his said aiker of land therby, as his authoris therof had of befor, but interruptioun, and to discharge the said John Smith to impeid him therintill, and that he clame no intrest by the said passage to his said landis ther be-east his said yaird. [The dean of

<sup>1</sup> The act here referred to appears to be that dated 27th February, 1658, printed in vol. ii., p. 392.

guild remitted the petition to the town council, who met the parties on the ground and fully considered their claims, "with the reasones and allegationes of John Listoun and George Muirhead, compeirand and pretendand to have passage throw the compleiners landis to their landis ther, in the midmost pairt of the said croft," and], be this their decreit and sentance, decerne and ordaine, statut and appoynt the said Mr. Patrik Bell, compleiner, to have frie ingres and regres throw and be the said commoune passage that leidis to the said burne throw the said John Smiths landis, to and fra his said aiker of land; and grantis libertie to the said Mr. Patrik Bell to build ane yett wpon the south-west newk of his said landis for that effect, narrest the said John Smiths gavell ther, and betwixt the samyne and James Loukis landis ther; and inhibitis and discharges the said John Smith to stop or impeid him in the said passage, ather be goeing to or coming from his said aiker of land, any manner of way; and that the said passage remayne in the full breadth as is appoyntit be the said former act of counsell and as ane commoune passage ther. And findis and declares the said John Smith to have no passage or intrest in and throw the said compleiners landis in tyme coming. As also that the said John Listoun and George Muirhead sall have no ingres or regres to their said landis in and throw the said Mr. Patrikis landis in all tyme thereafter, they having uther entries therto respectively.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Parts of the lands above referred to, and others adjoining, were acquired in 1734 and subsequent years for the erection of St. Andrew's Church and the formation of St. Andrew's Square and Street. On 25th June, 1734, "the magistrates represented that the council, for a considerable time bygone, had under consideration the building of another church, and that it was judged Bell's yeard would be a fitt place, and that they, the said magistrates, have had several meetings with Patrick Bell, merchant, for the purchase of his high yeard on the south of the Gallowgate burn; and in case a church should be built there, it was necessary there should be an opening made from the Gallowgate street

thereto, and the opening to be where these lands which belonged to Robert Brown, flesher, and now to the corporation of the fleshers, and these thack houses at the back thereof, which belonged to Thomas Boys, writer in Hamilton, and another back house betwixt the said house, belonging to the said Patrick Bell, are situat, and necessary these landis be purchased and made a lane from the Gallowgate Street to the burn." Bell's property was purchased for £300 sterling, "and to have the benefit of a table seat in the church when built upon the ground as will hold nine or ten persons, to be possessat by him and his heirs, without any rent, while they live and reside within the burgh, but to

16 April 1670.

The deane of gild and deacon conveyiner made report that thei, con-<sup>Fear,</sup>  
forme to the counsellis ordour, went to the Provand for setting doune the<sup>Provand.</sup>  
fear therof this last year, and that thei settled the samyne for four pund  
ten shilling the boll, meill and beir overheid.

Dowhill, elder, and James Colhoun made their report that, con-<sup>Ravill, tol-</sup>  
forme to the counsellis ordour, thei had agried with Alexander Goveane,<sup>buith stair.</sup>  
hamerman, for making of ane iron ravill to the tolbuith stair, and that  
for sex pundis Scotis the stone weight, quhilk was allowed and approvin  
be the counsell, and ordaines James Colhoun to have ane warrand for the  
sowme of four hundreth markis . . . to helpe to buy iron for advance-  
ment of the said work to ane compt.

It is concludit that ane casay should be laid on the north syd of the<sup>Calsay on the</sup>  
New Grein quhill it be brought wp to the end of the calsay at the bowing-<sup>north syd of</sup>  
trie, and appoyntis the deane of gild, deacon conveyiner and Frederik<sup>the new grein.</sup>  
Hammiltoun to sie to it and have a cair of it till it be performed.

The provest made report of his last being in Edinburgh anent the<sup>Report,</sup>  
tounes affaires, and that he had fund some persones had stopped him in the<sup>provest.</sup>  
getting of the electioun of magistratis in the tounes awine handis, and  
that he had raised summondis against some who had malversed in their  
office, quhilk the counsell approved off and recommendit to him to sumond  
whom he thought fitting. And ordained James Colhoun to have ane  
warrand for the sowme of eight scoir pundis Scotis deburst be him, out

have no liberty to assign the seat to a third person." The fleshers got £100 and Boys £45 for their respective properties. (MS. Council Records, xxiii., p. 162.) In the conveyance granted by "Patrick Bell of Cowcaddens, merchant in Glasgow," his property, consisting of a yard, occupied by a gardener, and houses, is described as bounded by Gallowgate burn on the north, and the lands of Thomas Smith on the south. Another property, purchased for £150, is described as "that yeard, and whole houses built thereon, in that croft called Killcroft, which belonged to John Luke, merchant in Glasgow, alias Fair John,

beyond that burn called the Gallowgate burn" (MS. Inv., II., b. 18; Glasgow Protocols, No. 3076). In 1768 the town council obtained an act of parliament (8 Geo. III., c. 16) authorising the purchase of lands for the formation of St. Andrew Street and enlargement of the space around the church, and these objects were duly carried into effect. One of the properties authorised to be purchased belonged to Janet Smith, probably the successor of John Smith named in the text. Particulars regarding "Egleshames croft" will be found in Glasgow Protocols; see also footnote to Protocol No. 2133.

of the excyse monye, for the said provest, Mr. William Nimmo, and their men and horssis chargis and horssis hyre; and for twentie pund starling deburst be the said provest to advocatis for consultatiounes anent the tounes affaires; and for ane hundreth markis deburst be the said provest to Robert Buchanan, tailyeour in Edinburgh, in satisfacioune to him for obtaininge ane discharge of him anent Branshogle his escaipung out of this tolbuith after he was arreistit therin at his instance.

23 April 1670.

Warrant,  
Dowhill,  
younger.

Ordaines the deane of gild to have ane warrant for the sowme of ane hundreth pundis Scotis, deburst be him to ane poor man for his helpe and supplie to buy horssis and to be a stok, in respect he hes undertakin to furnish the toune with fresh fisch out of the wast cuntrie.

Warrant,  
Newport  
Glasgow.

Ordaines John Barnes, elder, to have ane warrant for [£300] to pay the builders at Newport Glasgow to ane compt; and also for [£48] to be given to Alexander Scot who bigs the peer at Newport.

Bank for the  
tounes  
lethers.

Ordaines ane bank to be sent throw the toune to charge all persones who hes any of the tounes lethers to bring in the samyne, and that who knowes where ony of them ar reveill the same to the maister of wark, with certificatioune to them who neglects the samyne thei sall be unlawed in quadruple of the worth of any lethers sall be fund by them.

Dundie  
harbour.

Ordaines the magistratis to appoynt quhat persones thei pleas for gathering in the contributioune for the helpe of the harbur of Dundie, and to report with all dilligence.

10 May 1670.

Kinkardins  
note.

Ordaines John Barnes, elder, to receave and accept . . . ane note of ane hundreth pundis starling lent to my lord Kinkairdin, to be distribut to the troupers of the guard.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of threttie thrie pundis eightine shilling Scotis, deburst be him to Mungow Mathie for coall and candle to the guardis, for the moneth of Aprill last, and for uther particularis contained in the compt.

Andersoune  
to London.

Ordaines ane commissioun to be drawine wp for the deane of gild to repair to Londone to petitione his Majestie to obtain the electioun

of the magistratis in the tounes awine handis; and appoyntis the provest to goe to Edinburgh to advyse quhat is neidfull to be done therintill.

Provest to  
Edinburgh.

Appoyntis Frederik Hamiltoun to exerce the said deane of gildis place in his absence.

Hamiltoun  
deane of gild.

14 May 1670.

The deane of gild being formerlie ordained to repair to Londone or elsquher to petition the Kings Majestie in the tounes favouris, conforme to the commissioun wnderwryttin, the samyne commissioun was subscribed this day in counsell and delyvered to him, quherof the tenour fallowes:—Be it knoune to all men be thir present lettres, we the provest, baillies and counsell of the burgh of Glasgow, wnderubscriyvand, to have given and grantit, as we be the tenour heirop give and grant full power, warrand and commissioun to Johne Andersoun, younger of Dowhill, present deane of gild of the said burgh, to repair with all convenience to the citie of Londone, or elsquher as occasioun sall serve, and ther for ws and in our names, with all humilitie and dew reverence as becometh, to petitione our dread soveraigne the Kings most excellent majestie for granting to this burgh the frie electioun of their awine magistratis, as uther royall burghs of this kingdome hes; as also to doe, exerce and goe about all uther maters tending to wel, liberties and priviledges of this burgh; and does also heirby grant to our said commissioner our verie full, frie, plaine power and warrand for that effect, and generallie to doe all and sundrie uther things neidfull to be done and exerced theranent, binding and obleising ws and our successouris in office to stand and abyd at all our said commissioner sall doe for ws in the premissis, firme and stable, but reclamatioun. In witnes quherof, we have subscribed thir presentis, att Glasgow, this fourtine day of May j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. and seavintie yeares, befor thir witnessis Williame Yair and George Andersoun, our twa conjunct commoun clerkis of this burgh, and Robert Allane, noter, ther, their servant, wrytter heirop.

Commis-  
sionne Dow-  
hill, younger,  
to repaire to  
petitione the  
King.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of eight pundis xiiij s. 2 d. starling deburst be him to Robert Mein, post maister in Edinburgh, for newes letters, and quhilk compleitis him to the first of Aprill last.

Warrand,  
thesaurer,  
newis letter.

Broomelaw  
peir.

Recomendis to Frederik Hammiltoun to caus helpe the peir at the Broomelaw.

Contribu-  
tioun, Dundie.

Appoyntis the provest, baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyner to mak choyse of such persones thei think most meit to goe throw the toune for collecting ane supplie for help of Dundie.

Silk weavers.

In ansuer to the supplicatioun given in be [*blank*] Stewart, silk weaver, cravand warrand and libertie of the provest, baillies and counsell of this burgh to sett wp and have libertie to work his tred within the samyne, after consideratioun therof the saidis magistratis and counsell grantit to him his desyre contained in the said petitioun, and for his better incurragment therintill thei heirby promis to hold him frie of quarterings and of the excys of malt for his and his servantis use, and all uther publict burdings, and that during the space of fyve or seavine yeares or longer if he here remayne.

Andersoun, com-  
missionar to  
London.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun how thei had commissionat John Andersoun, present deane of gild of this burgh, to repair to London, or els where, to petitioun the Kings Majestie for getting a frie electioun of the magistratis in their awne persones, as uther royall burghes hes, as also to act and doe all things possible to obtain the right of the bailliarie and barronye of Glasgow, or quhat else may augment the liberties and priviledges of burgh; and seing theise things cannot be gottin done without great charges and expensis, thei therfor doe heirby grant full power, warrand and commissioun to the said John Andersoun, their said commissioner, for effectuating the premissis, to draw wpon them quhat sowmes of monye he sall think convenient, or to borrow the samyne there from quhatsoever persone or persones he pleaseth; and thei heirby bind and obleis them and their successouris in office to thankfullie repay the samyne with the interest therof.

18 May 1670.

Act to the  
tredis.

There was red the double of ane act drawine wp in favouris of the treds anent securing them of their number on the toune counsell, as hes beine observed ever heirtofair, and libertie anent their craftis baillie. The same was appoyntit to be drawine wp in forme and thei promis to subscrivve the samyne in the afternoon.

The act befor mentioned drawine wp in favouris of the treds was at this meiting againe red and allowed and subscryved with all their handis, quherof the tenour fallowes viz.:—The quhilk day, the provest, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyned, and taking to their consideratione that forsuameikle as thei have grantit to Johne Andersoune, present deane of gild of this burgh, ane commissioun to pas to the citie of Londone, or elsequher, and ther for them and in their names to petitione the Kings most excellent majestie to grant to this burgh the frie electione of its magistratis, conforme to uther royall burghs within this kingdome; and seing the deacones of craftis and utheris of their members hes contractit a fear and jelosie that their liberties and priviledges thei have had heirtofoir may be prejudged and diminished therby anent their number that now is and hes bein theis manye yeares bygaine wpon the toune counsell, past memorie of man, as also that ane of the thrie baillies of this burgh hes ever bein ane craftsman; and the magistratis and counsell being most willing to keep and interteane that concord, peace and amitie amongst the haill inhabitentis, as ever hes bein observed within the samyne burgh since their settling the letter of gildrie therin, and for removing all pleyes and julosies that may aryse by their seiking of their said frie electione of the magistratis of this burgh, therfor thei doe heirby bind and obleis them and their successouris in office note to infringe or brek any friedome, liberties or priviledges the craftis of this burgh hes had heirtofoir anent their number in the toune counsell and their office bearers therintill, or anent their craftis baillie and deacon conveyner, as hes bein formerlie in use and observed heirtofoir, nor yit to brek or infringe any liberties and priviledges the merchand rank formerlie hes had, but to mentein them to their utmost, and that for the better observing and keeping of that concord, peace and amitie that ever hitherto hes bein kepted among the inhabitentis of this burgh, and declares themselves most willing that this present act sall be extendit in most ample forme if it sall be fund neidfull to be done.

4 June 1670.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for ten rex dollouris Warrand, deburst be him, out of the monye receavit be him fra the collectouris at thesaurer.

the mylnes, to Walter Grahame, messenger, and wtheris, for apprehending of James Waddrop of Daldowie, who had made his escape formerlie out of the tolbuith, and for puting him againe therin; and for the sowme of ane hundreth markis deburst be him to Johne Bell for the maill of the parsounes hous the last halfe year preceiding Witsonday last.

**Brig, beggers.** It is concluded that whosoever sall tak the brig and customes therof in tyme coming sall be obleist nocht to suffer any beggers com in be that port to the toune, and that conforme to ane old act sett doune theranent.

**Kings portratouris to be bought.** It is appoyntit that the provest wryt to London to the deane of gild to buy for the tounes use the portratouris of King Charles the First and Secund, as also ane carpett, and to send all home for the tounes use.

*7 June 1670.*

**Set of common guidis.** [Common good set for a year as follows:—Mills, 9,150 merks, besides 50 bolls ground malt; ladles, 2,700 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 810 merks; tron, 1,185 merks; bridge, 1,360 merks; grass of St. Mungow's kirk yaird, a "dollar" given to the officers "to buy their denner."]

*18 June 1670.*

**Provane mylne and loches.** Appoyntis the deane of gild and James Colhoun to caus repair the Provan mylne, and to tak notice anent the casting of the loches, and to caus the tennentis of Provand to cast it so far thei ar obleist to doe, and quhat thei ar not obleist to doe to imploy utheris in toune, and to report, and to sight Williame Henrysone in Provand his hous.

**Provest to Edinburgh.** The provest is choysen commissioner to the nixt conventioun of burrowes, and ordaines ane of the clarkis to subscribe to him ane commissioun for that effect, and James Colhoun to be assessour to him; and recommendis to the provest to advyse in Edinburgh quhat is neidfull to be done for the better securing the toun in the landis of Provand.

**The provest to wrytt to the deane of gild.** The deane of gild, Dowhill, younger, having wryttin ane letter to the toune that the duk of Lennox will be lyklie to quyt any priviledge he hes over the toune as baillie of the regallitie, therfor the provest is appoyntit to wryt to him that he may deall to gett that done if nocht the whoill, and that the provest give him thankis for his dilligence.

**Provane.** Appoyntis the baillies [and four others] to meit with Johne Grahame



to sight the rightis of Provand, and to sie quhat is neidfull to be done for securing the toune theranent.

16 July 1670.

Appoyntis Johne Andersoune, skipper, to fix and set wp some sea <sup>Sea</sup> markis. markis at Newport Glasgow, and quhat expenssis he sall be therin at it sall be payit bak againe to him.

Recommendis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to meit with <sup>Fleishouris</sup> the fleishouris anent the building of buithes for them at the bak of the <sup>buithes.</sup> fleishmercat.

Appoyntis the deane of gild [and two others] to meit with the miller <sup>Miller of</sup> at the Provand mylne and to settle with him. <sup>Provand mylne.</sup>

Ordaines James Andersoune, baillie of Provand, to have ane warrand <sup>Warrand,</sup> for the sowme of four scoir markis deburst be him for the fyft termes <sup>Andersoune,</sup> taxatioune of the said landis of Provand, and for four pundis starling <sup>baillie of</sup> deburst be him for kebers for supplie of the cast at the loch ther, and for <sup>Provand.</sup> fyve pundis starling deburst be him to Johne Bell quhilk he deburst to Johne Hammiltoune in pairt payment of the twentie pundis starling he is to get for casting the said cast.

Ordaines Johne Grahame to have ane warrand for the sowme of nyne <sup>Warrand,</sup> hundreth pundis Scotis deburst be him to maister David Liddell, minister <sup>Grahame.</sup> of the Barrony kirk, in pairt payment of bygainie stipends, and thir presentis with his discharge to be a sufficient exoneratioune; and it is to be remembrit that the said maister David is awand to the toune ane halfe yeares stipend quhilk was payit for him to maister Donald Catgill.

The provest made report that he had agried with Williame Hammil- <sup>Apprysing of</sup> toune of Wishaw to lead ane apprysing at the tounes instance for com- <sup>Provand.</sup> prysing the landis of Provand.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of five <sup>Warrand,</sup> hundredth twelfe pundis xiiij s. iiij d. for two hodgheids French wyne <sup>thesaurer.</sup> twa ruboŕs and ane butt of sek sent to Edinburgh to some persones.

18 July 1670.

Johne Andersoune, deane of gild, gave wp his commissioun as grantit <sup>Report, deane</sup> to him for repairing to London, and made his report anent the particular <sup>of gild.</sup> he was sent for, quhilk was approve in the counsell.

Warrant,  
Bell.

Ordaines Johne Bell to have ane warrant for the sowme of thrie hundreth twentie eight pundis ane shilling Scotis deburst be him out of the excyse monye to the provest for passing the tounes eque, and the eque of the landis of Provand, and registratioune of the tounes seasing of Provand, and for confirmatioune of the landis of Silvercraigs,<sup>1</sup> conforme to the compt therof red and allowed.

Tak to  
Turner.

Ordaines ane tack to be wryttin and subscrivit in favouris of Sir James Turner of the tounes hous and tour in Gorballis, quhilk he presently possesseth, and that during his lyftyme, for payment yearly of thrie pundis Scotis, if the samyne be requyred; and that he be obleist to uphold the said landis on his awine expenssis during the tyme of the tak.

27 August 1670.

Gays hous  
at Newport.

The baillies and counsell being conveyned, and taking to their consideratione the bais and leud lyfe led and used be Alexander Gay at

<sup>1</sup> Silvercraigs is situated on Loch Fyne, within the parish of Kilmichael-Glassary, Argyleshire, not far from the estate of Kirnan, in the same parish, which has interesting associations for Glasgow people as being the ancestral home of Thomas Campbell, the poet. The city's connection with Silvercraigs originated in proceedings taken for the recovery of money lent partly by the founders and partly by the governors of Hutchesons' hospital to the laird of Lamont, within whose territories the lands were situated. In 1643 the laird owed the hospital 8,000 merks besides interest, and in 1659 the town gave the hospital value for the debt and accumulated interest, and took an assignation of the laird's bonds. As the lent money was not forthcoming, legal proceedings were taken by the town for attaching the lands, and a decret of apprising having been obtained, the town council, on 9th May, 1663 (*antea*, p. 12), appointed a bailie to hold a court on the lands, and to collect the rents for the town's use. Other creditors, however, had been adopting similar proceedings, and among the

number was Robert Campbell, son of Colin Campbell, who was at one time provost of Glasgow (Reg. Mag., Sig. IX., No. 1829). Robert Campbell contested the town's right to the lands (see report of case in Morison's Dictionary of Decisions, 19th July, 1664, p. 6419), and this led to the negotiations noticed from time to time in the records. On 2nd October, 1669, a commission was given to a writer in Inveraray authorising him to collect the rents of Silvercraigs for behoof of Robert Campbell, elder and younger, for ten years, and this indicates that an amicable arrangement had been concluded. The "confirmation" referred to in the text is not now among the city's writs, and its purport has not been ascertained, but perhaps subsequent entries may more fully explain the transaction. The sum of £14,000 merks referred to on 2nd May, 1668 (*antea*, p. 104), was credited as received in the treasurer's accounts of that year.

The Campbells, father and son, were merchants in Glasgow, and some of their family connections are traceable through the titles of

Newport Glasgow and Jeane Rankine, his spous, and their leud cariage to all maner of persones quhatsoever, and especiallie for the great abuse done to their nighbours; and seing they now dwell in ane hous belonging to the toun, the said magistratis and counsell hes unanimously concluded that the said hous they dwell in sall be immediately pulled doune and the stones and timber therof laid apairt, and that they nor non of them sall be suffered to dwell within the tounes boundis heirafter; and appoyntis John Herbertsoun, their servant, sie the samyne done with all expeditioun, and to caus benish the said persones out of the tounes boundis there.

Appoyntis baillie Ker and the deacon conveyner to try out some fitt Newport persone to goe doune and sklait the tounes work at Newport Glasgow, and that they goe doune themselves on Tuesday nixt and visit the said work quhat is neidfull to be done theranent, and to report.

29 August 1670.

Ordaines Coline Campbell to have ane warrand for the sowme of Warrand, twentie fyve pundis starling deburst be him to the provest, and quhilk he Kings portratour. deburst for the Kings portratour bocht be him for the townes use.

Ordaines John Bell, lait provest, to have ane warrand for the sowme Warrand, of sex pundis starling for his awine charges in goeing to Edinburgh in Bell. attending the duk of Lennox his grace.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of nyne Warrand, thesaurer.

the property called Silvercraigs land, which was situated on the east side of Saltmarket, opposite Bridgegate. Silvercraigs land is frequently referred to by local historians, and is believed to have been occupied by Cromwell during one of his visits to the city. In 1623 the property belonged to the marriage contract trustees of Robert Campbell (son of Colin) and Mary Stewart, second daughter of James Stewart of Floak. In 1664 the younger Campbell and his spouse, Lillias Stewart (daughter of James Stewart of Crystwall), became proprietors, subject to the father's liferent. Till this time neither of the Campbells appears in the titles under the territorial

designation of Silvercraigs. In the next writ, however, which is dated 24th February, 1703, Robert Campbell is designated "of Silvercraigs," and he thereby conveyed the Saltmarket property to his son-in-law and daughter, Walter Scott (brother to the laird of Raeburn) and Mary Campbell, spouses, who have the distinction of being the great-grandparents of Sir Walter Scott. Walter Scott and his spouse sold "Silvercraigs land" in 1710, and, after various transmissions, the Corporation of Glasgow acquired the site for improvement purposes in 1867 (Purchase No. 187).

rex dollouris deburst be him to George Wilsoune, post, for his extraordinarie ryding the tyme the counsell satt here and Air. And for twa hundreth and ten pundis Scotis deburst be him to Jonet Reid for making and furnishing the denner was made reddie for the duk Lennox his west coming.

10 September 1670.

Warrantis,  
Bell.

Ordaines John Bell to have ane warrant for twentie nyne pundis iiij s. for his expenssis and hors hyre in attending the provest quhen he went to meit the commissioner; and for the sowme of fourtie sevine pundis deburst be him to the deane of gild for his expenssis in goeing to Edinburgh and Berrick to meit the commissioner; . . . and for ane hundreth markis payit for the table cloth and napkines bocht for the use of the toune.

Warrant,  
silver boxes.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of threttie twa pundis xiiij s. vj d. Scotis payit be him to Thomas M'Cuir, goldsmith, for silver boxes to burges tikitis.

Merchand  
Hospitall  
dyk.

Recommendis to the deane of gild, conveyiner, [and three others] to visit the dyk the merchant hospitall is building about the Craigs, and to give them quhat grund is fund necessar aff the tounes land for making their dyk straught.

Tak, Turner.

Ther was subscrivit a tak to Sir James Turner of the tounes houss in Gorballis, during his lyfytyme, conforme to the tenour therof insert in the book.

Nisbit,  
Briggait,  
Goos dubs.

Anent the supplicatioune given in befor [them] be Grissall Nisbit, relict of umquhill John Denny, merchand, cravand licence to build ane litle hous aff the north gavill of her hous in Briggait, presently possess be her, wpon the waist grund toward the syre ther, for the use of ane stable or the lyk; after consideratioune therof and sighting the same, after dismissioun of the counsell, the provest, baillies and counsell heirby grantis licens to the said Grissall Nisbit to build and come out in her building four elnes from the north east cunzie of the gavill of her said hous, and fyve elnes from the north wast cunzie therof towards the syre that runes ther, throw that place callit the Goos dubs, shoe and her successouris, heritouris of the said landis, paying yearlie to the toune ther-

for thrie shilling iiij d. Scotis monye; and ordaines her to have ane few charter therupon if she desyre the same.<sup>1</sup>

24 September 1670.

Ordaines Johne Bell to have ane warrand for . . . thrie pundis Warrant,  
starling payit be him to Thomas Davidsoune for ane litle barrell of Ranish Bell.

<sup>1</sup> The piece of ground in which there were "dubs" or pools, frequented by geese, and known from an early period by the name of *Guise Dubs*, originally formed part of the Old Green of Glasgow. After houses were built in Bridgegate the severed eastern portion was known as the Little Green, and the portion immediately west of Bridgegate, including Goosedubs, was called Greenhead, as being the upper end of what remained of the main portion of the Old Green. In the year 1588, when the town council, to meet urgent liabilities, had to sell parts of their common lands, several roods of Greenhead were disposed of (Glasgow Rec., I., 124-6). Two of these roods of "land at the Goose Dubs" were re-acquired by the town council in 1657 (*Ib.*, II., p. 368). The conveyance to the town narrates the previous sale of the ground, which is described as lying on the east side of Stockwellgait, and forming part of the "waist landis" belonging to the town, "commonly called the Goose-dubs," and it is stated that "said two roods shall ly still unbuildit with the rest of their common lands ther, they never being buildit as yit since the first outfewing therof" (MS. Inv. of Writs, I., bundle 26). The "waist grund" mentioned in the text, and bounded by the "syare (i.e., gutter) that runes ther," was part of the "common landis" above referred to. (Grissall Nisbet, the purchaser, is afterwards designated wife of John Aird, who was at one time a bailie of Glasgow, and who purchased from the town other two pieces of Goosedubs. These two additional pieces, together with the "waist grund" men-

tioned in the text, were included in one charter granted by the town council on 15th May, 1691, to "John Aird, elder, and Grissell Nisbet, spouses, in liferent, and John Aird, younger, their son, in fee" (MS. Council Records, xiii., pp. 147, 191). John Aird, younger, who was five times provost of Glasgow, between 1705 and 1722 (ten years in all), extended his Goosedubs property by additional purchases, and in 1723 he mortified the whole to the Merchants' House (History of Merchants' House, pp. 604-6; Original Deed of Mortification in Burgh Court Books, 23 March, 1757). Aird's properties, as well as others adjoining, have recently been acquired by the Corporation of Glasgow under the provisions of the Improvements Act of 1897 (Purchases Nos. 69 and 105).

M'Ure, in his History of Glasgow (1830 edition, p. 132), refers to "Provost Aird's wynd, reaching east from the Stockwell-street to the foot of the Old-wynd." The name Aird's-wynd, however, has not been found in title deeds, and on old maps, such as those of Ross in 1773 and M'Arthur in 1778, the lane is called Goosedubs, and it now bears the name of Goosedubs Street. Aird's properties did not come so far north as the lane, and in the titles of the bordering properties the lane is simply described as "the back street leading from Stockwellgate to Bridgegate." The lane on the east of Provost Aird's properties leading from Bridgegate northward to Goosedubs Street, has for some time been called Aird's Lane.

wyne furnished be him to the toune quhen the duk of Lennox was to come here.<sup>1</sup>

Dyk at  
Newport.

Appoyntis the deane of gild [and two others] to meit and setle with Alexander Scott anent his building of ane dyk about the tounes grund at Newport Glasgow.

New Grein  
dyk.

Appoyntis John Bell and the deacon conveyiner to meit and setle with Robert Boyd to draw the dyk at the New Grein to the brig as it is to be builded.

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of nyne hundreth pundis Scotis sent be him to Londone to ane freind ther anent the tounes affaires.

Furlotis ;  
coachway,  
Balgray hill.

Ordaines the deane of gild to receave the tounes salt furlotis and caus mend the same; and approves the agriement made be him anent the making ane coachway alongs the Balgray hill.

1 October 1670.

Band to  
Turner.

Appoyntis ane band to be drawine wp and subscribeit in favouris of Sir James Turner for payment making to him of the sowme of four thousand markis Scotis, with the annualrent therof sen Witsonday last, and that in lew of the lyk sowme formerly awand to the lait archbishop, the said Sir James first producand the tounes band formerlie granted to the said archbishop.

Warrand,  
thesaurer,  
Blackfrier  
Kirk bell.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of twa hundred threttie twa pundis eight shilling Scotis, deburst be him for transporting the Blackfrier Kirk bell to Holland, and for the expenssis therof in casting the same new, and expenssis deburst therwpon to and againe.

<sup>1</sup> Charles, sixth duke of Lennox (and fourth of Richmond), succeeded his cousin Esme, the fifth duke, in 1660. His third wife, Frances Therese, grand-daughter of the first Lord Blantyre, was celebrated as the greatest beauty in the court of Charles II., and she is said to have served as model to the engraver who designed the Britannia which first appeared on the copper coinage during the reign of that king. The name of the duke appears in the sederunt of the parliament which

met at Edinburgh on 22nd July, 1670. He was admiral of Scotland, and that office was ratified to him by parliament on 11th September, 1672, but he died at Elsinore in the following month while acting as ambassador to the court of Denmark. As he had no issue, the dukedom reverted to King Charles II., the nearest collateral heir male. The liferent of the Lennox estates was settled on the duchess, who survived till 1702.

4 October 1670.

The said day, being the ordinarie day for the electioun of the magistratis of this burgh for the year enshewing, compeared Alexander Todrick, servitour to the earle of Tweddail, and producit ane letter direct be the Kingis Majestie to the magistratis and counsell of this citie of Glasgow, quherof the tenor fallowes:—Sic superscribitur: CHARLES R. Trustie and weilbeloved, we greit yow weill. Whereas the bischop of Dumblain, whom we have nominated and presented to the archbishoprick of Glasgow, vacant by the dimissioun of Alexander, lait archbishop therof, is not yet solemnly invested, and that the tyme of the electioun of the magistratis of that our citie is now verie neir, we have thought fitt to requyre yow to receave William Andersoune to be your provest for this enshewing year; and we leave for this tyme the electioun of the remanent magistratis for this year to the said provest and counsell of our said citie; and in caice any uther be electit befor this our command comes to your handis, yow, nochtwithstanding, receave William Andersoune for your provest for this enshewing year. So, expecting your reddie obedience, we bid yow fairweill. Given at our court of Whythall the 24th day of August 1670, and of our regne the 22 year. *Sic Subscribitur*: By his Majesties command, LAUDERDAILL. Immediately after reading quherof, the said William Andersoune, being present, the said provest, baillies and counsell did unanimously admitt and receave the said William Andersoune provest of this burgh for ane year to come, who acceptit and gave his oath as use is.

Therafter thei went about to the electioun of their baillies, conforme to the said letter, and the haill persones being removed from the tabill quhill the present provest, the lait provest, and his twa baillies did set doune the lytis out of the quhilkis the baillies wer to be choysen; and the merchandis being threttin persones in number to be votted on, they wer divydit in sex lytis, out of the quhilk sex lytis theis sex persones wer electit and choysen, viz., . . . quhilkis sex persones wer divydit in twa lytis, viz., the first containing [three names] and they being removed, be pluraltie of votis, Frederick Hammiltoun was out of them electit and choysen to be ane of the baillies of this burgh for the year enshewing, and the uther of the said twa lytis containing [three names], be pluraltie

Electioun of  
provest and  
baillies.

of votis, Hugh Nisbit was electit and choysen to be ane uther of the baillies of this burgh for the year enshewing. And the craftis being in number to be votted on threttine persones, wer divdyit in thrie lytis, ane therof containing fyve persones, ane uther sex and the thrid lytt twa persones, and theis being removed *vicissim*, they did choyse out therof [three names] to the effect ane of them might be choysene to be the thrid baillie of this burgh for the year enshewing; and theis thrie being removed, be pluraltie of votis, James Colhoune was electit and choysen to be the thrid baillie.

5 October 1670.

Counsell.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with three persons chosen to make up the full number, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be town councillors for the ensuing year.]

8 October 1670.

Rae, lytis for  
deane of gild.

Robert Rae having made complent that he was most wrongously put out of his place as deane of gilde (as being deane of gilde) by the last magistratis and counsell, as appeires by their act of counsell daited the nyynth of October j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. sextie nyne yeares, and was not suffered to mak the lytt for choysing of tua persones out of his bretherin of the merchand rank to be presentit with himselfe to the magistratis and counsell, quherby they might have made choyse of ane of them to be deane of gild for the year enshewing, conforme to the letter of gildrie, but was hindered and impeaded therintill, as the said act beires, therfor the said magistratis and counsell for helping and mending of the said abuse and breach of gildrie in all tyme coming, have ordained and heirby ordaines the said Robert Rae to caus wairne his bretherin of the merchand rank, members of the merchand hospitall, that he had with him the tyme he was dean of gild last, to meit and convey in the said hospitall and there to mak choyse of ane lytt of twa persones to be presentit with himselfe to the counsell and utheris interested, quherby ane of them may be choysen deane of gild of this burgh for a year to come; and in caice any of his said bretherin be dead or absent, then he is to caus wairne als many honest men of the samyne qualitie as will supplie the place of the dead or absentis.



12 October 1670.

[Robert Rae, dean of guild; William Wallace, deacon-convener; Patrick Bryce, <sup>Dean of gild,</sup> treasurer; John Bryssoune, water bailie; Thomas Boyle, master of work; Andrew <sup>etc., chosen.</sup> Ralstoune, visitor of gardeners.]

15 October 1670.

[James Fairie, chosen bailie of Gorbala.]

Bailie of  
Gorbala.

Appoyntis the provest, baillie Nisbit, the deane of gild, with whom <sup>Provost rydis</sup> they pleas to tak with them, to ryd doune to Newport Glasgow to visit <sup>to Newport.</sup> the tounes wark there and to report.

29 October 1670.

Allowes Robert Campbell his giving and delyvering the halfe of the <sup>Monye</sup> monye he receavit the last year to the merchandis collector, and the uther <sup>collectit</sup> halfe to the craftis for the use of their poor; and ordaines the monye that <sup>for armes.</sup> sall be collectit on that accompt to run in the same channell heirafter.

[Wheat loaf weighing 13 oz. to be sold for 12 d.; stone of rough tallow, 40 s. <sup>Statut, breid</sup> the stone; well made [candle], 48 s. the troy stone.] <sup>and candle.</sup>

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioune the <sup>Bank anent</sup> great abuse and filthienes used in not dighting and reding the streitis as <sup>filth and</sup> they aught to be, conforme as is done in uther weill governed cities, <sup>middings.</sup> ordaines therfor ane bank to be sent throw the toune, with touk of drum, to command and charge all the indwellers and buith keepers of ilk foir tenement of land within the portis of this burgh, and indwellers in the closses at the bak of the foir tenementis, that they furthwith, and in all tyme coming, wpon everie Saturnday, caus harle and sueip the streit of all filth and dirt from the croune of the calsie to the drope of ilk ane of their respective foir tenementis of land, the lenth of its front, and to remove the said fuilzie aff the hie streetis immediately thereafter, and that under the paine of four shilling Scotis so often they sall happin to contravein the same. As lykwyas they command and charge all the inhabitentis within this burgh, within the portis therof, to remove all middings aff the hie street within eight dayes after the publicatioune

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heirof, and that in no tyme coming they lay out any middings upon the hie streitis without the drop of their houssis, excepting that quhilk they sall caus taik or cairie away within eight and fourtie houres after the laying out thereof, and that under the payne of fyve pundis so often as they sall contravein, to be payit to him whom the magistratis hes for that effect appoynted.

Discharge of  
Dundies con-  
tributiounes.

Johne Barnes gave in ane discharge of the sowme of twa hundreth fourtine pundis thrie shilling iiij d. Scotis as the contributiounes collectit for Dundie, under the subscriptiounes of John M'Cl . . , merchand, ther, who was sent to receive the samyne.

12 November 1670.

Register of  
the dead.

The provest, baillies and counsell, finding it necessar and requisit that ane register be kept of all persones who happines to deceas within this burgh, they heirby appoynt Samwell Birs to keep the said register and to have fourtie shilling Scotis weikly for doeing therof.

Turnouris.

Appoyntis the master of wark to receive the turnouris<sup>1</sup> fra the collectouris at the mylnes, and to be payit therfor as Hendrie Craig was who collectit the same formerlie.

Act,  
cordoners.

The magistratis and counsell finding that their predicesouris, be their act of counsell of the dait the xxj of Maij, 1659,<sup>2</sup> for the caussis therin contained, hes statut and ordained that no fleshouris within this burgh, nor no utheris who bringis hydies and skinnies to the samyne, presume or tak wpon hand to holl any skinnies in the nek or buttockis, or cutt or holl any hydies, and that under the paine of confiscatiounes of such skinnies or hydies that sall be fund so faultie, and the samyne to be tryed be theis to be appoynted be the magistratis and counsell, and to be disposed on be their sight, who should be for the tyme, as the said act in it selfe at mair lenth proportis; quhilk act being considered be the said magistratis and counsell, they thought the confiscatiounes of the said hydies and skinnies for the said faultis too strik and severe; but for the preventing of the said injuries and wrongs they have appoyntit and heirby nominates and appoyntis the present deacon of the cordoners, and his successouris in

<sup>1</sup> A turner was a small copper coin of the value of two pennies Scots. The name was derived from *tournois*, a French coin of similar composition.

<sup>2</sup> Vol. ii., p. 421.

office, to sight all hydis both belonging to the flesheouris of this burgh or that sall be brought in be strangers, and grantis power and libertie to the said deacone and his said successouris, quher they find any hydis so holled or scored, to exact sex shilling Scotis for ilk holl or scoir, and for uther abusing and spoyling to be punished be advyce of any of the magistratis, to be applied for the use of the poor of the cordoner calling; providing alwayes, lyk as it is heirby expresly provided that the said provest, baillies and their successouris, or any of them, sall be alwayes judges betwixt the deacone of the cordoners, flesheouris and strangers, in caice ony debait or contraversie sall happin amongst them.

14 *November* 1670.

Appoyntis the magistratis to borrow the sowme of sex hundreth pundis starling to lend to the souldiers in toune, in respect of the present necessitie for want of pay. Monye to the  
sojouris.

3 *December* 1670.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in befor the said provest, baillies and counsell be Williame Stirling, merchand, burges of the burgh, cravand libertie to dig clay in any pairt where he sall find the samyne, within the tounes commoune landis, for making of pyps, in maner contained in the supplication, the said provest, baillies and counsell grantis libertie to the said William Stirling to dig clay for the use forsaid in any pairt of said tounes commoune landis, during quhat tyme he pleaseth, he paying to the toune such reasonable satisfactioun as they sall think convenient to requyr therfor, and satisfeing the tennentis, possessouris of such pairtis he sall dig clay in within the said landis, for the damage they sall sustein therby; reserveand alwayes the lyk libertie to any uther burgessis of this burgh to dig clay ther, giving the lyk satisfactioun to the toune and their tennentis, as also satisfeing the said William Stirling of his proportionall expenssis he sall be att in cleiring the grund, gif they happin to dig in the same place quhair he digs the said clay, and seeking out of the samyne, and that to such as the toune sall grant that libertie. Stirling, for  
digging of  
clay, pypa.

10 *December* 1670.

Appoyntis baillie Hamiltoune to speik to the provest James Campbell to try at him quhair the tounes papers ar, and to requyr him to

give up these summondis that wer raised the last year against the provest William Andersoune.

Morsoune,  
Brodbridge.

Grantis the lyk libertie to Thomas Morsoune and John Brodbridge to dig clay in any pairt of their commounne landis, as is grantit to William Stirling, conforme to his act in all poyntis and upon the conditiones therein exprest.

17 December 1670.

Monye left be  
William  
Braidie.

Appoyntis the provest, deane of gild [and three others] to distribut the monye that was left be William Braidie, merchand in Irland, to any poor persones they please and thinkis most neidfull.

31 December 1670.

Winning,  
school.

Ther is libertie granted to Walter Winning to come in to the toune and keep a school for learning of the youth to read and wryt, he keeping the samyne in the Stokwelgait.

Andersoune  
to cutt the  
salmon.

Appoyntis Robert Andersoune, maltman, to cutt the salmondis at the salmond stockis that comes ther to sell, and he to have the ordinarie dewes therfor, as umquhill William Stirling had who cutted the samyne last.

7 January 1671.

Fleshouris.

Recommendis to baillie Colhounne to discharge the fleshouris to kill any bestiall on the hie streit or within the mercat, and to caus tak doune their toofall at the fleshmercat at the end of the Candle Streit, and to discharge them to lay any filth or dirt ather ther or theraboutis or ony pairt of the hie streit.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
provest.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of twa thousand thrie scoir eight pundis payit be him to the proveist, quhilk compleitis his haill expenssis and charges, ordinarie and extraordinarie, during the haill tyme of the said twa last sessiounes of parliament, and in meiting and convoying the commissioner into England at the begining and end of both the said sessiounes; conforme to the compt given in theranent, red and allowed; quhilk compt is as fallowes: His extraordinarie charges and expenssis that he was at the tyme of the said conventiounne of burrowes amountis to nyne hundreth and fourtie pundis.

As also he gave in, in the said compt, the numner of dayes that he was at and attending on the said conventioun of burrowes and twa sessiounes of parliament, and in meiting and conveying of the commissioner to and from England, but as to his ordinarie charges and expenssis he referred the same to the counsell. And after ingiving of the said compt the provest did remove him self out of counsell, and so Frederick Hammiltoun, eldest baillie, did preceid therintill; and the baillies and counsell, after consideratioun of what ordinarie charges and expenssis their said commissioner had bein at the said tyme, did all in ane voyce approve of his compt of nyne hundreth and fourtie pundis of extraordinarie expenssis, and allowed him for his ordinarie expenssis the said tyme twa thousand thrie hundreth twentie eight pundis. Quherupon the provest was callit in to the counsell and the said Frederick Hammiltoun appoyntit to give him thankis for his service to the toune the tyme forsaide.

14 *January* 1671.

For divers reasones and considerationes moving the said magis-Officers. tratis and counsell, it is statut and ordained by them that the officers of this burgh carie their halbertis both wark day and Sabboth day, quhen thei attend the magistratis, under the paine of being imprisoned fourtie eight hours for the first fault, and deposed aff their office for the secund fault.

Ordaines ane band to be subscrivit be the toune to Grissall Ander-Burncrookis, soune for the pryce of the landis of Burnecrookis, bocht be the toune fra her and utheris interested, and to delyver the band wpon recept of ane sufficient dispositioun to the toune.

Recomendis to the deane of gild to sight the place where John Warrand, Bomanno, Thomas Cauldwell, and James Thomesoune intendis to build <sup>building of</sup> <sup>tombis.</sup> ane piece of the kirk yaird dyk to be tombes, and to measour aff the samyne to them, and for that effect grantis them warrand to doe the samyne accordingly.

13 *February* 1671.

Appoyntis the baillies, deane of gild and deacone conveyiner to meit Hors guard. with Mathow Colhoune and to setle with him anent his keeping of the hors guard.

11 *March* 1671.

Warrant,  
M'Cuir.

Ordaines Robert M'Cuir to have ane warrant for the sowme of seavine hundreth sextie seavine pundis Scotis deburst be him, out of the excyse monye, to Peter Gemmill for tries bocht fra him for the tounes use, and for twa hodheidis of French wyne was sent east to his Majesties commissioner;<sup>1</sup> and for the sowme of ane hundreth twentie eight pundis payit to Hendrie Craig for his last yeares receaving the turnouris fra the collectouris at the mylnes and buying purses to put them in.

Hors guard.

Frederik Hamiltoune, baillie, and theis who wer appoyntit to be with him made report thei had settled with Mathow Calhoune anent the hors guard for four pundis ten shilling weikly, quhilk was allowed and approve.

Minister at  
the Barrony  
kirk.

Appoyntis baillie Colhoune, deane of gild, conveyner and thesaurer to meit with Mr. David Liddell, minister at the Barrony Kirk, and compt with him anent quhat stipend will be awand to him. And to meit with the

New vennell.

maisteris of the colledge for buying ane piece of grund foiragainst the new vennell for washing and bleitching of clothes.

Tounes  
wrytis re-  
produced.

The provest made report of his last dilligence at Edinburgh anent the tounes affaires, and produced the tounes wrytis wer sent east the last year to be confirmed in parliament, with the new confirmatioune therof.

30 *March* 1671.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of ane hundreth markis, deburst be him to Mr. William Abercromie for his bygaine preaching in the hie kirk.

1 *April* 1671.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of ane thousand eight hundreth sextie sex pundis eight penneis Scotis, deburst be him to the tradis for the expenssis they wer at in sending ane commissioner to London for defending their priviledges in sommer last, and for uther expenssis deburst be them in going severall tymes to Edin

<sup>1</sup> The earl of Lauderdale.

burgh to advyse and consult the same with advocatis, conforme to the accompt therof red, allowed and approvine.

Appoyntis the deane of gild to sight the brig at the Frier meadow. Frier  
meadow.

15 April 1671.

Ordaines John Cauldwall to have ane warrand . . . for the Warrand,  
Cauldwall,  
quartering.  
sowme of ane hundreth markis Scotis payit to Williame Sympsone and  
his wyfe for bygain quartering of my lord Linlithgow and Sir George  
Currier.

Appoyntis baillie Colhoun [and three others] to goe to the Provand Fear,  
Provand,  
loches.  
with the first conveniencie and stryk the fear there; and to sight the cast  
at the Provand betwixt the twa loches.

16 May 1671.

Appoyntis the proveist, baillies, deane of gild, deacon convenier Cashnochhill.  
[and four others] to meit with Garnekirk anent the Cashnoch hill, and  
to report theranent to the counsell.

It is statut and ordained that all persones who brings fruit to be Fruit sellers,  
gairners ges.  
sold within this burgh to theis who retailis the same therintill, or who  
buyes fruit in great quantitie to be sold over againe, that they measour  
the same with the visitour of gairners gess,<sup>1</sup> quhilk is sealed with the  
deane of gilds mark and seall, and to pay the ordinarie dewes therfor,  
conforme to old use and wont, and that under such paines as it sall pleas  
the magistratis to inflict upon them.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun the Survey anent  
strangers and  
beggars.  
great abuse committed by divers persones within this burgh who settis  
housses to strangers and forraigne beggars, who thereafter proves burding-  
some to the toune, notwithstanding of many proclamatiounes made in the  
contrair, therfor thei have concludit that ane survey be made throw the  
haill toune that notice may be taikin what houssis ar to set, and of their  
number and the burdine thei may draw to the toune, to the effect theis  
that settis the houssis may be unlaed conforme to the said former  
proclamatiounes emittit theranent; and ordaines the said straingers to be  
removed within twentie four houres, and to exact aff ilk contravener or  
setter of the said houssis fyve pundis. And to this end ordaines thir

<sup>1</sup> "Gess," perhaps gage or gauge, a measure.

persones to survey the toune, viz.: [here follow names of visitors for each of "Mr. Mylnes quarter, the persones quarter, Mr. William Stirlings quarter and Mr. John Bowies quarter;"] and to mak their report at the nixt meiting.

Survey,  
Gorballis.

Appoyntis baillie Fairie [and four others] to goe throw the Gorballis and to mak ane uther survey therin immediatly after the toune surveyers have done with their survey.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of fyve pundis four shilling starling payit be him to Robert Mein for newes letters and gazetis sent be him to the toune, from the first of Aprill 1670 to the first of Aprill last was.

27 May 1671.

Surveyers for  
strangers.

Appoyntis the baillies and theis who wer ordained with them to survey the toune to keep among themselves ane committee, and to fyne all such persones who sall be fund guiltie for setting of houssis to straingers without licence obtained therto, and to imprisone them quhill thei pay the fyne, and to caus remove the straingers and their childerin, and to doe all things theranent as becometh.

Presenta-  
tionne,  
Watsoune,

Appoyntis ane presentatiounne to be given to Mr. John Watsone, sone lawfull to (*blank*) Watsoune, tailyeour, of that place of bursarie of theologie in the colledge presenly possest be Mr. John Simpsoune . . . conforme to umquhill Mr. William Struthers mortificatiounne.

3 June 1671.

Warrant,  
Abercrombie,  
Blair.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of ane hundreth markis payit out to Mr. William Abercrombie for preaching in the Outer Hie Kirk; and for ten pundis payit to Thomas Blair for ringing the counsell and deane of gild bellis.

Bowie,  
warrant,  
Cauldwall.

In ansuer to the supplicatiounne given in be Nathaniell Bowie, craving payment of halfe ane yearis stipend he alledges was awand to his deceast father the tyme of his deceas, quherunto he pretendis to have right, the toune finding themselves not lyable for any stipend after their ministers ar dead, yit, in respect of the said Nathaniell his present conditiounne and that he is to be lauriat, thei ordaine John Cauldwall to pay to him out of the excys twa hundreth markis out of their charitie.



6 June 1671.

[Common good set for a year as follows :—mills, 10,050 merks ; ladles, <sup>Mills, etc.,</sup> £2,400 ; mealmarket and pecks, 830 merks ; customs and casualties of the tron, <sup>set.</sup> 1,150 merks ; bridge, 1,600 merks ; grass of St. Mungo's Little Kirkyaird, a rex dollar to the officers.]

17 June 1671.

It is concludit that the Howgait be mendit and repaired, and the <sup>Howgait.</sup> inhabitantis to be charged to help to doe the same, and that ane persone out of ilk familie come out for that effect as they sall be wairned by the drum, under the paine of fyve pundis of unlaw.

Appoyntis Gawine Listoun to set doune ane roll to pay in locallitie <sup>Locallitie.</sup> to the maried sojouris sen Mertimes last, and the roll to be revised be the deane of gild, deacon conveyner [and three others].

Ordaines Peter Gemmill to have ane warrand to pay to the awiners <sup>Militia.</sup> of the militia horssis quhat is dew to them at this terme, out of the excyse, and he is to receave their discharges.

29 June 1671.

Appoyntis the proveist and theis whom he takis with him to Dundie <sup>Call to Cook.</sup> that quhen they come bak to Edinburgh they repair to Prestoun panis to give ane call to Mr. (blank) Cook to be minister here in Glasgow.

6 July 1671.

It is concluded that the south bow of the great brig be takin doune <sup>Great brig.</sup> for eshewing of danger, seing it is not lyklie to stand, and that John Clark, measoune, doe the same in ordour to the best saiffing of the breking the stones.

Appoyntis the customer of the brig to provyd cobillis be sight of <sup>Cobillis.</sup> the baillies.

Appoyntis the deane of gild [and two others] to buy timber for the <sup>Timber to be</sup> use of the brig from John Barnes the best way they can for the guid <sup>bocht.</sup> of the toune.

17 July 1671.

Recommendis to the deane of gild and conveyner to set the Provane <sup>Provand</sup> mylne at the best rate they can on guid securitie. <sup>mylne.</sup>

Warrant,  
Cauldwall.

Ordaines John Cauldwall to have ane warrant for the sowme of twa hundreth markis for oackin plankis bocht fra John Nisbit in Dumbartane for the use of the bridge.

5 August 1671.

Brig.

Recommendis to baillie Colhoun [and two others] to setle and agrie with what warkmen workis at the brig.

Tak of  
Provand  
mylne and  
landis.

There was ane tak subscrivit of the Provand mylne and mylne landis, in favoris of Walter Scott for nyntine yeares, and appoyntis James Andersoun, baillie of Provand, to put him in possessioun.

Warrant,  
Gemmill.

Appoyntis Peter Gemmill to have ane warrant . . . for thrie hundreth and nyntie pundis, deburst to the proveist, quhilke he deburst to advocatis and their servandis in severall consultatiounes anent the tounes affaires, and for drawing wp of ane [supplicatioun] to be presentit to the privie counsell anent the getting supplie for building the brig, and anent what was deburst to the clarkis of the counsell.

10 August 1671.

Key of  
Newport.

Appoyntis baillie Colhoun [and three others], or ony twa of them, to repair doune to Newport Glasgow to sight the key ther, and appoyntis them to doe quhat is neidfull to be done theranent.

19 August 1671.

Maxwellis  
right of  
burgess and  
gild brother-  
ship.

In ansuer to the supplicatioun given in be Alexander Maxwell, merchand, informing that one Ninian Davidsoun, merchand, had maried ane doughter of his named Jeane Maxwell, and begottin by her twa bairnes, viz., Jonet and Issobel Davidsounes, and that he had desertit her and left the bairnes theis manye yeares bygaine, wherby it is lyk the bairnes will los their right of burges and gild brothership, their father never being entred be right of his wyfe as a burges and gild-brotheris doughter; the magistratis and counsell being loth that the said bairnes should los their benefeit and friedome, in caice it please God that they live to brok the same, doe therfor heirby conclud and ordaine that the said twa bairnes sall have the benefeit of their burges and gild brothership, at their perfect age, als frielie as if their said father had entred by

right of the mariage with his said wyfe, and that in favouris of the said Alexander Maxwell their guidshir.

*2 September 1671.*

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of ane <sup>Warrandis,</sup> hundreth pundis starling deburst be him to John Clark, measoune, to <sup>brig, Balgray-</sup> help the payment of the work men at the brig to ane compt. And for <sup>hill.</sup> twentie fyve markis payit out be him in compleit payment<sup>1</sup> to the man that mendit the hie way on Balgray hill.

After consideratioune had be the magistratis and counsell, grantis <sup>Tradis.</sup> warrand and libertie to the hail tradis within this burgh ather to elect new deacones at the ordinarie tyme or to conteinow theis who ar present.

In regard to the great complent given in be the maltmen of this <sup>Maltmen in</sup> burgh against divers young men who keepes malt killis in the Gorballis, <sup>Gorballis.</sup> quhilk they aught not to doe, being nather fewars nor rentallers, contrair the old actis set doune theranent, the magistratis and counsell therfor statutis and ordaines that no persone of that qualitie presum to mak any malt in the said village of Gorballis, and recommendis to the baillie of Gorballis to put the same to executioun.

*25 September 1671.*

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of twa <sup>Warrand,</sup> hundreth seavintie sex pundis xvij s. vj d. Scotis monye deburst be him to <sup>denner, noble-</sup> Jonet Reid for the tounes denner at Witsonday last, and for drink spent <sup>man, brig.</sup> with noble men sen that tyme. And for twa hundreth thrie scoir ten pundis Scotis monye deburst be him to Alexander Eglingtonne for work wrought be him at the brig and uther partes.

*30 September 1671.*

There was twa takis subscrivit, ane to Alexander Jamesoune of some <sup>Takis sub-</sup> landis in muir of Gorballis possest be him, for twa nyntine yeares, for <sup>scrivit.</sup> payment of fyftie markis; and ane uther to John Scheillis there for the same space, being a pairt of the landis of Cauplahillis, for payment of

<sup>1</sup> On 17th July £50 Scots were authorised to be paid "for helping the way at the Balgray hill."

threttie pundis; and it is declared, albeit the tak be sett be the toune and the dewtie payable therby to them, yit the same belongs to Hutchesounes Hospitall.

3 October 1671.

Nomina-  
tioune of  
proveist.

The quhilk day, being the ordinarie day for electing of the magistratis of this burgh, compeared George Andersoune, ane of the ordinarie clarkis therof, and productit ane letter direct to the proveist, baillies and counsell of the samyne, daitit att Whythall the alevinth of September last bypast, quherof the tenor fallowes: Assured guid friendis,—Ye may remember that, in respect that the archbishop of Glasgow was not settled, his Majestie the last year did nominat and appoynt William Andersoune to be proveist of Glasgow, and now upon the same consideratione his Majestie is pleased to ordour and appoynt that the said William Andersoune continow proveist of Glasgow for this nixt enshewing year. This the King hes commandit me to signifie as his expres pleasour. So, being confident of your redie obedience, I rest your assured guid friend, *sic subscribitur*: LAUDERDAILL. After reading quherof, the said William Andersoune was receavit and conteinowed proveist of this burgh for this said next enshewing year, and that unanimously, who being present did accept and give his oath as use is. Therafter the said magistratis and counsell went on to the electioun of their baillies for the said next year. [From leets made up in the same way as in the previous year, Robert Rae and John Cauldwall, merchants, and William Wallace, craftsman, were elected bailies for the ensuing year.]

Election of  
bailies.

6 October 1671.

Toune  
counsell.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years chose thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the town council for the ensuing year.]

7 October 1671.

Warrandis  
for excyse of  
malt for-  
bidden.

The proveist, baillies and counsell present, taking to their consideratione the great los susteained be the toune by granting of warrandis for grinding of malt not broune in the toune to pas excyse frie, they have therfor ordained and heirby ordaines that no warrand be grantit to the effect forsaid in tyme coming, to no persones quhatsoever, nather to

magistratis, counsellouris or ony uther inhabitent within this burgh, under quhatsumever pretext; and that non of the collectouris accept of ony warrand or suffer any malt to pas excyse frie, under the paine of ane hundreth pundis and deprivatione of their places.

11 October 1671.

[From leets made up as formerly, the following office-bearers were chosen for <sup>Deane of gild,</sup> the year ensuing:—John Walkinshaw, dean of guild; James Fairie, <sup>etc., chosen.</sup> deacon-con-  
vener; John Braidie, treasurer; John Brysoun, water bailie; Thomas Bogle, master of work; Donald M'Gilcreist, bailie of Gorbals; William Hutesoun, visitor of gardeners.]

Ordaines the lait thesaurer to have ane warrand . . . for the <sup>Warrand,</sup> sowme of ane hundreth nyntie pundis seavine shillings iiij d. deburst <sup>denner.</sup>  
be him to Jonet Reid for the tounes denner at Michaelmas last, and spent with utheris sen syne.

21 October 1671.

[The wheat loaf weighing 10½ oz. to be sold for 12d.; rough tallow for <sup>Statutes,</sup> 41s. 8d. the stone; well made candle for 48s. the troy stone.] <sup>breid, candle, and tallow.</sup>

Ther was ane band subscrivit to Mr. David Liddell, minister of the <sup>Bandis sub-</sup> Barrony Kirk, of twa thousand markis quhilk, with fyftie markis payit <sup>scrivit,</sup> to him be the lait thesaurer, compleitis to him all bygaine stipendis to <sup>minister, brig</sup> Mertimes nixt. As also ane band subscrivit to John Barnes, elder, of ane thousand thrie hundreth thrie scoir nyne pundis vj s. viij d. for the pryce of treis and timber bocht fra him to the use of the brig.

Appoyntis John Johnstoune, or ony utheris the magistrates sall <sup>Call to</sup> please to send with him, to repair to the paroch of Dingwall, or els where, <sup>Hooome.</sup> to give a call to (*blank*) Hooome, minister, ther, to come and serve as ane of the ministers of this burgh,<sup>1</sup> and the clarkis to subscriye a letter to them for that effect.

Ordaines Johne Cauldwall to have ane warrand for the sowme of Bowie. thrie hundreth markis payit farder to Mr. Nathaniell Bowie nor the twa hundreth markis he recevit of befor, quhilk is in compleit payment of all he can crave fra the toun for wmqhill Mr. John Bowie, his father, his bygaine stipend.

<sup>1</sup> It was reported on 6th December that Mr. Hooome was "not willing to come."

28 October 1671.

Few dewties  
of Candlerig  
and utheris.

Recommendis to the baillies, deane of gild, and deacon conveyner, to modifie the fewdewties of the Candlerig and utheris set out in few, at the bak of the fleshmercat, quhairwpon the candlemakers hes builded their houssis and yairdis, and that quhilk is to be sett out, in respect the samyne is over dear. As also recommendis to the same persones to meit with the litsters and to setle with them anent their letter of deaconrie they ar seiking of the toune, and anent the setting of the tounes Walkmylne to them, the best way they can.

Litsters,  
Walkmylne.

Warrantis,  
Bryce, laith  
thesaurer.

Ordaines Patrick Bryce, laith thesaurer, to have ane warrant for the sowme of twa thousand sex hundreth and fourtie pundis Scotis deburst be him to sundrie persones anent the tounes affaires, viz., sent to some persones at Londone agenting to get ane contributioun for the brig and in uther particularis concerning the toune; and to severall uther persones at Edinburgh and Glasgow theranent, conforme to the compt, quherintil is included that quhilk was given to Alexander Todrick quhen he come here with the Kings letter at the electioun of the magistratis at Michaelmes 1670.

4 November 1671.

Warrant,  
provest, to  
London.

Appoyntis the proveist to tak any person he pleaseth with him ather fra Glasgow or Edinburgh to wait on him to London; and ordaines Peter Gemmill to have ane warrant for the sowme of fyftie pundis starling given to the proveist for paying that persones expenssis he sall tak with him, and to deburs utherwayes anent the tounes affaires as he sall think necessar for geting ane contributioun for the brig or utherwayes for the weill of the toun.

Monye to  
Dainzell.

Ordainis four hundreth pundis Scotis to be given to John Dainziell for his pairt of the brunt monye, provyding he build his windowes with daillis in Saltmercat; but if he build them with stone he is ordained to have sex hundreth pundis, and that imediatly after his topping of the said windowes.

2 December 1671.

Warrantis,  
herring, etc.

Ordaines Peter Gemmill to have ane warrant . . . for fyve hundreth alevine pundis seavine shillings viij d. Scotis, deburst be him for

herring sent to Edinburgh to the tounes advocatis and utheris, and for herring and strong waters sent to severall persones at London and for the tounes advocatis fiellis this last year.

6 December 1671.

The deane of gild made report that he had agried with John Clark, <sup>Agriement with Clark.</sup> measoune, to big the port at the south end of the brig and haill uther work yit undon, to quhilk the toun was to furnish materiellis, and to pay to him fyve hundreth pundis, and ane uther hundreth pundis Scotis in the proveistis will, at his returne, quhilk was allowed and approve be all present.

3 January 1672.

Appoyntis Johne Johnstoune to repair to Edinburgh, and ther to Johnstoune doe all things necessar, and to imploy whom he pleaseth, for stopping of <sup>to Edinburgh, tobacco.</sup> Sir Johne Watsounes gift to pas the seallis, grantit be his Majestie to him of thrie shilling vj d. wpon ilk pund of tobacco imported in this kingdome.

4 January 1672.

Appoyntis ane call to be given to Mr. Johne Gray, now minister at Call, Gray. Tillieallan, to come heir to this burgh and to be ane of the ordinarie ministers therin and the baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyner, to speik with him theranent.

22 January 1672.

There being ane call given to Mr. Johne Gray, minister at Tillieallan, <sup>Call and presentatione, Gray.</sup> for transporting himselfe to Glasgow for exerceising his talent therin in the ministrie, and to preach in ony of the tounes kirkis as he sall be appoynted, ordaines ane presentatioune to be given to him for ane thousand pundis of stipend, and four scoir pundis of hous maill, yearly.

16 March 1672.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and Hugh Nisbit to repair to Lanerk <sup>Levie.</sup> against the twentie of this instant, to meit with the gentlemen of the schyre anent the foot sojouris that ar to be levied in the Kings service, as also anent ane commissioner to be choysen to the parliament for the shyre in place of the Lord Lie.

**Hie kirk.** Appointis the baillies, the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner, to sight the ruinous pairtes of the Outer Hie Kirk and to report.

**Through stones in the hie church-yaird.** The baillies and counsell, taiking to their consideratioune severall abuses committed be divers persones throw selling of their through stones and tombes in the Hie churchyaird, they therfor, after matur advyce and deliberatioune had theranent, doe heirby discharge all manner of persones that non of them presume or tak wpon hand to sell any through stones or tombes in the said Hie kirkyaird in tyme coming, without consent of the magistratis and counsell first had and obtained therto.

6 April 1672.

**Leivie.** John Walkinshaw, deane of gild, who was appoyntit to repair to Lanerk anent the outreik of the tounes pairt of the leivie of foot, quhilkis ar to be sett out at this tyme for his Majesties service, quherof the haill shyre and burghs therin ar only to outreick fyftie twa men, and this burgh pairt, and for Lanerk and Rutherglen, ar to sett out only alevin men therof, and this burghs pairt of theis alevine ar betwixt nyne and ten men.

11 May 1672.

**Warrantis, thesaurer, levie, seamen.** Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant . . . for the sowme of ane thousand eight hundredth seavintie nyne pundis viij s. viij d., deburst be him for the outreik of the tounes pairt of the land souldiers of this present levie, and als for the proportioun of the landis of Provand, and for defraying of the charges of the sex seamen put out be the toune conforme to the act of the secreit counsell.

**Duke Hamiltoun, Coll. Urrie.** Ordaines Peter Gemmill to have ane warrant for the sowme of four hundreth seavintie four pundis Scotis deburst be him for wyne given be the toune to the lord duck Hammiltoun at severall tymes within theis thrie yeares bygaine; and . . . for the sowme of ane hundreth pundis deburst be him for Collonell Urries house maill preceeding this enshewing Witsonday.

**Warrantis, thesaurer, ministers.** Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of fyftine pundis starling deburst be him to Mr. Johne Gray, minister, for his transportatioune from Tillieallane to this burgh to be minister ther, and



for twa hundreth markis given be him to Mr. William Abercrombie for his bygaine preaching in the Uter Hie Kirk.

Ordaines Johne Grahame to put the act against the heritouris of Waist landis. waist landis within this burgh to executioun.<sup>1</sup>

Appoyntis the deane of gild and baillie of Provand to caus build the Provand Provand [mylne] and to sklait the same, and to repair the houssis therof<sup>mylne</sup>. the fittest way they can.

1 *June* 1672.

[Common good set for a year as follows:—mills, 9,000 merks (besides 50 bolls Common good malt as formerly); ladles, 3,500 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 860 merks; tron, set. 1,150 merks; bridge, 1,600 merks.]

22 *July* 1672.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand . . . for thrie Warrandis, hundreth markis given doune be the toune to James Davidsoune aff the thesaurer, last yeares dewtie of the brig throw occasioun of the falling of the brig. yondmost bow therof.

Recommendis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to sight the Grein dyk. dyk at the Grein, on the north syd therof, and to caus big it with stone and kaip it the lenth of the brig at Johne Loukis hous.

Appoyntis Patrick Bryce and Androw Elphingstoune to sie to the Howgait. way at the Howgait, and to caus repair the same and mend it, and that the tounes people be wairned for casting doune the dykis and filling up the same.

3 *August* 1672.

Appoyntis the proveist, baillies, deane of gild, with utheris whom they Kings com- please to tak for their assistance, to provyd quhat things sall be thought<sup>missioner</sup>. most fitt and necessar for interteaning of the Kings commissioner at his coming to this burgh.

Ther was a tak subscrivit to John Baxter and John Bowie, in Tax, Baxter Keppoch, equallie betwixt them, of that hill in commoune callit the<sup>and Bowie, Keppoch</sup>. Quarrellhill, and that peice grund at the Kepoch hill foot, for nyntine yeares fra Mertimes last, for payment of four scoir ten pundis yearly.

<sup>1</sup> "Anent the uphalding of decayed landis within burgh." 1594, c. 36. A.P.S., IV., p. 71.

19 August 1672.

Miller, hous  
foiranent the  
College.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and his bretherin to visit the hous foiranent the Colledge belonging to Thomas Miller and to suffer him come out als far as they think convenient.

26 September 1672.

Warrant,  
M'Gilcreist.

Ordaines Donald M'Gilcreist to have ane warrant for the sowme of [£2,092 17s. 8d.] Scotis monye deburst be him for the charges and expensis, both ordinarie and extraordinarie, the toun was at in interteaning the commissioner and theis who wer with him quhen they wer here at Glasgow.

28 September 1672.

Baillies  
unlawes.

The present thrie baillies gave in compt of their haill unlawes and fynes receivit be them this year, both in the toun court and justice court, since Michaelmes last, quhilk was all fund deburst in puting of poor prenteissis to treds and to uther poor people, conform to the comptis quhilkis wer red and allowed.

Warrantis,  
M'Cuir, late  
archbishop.

Ordaines Robert M'Cuir to have ane warrant for the sowme of sex hundreth eightie seavine pundis Scotis deburst be him to James Fairie, as havand right be assignatioune from the executores of umquhill Androw lait archbishop of Glasgow, in satisfactioun of the bygaine few dewties and tynd tak dewties restand be the toun to him the croptis and yeares of God 1661, 1662 and 1663.

1 October 1672.

Election of  
the magis-  
trats.

The quhilk day, being the ordinarie day for the electioun of the magistratis of this burgh of Glasgow for a year to come, there was sent doune, be the archbishop of Glasgow his servant, ane paper subscrivit be the said archbishop, of this dait, bearing him to desyre for this tyme, for certaine consideratiounes moving him therto, to know quhom the toun counsell of Glasgow and the bodie of the burgessis, or major pairt of them, doe desyre to be their magistratis for the enshewing year, and that they meit for this end, trusting they will be cairfull to manage this affair without tumult; and first he desired to know, as being him selfe impartiall in that, whom they wold have their proveist; and the

persone whom they should recommend (unles his grace upon very weightie reasones to the contrair) sall lykly be nominat be the said archbishop, as the said paper in it selfe beares, being thus subscrivit: R. LIGHTOUNE. And in obedience therto the whoill counsell being mett, about nyne houres in the morning, and acquaint with the said desyre, they did among themselves all nominat Williame Andersoune, present proveist, to be the persone; and therafter conveyning the merchand rank in their hospitall, quher the said paper was red of new againe in their presens, and the crafts being lykwayes conveyned the double of the said paper was red to them (there being conveyned of merchandis and craftis nyne hundreth persones or therby); and having put on lyt, with the said William Andersoune, James Campbell, Johne Bell and Johne Andersoune, younger of Dowhill, to the effect they might recommend quhilk of them they should think fitt to the said archbishop to be proveist of the said burgh for the year enshewing, there wer sex of the said haill number, both merchandis and craftis, votted in favouris of the said James Campbell, thrie of both merchandis and craftis in favouris of the said Johne Bell, and eight of both in favouris of the said Dowhill younger, being seavintine to them thrie, and the haill remanent of the said number in favouris of the said William Andersoune. Therafter the magistratis and counsell, being again conveyned for setting doune the lytis of theis persones on counsell who wer to be lytted both for merchandis and craftis, they did set the samyne doune in manner fallowing, that out of the lytis of the merchand rank twa might be choysen and ane out of the treds, to bear office as baillies of this burgh for the enshewing year, viz., the merchand rank wer divyded into sex lytis, being twa persones in ilk lyt, out of the quhilkis there wer theis sex persones choysen, viz., Peter Gemmill, Donald M'Gilcreist, Johne Braidie, Robert M'Cuir, Walter Gibsone, and John Andersoune. And the tredis wer divydit in thrie lytis, being four persones in ilk lyt, out of quhilk thrie lytis theis thrie persones wer choysen, viz., James Fairie, Johne Gilcreist and Archibald Bogle. Quhilkis lytis made up the number of nyne persones, and theis nyne persones in lyt wer presentit to the archbishop of Glasgow his grace be Johne Walkinshaw, Robert Rae, William Wallace and Patrick Bryce, appoyntit to that end, to the effect the said archbishop might out therof

mak choyse of twa of the said merchand rank and ane of the said tredis to bear office as baillies of this burgh for the year enshewing. And accordingly all being presentit, to wit, the votis for the proveistis electione and lytis for the baillies electione, the said archbishop did first nominat the said William Andersoune to be proveist of this burgh for the enshewing year; and out of the said nyne persones did nominat theis thrie persones to be baillies therof the said year, viz., Peter Gemmill, Donald M'Gilcreist, for the merchand rank, and James Fairie for the tredis. Quhilk nominatioun being againe reportit to the counsell, and the saidis William Andersoune, Peter Gemmill, Donald M'Gilcreist and James Fairie, being all present, did accept the said respective offices in and upon them and gave their oathes as use is.

4 October 1672.

Town council. [The provost and bailies of this and the two preceding years, with four persons to make up the number of twelve, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the council for the ensuing year.]

9 October 1672.

Dean of guild,  
etc. [Office-bearers chosen for the ensuing year :—John Walkinshaw, dean of guild ; Patrick Bryce, deacon-conveuer ; Simon Tennent, treasurer ; John Findlay, visitor of maltmen and mealmen ; John Braidie, water bailie ; Thomas Bogle, master of work ; William Wallace, bailie of Gorbals ; Robert Tennent, visitor of gardeners.]

12 October 1672.

Breid, tallow,  
candle. [The 12 d. wheat loaf to weigh 13 oz. 3 drops ; stone of rough tallow to be sold for 41 s. 4 d. ; well made candle to be sold for 48 s. the stone.]

19 October 1672.

Pooris rollis. Appoyntis baillie Gemmill [and nine others] to meit and conveyin with theis appoyntit be the kirk sessione for rectifieing of the poors rollis.

2 November 1672.

Survey. Appoyntis theis who wer ordained befor to survey the toune for trying out of new intrant beggers to mak ane new survey theranent,

conforme to the act of counsell sett doune anent the same on the xxvij of May 1671, and ratifies and approves the samyne act in all poyntis conforme therto.

7 February 1673.

Appoyntis the proveist to repair to Edinburgh anent the townes <sup>Proveist to</sup> affaires, and refers to him to doe in that affair relaiting to the few dewties <sup>Edinburgh ;</sup> of the Provand quhilk is now persewed be the earle of Craufurd against <sup>anent Pro-</sup> vand tyndis. <sup>vand tyndis.</sup> the toune, as he thinkis most fitt and convenient.

1 March 1673.

The baillies, most pairt of the counsell, sundrie uther gildbrether of <sup>Ruinous tene-</sup> the said burgh, with Robert Boyd, present deacon of the measounes, and <sup>ment in Brig-</sup> Alexander Eglingtoun, lait deacon of the wrightis, being conveyed for <sup>gait to be</sup> sighting of that hous or tenement on the north syd of the Briggait, <sup>taikine</sup> pertaining heretabillly, heigh to the aires of umquhill William Brok and <sup>doune.</sup> Claud Snodgres, tailyeour, and laigh to Johne Bell, younger, merchand, and the saidis Claud, at desyre of the said Johne Bell and Claud Snodgras, both present, in respect the same is verie ruinous and without doubt will shortly fall, and that theis therin dwelling hes removed therfra in respect the samyne without danger cannot be possess, and that the said tenement, being in the hie street, may not only doe prejudice by the fall therof to theis accidentallie passing by, but also may kill theis who repaires to the laigh houssis of the samyne; after sighting therof and consideratiounes had theranent, and finding the samyne most lykly to fall and doe skaith as said is, they all, in one voyce, ordained the samyne to be taken doune, with all dilligence and conveniencie, be the said Robert Boyd and Alexander Eglingtoun, upon the proportionall charges of the heritouris interested therintill, and the said Robert Boyd and Alexander Eglingtoun, after the same is done, to report theranent.

15 March 1673.

It is concluded that no thrugh stones be suffered to be brought <sup>Thruugh</sup> within the Hie Church yaird quhill the counsell give further order. <sup>stones.</sup>

- Coches.** Refers to the proveist, and to quhom he pleases to tak with him, to settle and agrie with ane coachman for serving the toun with haickna choches the best way they can.<sup>1</sup>
- Expenssis of decreittis.** Appoyntis the proveist, baillies, deane of gild, deacon conveyner, Johne Cauldwall, John Hall, and utheris whom they pleas, to conveyn among them selves and set doune ane rule for the expenssis of pley to be contained in the decreitis evictit befor the toune court and deane of gild court. And to rectifie and set doune the order that burgessis and gild-brether sall pay quhen they ar admittit, and to report.
- Fynes of burgessis, etc.**
- Band to the bischop.** There was subscrivit ane band in favouris of the archbischof of Glasgow, contening the sowme of four hundreth pundis starling, borrowit be the toune from him, beiring annualrent only fra Witsonday nixt to come; quhilk sowme is to be receavit be the thesaurer and he to be charged therwith.
- Aot against Barrie.** Anent the complent given in be John Grahame, procuratour fiscall, and James Fairie, ane of the baillies for his entres against John Barrie, fleshour, for that the said John did of lait, in ane fensed justice court, quher the said James Fairie was sittand in judgment, alledge and declar that the said James was not his judge but his pairtie, in sua far as he had seduced and suborned the witnessis that wer leading against him in the caus was then persewit against the said John, in the hous of John Wood, and had given them drink to sueir against him quhilk he offered to prove; as the said complent mair fullie proportis. The said John Barrie compeir-and in the counsell grantit the said complent and did refer himselfe in the counsellis will, who after consideratioune had be them theranent did decerne and ordaine the said John Barrie to pay to the said procuratour fiscall for the use of the poor the sowme of ane hundreth pundis, and he to produce his burges tikit that the samyne may be instantly and publictly riven, by touk of drum, on the heid of the tolbuith stair, and never to be readmittit or receavit burges and gildbrother of this burgh heirafter, or beir any office within the same.

<sup>1</sup> Hackney coaches were started in London in 1634, but the above entry in the council record contains the first notice of their introduction to Glasgow. It is supposed that the early venture was not successful, as Dr.

Alexander Carlyle, who resided in Glasgow in 1743-45, states that there were at that time "neither post-chaises nor hackney carriages" in the city. (Water Supply and Developments of Glasgow, App., p. 21.)

5 April 1673.

Appoyntis ane proclamatiounes to be sent throw the toune dischargeing <sup>Proclama-</sup> all persones, indwellers therein, to mak use of any stoups within the toune <sup>tionne anent</sup> but of such as are sealed with the deane of gildis mark. <sup>stoups.</sup>

Recommendis to the baillies and Johne Cauldwall to consider the <sup>Phisitianes.</sup> supplicatiounes given in be the phisitianes and chyrurgianes and to report.

2 May 1673.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of ten <sup>Warrandis,</sup> pundis starling, payit out to John Clark, measoune, for his paines in <sup>brig, drogs.</sup> attending the great brig the last year the tyme of the repairing therof. And for the sowme of sextie ane pundis sextine shilling Scotis deburst to John Hall, chyrurgiane, for drogs imployed be him on the poor, at command of the magistrat since the secund of October last.

In presens of the proveist, baillies and counsell, compeired Robert <sup>Archbishop.</sup> Rae and Johne Cauldwall, twa of the lait baillies of this burgh, as commissionat from the merchand rank within the samyne, and did present to them ane supplicatiounes from the said merchand rank, makand mentiounes that they being informed of the archbishop of Glasgow his being now at court at London is of intentiounes to dimitt his office as archbishop in our Sovereigne Lordis handis; and considering that the whoill citie and incorporatiounes therin hes lived peacablie and quyetly since the said archbishop his coming to this burgh, throw his cristian cariage and behaveour towardis them, and by his government with great discretiounes and moderatiounes, and fearing if his dimissiounes be receavit the samyne may tend to the great prejudice of this burgh and cuntrie about, and therfor intreating and desyring the said magistratis and counsell to mak applicatiounes to what persones at court they think most fitt, and in pairticular his grace the duk of Lauderdaill, by letters or uther correspondence as they sall pleas. . . .<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The entry is not finished, the lower half of the page being left blank. Archbishop Leighton went into retirement about the end of the year, and Alexander Burnet, who had

previously filled the office, was thereupon restored to the archbishopric. (Life and Letters of Archbishop Leighton, by Rev. D. Butler, 1903, pp. 500-1.)

2 June 1673.

Warrant,  
Bryssoun,  
coach man,  
bellis.

Ordaines Johne Bryssoun to have ane warrant . . . for twa hundreth markis payit to John Tailyeour, the coach man, for his first yeares fiell, conforme to the agriement made with him quhilk is to conteinow during the counsellis will only, and he to have the said twa hundreth markis accordingly yearly; and for fyftine pundis starling deburst to Mr. Kervie for tuning the bellis.

Barrie re-  
admittit.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in be John Barrie, fleshour, mentiouning he was most sorrow full for his fawlt in utring some expressions against the baillies quhen they wer keeping a justice court, for quhilk he was fyned be the counsell and his burges tikit riven, and therfor craving to be readmittit burges and gildbrother of this burgh, quhilk being takin to consideratioune they ordaine the clarkis to give him out ane new extract of his burges and gildbrother tikit.

3 June 1673.

Common  
good.

[Common good set for a year as follows :—mills, 8,600 merks (besides 50 bolls ground malt as formerly); ladles, 2,950 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 900 merks; tron, 1,180 merks; bridge, 1,710 merks.]

9 June 1673.

Contribu-  
tioune,  
Turkis.

Ordaines ane contributioune to be gathered throw the toune for releiff of theis persones taken by the Turkis in that ship callit the Salmond, conforme to the ordour of the secreit counsell given out theranent, and appoyntis [two persons for each of the south, west, north, east, and middle quarters] to collect the said contributioune, and appoyntis them to give a compt therof after their collectioun.

Conynghame,  
bailie at  
Newport.

The proveist made report of his last dilligence at Newport Glasgow, and that he had appoyntit Mr. William Conynghame to be baillie there, quhilk was approve by the counsell, and appoyntis him to get commissiounes subscrivit be the clark for that effect, and the instructiounes to be sent to him; and ordaines the baillies, deane of gild, deacon conveyner, Johne Cauldwell and Hugh Nisbit to sett doune the said instructiounes.



Ordaines the jylour of the tolbuith to receave fra ilk persone that is captivat, at his dimissioune furth of the said tolbuith, being put therin be vertew of captiounes and charges given to the magistratis, ane sufficient liberatioune or discharge to the said magistratis, or ane discharge of the debt, quhilk is to be registrat in the toun court bookis, and the liberatiounes and discharges to be delyvered be him to the clarkis, to be kept be them in the chamber, befor any of the said persones be liberat, and quhilkis liberatiounes ar to be wryttin be the clarkis or their servantis on the parties expensis.

16 August 1673.

Ordaines ane intimatioune to be on Sunday next in the respective churches that theis who keepes not the kirkis will be most severlie punished.<sup>1</sup>

23 August 1673.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of twa hundreth eight pundis nyntine shilling four penneis Scotis, deburst to Jonet Reid for the tounes denner at the last rousing of the commoun guidis and quhat was spent on the twentie nyne day of Maij last.

30 August 1673.

Appoyntis [one person for each of the west, south, east, and north quarters] to goe throw the toun and tak notice of theis who absentis themselves fra the kirk.

Persones ap-  
poynted to  
note the  
absentis fra  
the kirk.

13 September 1673.

Johne Walkinshaw, deane of gild, made report that he had settled and agried with Nathaniell Whyt, plumber, for taking aff and casting againe fra heid to foot, twentie thrie caickis of leid aff the Hie Church, and for casting, melting, and laying them on againe, for quhilk he is to

Agriement  
with the  
plumber in  
mending the  
Hie Church.

<sup>1</sup> In 1672 and 1673 the privy council passed stringent rules for the observance of the laws against conventicles and withdrawal from public meetings of divine worship; and on 25th July of the latter year a commission was given to the Duke of Hamilton and five others to put the laws into execution within the

diocese of Glasgow. Magistrates of burghs were responsible for the inhabitants within their respective jurisdictions, but it is probable that the announcement in the text was issued at the instigation of the diocesan commissioners.

have ane hundreth rex dollouris for his paines, and the toun to furnish leid and uther materiellis, quhilk was allowed and approve be the counsell.

30 September 1673.

Hamiltoun,  
bibleothe-  
carius.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyned, in ansuer to ane supplicatioun given in befor them be maister Johne Hamiltoun, sone lauffull to umquhill William Hamilton, merchand, burges of this burgh, cravand to be admittit bibleothecarius in the colledge of Glasgow, as that place was last occuppyed be maister George Pollok who was in possession therof, and is now in the tounes handis be dimissioune of the same be the said maister George Pollok, who was presentit be them therto, for four yeares space, quherof ther is twa yit to run, they therfor, after mature advyce and deliberatioun had theranent, hes given and grantit, and be the tenour heirop gives and grantis to the said maister Johne Hamiltoun the present vacant place as bibleothecarius in the said colledge for the said space of twa yeares yit to run, with the haill benefeit and casualities belonging therto during the said space, and willis and desyres the principall, professouris, regentis, and maisteris of the said colledge to admitt and receave him therto, conforme to the mortificatione and agriement past betuixt the said colledge and them theranent.

Election of  
the magis-  
tratis.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyned, and understanding this day, being the first Twesday after Michaelmas last, to be the ordinarie day for electing of the magistratis of this burgh for the enshewing year, and becaus Robert, archbishop of Glasgow, had grantit licence to the said magistratis and counsell to sett doune a lyt of thrie persones, out of quhilk lyt the said bishop might choyse one persone to be proveist of this burgh the said year enshewing, and the haill merchand rank being divydit in thrie lytis, ilk lytt contening fyve persones, the said magistratis and counsell electit furth therof theis thrie persones, viz., William Andersoun, present proveist, John Walkinshaw and John Cauldwall, and did direct the said lyt to the Castle of Glasgow, quher the said archbishop was for the tyme, to be presentit to him be Peter Gemmill, James Fairie, Johne Johnstoun and George Andersoun, ane of their ordinarie clarkis, to the effect forsaid; after sighting quherof he did nominat the said William Andersoun to be proveist of this burgh

for the year enshewing; and the saidis persones with that lyt and nominatione being returned, the said William Andersoune, sua nominat to be proveist, did accept the said office in and upon him and gave his oath as use is. And therafter they past on to the making of the lytis for the baillies this year to come, and the haill merchand rank who wer to be lytted, being in number threttin, wer divydit in sex lytis, out of the quhilk sex lytis theis sex persones wer choysen, to wit, Johne Walkinshaw [and five others], out of quhilk sex ther was twa to be choysen be the said archbishop to beir office as twa of the baillies of this burgh for the merchand rank the year enshewing; and the haill tredis who wer to be lyted, being in number twelfe, wer divydit in thrie lytis, out of the quhilkis their was theis thrie persones choysen, to wit, James Colhoune [and two others], that out therof the said archbishop might choyse one to be the thrid baillie of this burgh for the enshewing year. And accordingly the said sex persones of the merchand rank, and thrie of the said tradis rank, being presentit to the said archbishop be Johne Cauldwall, William Wallace and the said George Andersoune, he did nominat the said John Walkinshaw and Hugh Nisbit, for the merchand rank, and the said Johne Hall, for the craftis, to be the thrie baillies of this burgh for the said year enshewing. And the said nominatiounes and lytis being returned, the saidis Johne Walkinshaw, Hugh Nisbit and Johne Hall, all present in counsell, did accept the said offices in and upon them and gave ther oathes *de fidei administratione* therintill as use is.

### 3 October 1673.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years chose thirteen merchants Toune  
and twelve craftsmen to be on the town council for the ensuing year.] counsell.

### 6 October 1673.

Grantis libertie to William Wood, merchand in Edinburgh, to sell Venter seck.  
to any persone in toune he pleases eight butis of seck or therby, with some botle glasses and window and drinking glasses, for quhilk libertie he is to pay twa hundreth markis Scotis, to be equallie divydit betwixt the merchandis and craftis hospitallis, conforme to the offer made therof be James Fairie in his name.

8 October 1673.

Dean of gild,  
etc. [Office-bearers for the ensuing year chosen as follows :—John Cauldwall, dean of guild ; Patrick Bryce, deacon-convenor ; John Findlay, visitor of maltmen ; John Brysoun, treasurer ; John Braidie, water bailie ; Robert M'Cuir, bailie of Gorbals ; William Hutchesoun, visitor of gardeners.]

11 October 1673.

Master of  
wark. [Thomas Bogle continued master of work for ensuing year.]  
Braid, candle,  
and tallow. [The wheat loaf weighing 14 oz. to be sold for 12 d. ; tallow, 41 s. 4 d. the stone ; candle, 48 s. the stone.]

Compt  
baillies fynes. The last yeares baillies made compt of their fynes quhilkis wer all spent and dystribut wpon poor persones, except fyftie markis given to Robert Andersoun, son to Robert Andersoun, smith, to put him to ane tred.

Whytfoord  
coffie hous. In ansuer to the supplicatioun given in befor them be Collonell Walter Whytfoord, craving libertie to sett up within this burgh for making, selling and topping of coffie therin, they have given and grantit, and heirby gives and grantis libertie to him to sett up to sell, top and vent coffie within the samyne burgh, for the space of nyntine yeares nixt after the dait heir of ; and that, during that space, no uther stranger sall have that libertie and priviledge, provyding alwayes, as it is heirby provyded, that he sall set up for the effect forsaid within the space of four monethis nixt after this day and dait.<sup>1</sup>

26 October 1673.

Warrant,  
Hie Kirk. Ordaines Donald M'Gilcreist to have ane warrant for the sowme of thrie hundreth fyfty ane pundis xiiij s. deburst be him for leid to the Hie Kirk for theiking pairt therof.

Candle-  
houssis and  
workhoussis  
for fleshouris  
and utheris. It being presentit to the proveist, baillies and counsell, that sundrie of the fleshouris wer desyrous to tak several peices of the Candlerig to

<sup>1</sup> Referring to the common belief that the first coffee-house in England was set up at Cornhill, London, in 1654, Dr. R. Chambers states that the first time we hear of such a conveniency north of the Tweed is when

Colonel Whytfoord obtained the privilege mentioned in the text. An Edinburgh coffee-house is referred to in 1677. (*Domestic Annals* (1859), II., pp. 359-60).

build houssis on, after rysing of the counsell, they having past to the grund therof and ther sightit and considered therupon, they appoyntit the dean of gild and his bretherin to meit with them, or ony utheris theranent, and to measor of to them such partes as they pleased, and to sett doune the fewdewtys sall be payable yearly therfor, and to report.

In ansuer to the desyre of them that intendis to build a soparie,<sup>1</sup> and Soaperie. craves libertie therfor for building houssis, yairdis and pertinents, on the end of the land rig bocht fra Mr. William Wilsoune on the north end therof, foiragainst Johne Hoomes hous builded on the Candlerig, the said magistrates and counsell grantis them that libertie for building the said houssis for a soaparie, they always living the streit betwixt it and the said John Hoomes hous als breid as betwixt Allane Dougallis syd wall and the fleshmercat.

20 December 1673.

Appoyntis ane bank to be sent throw the toune on Wednesday nixt, Gorballs desyryng all persones who intendis to tak the Gorbail oarchyaird and hous, belonging to the toune, to come to the tolbuith on Tuesday nixt, oarchyaird and hous to be roupd and come eight dayes, quher the same is to be roupd, and who bids mast<sup>set</sup> therfor sall get the same set to them, on sufficient securitie.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to sight the how<sup>Swans</sup> yet.

<sup>1</sup> Previous to the year 1619 soap was imported into Scotland from foreign countries, chiefly from Flanders, but in that year one Nathaniel Uddart erected a soapwork at Leith, and obtained a monopoly for supplying that commodity throughout the whole country. On the expiry of Uddart's patent in 1634, "Patrick Mauld of Panmure" acquired from the King the sole privilege of making soap within the kingdom for the space of 31 years. (Chambers's Domestic Annals, I., pp. 511-12; II., pp. 80-81.) M'Ure gives 1667 as the date when the Glasgow company of soapmakers was formed, supplies a list of "nine persons of distinction concerned therein," and mentions that, "for effectuating their projects, each of them gave

in £1,500 sterling in order to carry on a great trade towards the Straits and the Greenland fishing. They built a ship at Belfast, in Ireland, burdened 700 tons, carrying 40 pieces of ordnance, rigging, ammunition, provision, and other necessaries; the ship's name was called *Lyon*. They built another ship called the *George*, with two other ships, and were all fitted out; and all their projects were frustrated, and that considerable stock entirely lost, and nothing remained save the buildings wherein soap is boiled, and now pertains to other people. It is a great work, consisting of four lodgings, cellars, houses of store, and other conveniences for trade, being a pretty square court." (History of Glasgow (1830 edition), p. 227.)

way at Suans yet, quhilk John Andersoune craves to be altered, and to report.

10 *January* 1674.

Offer of  
tobacco and  
utheris.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to sight the guidis offered to the toune be William Johnstoune and William Bouk, quhilkis ar as fallowes, viz., fourtie hodgeid is of Virgin leiff tobacco, twelwe barrellis roll and cutt, at threttie sex pundis per cent. guid and bad, eight caskis of casnutt sugger at sextine pundis xvj s. per cent., four thousand pund weight of ginger at eightine pundis per cent., a tune of ungrund logwood at ane hundreth and twentie pundis per tune; and they to report.

15 *January* 1674.

Offer of  
wynes.

In ansuer to ane offer made to the toune be Charles Charteris, merchand in Edinburgh, and pertinens, of threttie tun of French wyne, or therby, imported be them from Burdeaux at twentie fyve pundis starling the tune full wyne, to be receavit at the ship syd, the magistratis and counsell did appoynt Robert Rae and Peiter Gemmill to meit with the said Charles Charteris theranent and to get his offer moir particular, and how much of the said wyne is whyt and how much claret, with the envoys therof, and the loest pryce he intendis to sell the same, and they to report.

17 *January* 1674.

Wyne,  
tobacco.

Robert Rae and Peter Gemmill made report that Charles Charteris refused to mak offer of the ships loadning of wyne on ony uther termes or easier rate than he had done befor, quherwpon the said magistratis and counsell did refus to accept the samyne on theis termes and at that rate, and therfor heirby gives him libertie to sell the same in haill sail to any of the burgessis of this burgh, he not selling the same under that rate and in haill sail on the same termes, under the penaltie of ane thousand pundis Scotis. As also they refused to accept of the offer of the tobacco and uther guidis offered be William Johnstoune and pertinens, and grantes them also libertie to sell the samyne to burgessis of this burgh in haill sail conforme to the termes and at the rate offered.

There was a few dispositiounes [of land] at the bak of the fleshmercat, <sup>Few dispositiounes of the soaparie subscrivit.</sup> for building thereon a soaparie subscrivit be the magistratis and counsell to and in favouris of John Andersoune, younger of Dowhill, James Colhoune and John Grahame, and their pertinens, of the breadth of threttie fyve elnes and of the lenth of seavintine elnes or therby, for payment of fourtine pundis Scotis yearly of fewdutie, and ordaines the same to be registrat in tounes recordis of dispositiounes and utheris, and the same to beir als great faith, as also the extractis therof, as the principall itselfe, in respect the same is hereby ordained be ordour of the said magistratis and counsell to be given wp to them.

Ordaines Donald M'Gilcreist to have a warrand for the sowme of twa <sup>Warrand, M'Gilcreist.</sup> hundreth fourtie pundis Scotis, deburst be him for French wyne given be the tounes to Sir Johne Harper, at severall tymes, for service done be him to the said burgh.

24 January 1674.

It is statut and ordained be the saidis magistratis and counsell that all <sup>Act anent poor prentises.</sup> poor boyes who sall happin to be put to treds heirafter be them, and their prenteis fies payit to their maisteris be them, that if ever they come and attein to be able tradsmen that they shall be obleist, be vertew of ane claus to be insert in their indenters relative heirto, ather to pay bak to the tounes the prenteis fie, sua to be payit for them to ther said maisteris for puting of a boy to a tred, or then to tak ane poor boy prenteis gratis with them in their trade, as the magistratis sall present to them, and to keep the said poor boy in meit, drink, and bedding, in houshold with themselves, and teach and instruct them in ther trade, under the penaltie of their loosing their fredome within this burgh.

There was a tak subscrivit of the oarchyard in Gorballis and hous <sup>Tak to Fairie.</sup> therin, last possest be Alexander Pollok in favouris of James Fairie, lait baillie, for nyne yeares space [for payment of £113 yearly]; and recomendis to the deane of gild and baillie of Gorballis to sight the said yeard dyk and caus repair the samyne on the tounes expensis as the tounes sall think fitt.

Ordaines John Grahame to pay to Mr. David Liddell, minister at <sup>Warrand, Grahame.</sup> the barrony kirk of Glasgow, the sowme of nyne hundreth pundis Scotis, for his yeares stipend serving the cuir at the said kirk and furnishing

communion elementis, fra Mertinmes 1672 to Merminmes 1673; and for ane yeares annualrent, conforme to the act of parliament, of twa thousand markis payit be him to the said Mr. David Liddell, quhilk the tounne is awand to him be band for the samyne year.

20 *February* 1674.

Agreement  
with Clark.

The deane of gild made report that he had settled and agried with Johne Clark, measoun, for building of stone staires to the heigh cellaris at Newport Glasgow, at fyve pundis starling ilk stair; and the said Johne Clark is to furnish stone, lymne, and all uther necessities; quhilk agriement the said magistratis and counsell allowed and approved off.

Act anent the  
skinners of  
Gorballis.

In ansuer to the supplicatioun given in be the said magistratis and counsell be William Goveane, deacon of the skinners in Glasgow in name of the said calling, and be William Fergusoune, oversman of the skinners of Gorballis, in name of the samyne tred there, mentioning that quher there is a contract and agriement past betwixt the said skinners of Glasgow, on the ane part, and the said skinners of Gorballis, on the uther pairt, daitit the twentie twa day of Maij 1657, quherby there is certane heidis and artickles and severall priviledges grantit, drawne wp and concluded betwixt them, to remayne inviolable in all tyme heiraftir, and specially in incorporating the said skinners in Gorballis in a calling, granting them the libertie to choyse a oversman yearly, and the admissioun of friemen; and moir particularly that ilk stranger entrand frieman with the said skinners of Gorballis sall pay to the skinner craft of Glasgow for the use of their poor ten markis. Item, that ilk servand or jurnayman that is fied by the skinners of Gorballis and beis booked that he sall pay to the skinners of Glasgow fyftine shilling Scotis at his booking, with the clarkis fies. Item, that everie friemans sone pay to the skinners of Glasgow, quhen he setis up, threttie shilling Scotis at his entrie, and that ilk persone setting wp with the said skinners of Gorballis mariand a friemans daughter pay to the said skinners of Glasgow the lyk sowme. Item, that all prenteisses quhen they ar booked with the said skinners of Gorballis pay for their booking to the skinners of Glasgow xij s. Scotis, and that ilk prenteis in Gorballis quhen he enters frieman with them sall pay at his entrie fyve markis for the use of the poor of the skinners



of Glasgow. As the said contract past theranent, conteining sundrie uther heidis, obleismentis and conditiounes, of the dait forsaid, dewlie ratified and allowed be the magistratis and counsell of the said burgh for the tyme, on the twentie thrie day of Maij 1657, mair fullie proportis. And the said supplicantis taking to their consideratioune that non of the said dewes being payit to the poor of the skinners of Gorballis, and that therby their commoune guid and yearly rent of their tred is no wayes augmentit, and the poor of that calling throw that meines neglectit, there being nothing gottin in to helpe them, and that lykly by that meane the calling will come to ruine, and therfor cravand the said magistratis and counsell to consider the premissis, and that notwithstanding of the said contract that they wold authorize the said skinners of Gorballis to exact aff the said straingers servandis, friemens sones, persones mariand friemens daughters and prenteissis in Gorballis, that sail happin to be booked and entred friemen with the said skinners in Gorballis, that they pay to the use of the poor of the said skinners in Gorballis the lyk mulctis and fynes that is payit to the said skinners of Glasgow, conforme to the said contract, to the effect the said skinner tred in Gorballis may flourish, and the said skinner tred in Glasgow may the better obtain performed to them the haill heidis and clausis specifeit in the said contract, as the said supplicatioune beires. Quhilk being red to the said proveist, baillies and counsell, and they taking the same to their consideratioune, advyce and deliberatioune, the said magistratis and counsell, after mature advyce and consideratioune had theranent, hes statut and ordained, and heirby statutis and ordaines that the said skinners of Gorballis sail exact and requyre off all strangers servandis, friemen sonnes, persones mariand friemens daughters, prenteissis, and utheris entrand and booking them selves, and sail pay the lyk mulctis and fynes the samyne persones wer in use to pay to the said skinner tred of Glasgow, sua that conforme to the said contract, quhat ever any of them payes to the said skinners of Glasgow for booking or entry, they sail pay the lyk to the said skinners of Gorballis; and therwpon declares this act to be in full force as if the samyne had bein done and concluded on by the said contract and ratified by their said predicessouris therin, the samyne mulctis and fynes being alwayes applyed for the use of the poor of the said skinners of Gorballis.

21 *March* 1674.

Survey for  
orray persons  
and strangers.

Appoyntis the persones fallowing with the respective ministers of ilk quarter to goe [through] the respective quarters of the toune for taking notice of strangers and beggers and orray weamen that dwellis in the toune, viz. [three persons for each of the west, north, middle, east, and south quarters]; with power to the said persones to punish, benish and fyne the said persones or imprisone them or their landlordis who setis them the housis as thei sall think just and to report.

Warrant,  
Bogle.

Ordaines Thomas Bogle to have ane warrant for the sowme of [£ 455 17 s.] Scotis payit be him out of the excys to the proveist for his charges and expenssis and debursmentis, and of theis who went with him to attend the parliament and goeing to meit duik Hammiltoune quhen he come from London, conforme to the compt therof red and allowed.

27 *April* 1674.

Bogle, cull-  
ouring unfre-  
menis gudis.

The magistratis and counsell having conveyned befor them James Bogle, merchand, wpon complent made be severall of the merchandis alledging the said James had intrometted with a ships loadning of sek lying in Clyd that did belong to straingers and had disposed theron, and so did cullour unfriemens guidis under cullour of his awine, the said James, be his oath taken be the said magistratis and counsell, deponed that ther was only a fourt pairt of the said sek that pertained to him, quhilk fourt pairt extended to eight butis and a quarter, and that he bought the said fourt pairt of the loading from George M'Kaitnes in Irland befor the ship come that length; and declared that the rest of the ships loadning belonged to Alexander Simpsoune, merchand in Edinburgh.

Act to  
Armour.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in befor them be James Armour, elder, merchant, burges of Glasgow, cravand licence to tak doune a peice of the Laigh Kirk yaird dyk, at the south gavell of his tenement of land in Trongait, to the effect he may rebuild the same in ane syd wall to the end of his gavill and put out lightis theron, for the better conveyencie of a dwelling hous, conforme to the rest of his landis and remanent buildings ther on the south syd of the said dyk yaird, and by doeing therof the said kirkyaird will be augmentit, as the said supplicatioune beires. After reiding therof and consideratioune had theranent, the said magis-

tratis and counsell, after their dismissing out of the counsell hous, past to the said kirk yaird, and their sightit the desyre of the supplicant, and finding the same to be most reasonable and nowayes prejudiciall to the kirk yaird, but most helpfull therto, they grantit to the said James Armour his desyre forsaid therintill, and grantis licence to him to mak use of the stones he sua takis doune out of the said dyk for rebuilding therof, or utherwayes as he thinks fitt, he alwayes building that place in sufficient guid work lyk the rest of the houssis there.

30 May 1674.

The gras of the Old Grein for this present cropt is appoyntit to be Old Grein. given to James Rowand for fyftine pundis starling payit be him to the thesaurer in hand, notwithstanding the samyne, after rousing, was set to Patrik Bryce for nyntine pundis starling, in respect the said Patrik refused ather to give monye or securitie therfor.

2 June 1674.

[Common good set for a year as follows :—Mills, 9,700 merks (besides 50 bolls Common malt as formerly); ladles, 4,140 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 820 merks; <sup>good set.</sup> tron, 960 merks; bridge, 1,860 merks.]

9 June 1674.

Appoyntis [two bailies and four others] to meit and setle with Johne Post. Grahaime, post maister, and to setle with him anent the establishing of a post in the toune the best way they can.

20 June 1674.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyined, for severall Bennie, caussis and guid consideratiounes moving them, and in ansuer to the <sup>office of the</sup> deid bell. supplicatioune given in befor them be Hugh Benny, merchand, burges of this burgh, they have given and grantit and heirby gives and grantis to the said Hugh Benny the office of the deid bell of this burgh, and haill casualities and profiteis therof belonging therto, now vacant in their handis and at their gift and disposell, and that *ad vitam suam aut culpam*, he serving the inhabitentis and utheris as any had that place of befor servit

therin, and with the best decencie as becometh, he paying to the grave makers for their service; and if he happine to mak any fault in the said office the magistratis and counsell sall be only judges to the tryell therof.

Bark  
measuris.

Appoyntis the deane of gild to call for the bark measouris and to tak informatioun how big the same war formerly, and to caus mak them so as they wer. As also appoyntis the deane of gild to agrie with John Clark, measoune, for setting wp of thrie pearches wpon the thrie lawes betwixt Newport and Greinock.<sup>1</sup> And to buy timber for the subdeanes

Pearches.

Mylnes and  
dames.

mylnes. And to caus with all expeditioun repair the new mylne dame at Partick and to helpe the wallis of the wack mylne ther.

Warrant,  
Bogle, blew-  
coatis.

Ordaines Thomas Bogle to pay to Archibald Gray threttie pundis Scotis in satisfactioun to him of a hors with saddle and brydle he lost in the tounes service quhen the blewcoatis wer put out by the tounes.

Act in favoris  
of mistres  
Cumyng.

The magistratis and counsell being conveyned it was represented to them that mistres Cumyng, mistres of maners, was to goe aff and leve the tounes, in respect of the small employment shoe had within the same, quhilk they fund to be prejudiciall to this place, and in particular to theis who hes young weamen to breid therin, it was therfor concluded be the said magistratis and counsell, for her farder incurragement, if shoe will stay within the said burgh that shoe sall have payit to her ane hundreth markis yearly in all tyme coming, to pay her hous mail, so long as shoe keepes a school and teaches childerin as formerly, and quhilk they obleist them and their successouris to perform accordingly by thir presentis.

Wheit breid.

Appoyntis the baillies, dean of gild and conveyner to set doune new statutis on the wheit breid, in respect that wheit is darer than formerly.

Proveistis  
yaird to be  
bought in.

The magistratis and counsell being conveyned, in ansuer to the supplicatioun given in befor them be the haill burgessis about the Wyndheid from James Colhounes hous wpward, craving that the tounes wold [give] to them ane peice grund for washing and bleitching of their clothes, als commodious as they can, as uther burgessis of the tounes hes, in respect the whoill places quher they wer wont to bleitch and wash on ar dycked in and parked; quhilk supplicatioun being fund most reasonable be the

<sup>1</sup> Pearches were poles fixed in shallow places, called "lawes" in the text, to guard against the grounding of vessels. On 24th

August, 1674, authority was given for a payment to John Clark, mason, "for setting up the pearches betwixt Newport and Grinok."

said magistratis and counsell, they appoynted the baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to meit with the proveist, and to buy that yaird he hes belonging to him at the bak of the Hie Kirk, nixt the burne ther, at als easie ane rate as they can, to the effect the samyne may be applyed for the use of the said persones, petitioners, for washing and bleitching therin, and to report.

4 July 1674.

Appoyntis the deane of gild to send the bell of the merchand hospitall <sup>Bell of the merchand hospitall</sup> to be castin over againe, and to appoynt the payment therof the best way <sup>he can.</sup>

25 August 1674.

Ordaines the thesaurer [to have] ane warrand for the sowme of <sup>Warrand, thesaurer.</sup> fourtine pundis fourtine penneis deburst be him to Andrew Steinstoune, meilman, for nyne furlotis beir as the ferme, conforme to the bishops fear, of that peice land at the foot of the new vennell in Dowhill, the last crompt 1673, quhilk the toune hes ther for the use of the burgessis washing and bleitching ther; and farder it is condeschendit be the said magistratis and counsell that the said peice grund be keeped for the use forsaid, and the toune to pay the lyk dewtie therfor yearly.

[The magistrates and council confirmed former acts authorising the redemption of feu duties and annual rents on payment of 17 years' purchase (see vol. II., pp. 483, 485, 488), and authorised "John Grahame, present collector of their few-<sup>Anent buying in of the townes few-duties.</sup> maillis and grund annuallis, to receave the monyes sall be gotten in fra the heritouris that sall happin to buy in their respective annualrents or fewdewties payable out of their respective lands . . . and that the clark give the lyk act of counsell for ane warrand and discharge to the burgesses, buyers of the samyne annualrentis and fewdewties, as any former clark gave to any utheris formerly; and that the samyne annualrentis and fewdewties sua bocht in be scored out of the rentallis."]

15 September 1674.

Ordaines Thomas Bogle to have ane warrand for the sowme of eight <sup>Warrands</sup> hundreth pundis Scotis payit to John Clark, measoune, for building the <sup>Bogle, sub-deanes</sup> subdeanes mylne, conforme to the agriement betwixt the toune and him mylne, . . . and for [£1,032 6s. 8d.] to the mylne wright for work at the <sup>stockis.</sup>

subdeanes mylne, and to John Wallace for uther wright work therat . . . as also for [£333 6s. 8d.] to Alexander Goveane for iron work to the subdeane millis and the stockis.

Cauldwall,  
stair, gutter.

In ansuer to the desyre of Johne Cauldwall, deane of gild, the magistratis and counsell grantis him libertie to put out ane stair in the foir streit in that tenement of land in Saltmercat quhilk sometyme belonged to (*blank*) Park, and now to the said John, quhen he sall happin to build the said land, with power to him to come als far out with his said stair as the strand or gutter that rines doune that syd of the streit, that he may lay a brig stone over the samyne.

Proveistis  
yaird bought  
in.

Theis persones who wer appoyntit to buy the yaird at the bak of the Hie Kirk fra the proveist made report they had bought the samyne, and therfor the said magistratis and counsell appoynt that the haille burgessis, inhabitentis of this burgh, sall have libertie for washing and bleitching theron in all tyme coming, quhilk they heirby grant to them.<sup>1</sup> Ordaines

<sup>1</sup> The property thus purchased was, in pre-Reformation times, possessed by the subchanter, a cathedral dignitary who had here his manse and adjoining grounds. In 1567, "Mr. John Hammyltoun, sub-chanter of the metropolitan church of Glasgow," feued out the lands (Glasgow Protocols, Nos. 965-6), and subsequently the sub-chanter and his successors were entitled to the feu-duty only. In the conveyance to the town, granted by "William Andersoun, portioner of Newtoun, younger, merchant, burgess of Glasgow, present proveist thereof, with consent of Jeane M'Dougall, his spouse," the purchased portion is described as "that meikle yaird adjacent to theis landis and croftis callit the Sub-chanters Croft and Bell Croft, lyand within the territorie of this burgh, at the bak of the great metropolitane church thereof, and quhilk yaird is boundit betwixt the burne of Malindinor on the east, the landis of Mr. Francis Kincaid and utheris on the west, the said croftis on the north, and the passage to the said burne, with the landis of Mr. Robert Goveane, on the south partes" (MS.

Inv. of Writs, I., bundle 32). Robert Goveane's adjoining land on the south, described in the old titles as a "great yeard, with the well, lying at the back of the metropolitan church," was acquired by the town from James Hamilton of Aikenhead in 1761, and in the council minutes it is stated that "the yeard had been bought by the magistrates for the town towards enlarging of Leitches Yard," apparently the name by which the bleaching ground was then known. (MS. Council Rec., xxvii., pp. 580-1; MS. Inv. of Writs, II., bundle 24, lot 1). Eventually the land acquired in 1761, along with adjoining areas purchased from John Riddell in 1791 (*Id.*, lot 2), was added to the Cathedral burying-ground. Some interesting particulars regarding the occupation of the bleaching ground are given in a council minute dated 30th June, 1741. A difference had arisen between the millers of the subdean mill and of the malt mill, at the Townhead, on the one hand, and "the inhabitants in the north quarter" on the other, "in reference to each of them their claiming the use and benefit of that

John Grahame to have warrand for the sowme of twa thousand markis deburst be him to the proveist for the pryce of his yaird the toun he bought fra him; quhilk sowme sall be allowed to the said John in the first end of the sowmes he is to compt for, collectit for few and tynd dewties.

Act to  
Turner and  
Fairie.

The magistratis and counsell considering that they had appoyntit James Fairie to quyt that yaird or oarchyaird in Gorballis with the pertinentis, belonging to the toun, to Sir James Turner, at the earnest desyre of the said Sir James, for payment of ane hundred pundis yearly, notwithstanding that the said James Fairie be obleist by tak to pay to the toun ane hundreth threttine pundis and ane mark thairfor yearly, and therfor they discharge them of the said threttine pundis and a mark of yearly tak dewtie during the tak, be thir presentis, and declares that they ar only to pay therfor ane hundreth Scotis during the tyme of the said tak.

24 September 1674.

Ordaines Johne Gilhagie to have ane warrand for the sowme of ane Warrand, hundreth seavintie ane pundis Scotis payit to John Cauldwall for sklaitis

subdeanes  
mylne,  
excoyse,  
Partick  
mylne dam.

yeard called Leitch yeard, and brinks of the Molendinar burn, the one for pasturing the miln-horses and the other for washing and bleaching." The council, taking into consideration that "the said yeard was purchased by the town for the service of the inhabitants in the north quarter, for washing and bleaching, do therefor strictly prohibite and discharge the milners of the above milns, and their servants, to molest, impede, or hinder the inhabitants, or any of them, in the north quarter, any manner of way, in their using of the said yeard for washing and bleaching; and likewise prohibite and discharge the said milners to pasture their horses upon the said yeard, or brinks of the burn, while the inhabitants are washing and bleaching thereon; but prejudice to the milners to pasture their horses thereon when there is no washing or bleaching upon the Saturdays evening and Sabbath days, or in these times when there is no washing or bleaching. . . . Reserv-

ing always nevertheless to the magistrates and council to dispose and make use of the said yeard to what other use they think proper and as they shall see cause, notwithstanding of the above liberty." (MS. Council Records, xxiv., p. 334.)

Latterly the bleaching ground was managed by the "North Parish Washing Green Society," incorporated by a seal of cause obtained from the magistrates and council on 15th January, 1794. The society also acquired adjoining plots, and their whole property was transferred to the Royal Infirmary in 1873. (MS. Sasine Reg., 595, p. 65.) In connection with the covering over of Molendinar Burn and other improvements carried out by the Corporation, under the Improvements Acts, the site of the old washing green was again acquired by the Corporation (Purchase No. 1115), but was recently reconveyed to the Infirmary authorities for the purposes of their extension scheme (Sale No. 325).

to the subdeanes mylnes, conforme to the compt. And for [£ 3,228 12 s.] Scotis sent to Edinburgh for paying of Sir William Scharpe of the thrie moneths excyse, viz., for February, March and Aprill last . . . And for ane hundreth markis Scotis given to Robert Hammiltoun for granting libertie to the toune to dig stones out of his land for mending the new mylne dam of Partick.

**Provan fear.** Appoyntis James Andersoune, chamberland of Provane, to give fourtie penneis doune to the tennentis of Provand of ilk boll of beir of the Provand fier, the last year, in respect the same was promist to them by the stryckers therof quhen the said fear was strukin.

**Warrant, school, drogs.** Ordaines the thesaurer to have a warrant for ten rex dollouris given to George Waird for his incuradgment to stay in the toune and keep a school; and for thrie scoir eightine pundis xij s. Scotis payit to John Hall, baillie, for drogs furnished be him to poor people in the toune.

**Augmentatioun, Wingate, fiell.** In ansuer to the supplicatioun given in befor the said magistratis and counsell be Mr. John Wingait, craving humblie ane augmentatioun of the fiell and benefeice allowed to him yearly by the toune as ane of the doctouris of the Grammer School, in respect of the ane hundred pundis quhilk he getis yeirly cannot mentein him and his familie, they therfor ordained him to get twentie pundis farder ilk yeir, quhilk is j<sup>e</sup> xx li. Scotis monye, yearlie, during his service as ane of the doctouris of the said school.

**Compt baillies fynes.** The baillies made ane accompt of their fynes this last year, quherof the charge extendis to twa hundreth sextie nyne pundis xij s. viij d., and quhilk by the discharge they find to be all destribut by puting of four prenteises to tradis, and given to uther poor persones out of charitie for their helpe and supplie, and therfor the magistratis and counsell heirby exoners and discharges them therof.

1 October 1674.

**Warrant, fyne for conventickles.** Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for . . . the sowme of ane hundreth pundis starling quhilk is sent to Edinburgh for paying the fyne that the toune was fyned in for conventickles that was kept therein sen March last.

**j<sup>e</sup> markis quat to Blair, tron.** In ansuer to ane supplicatioun given in to the said magistratis and



counsell be John Blair, taksman of the tron, craving ane ease of his dewtie for the los he susteined the last year throw the great storme, and also in respect he had takin the tron over dear that year, and that at that tyme ther was a ease promised by sundrie of the counsell; quhilkis being takin to the said magistratis and counsell their consideratiounes they ordained the thesaurer to quat him ane hundreth markis in satisfactiounes of his said los the last year.

Ordaines Donald M'Gilcreist [and two others] to sight Goveane Kirk <sup>Goveane Kirk.</sup> and to tak notice if Johne Clark, measouner, hes builded the wast end therof sufficiently, and to report the next day, that payment may be appoyntit him for the tounes pairt therof for the landis of Gorballis.

[James Andersoun, "chamberland of Provan," gave an account of his intro- <sup>Provan</sup> missions with the rents for the six years 1667-72, both inclusive. The charge <sup>compt.</sup> amounted to £20,679 12 s. 9 d., and the discharge to £17,023 15 s. 3 d., which, with £3,704 8 s. 8 d. "restand be the tennentis of non payments," made the discharge extend to £20,728 3 s. 11 d. The discharge thus exceeded the charge by £48 11 s. 2 d., which sum was to be allowed the chamberlain in his next account.]

In ansuer to the supplicatiounes given in befor them be William <sup>Hyndshaw,</sup> Hyndshaw, merchand, burges of this burgh, craving libertie to dig clay, <sup>tobacco pyps.</sup> for making of tobacco pyps therof, in any pairt of the tounes commone quher he sall find the samyne, or in the landis of Provand belonging to the tounes, the said magistratis and counsell grantis libertie to the said William Hyndshaw to dig clay for the use forsaide in any pairt of the tounes commone or landis of Provand belonging to the tounes quher he sall happin to get the samyne, he satisfieing the tennentis and possessouris of theis pairtes therof quher he sall dig in for the damage they sall sustein therby, and filling wp the hollis againe sufficiently with earth.

3 October 1674.

Ther was a chartour of confirmatiounes of the landis of Balgray <sup>Charter,</sup> subscrivit in favouris of William Stirling, and his entrie being but <sup>Balgray.</sup> small is remittit to him for service done be him to the tounes, having fund be Silvertounehill his last chartour to umquhill Walter Neilsone of the said landis that the double of the fewdewtie therin specifeit should be in satisfactiounes of all compositiounes of any who should enter thereafter.

6 October 1674.

Places  
vacant, de-  
claratioune.

The saidis magistratis and counsell being conveyined, and taking to their consideratioune that Patrick Bryce, deacon conveyiner, and John Braidie, water baillie, wer both extraordinarie counsellouris, and Simon Tennent, John Waddrop, and Archibald Bogle, ordinarie counsellouris, and that non of them had takin the declaratioune, they therfor declared there places vacant, and declared that they nather should have vott or be votted on in the electioun of the magistratis.

Electioun of  
the magis-  
tratis.

The said day, being the ordinarie day of the electioun of the magistratis of this burgh for the enshewing year, compeired (*blank*), servitour to ane most reverend father in God, Alexander archbishop of Glasgow, and producit ane letter direct be the said archbishop to the said magistratis and counsell, quherin he did nominat John Bell, formerly proveist of the said burgh, to be proveist therof for the enshewing year, who being sent for, come, did accept and give his oath of fidelitie as use is. Therafter the said John Bell, new electit proveist, ordored sex persones to be sent for to be added to the counsell in place of Patrick Bryce, deacon conveyiner, John Braidie, Simon Tennent, John Waddrop, Archibald Bogle and the deceast Alexander Elphingstoune, in respect fyve of them on lyfe had not takin the declaratioune. As also ordored twa persones to be sent for in place of John Andersone, elder and younger of Dowhill, who had bein choysen to be ordinarie counsellouris but had never acceptit the place, and ane uther in place of John Findlay whom the proveist ordered to remove, being present, in respect he had not takine the declaratioune altho he then offered to tak it and subscriyve the samyne; quherunto it was ansuered be the proveist, William Andersoune, John Cauldwall, deane of gild, and severall utheris of the counsell, for them selves and in name of the haill counsell, that the present proveist, John Bell, could not send for any persones to be joyned to the counsell in place of the foirnamed persones without advyce and consent of the present counsell, and that ther wes no necessitie of filling wp the places of Patrick Bryce and John Bradie, they being both extraordinarie counsellouris by their places, and that non could be choysen in place of Douhill, elder and younger, their places being never declared vacant, and that John Findlay could not be removed or ony put in his place in respect of his offering to

tak the declaratioun; to quhich it was replyed be the new electit proveist that he wold send for persones in place of theis who had not takine the declaratioun, and that the present counsell had done wrong, contrair the act of parliament, in suffering them to sitt on counsell without taking the declaratioun, and that he wold also supplie the places of theis persones forsaid who had not acceptit as counsellouris, and who ar deceast, befor he wold mak any lyt for electing of the baillies; quherwpon the said new electit proveist, William Andersoune and John Cauldwall, for themselves and in name of the counsell, took instrumentis *hinc inde*. Therafter the proveist, John Bell, without ony of the persones whom he ordored to be sent for, did sett doune the names of sex persones of the merchand rank, to wit, . . . being of theis of the present counsell, to be presentit to the said archbishop that twa of them might be choysen be him to be baillies of this burgh for the enshewing year; and did also set doune the names of thrie persones of the craftis who ar on the said counsell, viz., . . . that ane of them might be choysen as the thrid baillie of this burgh for the said enshewing year. [From these leets the archbishop nominated] John Andersoune and John Johnstoune, for the merchand rank, and James Colhoune, for the tradis, to be the thrie baillies of this burgh for the enshewing year.

9 October 1674.

Conveined Johne Bell, present proveist of the said burgh, and James Colhoune, ane of the present baillies therof, with William Andersoune, lait proveist, Johne Walkinshaw and Johne Hall, twa of the last yeares baillies, and with them Peiter Gemmill, Donald M'Gilcreist and James Fairie, who wer baillies the year preceiding, for electing of the persones to be on the toune counsell the year enshewing, and there being only eight persones present, and twelve persones being the number for that effect, the said Johne Bell, proveist, declared it was alwayes in the power of the proveist to choyse persones and suplie the number of the persones absent, according to the custome of this burgh, and lykwayes declared that he wold not suffer William Andersoune, lait proveist, to have vot in the said electioun becaus he had suffered persones to sitt in counsell with him without requyring them to tak the declaratioun according to the act of

parliament, quhich he contraveining rendered himselfe no elector; quhilk act being produced and red be the said William, it was ansuered by him that the said act did not militat against him, seing he had takin the declaratioune himselfe, and declared also that theis persones counsellouris who had not taken the declaratioune their places wer declared vacant and they removed from being counsellouris, and that they wer persones formerly on the toune counsell quhen the said Johne Bell and James Campbell wer magistratis, who had not taken the declaratioune; to quhich it was ansuered be the said Johne Bell, proveist, it was the incumers pairt, and so his, to have sein to that; notwithstanding of all quhich the said William Andersoune declared that what the proveist had said as to the said act it did not militat against him, and that he wold sitt and vot and tak his hazard therof; to quhich it was ansuered by the proveist, altho the said William wold tak his hazard yit he wold studie not to fall in the lyk inconvenience, and that it did militat against him, and therfor he desyred the said William Andersoune to remove; quherupon the said William declared that the said Johne Bell, proveist, had brokine the privileges of this burgh in the said electioun, and took instrumentis theron and protestit for remeid in law; and the said Johne Bell, proveist, protestit in the contrair. After all which it was askit be Johne Hall, lait baillie, and some of the rest present, if the said proveist had any thing to say to the rest, to quhich the said proveist ansuered he had nothing to say against them; and it was desyred be them that they might have their vot for filling up of the number of the electouris, quhilk the said proveist refused to grant, declareing it was alwayes the practique of the burgh to the proveist to doe the same; and being demanded be Johne Hall if the proveist wold not suffer William Andersoune to sit and vot he and the rest wold not sit or vott, quhilk the proveist refused, so he and the rest rais and declared they wold not stay to elect, seing William Andersoune was hindred, and declared that they wer not suffered to have a frie electioun, to quhich it was ansuered by the proveist that they wer not hindred but only William Andersoune, upon the accompt and for the reasones forsaid; and the said proveist requyred their concurrence in the electioun, quhilk they upon ther former reasones also refused, quherupon the said Johne Bell, proveist, took instrumentis of ther refusall. And

therafter the proveist and James Colhoun, baillie, being only present, the rest having removed as said is, the proveist sent for out of the gild brother rank James Campbell, Johnne Andersoun, lait proveistis, Johnne Barnes, elder, Frederik Hammiltoun, Niniane Andersoun, Mr. Patrik Bell, James Ker, Johnne Barnes, younger, Johnne Wallace and Daniell Purdoun, to mak up the number of twelfe persones, and so went on to the electioun of the commoun toun counsell for the enshewing year, who accordingly made choyse of the persones fallowing, viz.:—[thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen].

10 October 1674.

The excyse book was called for and produced be Johnne Andersoun, Ker, keeper of the excyse book. who was keeper therof, and be pluraltie of votis James Ker was appoyntit to keep the same and to book the excyse comptis therin, and to have the ordinarie fiell therfor as utheris got.

Be pluraltie of votis, Johnne Barnes, younger, was appoyntit to receave the excyse fra the collectouris at the mylnes and to begin this day. Barnes, collectour of the excyse.

14 October 1674.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, considering the complent made be John Andersoun, younger of Dowhill, lait dean of gild, makand mentioun that in anno 1670, he being deane of gild, conveyined his brethern of the merchand rank and lytted divers personis sufficiently qualified of their number to be presentit to the commoun counsell of this burgh, that out of them ane deane of gild might have bein choysen for the year 1671 then enshewing, conforme to the constant method and practique of this burgh, past memorie of man, yit notwithstanding the magistratis and counsell for the tyme, to the great prejudice of the priviledges of the merchand rank and manifest neglect of the laudable order of the said hous receavit and observed as said is, conforme to the letter of gildrie, for their awine endis rejectit the said lytt and gave a pretended warrand to Robert Rae, lait baillie, who had no office for the tyme, to mak up ane uther lytt<sup>1</sup> out of quich they choysed ane deane of gild most unjustly, and therfor cravand the said magistratis and counsell to consider the said pretended act and haill warrandis and grundis therof and hurt that may aryse to

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, p. 144.

the priviledges of the merchand rank therthrow, and that they wold for remeid therof in the meine tyme allow him, as being wrongously extruded in maner forsaid to conveyin with the magistratis, the merchand rank and remanent brytherin extruded with him, and to supplie the number of theis who ar dead or absent, or utheris who ar sufficiently qualified, that out of them there may be a lyt choysen and presentit to the magistratis and counsell, to the effect ane of them may be chosen deane of gild for the enshewing yeare, as the said complent beires. Quhilk complent, with the said pretended act made in favouris of the said Robert Rae, and haill grundis and procedour therof being hard, sein and considered be the said magistratis and counsell, they all in ane voyce fund the said complent and grundis therof most reasonable in it selfe, and therfor they grantit the desyre of the said petitione, as they heirby grant the desyre of the said petitione in favouris of the said Johne Andersoune; and in caice of the said Johne his absence they appoynt the brethren amongst themselves to choyse any persone quhom they think fittest to preceid to the effect forsaid.

Deane of gild.

The proveist, baillies [councillors, deacons of crafts, with persons added to make up the required number, being convened] compeired Robert Rae, merchand, and producit a lytt of thrie persones who wer electit and choysen be Johne Cauldwall, lait deane of gild, and his bretherin of counsell and desyred the said magistratis and counsell to mak choyse of ane of them to be deane of gild of this burgh for the enshewing yeare, and therupon took instrumentis. As also compeired Johne Louk, elder, and produced ane uther lytt of uther thrie persones of theis who wer on the merchand rank electit be Johne Andersoune, lait deane of gild, and his bretherin of counsell that year he was last deane of gild, desyring that one of that lytt might be electit deane of gild for the enshewing year. Quhilkis twa lytis being taken to the consideratione of the said magistratis and counsell, it was concluded be them that the deane of gild should be choysen out of the lyt presentit be the said Johne Louk, quherin was contained the persones fallowing, viz. [three names]; quhilkis being votted, be pluralitie of votis Frederick Hammiltoune was electit and choysen deane of gild.

Deacon con-  
vener, &c.

[William Wallace, deacon convener; Mathew M'Caulay, visitor of maltmen;

Archibald Scheillis, treasurer ; John Miller, water bailie ; George Campbell, master of work ; James Ker, bailie of Gorbals ; John Gillespie, visitor of gardeners.]

17 October 1674.

The persones who wer appoyntit to sight the subdeane mylne made <sup>Subdeane</sup> report they had sein the same, and that shoe wantit severall particulares <sup>mylne.</sup> quhilkis the same persones wer appoyntit to provyd for hir and mak for a goeing mylne. And the same day John Gray, former mylner at the said mylne, was appoyntit to be mylner therat, and to have the same dewes and casualities that any uther mylner ther had of befor.

[ The 12 d. wheat loaf to weigh 8 oz. 5 drops ; stone weight of tallow to be sold <sup>Breid, tallow,</sup> for 46 s. 8 d. ; candle, 4 marks the stone. <sup>and candle.</sup>

The magistratis and counsell being conveyned, they have appoyntit <sup>Robesoun</sup> and made choyse of Johne Robesoun, chyrurgian, to have that place as <sup>toune</sup> the tounes chyrurgian quhilk was last occuppyed be Johne Hall, and to <sup>chyrurgian.</sup> have payit to him yearly ane hundreth markis Scotis of fiell, as was payit to the said Johne Hall ; and he to be furder payit for his drogs and plaisters as utheris wer, besyd his fiell ; and the said Johne is to use his best dilligence for curing of all poor persones sall be direct to him be the magistratis for that effect.

John Campbell, merchand, was made choyse of to be baillie of <sup>Campbell,</sup> Provand, and appoyntit to collect and uplift the rentis therof belonging <sup>baillie of</sup> to the toune, and to keep and hold courtis therin, and to doe everie uther <sup>Provand.</sup> thing theranent as James Andersoun, last baillie and chamberland, did formerly, and he to be comptable for his intromissioun.

Recomendis to the bailies to put that act of the toune counsell to <sup>Fleshouris.</sup> executioun, in the haill heidis therof, quherby the fleshouris are prohibited and discharged to mak use of or rynd any tallow except quhat they kill themselves.

Appoyntis baillie Colhoun [and two others], or any twa of them, to <sup>Parsones</sup> meit with the parsonne and compt with him anent quhat is awand for his <sup>hous mail.</sup> bygaine hous maillis, and to setle with him quhat is to be payit therfor in tyme coming, and to report.

John Grahame was containowed procuratour fiscall of this burgh. <sup>Fiscall.</sup>

26 October 1674.

Parsons.

Theis that wer appoyntit to meit with the parsons made report they had bein with him anent his hous maill, and that Thomas Craufurd is to have twa hundreth markis therfor yearly, since the parsons entrie therto, to Witsonday nixt, quhilk was concluded should be payit be the toun, as also the proveist to be payit of half ane yeares maill of his hous at the Wyndheid quhilk is awand to him since the parsons dwelt therin, and that the parsons is to be settled with anent quhat sall be payit for his hous maill in tyme coming after Witsonday nixt.

Act as to the  
King's letter  
to the burghs.

The magistratis and counsell of the said burgh, considering the lait act of the magistratis and counsell therof, importing that William Andersone, lait proveist, had bein their commissioner at the lait conventioun of burrowes for making a returne to his Majesties most gracious letter, quhich they have approvin in generall tearmes, and being informed that their ansuer doeth contravert with his Majesties most just and royall desyre imparted to them in his royall letter, and finding the aforesaid approbatioun of the commissioner here representing the burgh, his proceedinges therin in general, and not condeschending, and what pairt he had therin, the said proveist, baillies and counsell, as they have bein alwayes ambitious of imbraceing everie opportunitie to show their affection to his Majesties service, and their cheirfull compliance with his royall pleasour, so now they judge it their dewtie to vindicat themselves, the citie and incorporatioun, from any mistack they may fall under with his sacred Majestie, as being disaffected to his royal intrest and service, by any accessioun their commissioner had in that returne; therfor they doe disallow and disavine the said returne and ordaines the proveist and baillies, and quhom he pleases to call for, to caus wryt letters to quhom they judge fitting to acquaint them with the treuth of their proceedinges, and to assert that they have bein alwayes and ar yit reddie with their lyfes and fortunes to serve his Majestie in all his royall commandis; and appoyntis the heidis and substances of the said letters to be recorded in the tounes register, and ordaines the clark to give out extractis heirof.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See further as to the letters referred to in Convention Records, 1615-76, pp. 639-45.



31 October 1674.

There was produced befor the said magistratis and counsell a letter direct by the proveist of Edinburgh to the proveist of this burgh, making mention that Hugh Campbell, merchand in Edinburgh, had informed him and the toune counsell of Edinburgh of some wrong the said toune had susteined by some of the former baillies of this burgh, for selling of wyne to some of the inhabitentis therof and utherwayes, craving them to assist him and sie him repaired, that the magistratis and counsell of Edinburgh wold mak it a tounes pley; quhilk being takin to consideratioun be the said magistratis and counsell, it was concluded that the proveist should wryt a letter to the proveist of Edinburgh, and to show him of the misinformatioun he and their counsell had receavit from the said Hugh Campbell, and that he should be repaired of any wrong he had susteined, if any was, quhilk they supposed to be non, and that the said Hugh be desyred to desist in any such persuit and they to forbeir to assist him therin, and if any persuit be it is concluded that the toune defend it on their awine charges.

Letter to  
proveist of  
Edinburgh  
anent Hugh  
Campbell.

5 November 1674.

It is concluded that James Campbell, lait proveist, preside in the toune counsell in absence of the present proveist, and in absence of the said James any uther lait proveist on counsell preside therin.

Campbell to  
preside in  
counsell.

15 December 1674.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Thomas Craufurd the sowme of sex hundreth markis, quherof fyve hundreth presently and ane hundreth at Witsonday nixt, for thrie yeares maill of his hous where the parson dwellis preceeding the said terme of Witsonday nixt. And for the sowme of thrie scoir ane markis deburst to Sir George Maxwell of Newark, and quhilk he deburst on the tounes accompt for threttie moneths sess dew be the toune for Newport Glasgow, and for the fewdewtie therof at four mark be year since their buying therof, and for their proportioun of the mentinance of ane militia hors.

Warrandis,  
thesaurer.  
parsones  
hous.  
Newport  
Glasgow.

Recommendis the supplicatioun given in be Thomas Scheirer, takis man of the laidles, quherin he compleines wpon some burgessis who

Scheireris  
complant  
anent the  
laidles.

refussis him the laidle of some victuall brought in be them, to the present magistratis, to conveyin theis persones and to caus them satisfie and pay the said Thomas what laidles sall be fund dew to him.

Bank, for-  
stallers.

Recommendis to the magistratis to send a proclamatioune throw the toune to discharge the haill burgessis and inhabitentis within this burgh to sell any victuall but at the publict mercat, and that non forstall the mercat in tyme coming.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
parsons.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for . . . ane hundredreth markis, deburst be him to the proveist for half ane yeares maill of his hous at the Wyndheid that was restand to him since the parsons dwelt therin.

29 December 1674.

Warrantis,  
thesaurer,  
minister,  
wryting  
school.

[The treasurer authorised to get a warrant for payment to Mr. David Liddell, minister of the Barrony Kirk, of £540 for what was resting of one year's stipend preceding Martinmas last, besides £360 paid previously. "As also ordaines the thesaurer to give to George Waird sex rex dolloris for his incurragment to keep a wrytting schoole in the burgh."]

7 January 1675.

Broomes  
aiker, new  
vennell.

Appoyntis the twa baillies, with the deane of gild and deacon conveyner, to buy that aiker of land quhilk belonged to umquhill Robert Broome. And to try out for some place most fittest above the croce for making of ane entrie betwixt the land mercat ther and the Candlerig, and to report.

Colhoune,  
post.

The twa baillies [and three others] ar appoyntit to consider the supplicatioune given in be Walter Colhoune, quherby he craves monye to buy him a hors, and somthing to be setled on him in tyme coming as post, and to meit with him and setle with him anent the pryces of letters, and to give him quhat they think fitt for bygaines and in tyme coming; and quhat they sall appoynt for byrunes ordaines John Barnes to pay the same out of the excyse, quhilk is conforme to their report four scoir ten pundis, and to gett wp his band of ane hundredreth markis that he was awand to the toune for his bygain service fra his entrie to the nynth day of Januarij instant, and he to have thrie pundis weikly in tyme coming during the counsellis pleasour; quhilk was allowed and approven be the

said magistratis and counsell, and ordaines the said John Barnes to pay the said nyntie pundis accordingly. Item, ordaines the said John Barnes <sup>Excyse book.</sup> to pay out of the excyse ane hundreth pundis to James Ker for keeping the excyse book this year.

*9 February 1675.*

The proveist made report of his dilligence in the tounes affaires at Edinburgh, and at the last particular conventioun of burrowes, and pro-<sup>Report, conventioun of burrowes.</sup> ducit a book containing a compend of the actis of burrowes from the year 1652 to the year 1669, as also ane forme of ane commissioun to be given be ilk burgh to their commissioner to the generall conventiounes of burrowes.

*27 February 1675.*

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratioun the sad <sup>Poor of the</sup> conditione of the poor within this burgh, they have appoyntit the pro-<sup>toun.</sup> veist and baillies to conveyn the ministers of the respective parochs, and to inroll such of the most indigent persons, and to tak some effectuall cours how they sall be best helped, and to report.

*16 March 1675.*

Appoyntis the baillies [and five others] to caus tak wp a list of such <sup>Quartering of the sojouris.</sup> persones in toun who they think may most conveniently quarter the sojouris that ar coming here; and appoyntis Gawine Listoun to be quarter maister, and he to quarter the said souldiers as the said persones sall ordor him.

Appoyntis the deane of gild to give to Walter Whyt for paying of his <sup>Whyt,</sup> passage to the wasterne islandis of Birbados quhat he thinkis fitt; and the <sup>warrant,</sup> thesaurer to pay the same quhilk is sex pundis starling.

The magistratis and counsell considering there is nothing as yit done <sup>Poor in</sup> anent the poor in the toun, the twa baillies, with the dean of gild and <sup>toun.</sup> deacon conveyner, and in absence of baillie Johnstoun, James Ker, ar appoyntit to meit with the ministers of the respective quarters, and to tak ane of the elders with them, and go throw the quarters and set doune a list of such persones whom they think the toun is concerned in to give charitie, that it may be appoyntit them accordingly; and these whom

they think may beg in the toune that badges be made and given to them; as also that they sett doune a list of theis who ar straingers whom they judge the toune not concerned in, that they may be put aff the toune, and to tak notice of theis who setis them houssis and to report.

3 April 1675.

Proclama-  
tiounes.

Appoyntis ane proclamatioune to be sent throw the toune anent the setting of the tounes sellars to burgessis; and that ane uther be sent for rousing of the Greines; as also a proclamatioune to be sent throw that ther is a foot raice to be run thrys about the New Grein on the xxij of this instant, that who desyres to run may be admitted, and that he who wines sall have twentie shilling starling.

Charter,  
maltmen,  
Balgray.

There was a chartour of resignatioune and confirmatioune of the landis of Balgray subscrivit in favouris of the maltmen calling; and the entrie therof past to them, being for the use of their poor.

Act,  
Birsbane.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in befor them be Mr. Mathow Birsbane, doctor of medicine, mentioning that quher he hes a yaird on the south syd of the Grammer School Wynd, and that he intendis to build a stone wall on the north syd of the said yaird toward the streit, and as the dyk now standis there is a litle peice waist grund betwixt it and the streit, quhich if it wer included within the wall to be built be the said Mr. Mathow wold accomodat him in straughting the yaird within, and mak the streit regular without, by joyning it to the corner of the nixt hous, and therfor craving libertie and licence from the said magistratis and counsell to build and come out with the said wall to the effect forsaid, and to includ the said peice waist grund within the said wall, as the said supplicatioune beires. Quhilk being red, and thereafter the said proveist, baillies and counsell having past to the said peice waist grund and ther sightit the same, and finding the said peice waist to be usles, they have given and grantit and heirby give and grant licence and libertie to the said Mr. Mathow Birsbane to build the said stone wall on the north part of his said yaird nixt to the Gramer School Wynd, including within the same the said peice waist for regulating the hie streit, he alwayes keeping within the north syd wall of the hous there belonging to John Nasmith, kairter, sex footis, so that the streit be therby als wyd at the one end of

the wall as at the other, and that accordingly he keep a straught lyne wastward from the said hous in building of the said wall.

The magistratis and counsell being conveyned, in ansuer to the <sup>M'Claine,</sup> desyre and supplicatioun given in be Johne M'Claine, pypper, craving <sup>pypper.</sup> to be admitted as the tounes minstrell, they have given and grantit, and heirby gives and grantis to him that office as commoun pypper or minstrell within the said burgh, ordaining him heirby to goe throw the toune everie day, morning and evening, or at such tymes the magistratis sall appoynt, using his office, for quhilk they ar to pay to him yearly during his service therintill the sowme of ane hundreth markis Scotis monye, at twa termes in the year Lambes and Candlemes, be equall portiounes, begining the first termes payment therof at Lambes nixt, and sua to conteinow during the will and pleasour of the said magistratis and counsell.

24 April 1675.

Theis who wer appoyntit be the magistratis and counsell to survey <sup>Poor rollis.</sup> the poor in the toune made report they had done the same, and that they had considered the poors rollis, and had made a new additioun therto of some indigent persones, quherby there will now fall to be payit monethly to the poor the sowme of twa hundreth sextie nyne pundis iiij s. Scotis; quhilk report was allowed and approvine be the said magistratis and counsell, and ordained the said sowme to be payit monethly in tyme coming, conforme to the said rollis, during their will and pleasour; quhilk roll was given in to the clark to be keeped be him, and doubles to be given out therof under his hand, and the same not to be altered but by the said magistratis and counsell; and if it sall happin any of the pensioners therin to die that the said magistratis and counsell sall have power to put utheris in their places and rowme and no utheris.

Appoyntis the proveist, baillies and deacon conveyner to meisour of to <sup>Grund at bak</sup> John Cauldwall, merchand, and his pairtiners, als much of the tounes <sup>of fleshmer-</sup> grund at the bak of the fleshmercat as will serve them to build a hous for <sup>cat, suggarie.</sup> a suggarie there, and to agrie with them for the fewdewtie therfor; and ordaines the clark to draw wp ane right therof to be subscrivit be the toune.

The magistratis and counsell did nominat and appoynt the persones <sup>Locallitie.</sup>

fallowing for laying on ane locallitie wpon theis within this burgh on quhom their is no shouldiers quartered, for helping them on quhom they ar quartered, as they think best and most reassonable, viz., the deane of gild [and five others]. As also the persones fallowing wer appoynted and nominated to goe throw the respective quarters in the toune for taking wp of the names of theis who dwellis therin; and to give them in to the said persones who is appoyntit to lay on the locallitie, to wit [three persons for the north quarter and two persons for each of the west, east and south quarters].

Money to be  
lent to the  
sojouris.

The said magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun the conditione the souldiers of the new levied companies now in toune ar in, throw want of pay, they have appoyntit the magistratis to caus pay to ilk ane of the said new companies ten pundis starling, weiklie, wpon recept to be given be their officers for repayment therof bak to the toune on demand, or then that the same sall be allowed to the toune be Sir William Sharp of the excyse; and approved of twentie pundis starling lent be the magistratis upon the accompt forsaid.

Dick, beddell  
in the Laigh  
Kirk.

The magistratis and counsell hes presented and heirby presentis James Dick to be beddell in the Laigh Kirk, and to get the casualties belonging therto, in place of Thomas Blair who is put therfra for his misdemanouris, and recomendis the said James to the ministers to receave him therto.

Stent on land-  
wart mens  
landis.

There being nothing as yit done anent the laying on or uplifting of the stent to be wpliftit fra outintounes people who hes houssis and land in toune, the said magistratis and counsell appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to stent the said persones as they think fitt, and to appoynt some persone to wplift the same; and to caus arreist their maillis and dewties quhill the said stent be payit; and ordaines the samyne to be bestowed on laying and mending of calsays, etc.

Proveist to  
Newport.

Appoyntis the proveist to repair to Newport Glasgow, to tak ane accompt who possessis the cellares there, and to take notice quhat conditione the tounes houssis and harbour ther is in, and to tak with him quhom he pleaseth.

22 May 1675.

Baillie of  
Provand,  
heid courtis  
of the shyre.

The magistratis and counsell, for preventing of any truble may happin to the toune for not attending he heid courtis of the shyre, for the

lands of Provand, they have nominated and appoynted Johne Campbell, their baillie of Provand, to attend the said heid courtis in name of the toune in tyme coming, ather be him selfe or ane procuratour, certifieing him if he failyie therintill he sall be lyable for quhat damage or expenssis the toune sall sustein therthrow.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to provyd quhat <sup>Houssis for the conven-</sup>houssis in the toune they think most fitting for the burrowes at there <sup>tioune.</sup>heir coming, at the nixt generall conventioun.

The proveist and deane of gild, or ather of them, ar choysen to be <sup>Proveist and</sup>the tounes commissioner to the nixt generall conventioun of burrowes, to <sup>dean of guild,</sup>sitt here in Julij nixt, and appoyntis the clark to give them a commis- <sup>commis-</sup>sioners. <sup>sioners.</sup>sionne, and James Colhoune to be assessor.

Appoyntis baillie Colhoune [and two others] to tak notice that <sup>Pittersgill,</sup>Simon Pittersgill, quhen he flitis out of the manufactorie, live the work- <sup>manufactorie.</sup>lumes and utheris he recevit at his entrie.

1 June 1675.

[Mills, 10,850 merks ; ladles, 5,050 merks ; mealmarket and pecks, 900 merks ; <sup>Common</sup>tron, 800 merks ; bridge, 1,810 merks.] <sup>good sett.</sup>

The ludging and yaird called the manufactory, after lafull rousing, <sup>Manufactorie</sup>was sett to James Fairie, for a year to come, for payment of ane hundreth <sup>sett.</sup>markis.

8 June 1675.

The proveist, James Campbell, made report of his dilligence at Edin- <sup>Report,</sup>burgh, and that he had comptit with Sir William Sharp, and produced <sup>Campbell,</sup>his discharge to the toune, quherby the said Sir William hes allowed the <sup>sojouris, pley</sup>mony lent by the toune to the sojouris since their coming here, conforme <sup>against</sup>to their respective receptis sent east with him ; and producit ane con- <sup>Grinok.</sup>sultatioun concerning the toune of Grinokis useing a frie trade, contrair the priviledge of royall burrowes, together with summondis of declarator he had raised at the tounes instance against them for declaring their priviledges in tyme coming, with letters of horning for charging theis in Grinock who hes exerced the said tred, contrair the act of parliament, for bygaines ; quhilkis wer approvine be the counsell, and they ordained that they be gain on against and persewed with all dilligence ; and

appoyntis the proveist and whom he pleases to tak with him to repair to Dumbartane to speik with their magistratis theranent and to crave their toune to concurr with this toune in the said persuit.

Warrant,  
Bischope  
Lightounne.

Ordaines James Andersounne to have ane warrant for the sowme of twelfe pundis starling, payit to bischope Lightounne for halfe ane yeares annuelrent preceeding Witsonday last of four hundreth pundis starling owing to him be the toune.

25 June 1675.

Theis that  
keeps conven-  
tickles to be  
quartered on.

There was produced and red, in presens of the said magistratis and counsell, ane act of his Majesties secreit counsell quherby the magistratis of this burgh ar appoyntit to quarter sojouris in the toune on theis who ar suspectit to keep conventickles or resett utted ministers, in obedience quherunto the counsell of this burgh hes recommended the samyne to the magistratis to caus put the said act to executiounne, and to ordour the quartering accordingly as they sall think fitt.

5 July 1675.

Conven-  
tiounne.

The burrowes missive being red anent the conventiounne that should sitt here, recomendis the particularis therin contained to the commissioner to do therin as he thinkis best for the toune.<sup>1</sup>

13 July 1675.

Calsay at  
commissar  
Flemynge  
yaird.

Recomendis to the deane of gild to caus repair that peice calsay at the bak of commissar Flemynge yaird, and tak tryell who hes laid doune any red there or at the foot of the Gramer School Wynd, and to appoynt the same to be takin away be those who laid it doune, and to caus repair the calsay there at the foot of the said wynd.

Cordoners of  
Paisley, their  
petitiounne.

The petitiounne given in be the shoemakeris in Paisley is recommended to the deane of gild, conveyner and deacon of the cordoners of this burgh, and they to meit with the said petitioners and to here quhat they desyre, and to report.

Cast, calme  
loch.

Recomendis to a baillie, the deane of gild and deacon conveyner, or

<sup>1</sup> The Convention sat in Glasgow from provost of the burgh, being preses. (Convention Records, 1616-76, pp. 648-56).



ony twa of them, to sight the cast that comes from the Calme loch and to caus helpe the samyne.

22 July 1675.

Appoyntis the baillies, or ony of them, to grant warrand to the collectouris at the mylnes to suffer malt to pas out of the mylne, excyse <sup>Malt, excyse frie, for</sup> frie, for bruuing, to any person my lord Neill Campbell sall employ, for brewing of ten or twelfe tunnes of beir for the use of my lord Argyll, to be caried to the Heilandis, the said persones declaring wpon oath they sall not mak use of any therof within the toune. <sup>Argyllis use.</sup>

James Campbell, lait proveist, made report of his dilligence in joyning with the toune of Dumbartane in causing sease upon the ship belonging to the toune of Grinock, they having imported guidis therin contrair the act of parliament, they not being friemen in royall burrowes; quhilk report the counsell did allow and approve, and of the said James Campbell his haill procedour in that affair; and appoyntis the baillies [and three others] to doe everie thing that sall occurr farder concerning that affair, in all respectis as the samyne wer done be the haill counsell, to quhom the counsell grantis their haill power. <sup>Report anent seasing of Grinok ship.</sup>

14 August 1675.

Appoyntis the proveist, baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyner to meit with the Earle of Dundonald quhen he comes to the toune anent the difference betwixt this toune and Grinock, and to show his lordschip that the same cannot be submittit, in respect it is the concernment of the haill burrowes of Scotland, and appoyntis the same to be persewed in the tounes name with all dilligence. <sup>To speik Dundonald anent the toune and Grinok.</sup>

The magistratis and counsell having considered the great decrésce of the excyse of malt this long tyme past, and to the effect the occasioun of the same may be the better knoune, they appoynt the persones fallowing to call and conveyn befor them the haill brewers and inhabitantis within this burgh, and to tak their oathes and depositions quhat quantities of malt they have receavit or brouin theis four weikis past, and from quhat maltman they receavit the samyne, viz., baillie Colhoun is appoyntit to conveyne the inhabitantis to the effect forsaid above the Grammer School <sup>Survey of the brewers anent the payment of their excyse.</sup>

Wynd, on both sydis of the streit upwardis: item, bailie Johnstoune and George Johnstoune fra the Grammer School dounward to the croce, on both sydis, and haill Gallowgait; and Dowhill, elder, and James Ker to conveyin the haill Saltmercat; and the deane of gild and John Barnes, younger, the haill Briggait, wyndis and Stockwell; and the proveist, John Miller and John Smith, to conveyin the haill Trongait for the effect forsaid; and this to be done with all dilligence and to report.

Bank anent  
the tron.

Quheras it being presentit to the magistratis and counsell of this burgh that severall of the inhabitentis within the same buyes severall quantities of woolin yairn and wool, butter, tallow, cheis, lint, tow, and uther commodities within the said burgh, and caries the same home to their chops and houssis without bringing them to the tron or weigh hous, to be weighted therat and pay the ordinarie dewes therfor, quhilk is fund to be prejudiciall to the commoun guid of this burgh, and to their taks-men of that trone; quhilk being taken to the said magistratis and counsell their serious consideratioune, they ordained and enacted that all and sundrie the inhabitentis within the said burgh, bring quhatsoever guidis or commodities they buy or receave within the same, and in use to be weighted, to the weighhous or trone, and weigh the samyne ther and pay the ordinary dewes to the troner therfor in tyme coming; and whosoever does in the contrair sall be fyned and unlawed in fyve pundis *toties quoties* they contravein, to be exactit aff them be the magistratis for the use of the poor in toune, and to give satisfactioun to the troner at the will and sight of the said magistratis; and appoyntis ane proclamatioun to be sent throw the toune to the effect abovewryttin.

Wallace,  
trumpiter.

It is concluded (*blank*) Wallace sall be the tounes trumpiter, and ane hundreth markis to be payit to him yearly by the thesaurer, as that quhilk former trumpitouris had, by and attour some litle thing at the magistratis pleasour to be payit to him be them that day he sall occasioun to ryd in the militia, and that he be obleist to wait and attend wpon the magistratis for goeing of irandis or quher they sall be pleased to send him.

21 August 1675.

Anent  
Grinock  
affair.

The deane of gild made report that he had conveyin the merchands hous, and having taken to their consideratioun the toune of Grinockis

importing of severall ships of daillis and uther commodities, and disposes therwpon without making any offer therof to this burgh or Dumbartane, quhilk was not the returne of the product of this countrie, contrair the actis of parliament, and that they had made choyse of Johne Andersoune, younger of Dowhill, and James Boyle, twa of their number, to repair to Edinburgh and supplicat the counsell theranent quhat sall be their cariage in that affair, and to advyse with advocatis quhat way they may be best proceeded against in law; as also the deacon conveyiner made report that he conveyined the craftis hous to the effect forsaid, and that they had choysen baillie Colhoune and the deacon conveyiner also to repair to Edinburgh for that end; quhilk reportis wer allowed and approvin be the said magistratis and counsell, and the said four persones ar appoyntit be the counsell to attend quhomsomever sall be appoyntit be them to prosecute that affair and give them their concurrence and best advyce theranent, fra tyme to tyme, as occasiune sall offer.

9 September 1675.

Baillie Colhoune made report of his and theis with him at Edinburgh their dilligence, and that they had consulted the busines they went for, and had petitioned the secreit counsell concerning some particularis therof, quhilk was allowed by the counsell, and they appoynted summondis to be raised befor the lordis of sessiune against the toune of Grinok, and appoyntit that the lordis of thesaurie or secreit counsell be petitioned for getting ane act to obleidge all unfriemen and straingers to liver and loaden all veschellis at Port Glasgow, or portis belonging to royall burrowes in the wast, and appoyntis the magistratis to deall with the customers to joyne with him in that affair.

It is concluded be the magistratis and counsell, for the merchandis and burgessis of this burgh their better accommodatioun of their skippers and seamen their dwelling neir their ships, that grund be given aff at Newport to any of the burgessis of the samine burgh who hes a mynd to build houssis ther, whilk houssis sall belong to them their aires and assynayes for the space of twa nyntine yeares, the said aires and assignayes being alwayes burgessis of this burgh as said is, for their skippers or seamen, who sall be obleidged to dwell in them themselves, and that they

Report,  
Colhoune and  
utheris.

Houssis at  
Newport to  
skippers and  
seamen.

sall nocht have power to sett or dispose therwpon, without consent of the magistratis and counsell, during the said space, and that at the end therof the said houssis sall fall in the handis of the toune; and appoyntis the baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyiner to repair to Newport and sight the grund ther, and give aff sic quanties of the samyne as they think fit to such persones who desyre to build theron, and to setle with them quhat they sall pay therfor yearly and to report.

Act made to  
Watsoune.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in and presentit to the said magistratis and counsell be James Watsoune, flesher, burgess and gild brother of this burgh, after consideratioune had be them theranent they have given and grantit and heirby gives and grantis power and libertie to the said James Watsoune to buy tallow, for making of candle, from any persone he can gett the same, for serving of the inhabitentis of this burgh and utheris his Majesties leidges, notwithstanding of any act of counsell of the samyne burgh made in the contrair, and this to conteinow during the said magistratis and counsell their pleasour.

27 September 1675.

Harbour at  
Newport.

The said magistratis and counsell being conveyined, it was concluded that ther be ane breist wark bigged at the tounes harbour at Newport, and appoyntis the magistratis to speik and agrie with what measoune they think fittest to build the samyne.

Bell and  
M'Callasters  
landis to be  
bocht in.

Appoyntis the twa baillies, the dean of gild and deacon conveyiner, to meit with James Bell of Proveistis haugh, and the aires of umquhill Walter M'Callaster, and to try if they cann get their landis above the croce in the land mercat bocht for the use of the toune, for making of a passage throw to the Candlerig streit.

Leiper, a  
commoune  
coock.

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in to the magistratis and counsell be Michael Leiper, coock, they appoynt the deane of gild to mak him burges of this burgh gratis, and appoyntis him to be kepted frie of quartering and localitie, for his better incurradgment to tak ane guid hous for serving the leidges as ane commoune coock within the same.

Few disposi-  
tionne of the  
suggarie.

There was a few dispositiounne of a peice of the grund at the bak of the fleshmercat, for building theron a hous for making and boyling of suggar, subscrivit be the magistratis and counsell in favouris of Frederick

Hammiltoune, Johne Cauldwall, Peter Gemmill and Robert Cunying, for payment of (*blank*) of yearly fewdewty; and ordaines the same to be registrat in the tounes recordis for dispositiounes and utheris, and the same to beir als much faith as the principall itselfe notwithstanding the same is given up to them by ordour of the said magistrates and counsell.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyned, there was presentit to them ane supplicatioun be the dean of gild for him selfe and remanent burgessis of this burgh of the merchand rank, and ane uther be the deacon conveyner, for him selfe and in name and behalfe of the haill deacones and ther bretherin of counsell of the craftis hous, makand mentioun that the said respective houssis having had allowance from the magistratis and counsell to conveyn the whoill incorporatiounes amongst themselves for representing any desyre they judged fitt for incurragment of trade within this burgh, quhilk by malmanagment is in all probabilitie lyk to decay, that the said toun and burgessis therin may reap some benefeit and advantage in recompence of the greit waist and expenssis they have bein at in bigging ane port and harbour and dwelling houssis, for the better incurragment of shipping maisteris and mariners better accommodatioun of ludging neir the same place quhair their ships ly; and having agried wpon severall propositiounes heirafter sett doune, quhich they have caused consider with lawers whither they be agriable to the lawes of this realme and not repugnant therto, or ony pairt therof; and finding the same so to be by their opinion and advyce they humblie represented the same to the said proveist, baillies and counsell, to be ratified and allowed be them, to have the force of ane act of the toun counsell, that the haill burgessis and gildbrether, both of merchandis and craftis within this burgh, may be obleidged to the dew observance therof; of the quhilk propositiounes the tenour fallowes:—  
*In primis*, that non of the inhabitentis within this burgh, at any tyme heirafter, sall presume to loaden or unloaden any ship or veschell at any port, harbour or creik, wpon the river of Clyd, except at Newport Glasgow, and in caice of necessitie at the portis of uther royall burrowes wpon the said river. Item, that since by severall actis of parliament in favouris of royall burrowes no straingers nor unfriemen have libertie to barrell or mak fisch, by quhich the boatis coupers, and utheris the inhabitentis of

this burgh and uther royall burrowes wer imployed, and now throw discontenowing the samyne the burrowes ar ruined and prejudged, for remeid quherof it is concluded that no strainger be imployed be the inhabitentis of this burgh, so long as any is to be fund within the samyne or uther royall burrowes, ather to mak herring or barrellis, and that they nather pak nor peill with unfriemen. Item, that no strainger nor unfriemen be imployed in shipping belonging to this burgh, ather to be maisteris or mariners, except they belong therto, to Port Glasgow or uther royall burrowes, if they can be had within the said places, and if not, befor they hyre any uther, that there be addres made to the magistratis of this burgh, who after just tryell of the veritie may give licence for that effect, and that by all meanes they obleidge what straingers they sall get libertie to hyre to reside at this burgh or Port Glasgow, or uther royall burrowes, quher there ships ar to be loaded and unloaded, to the effect the ship may be the better had a caire of, and especiallie in tyme of stormes. Item, that any of the said incorporatiounes, hyrers of any skippers and seamen, doe their indeavour to hyre them without giving them any portage; and if in some caices it cannot be gottin done, that they obleidge the said skippers and mariners to mak the first offer of the portage to the awners or fraughters that hyres them, and if they cannot agrie that they be obleidged to mak saill therof to no persone but friemen of royall burrowes. Item, that non within the incorporatiounes hyre or fraught any ship, bark, boat or any uther veschellis quatsomever, fra any persone except fra friemen and burgessis of royall burrowes, if they can be had, and if not that they may hyre from straingers with consent of the magistratis of this burgh, fra quhom they ar to seik libertie. And that ilk merchand and craftisman within the said burgh, contraveiner of the said propositiounes, or ony of them, pay to their awine respective houssis for the use of the poor, the sowme of fyve hundreth pundis Scotis monye, and remayne in prisone quhill the samyne be payit, by and attour the loosing of their burgeship and fredome of this burgh. Quhilk propositiounes above wryttin being takin to the said magistratis and counsell their consideratiounes, and being verie sensible of the great decay of trade within this burgh, and the great prejudice is susteined by the not livering and loading at frie portis belonging to royall burrowes, in respect

theis who ar straingers and unfriemen their livering and loading into creikis and imbaizling of his Majesties customes and excyse, may undersell utheris who doe not so, and lykwayes finding the said porposallis to be agriable and consistant with severall actis of parliament in favouris of royall burrowes made in ordour to their regulating of trade, and in particular by the 3d act 1 parliament K. James the 4th 1488, and by the 59 act Quein Maries parliament in anno 1555, and act 120 parliament K. James the 6th anno 1581, therfor the said proveist, baillies and counsell hes ratified, allowed, and approvine of the said haill propositiounes, in the haill heidis, artickles and circumstances therof, and ordaines the samyne to be keeped inviolable be both the said incorporatiounes of merchandis and tradis within the said burgh in tyme coming, in the haill poyntis therof, under the paines and penalties abovewryttin; and ordaines the deane of gild, for the merchand rank, and the deacon convainer, for the craftis rank, to tak out ane extract heirop and intimat the samyne to their respective incorporatiounes at their first meittings, and caus insert it in their register that non pretend ignorance heirop.

It being presented that Johne Cors, and some utheris, had done something contrair to the act abovewryttin, ordained them to be wairned to the nixt counsell meiting to ansuer theranent.

*2 October 1675.*

Johne Cors, merchand, being conveyned befor the said magistratis and counsell for hyring and imploying of boatis belonging to Grinok, contrair to the act made be the merchandis and craftis of this burgh and ratified be the said magistratis and counsell, the said Johne Cors did grant the same that he had hyred a boat belonging to Grinok, but that it was out of necessitie and could not be servit utherwayes; quhilk was fund by them so to be, but in respect he did the same without their licence they did fyne and unlaw him in ten dollouris, to be applyed for the use of the poor.

It is concluded on be the said magistratis and counsell that any persons who sall get libertie to build houssis at Newport sall gett fyftine elnes of grund for the length of their hous, gavillis included, and six elnes for the breadth, syd wallis included, for ilk hous, for the yearly payment of thrie pundis Scotis yearly to the toune only.

Cors un-  
lawed.

Houssis to be  
built at New-  
port.

5 October 1675.

Act against  
theis that  
acceptis not  
the office of  
magistracie or  
counsellouris.

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratioun the trouble the magistratis wer put to the last year, throw young Dowhill his deserting and not accepting his place as baillie, being choysen ane of the baillies the last year, therfor they have enacted, statut and ordained that whosoever in tyme coming beis choysen proveist, baillies, deane of gild, or ane of the toune counsell of this burgh, and does not accept of the said offices, sall be fyned and unlawed in ane hundreth rex dollouris and los their fredome of the burgh; and ratifies all actis of counsell made theranent formerly by thir presentis.

Election of  
magistratis.

[The archbishop nominated John Bell to be continued provost for the ensuing year; and from leets presented to him chose Ninian Andersoune and Robert Campbell, merchants, and John Wallace, craftsman, to be baillies.]

Anent the  
obtaining of  
Grinokis  
trading  
stopped.

In respect the archbishop of Glasgow is to repair presently to London, the magistratis and counsell does nominat and appoynt the proveist, and quhom els he pleaseth to nominat and tak with him, to repair to Edinburgh with their first conveniencie, and advyse with lawers quhat is most fitt to be done for getting the toune of Grinok discharged to exerce a frie trade, and to advyse in quhat termes the said archbishop sall present the same to his Majestie or the duk of Lauderdale, and the prejudice this burgh and uther the wasterne burghes susteines therthrow.

8 October 1675.

Councillors.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons added to supply vacancies, chose thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the town council for the ensuing year.]

13 October 1675.

Deane of gild,  
etc.

[Frederick Hammiltoune, dean of guild; James Farie, deacon convener; Robert Cors, treasurer; Robert Campbell, visitor of maltmen and mealmen; John M'Kewine, water bailie; George Campbell, master of work; George Ralstoun, visitor of gardeners.]

16 October 1675.

Statutes,  
breid, tallow,  
stone, candle.

[The 12 d. wheat loaf to weigh 8½ oz.; rough tallow to be sold for 48 s. the breid, tallow, stone; candle, 56 s. the stone.]



[Archibald Sheillis, bailie of Gorbals; John Barnes, younger, bailie of Bailie of  
Provand; John Grahame, procurator fiscal of the burgh.] Gorballis, etc.

23 October 1675.

There war severall artickles red in counsell to be observed anent <sup>Articles to revised anent</sup> ordouring of the harbour and hous at Newport, quhilkis wer recommended <sup>Newport.</sup> to baillie Anderson, the deane of gild [and] deacon conveyiner to reveis and put them in forme that they may be allowed by the counsell.

Appointis the proveist to wryt a civill letter to Sir John Harper, <sup>Letter to the shirreffdeput.</sup> quherby he sayes that toun is restand him for his expensis as ane of the commissioners to the shyre at the last parliament, and for absentis fra heid courtis for their landis of Provand.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyned <sup>Act in favouris of the cordoners.</sup> anent the supplicatioun given in befor them be the cordoners of this burgh, makand mentioun that quher, by severall actis of parliament and laudable practises of this kingdome, all forstalling of mercatis and inhanceng of tred to one, twa or thrie persones, to the prejudice of the commonalitie, ar expresly inhibit and discharged, and the forstallers and inhancers therof ar to be punished in maner as is therin specifeit; and lykwayes, be the lawes of good nighbourheid, na persone aught to enter in ane compact, contract and agriement with one tred to inhance the whoill benefeit of that trade to themselves, to the prejudice of the haill inhabitentis of the burgh quher they live, nether was ther ever any such contract and agriement suffered and permitted, or yit hard of, within this burgh till within this moneth last, or therby, Peter Gemmill, Donald M'Gilcreist and Robert M'Cuir, merchandis, intending to inhance the haill benefeit of the kyne hydys and uther bestiall that should be slaine be the fleshouris of Glasgow, for this enshewing tyme of slaughter, did meit and conveyn the haill trede of fleshouris within this burgh, and ther did enter in ane contract of agriement with them, quherby the said fleshouris ar obleist to sell and delyver to the said thrie persones the haill hydys of the haill kyne that they sall kill till Candlemes nixt, or therby, and not to sell ony of them to ony uther persone; quhilkis agriement is by the said thrie persones and fleshour tred subscrivit, and quhilk is ane manifest forstalling the mercat and inhanceing the said tred to the said

thrie persones, to the great prejudice of the compleiners and poor of the cordoner trade and haill inhabitentis of this burgh, and therfor cravand the said proveist, baillies and counsell to conveyin the said thrie persones and the fleshouris befor them, and to caus them give up the said agriement, that the petitioners and uther inhabitentis of this burgh may have ane frie trade with the said fleshouris in buying of their said hydies, as they have been in use formerly, past memorie of man, and to discharge the said fleshouris to doe the lyk in tyme coming, and to caus ane act be made in your lordschipis bookis for that effect, and ane act that nather merchandis nor tanners sall in no tyme coming enter in ane agriement or contract, be wryt or utherwayes, to inhance the benefeit of the said trade to themselves, to the prejudice of utheris, as the said supplicatioun mair fullie beires. Quhilk supplicatioun, with the ansueris made therto, given in be the said Peter Gemmill, Donald M'Gilcreist and Robert M'Cuir, being takin to the consideratioun of the said proveist, baillies and counsell, efter mature advyce and deliberatioun had theranent be them, the said magistratis and counsell hes ordained and ordaines the forsaid fleshouris with quhom the said Peiter Gemmill, Donald M'Gilcreist and Robert M'Cuir hes barganed, to deliver to them the haill hydies of their awine slaughter, for the space of ane fourtnight nixt after the dait heirop, to the effect they may be payit of quhat monye they advanced to them, and that conforme to the forsaid bargane made betwixt [them]; and after the said space they heirby declare the forsaid fleshouris frie of the said contract and agriement made betwixt the said merchandis and them in tyme coming; and it is statut and ordained that thereafter the fleshouris of this burgh sall mak no agriement for selling of their hydies in great quantities in tyme coming, or mak any foir bargaining theranent with any persone or persones quhatsoever, but that their haill hydies be presentit to the mercat dayly as they mak slaughter, for the space of sex houres ilk day, betwixt ten hours in the foirnoone and four houris in the afternoone, frie to be bought be both merchandis and tradismen, and that under the paine of twelfe pundis Scotis to be payit be the said fleshouris, or ony of them *toties quoties* they contravein this present act or ony poynt therof, to be payit to the magistratis of this burgh for the use of the poor, and to be furder punished at the will of the magistratis. And in respect

the said merchandis alledges they have advanced the fleshouris forsaid moir monye wpon the accompt of the said bargane nor the hail hydis they can get from them the space forsaid will satisfie, it is ordained that, if they be not fullie satisfied at the end of the said fourtnight, that the tanners, or quhom utheris sall buy any hydis from any of the fleshouris, barganers forsaid, that ar owing them, that the monye therof be payit in to the said thrie merchandis quhill they be compleitly payit of that monye they advanced in the bargane made with the said fleshouris.

30 October 1675.

Ther was a letter direct be Harie Wilkie, conservatour, to this burgh, Wilkies letter anent the setling of the staple port at Campheir, red, and the deane of <sup>anent the</sup> staple port. gild appoyntit to intimat the same to the merchandis.<sup>1</sup>

The persones fallowing wer appoyntit to goe throw the toune for <sup>Contribu-</sup> collecting a contributioune for releiving of Walter Gibesoune, skipper at <sup>tioune to be</sup> Innerkeithing, and Johne Reid, his mate, from their slaverie, being <sup>collectit.</sup> prisoners with the Turkis, viz., [two persons for each of the following districts:—(1) from the croce on both sydis wpwardis and about the Wyndheid; (2) the Gallowgate and Trongait; (3) the Saltmercat; (4) the Briggait, Stockwell, and wyndis;] quhilk they ar to goe about with all dilligence, and report.

9 November 1675.

The magistratis and counsell having taken to their consideratione <sup>Landwart</sup> that ther hes nothing bein exacted these many yeares past from theis <sup>mens ces to</sup> persones who hes houssis and land within this burgh, and does not reseid <sup>be uplifted</sup> therintill themselves, nor beires quartering, nor payes any publict burdings <sup>out of their</sup> therintill, notwithstanding of the great cesses and uther publict dewes <sup>landis.</sup> hes bein layd on this burgh and payit be the same these severall yeares past, therfor they have ordained and heirby statutis and ordaines that there be exacted aff ilk ane of the said persones who resides not in toune, and yit hes land therein, the sowme of twelfe marks yearly, conforme to ilk

<sup>1</sup> Harie Wilkie of Bonitoun, merchant, burgess of Edinburgh, was admitted by the Convention of Royal Burghs, as conservator of the Scots staple at Dort, on 5th July, 1671.

(Convention Records, iii., p. 625.) In 1675 the staple port was removed to Campheir, as the result of negotiations narrated in the Convention Records. (*Ib.*, pp. 629, 638, 642, 657.)

hundreth markis of frie rent payit to them, for the space of sex yeares preceiding Mertimes last, and yearly in tyme coming, reserving out of this present act landis belonging to ministers, to be frie of the said exactioun, and appoyntis George Andersoun to receive the same, and he to have the sext pairt of quhat sall be receivit for his paynes.

Anent ane  
impositioun  
on brandie.

Recomendis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner, at the meiting of the merchandis and craftis houssis, to tak their bretherinis advyce anent the exacting of four shilling Scotis for ilk pynt of brandie topped and vented within this burgh, ather be importers or ventiners, to helpe to defray the tounes burdings in respect of the litle excys gottin at the mylnes.

1 December 1675.

Letter, pro-  
veist Grinok,  
letter to  
Dumbartane.

The baillies and counsell having red and considered a letter direct to them by the proveist, desyring their advyce quhat to doe anent the affair of the tounes concerned in with Greinock, they have concluded that the proveist caus persew the same with all dilligence, and appoyntis the clark to wryt to the proveist for that effect; as also to wryt to Dumbartane and to desyre them to give their concurrence and assistance, and that the proveist or some of their number goe east for that end.

11 December 1675.

Anent excys  
and maltmen.

The baillies and counsell, considering the many and great abuses committed be the maltmen and their servantis, by their steilling of malt out of the mylnes, excyse frie, and bringing the same to this burgh to be broune, they recommend the samyne to the baillies to keep court and punish the said maltmen and their servantis for the said abuses, conforme to former actis of counsell made theranent.

21 December 1675.

Act anent the  
maltmen.

It is concluded, enacted and ordained that whosoever sall be fund to steill any malt out of the mylnes, without paying the excyse, and gives not up the samyne in just measour to the collectour, sall forfait the hail malt in the sek, and that maisteris maltmen and utheris be ansuerable for their servandis.

Birs, register  
of the dead.

It is concluded that that place quhilk Samwell Birs had for keeping a

register of the dead who dies in toun be declared voyd and null, and no register farder to be kept therof.

8 January 1676.

Appoyntis the clark to send the proveistis letter, as it was formerly <sup>Letter to</sup> drawine be him, to Sir John Harper, in ansuer to his anent the <sup>Harper.</sup> tounes being absent fra the heid courtis of the shyre for the landis of Provand, and his seiking payment for his attendance in the parliament as commissioner for the shyre.

Appoyntis baillie Wallace [and three others] to buy in that land <sup>Bell, M'Cal-</sup> above the croce quhilk belonged to James Bell and Walter M'Callaster, <sup>laster and</sup> that there be made a streit ther from the landmercat to the Candle streit; <sup>Davidsonne.</sup> as also to buy that aiker of land ther belonging to umquhill Robert Broomes aires.

22 January 1676.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyned <sup>Act in</sup> anent the supplicatioun given in and presented to them be the deacon of <sup>favouris of</sup> the hammermen and his maisteris of craft and haill incorporatioun of the <sup>the hammer-</sup> said trade, making mentioun that, wpon the (*blank*) day of (*blank*) <sup>men.</sup> j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> (*blank*) yeares, they having conveyned and takin to their consideratioun how their poor multiplies wpon them, they not being able to supplie them, and finding that straingers who hes never servit their prenteship with friemen in the said incorporatioun enters frie with the said trade, for payment of ane verie litle and inconsiderable sowme of monye, sua that ther is verie litle betwixt these that hes servit their prenteships with friemen, and these who ar altogether straingers, and thes who hes never servit at all, therfor that the poor of the said trade may be better supplied, and that the farder abuse of promiscuous admissiounes of friemen strangers might be stopped for tyme to come, they did statut and ordaine that no strainger at any tyme thereafter should be admittid friemen of the said calling except to pay for his wpsett the sowme of ane hundreth pundis Scotis, and that it should not be in the power of any deacon, maister of craft, or any persone, member within the said incorporatioun, at any tyme thereafter to alter or change the said act, ather for moyen or friendship, but that the samyne shall stand as ane perpetuall law for the said

incorporatioun, and that quhatsoever persone, deacon, maister of craft, or ony uther member therof, should alter or change the said act should be lyable to the said sowme of ane hundreth pundis, as ane fyne then modified be the said deacon, maisteris of craft and haill members of the said calling, as the said act of the dait forsaid beries; and quhilk act abovewryttin was be the deacon conveyner of this burgh, deacones of craft and their bretherin of counsell, ratified, allowed and approvine wpon the twentie thrid day of November j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> seavintie twa yeares, and recommended be them to the said magistratis and counsell for getting their approbatioun and ratificatioun therof, humblie supplicating therfor the said proveist, baillies and counsell to ratifie and allow the said act; quhilk being takin to their consideratioun, they, for them and their successouris, in office, have allowed, ratified and approvine and heirby allowes, ratifies and approves of the samyne act, in the haill heidis, artickles, claussis and circumstances therof, with all that hes fallowed or may fallow wpon the samyne; reserving only as is heirby reservit to the said magistratis and counsell and their successoris in office to modifie the upsettis to be payit be burgessis bairnes, or these who maries burgessis daughters, and serves not their prenteships with friemen of the said calling within this burgh, at their entrieng frie with the said calling, in caice any difference sall happin theranent, the said persones being fund qualified craftsmen that sall crave to enter frie.

Colhoune to  
attend the  
Hie Kirk.

The magistratis and counsell being conveyned, and taking to their consideratioun the conditioun of the Hie Kirk, how the same is become ruinous, in the windowes, doores and utheris belonging therto, they have appoyntit and nominat James Colhoune, lait baillie, to be oversier of the said kirk, and to get the pensione yearly therfor as utheris who had the same formerlie, and appoyntis him to mend and repair the said kirk in quhat is fund necessarie to be mended with all expeditioun.

24 January 1676.

Lymnhous  
boig. Provane  
rent to be  
rouped.

It is concluded that that peice of the commoun land called the Lymehous boig, with the pertinentis, formerly possess be Johne Liddell, be set out in few to any who bidis most therfor, and appoyntis a proclamatioun to goe throw for roupung therof in the tolbuith; as also for

rouping of the rent that is to be receavit fra the tennentis in Provand the crompt 1675.

5 February 1676.

The said magistratis and counsell did allow, ratifie and approve of the rousing of the Lymnhous boig set to Ninian Andersoune, baillie, for the sowme roused for, being nyne hundreth and fourtie pundis, with fyve markis be year of few dewtie; and ordaines a few right to be grantit to him for that effect; and that march stones be set round about the samyne with all conveniencie for bounding therof, and appoyntis the dean of gild [and seven others] to set the said marches. As also to sight the com-mounne loch and that pairt therof or therabout may be sett out in few. As also ordaines the dean of gild [and six others] to sight Moodies and Peiters maillings in commounne, for setting out therof in few, or ony uther pairtes of the com-mounne to be fewed out.

Appoyntis the persones fallowing to goe throw the toune with the ministers and elders, for taking up the names of these who ar to be examined, in ordour to their taking the communion against Maij day nixt, viz.:—[two or three persons with each of (1) the parsone,<sup>1</sup> (2) Mr. Johne Gray, (3) Mr. Alexander Mylne, (4) Mr. William Stirling;] and to tak officeris with them, with their best conveniencie.

There was a contract subscrivit be the proveist, deane of gild and thesaurer, on the ane pairt, and John Clark, measone, on the uther pairt, anent his building of the bulwark at Newport and utheris therin specified, conforme therto, for quhilk he is to have seavintine thousand markis, with twa chalder victuall at the termes therin mentioned, quhilk was allowed and approvine be the hail counsell.

Ordaines ane bank to be sent throw the toune to adverteis these who hes not payit their Yuill wadges to the drummers, that they pay the same, utherwayes that the magistratis will caus poynd them therfor.

22 February 1676.

The baillies and counsell, in obedience to the actis of parliament and

<sup>1</sup> The parson was Arthur Ross, A.M., minister of the High Church from 1664 to 1675, when he obtained the bishopric of

Argyle. Between 1679 and 1684 he was archbishop of Glasgow.

Declara-tioune sub-scrivit.

of his Majesties secreit counsell, did all of them tak and subscriyve the declaratioune and oath of alledgiance, except Robert Cors, who refused to subscriyve the same, declaring that he was not concerned to doe it in respect he was not choysen nor is one of the ordinarie members of the toune counsell, but only the tounes collectour of their rentis for this year; and it is fund that Mr. Patrik Bell [and six others], the remnant of the toune counsell who were absent have all of them takine and subscrivit the declaratioune formerly, except James Campbell, maltman, and ordaines the clark to wryt to the proveist theranent, and to send east both the new and the former subscrivit declaratiounes that he may report the same to the privie counsell.

Report anent  
Bellis and  
M'Allisters  
landis.

These appoyntit made report they had met with James Bell and settled with him for ane thousand markis for his bak landis above the croce, and that he is to have ten foot of the foir land reservit to him of the landis the toune is to get fra Mr. Alexander Kinneir and Barbara M'Callaster, his spous, quhilk was approve be the counsel, the toune buying M'Callasters land.

4 March 1676.

Wayes at  
Howgait heid  
and Sighthill;  
casayes to be  
laid.

Appoyntis the deane of gild, deacon conveyner James Colhoune and the maister of wark to sight the hie way at the Howgait heid and over the Sighthill, and to tak notice quhat places therof is neidfull to be repaired, that it may be don with all dilligence; as also that the deane of gild caus lay casayes from the fleshmercat to the soap wark, and from that to the Gramer School, and to caus helpe the Trongait and Stokwelgait casayes.

Hie Kirk and  
yaird dyk.

Appoyntis the deane of gild [and two others] to sight the Hie Kirk, and to caus repair the windowes and uther pairtes therof most neidfull, and to mak the kirk yaird dyk feasible.

Act in  
favouris of  
the fleshouris.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyner, anent ane supplicatioune presented to them be James Watsons, present deacone of the fleshouris within the said burgh, for himselfe and in name and behalf of the haill remanent friemen of the said calling, making mentione that they having ane letter of deaconrie incorporating them in ane frie incorporatioune, and that they pay yearly to the toune the sowme of thrie hundreth markis yearly for the benefeit of the fleshmercat, and also that



they mentein divers poor people amongst them, notwithstanding quherof there ar divers and sundrie persounes inhabitentis within this burgh, not friemen with the said calling nor burgessis within this burgh, who at their awine hand, in manifest contempt of divers actis made in the contrair, and against all good ordour, sett wp and kill sheip, lambis, veillis, hudrones and uther bestiallis, and sellis the same publictly in the hie street foiranent the mouth or entrie of the said publict fleshmercat, and therby inhances in their awine handis the haill benefeit that friemen should have; as also, notwithstanding that ther is in this burgh, as in all uther weill governed cities and burghs within this kingdome, ane landmercat place for such persounes, to the effect forsaid, craving therfor the said magistratis and counsell to tak the permissis to their consideratioune, and to discharge all such persounes as ar unfriemen to sett up or sell anie of the saids bestiall in any place but in the publict landmercat, utherwayes the said craft will be randred unable to pay the said dewtie of the fleshmercat,<sup>1</sup> or to supplie their poor, as in the said supplicatioune at mair lenth is contained; quhilk being takin to the said proveist, baillies and counsell their consideratioune, and after deliberatioune had be them theranent, they have inhibited and discharged and heirby inhibitit and discharges all maner of persounes who ar not burgessis off this burgh, and friemen with the said incorporatioune of fleshouris, to kill or sell any sheip, lambes, veillis, huddrons, or uthour bestiall, but at the land mercat, or at least not within the haill boundis of the Trongait and wyndis, except wpon the ordinarie mercat dayes, after the terme of Witsonday nixt to come, under the paine of fourtie shilling to be exactit aff the contraveiners, be the magistratis of this burgh, *toties quoties* they transgres, for the use of the poor, by and attour farder punishment at their will and pleasour; and ordaines thir presentis to be intimat to all concerned.

11 March 1676.

Appoyntis ane proclamatioune to be sent throw the toune by touk of Moodies land, drum, to intimat that the landis in Waster Commoune, formerlie possest be Peiters, Cowlares, and umquhill James Moodie and David Peiter, and the landis in Easter Com- Seggieholme, moune, called the Cowlares and Saggieholme, presently possest be greines and utheris. Alexander Jamesone and Alexander Cowane, ar to be roupd in the

<sup>1</sup> See Glasg. Rec., II., p. 68.

tolbuith of Glasgow on Twesday come eight dayes, and set in few; as also the twa Greines and yaird to the bak of the Hie Kirk ar to be roupd the said day for this cropt of the gras, and who bidis most therfor sall have the same.

18 March 1676.

Kinneirs  
land bought  
in and  
Broomesland.

These who wer appoyntit made report that they had met with Mr. Alexander Kinneir and his wyfe, and agried with them for their landis above the croce, for twa thousand markis, and ane hundreth markis to his wyfe, quhilk was approve be the counsell; as also it was concluded be the said magistratis and counsell that they should give for that land at the bak of the fleshmercat and hous quhilk sometime pertained to Robert Broome twa thousand markis, and that Broomes relict get somthing over and above to her selfe at the tounes pleasour.

New entrie in  
kirk dyk.

It is condeschendit to and agried on that there be ane entrie kept in that pairt of the kirk yaird dyk neir to Major Thomesones tomb, and a yet put theron and locked, except at such tymes as necessarie.

25 March 1676.

Seggieholme,  
Cowlairis,  
and utheris  
feued.

The magistratis and counsell allowes and approves of the rousing and setting in few that mailling in Easter Commoune callit the Cowlaires and Seggieholme, with the pertinentis, as the same is presently possest be Alexander Jamesoune and Alexander Cowane, to Hugh Nisbit for payment of thrie thousand markes against Witsunday nixt, and ten markis of fewdewtie, yearly; reserving the hie wayes and passages throw the said landis, usit and wont; as also of the rousing and setting out in few of theis maillings in Waster commoune, sometyme possest be James Moodie and David Peiter, to Johne Campbell, for payment of twa thousand and fiftie markis to be payit at the said terme, and paying also ten markis of fewdewtie, yearly; reservand the hie wayes, passages to the quarrell, and uther hie wayes throw the said lands, as also the passage for the watergang therthrow of the syck that comes throw Galstounes Park fra the Lymhous boig; and lykwayes reserving to the toun and burgessis therin the use of any quarrell within the said landis, with libertie to win and tak away stones furth therof, and in lykmaner reserving to the tennentis of the saidis haill maillings their takis during the yeares therof

yit to run; and appoyntis the proveist [and five others], and quhom utheris the proveist pleases, to goe out with ther best conveniencie to stob and march the said maillings.<sup>1</sup>

11 April 1676.

The proveist made report of his dilligence at Newport, that he and Stobcours had commouned with Sir Patrick Maxwell anent getting libertie for the toune to winn stones out of his quarrell there, and that they had measoured the grund to be tirmed, and conteinowed the agriement to be made with Sir Patrick till George his homecoming, and appoyntis the proveist, and quhom utheris he sall pleas to tak with him, to meit and setle with the said Sir Patrick theranent quhen occasiounes offers.

It is concluded that these thrie rowmes at the heid of the clos at Newport, nixt to Mr. William Conynghames yaird, quhilk enters (*blank*), be given to the taksmen of the custome and excyse, for keeping ther be the Kings customers ther. <sup>Thrie rowmes at Newport set to the Kings customers ther.</sup>

Appoyntis the proveist and baillies to dispose wpon the doytis<sup>2</sup> belong- Doyttis. ing to the toune to the best advantage they can for the tounes behove.

Anent the supplicatiounes given in be (*blank*) M'Ildounie, craving to enter burges be right of his father umquhill William M'Ildounie, burges of the said burgh, for payment of the ordinarie dewes as a burges sone, quhilk was refused in respect he is ane old man and hes many childer in and never lived in the toune himselfe nor borne any burdine therin, unles he enter as a strainger and pay accordingly.

Recommendis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to lett out the tounes hous in Drygait for ane manufactory, and to report upon the termes befor they agrie. <sup>Manufactorie to be sett.</sup>

Recommendis to Mr. William Conynghame to appoynt some fitt persone for keping the clos at Newport and having a caire of quhat guidis sall be laid in there, for quhilk it is concluded that he sall have aff everie cellar fra the possessouris therof twentie shilling Scotis yearly, and sex pennies Scotis aff ilk last herring sall be laid in into the clos, he being <sup>Clos at Newport.</sup>

<sup>1</sup> On 6th July, 1676, the burgh of Glasgow obtained the authority of the Convention of Royal Burghs for the sale of three pieces of land, including "Liddellis Boag" and "Kows Lair." (Convention Records, III., p. 660.)

<sup>2</sup> See footnote, p. 231.

obleidged that quhat guidis he sall receave and sall be delyvered to him he sall redelyver the samyne bak in sayftie.

Agriement  
with the  
minister of  
the Barrony.

The proveist made report that he had setled and agried with Mr. Alexander George, minister at the Barrony Kirk, for payment to him of stipend yearly for serving the cuir at the said kirk the sowme of nyne hundreth pundis Scotis, with fyftie pundis Scotis farder, yearly, for furnishing the communion elementis; and in caice throw default of the said minister the communion sall not happin to be given yearly at the said kirk, and the fyftie pundis bestowed that way, the samyne is to be des-tribut to the poor be advyce and appoyntment of the archbishop of Glasgow and magistratis therof; quhilk report was allowed and approve be the said magistratis and counsell.

9 May 1676.

Report of the  
twa houssis.

The deane of gild and deacon conveyner made report that they had conveyned their twa houssis and red the draught of the right to be given to theis who will tak aff land to build houssis at Newport, and quherwith they wer all satisfeit. And as concerning the exactiounne of the imposi-tiounne imposed by act of parliament wpon ilk pynt of brandie ventit within this burgh they referred the same to the magistratis and counsell to do therin as they should think fitt.

Excyse on  
brandie.

Excyse to be  
exactit aff  
brandie.

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratiounne the secund act of the fourth and last session of his Majesties secund parlia-ment, holdin at Edinburgh the first of December 1673, entituled ane act concerning the importatiounne and excyse of brandie wyne, quherby it is appoyntit that ilk Scotis pynt of brandie is to be lyable in the payment of sex shilling Scotis for excyse, quhilk excyse of brandie is to be raised in the severall schyres and burghes quher the same sall be retailed by topping and selling in smallis, and imployed for the proportionall releiff of the annuitie of excyse payit be the said shyres and burghs; as also having considered the small quantitie of excyse gottin at the tounes mylnes, and the great burdings the tounne is in, and the power grantit to them be the said act of parliament, they have statut and ordained that there sall be exactit for ilk Scotis pynt of brandie that sall be topped, sold and retailed in smallis within this burgh, after the first day of Junij nixt to come, the sowme of four shilling Scotis monye, for the better reliving of

this burgh of the annuitie of excyse and uther publict burdings; and if any brandie sall happin to be topped and vented within the said burgh, imported be straingers not burgessis therin, or uther royall burghs, there is to be exactit for ilk pynt therof sex shilling Scotis, and ordaines ane proclamatioune to be sent throw the toune intimating the samyne is to be rouped on the Grein the first Twesday of Junij nixt, wpon such provisiounes and restrictiounes the said magistratis and counsell shall think fitt, quhilk sall be then intimat to theis who sall tak the samyne.

In answer to the supplicatioune given in be Garnkirk anent the <sup>Coshnochhill.</sup> Coshnoch hill, appoyntis the proveist, baillies [and four others] to advyse what interest the toune hes to theise landis and Garnkirkis interest if he ony hes, and to report.

In anser to the supplicatioune given in be John Louk, merchand, Louk. quherby he craves libertie of a cast to bring water fra the Provand loch to his mylne callit Halhill mylne, appoyntis proveist Campbell, [and three others] to sight the grund if it will be without prejudice to the toune or their tennents in Provand, and to report.

27 May 1676.

Baillies Andersone and Wallace [and four others] ar appoyntit to <sup>Poores roll to</sup> <sup>be revised and</sup> <sup>rectified.</sup> ~~meit~~ with the ministers to tak inspectiounes of the poors rollis and to put out these persones fra having any benefeit therby they think least indigent, to the effect the said roll may be deminished of that it was augmentit, the victuall being now come much moir cheiper, and in respect of the tounes great burdine they are in.

5 June 1676.

The magistratis and counsel taking to their consideratioune the way <sup>Excysse of</sup> <sup>brandie.</sup> and maner of the exacting the small custome imposed wpon brandie sold or topped within the respective shyres and burghs, conforme to the act of parliament, they have concluded and agried that all persones within this burgh, ather importer or ventiner, that sellis any brandie within the said burgh and druckin within the same, in les quantitie nor ane gallon, quhilk is eight Scotis pyntis, sall be lyable in payment of the said excyse at four shilling Scotis ilk pynt, to be payit be the retailleurs or ventiner;

and farder it is concluded that quhat brandie sall happin to be imported be straingers, vented, sold and druckin within the said burgh, sall be lyable in the payment of sex shilling Scotis ilk pynt therof, and that the samyne be exactit accordingly; and it is heirby declared that all brandie, ather in great or small quantities, sold within the said burgh to any outintounes people living in the cuntrie and spent there, sall be frie of the said impositioun; and ordaines the said brandie to be roupd on Twesday nixt with the rest of the commoun guidis of this burgh on the termes forsaid, and with this qualificatioun that nather the taker therof, nor his pertners, sall have libertie to import any brandie themselves during the tak, as also that they sall not have power and libertie to conveyn the inhabitentis befor any judge quhatsomever except the proveist, baillies and counsell of Glasgow, anent any difference sall happin to aryse betwixt the said taksmen and inhabitentis, who ar heirby declared to be the only judges to determine theranent, and that the taksmen sall have libertie, monethly or quarterly as they pleas, to conveyn the said inhabitentis befor the proveist or ony of the baillies of this burgh, for judging and decerning of them to mak reddie payment of the said impositioun, and that the said magistratis sall attend accordingly, and that no pairticular persone sall be exempted as to quhat is druckin in his familie, but that the taksmen sall not have libertie to conveyn these privat persones except they can be reputed ane retailer and give their oathes they suspect them to be so.

16 June 1676.

Common  
good set.

[Mills, 8,250 merks; ladles, 3,700 merks; tron, 1,120 merks; meal market, 770 merks; bridge, 1,620 merks; "excyse of brandie, aquavytie and utheris," 2,760 merks.]

30 June 1676.

Warrant,  
Campbell.

Ordaines Johne Campbell to have ane warrant for [£432 6s. 8d.] deburst to advocatis at Edinburgh and their servandis, and to the clarkis of secreit counsell and their servandis, and to the macers and utheris, in defending the pley persewit be Hugh Campbell, merchand in Edinburgh, befor the secreit counsell against the deane of gild and some of his bretherin, and severall utheris the late magistratis of this burgh, and for the said deane of gild, Hugh Nisbit and utheris, their charges and

expenssis at Edinburgh anent the said pley, conforme to the compt therof given in and allowed.

Compeired Robert Allane, notar, as procuratour speciallie constitut be James Bell of Proveistishaugh, Mr. Alexander Kinneir, and utheris, conforme to the procuratorie contained in ane dispositioun made be them to the toun of their certaine landis above the croce, now intended to be made in ane commoune streit, lane or vennell,<sup>1</sup> and resignit the same in the handis of the said magistratis and counsell and their successouris, to remayne with them, proveist, baillies, and counsell of this burgh *ad perpetuam remanentiam*, being resignit as in the handis of their superiouris, and therupon they askit instrumentis in the handis of their toun clark, and ordained him to record the samyne accordingly in their register of seasings.

Resigna-  
tioun, Bell,  
Kinneir, and  
utheris.

22 July 1676.

The proveist made report of his dilligence at Edinburgh in the tounes affaires, and of his appeiring befor the secreit counsell for getting the toun kept frie of fying for conventickles,<sup>2</sup> as lykwayes that he had attended the generall conventioun of burrowes himselfe notwithstanding of the commissioun given to James Campbell, and that the said generall conventioun had ratified and approvine the particular act of the burrowes made in [17 November<sup>3</sup>] last, by which it is concluded that the tounes pley against Grinock sall be persewed on the expenssis to be payit be the haill burrowes.

Report, pro-  
veist, conven-  
tickles,  
Grinock  
excyse.

<sup>1</sup> Bell's Wynd, leading from High Street to Candleriggs, was the name given to the passage formed through the properties acquired at this time. (MS. Inv. of Writs, I. bundle 29.) M'Ure, in 1736, says "Bell's Wynd hath a noble gate and entry of curious workmanship that excells all others in the city. The wynd stretches from the Kirk Street, and is of length 220 ells and 10 ells wide. In it is the mutton market." (Hist. of Glasgow, 1830 edition, p. 130.) Widened and otherwise improved in recent years, the thoroughfare is now called Bell Street.

<sup>2</sup> By a royal commission given under the

signet at Edinburgh, on 1st March, 1676, it was declared that magistrates of royal burghs should be fined 500 merks for each conventicle held therein. (Woodrow's Church History, 1829 edition, ii., pp. 318-9.) On 20th July, several persons belonging to Glasgow and neighbourhood were fined for keeping conventicles, but the town, probably as the result of the provost's representations, does not appear to have been held responsible. (*Ib.*, pp. 321-2.)

<sup>3</sup> Convention Records, III. (1615-76), pp. 656-7, 665.

29 July 1676.

Cast at the  
Provand  
Loch.

It being presentit that some persones, at their awine hand, without ony ordour, hes clandestinely castine a cast fra the Provand Loch towardis the Halhill mylne, for taking the water that way, the magistratis and counsell recommendis the same to Johne Barnes, their baillie of Provand, to tak tryell theranent who did it, and to caus punish them therfor, and to fill up the said cast; and conteinowes the giving any answer to the petitione given in be Johne Louk, quherby he craves the libertie of the said cast to his mylne, till that tyme.

Warrandis,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of fourtie sex pundis for coall and candle to the guards the moneths of Maij, Junij last, and Julij instant; and for twa hundreth markes payit to Thomas Craufurd for a yeares maill of his hous in Rottinraw quher the bishop of Argyll<sup>1</sup> dwelt fra Whitsoundy 1675.

Through  
stones in the  
Hie Kirk  
yaird.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, taking to their consideratioun the great abuse in the Hie Kirk yaird, throw the many through stones laid therin, and in heighting of them by their setting the stones upon rodis and ballasters, so that quhen any corps ar to be interred it is verie hard to get them caried therthrow to their buriell places without hazard to the persones who caries them, therfor these ar to command and charge, by bank throw the toune of the drum, all maner of persones who hes through stones in the said Hie Kirk yaird, sua heighted with rodis or ballasters beneth them, to tak doune the same and lay them flat on the grund, betwixt and the first of September nixt, with certificatioun the stones of the contraveiners heirop sall without fail be brokin and castin out of the kirk-yaird, besyd farder punishment, and of their being fyned at the will of the magistratis, quhilk may be the los of the benefeit of their buriell place.

22 August 1676.

Hieways in  
Gorballis.

Appoyntis the deane of gild [and three others] to sight the wayes that leidis to Rutherglen and the Muir houssis in Gorballis and tak notice quhat therof neidis to be mended, and to report.

Thrie fewes  
subscrivit to  
Andersone,  
Campbell,  
and Fairie.

There was a few dispositioun of the Lymnhouse boig, with the pertinentis, as the samyne was roupit, subscrivit to Niniane Andersoun;

<sup>1</sup> Arthur Ross, parson of Glasgow. See footnote, *antea*, p. 215.



as also ane uther few right of theis twa maillings in Waster Commoun, somtyme possesit be umquhill James Moodie and David Peiter, subscrivit to John Campbell; quhilkis ar to ly in the clarkis handis till the toune be payit of the monye for quhilk the said maillings wer rouped and sold for; as lykwayes there was a thrid few right of the landis of Cowlares Seggieholme and pertinentis, as formerly publictly rouped and sold to Hugh Nisbit, subscrivit to James Fairie, with consent of the said Hugh, and the sowme being thrie thousand markis for quhilk the same was roupit is payit be the said James Fairie in manner fallowing, viz., nyne hundreth markis therof to these who keepes the tounes militia hors for this year, and the remander of the said sowme, being twa thousand ane hundreth markis payit to the thesaurer, quherwith he is to be charged at his compt making. The double of the quhilk thrie few dispositiounes is conteined and insert in that book quher the contractis ar betwixt the toune and umquhill Sir John Scot anent Peickie and Peikie mylnes, and the proveist, with James Campbell, the deane of gild and the maister of wark, with quhom they pleas to tak with them, to sie the march stones sett in about the said maillings as the samyne was formerlie stobbed.

9 September 1676.

Ordaines Johne Campbell to have ane warrand for the sowme of Warrand, fourtine pundis starling deburst to the proveist, quhilk was spent on the <sup>Campbell</sup> tounes accompt quhen the archbishop of Glasgow and severall utheris went to Newport and at Dumbartane, and spent in the toune quhen the committee of the counsell sat here anent the Irish victuallis.

The magistratis and counsell having considered how the calsayes and <sup>Calsay to the</sup> hie way to the Broomelaw is broken and abused, appoynts the water baillie <sup>Broomielaw.</sup> to repair the same, and that he charge the whoill cairters to lead rubbish and gravell for that effect, and who refuissis that he discharge them from their tred and punish them farder as he pleases.

Appoyntis the hie wayes to be mended in Gorballis at the Guschat <sup>Hie Wayes in</sup> fold and way that leidis to Litle Goveane. <sup>Gorballis.</sup>

James Ker, merchand, is electit and choysen to be the tounes quarter <sup>Ker, quarter</sup> maister, and to quarter the sojouris in the toune, for quhilk he is to have <sup>maister,</sup> <sup>localitie dis-</sup> ten pundis starling yearly for his paines; and the magistratis and counsell charged.

hes discharged and heirby discharges the uplifting of locallitie in tyme coming.

Robert Sanders, stationer, purchase of fewdeutie.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun that Robert Sanders, stationer, hes bought in fra them ane yearly fewdeutie of threttine markis Scotis payable to the toune out of that tenement of land above the croce, nixt to the tolbuith, quhilk somtyme perteaned to umquhill George Baillie and now to the said Robert Sanders, and hes payit the toune therfor at seavintine yeares purches, as utheris hes bought the lyk, conforme to the former actis and proclamatiounes made theranent, and payit also quhat was restand of byrunes, and therfor they have exonered and herby exoners him anent the payment of the said yearly fewdeuty in tyme coming, and declares the said tenement to be frie of the samyne in all tyme heirafter, and ordaines for that effect the same to be scored out of the rentallis, and thir presentis to stand in force for his exoneratioun of the premissis as if that wer a particular discharge grantit for the effect forsaid subscrivit be the said magistratis and counsell to him a pairt.

30 September 1676.

Supplicatione, weavers and Louk.

Ordaines the supplicatioun given in be the weavers to be consulted be the tounes advocatis, whither or not the desyre therof may be grantit [be] the toune according to law; as also to advyse whither or not the toune may grant to Johne Louk the draught he craves to his mylne at Halhill throw the Provand landis and stop the same quhen they pleas, conforme to the band he is to give in for that effect.

3 October 1676.

Election of magistrates.

[The archbishop nominated James Campbell, merchant, to be provost for the ensuing year, and from leets presented to him chose Mr. Patrick Bell and John Barnes, elder, merchants, and John Miller, craftsman, to be bailies.]

6 October 1676.

Councillors.

[The magistrates of this and the two previous years, with persons appointed to supply vacancies, chose thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors.]

7 October 1676.

Guard hous.

Appoyntis Johne Bell and James Colhoun to meit with James Clark, measoun, and to agrie with him for building a guard hous.

11 October 1676.

[Ninian Andersoune, dean of guild; James Fairie, deacon convener; Mr. Dean of gild, David Sharp, treasurer; Mathow M'Caulay, visitor of maltmen and mealmen; etc. James Ker, bailie of Gorbals; John M'Kewne, water bailie; George Campbell, master of work; Robert Tennent, visitor of gardeners.]

16 October 1676.

Ordaines Markus Marschell to have ane warrant for threttie pundis Warrant, Scotis deburst be him out of the excyse monye to Mr. John Alexander, <sup>Alexander, minister.</sup> sumtyme minister in Polland.

[The 12 d. wheat loaf to weigh 14 oz.; rough tallow to be sold for 48 s. the Breid, tallow, candle.]

[John Grahame continued procurator-fiscal for the burgh.]

Grahame,  
fiscall.

23 October 1676.

Be pluraltie of votis, Mr. Hugh Muir was nominat and presentit to be Under doctor the secund doctour of the Grammer School of this burgh, in place of <sup>in Grammer School.</sup> umquhill Mr. Johne Wingait, and to have the haill casualities belonging therto, as the said Mr. Johne possess the same.

It was concluded that the smiths hous with the smiddie at Newport be Smiddie and takin from the smith there, and that the present collectouris of his Majesties hous at New- port given to customes and excyse be presently putt in possessioun therof, keeping their collector of office therat; and appoyntis Mr. William Conynghame, and utheris quhom customes and excyse. the magistratis sall think fitt, to tak ane accompt of the whoill worklumes and utheris belonging to the toune within the said hous and smiddie, and that they be laid up and secured in some of the tounes chambers at Newport.

5 November 1676.

It is concluded that the declaratioun be drawne up and signed and Declarationne subscryved be the haill magistratis and counsell and sent east and pre- <sup>to be sub-</sup> sentit to the secret counsell.<sup>1</sup> scrivit.

The proveist is appoyntit to repair to Edinburgh, with all con- Proveist to veinencie, to prosecut and fallow out the pley against Grinock, and to <sup>Edinburgh.</sup> caus suspend the charge given to the toune be James Johnstone and his spous, and to caus attend and agent uther the tounes affaires there.

<sup>1</sup> The declaration to be signed by all of parliament, 1662, c. 54, and 1663, c. 17 persons in public trust was prescribed by acts (A.P.S., VII., 405, 462).

Monye gotten  
fra Sanders,  
tounes  
printer.

The nyntie nyne pundis sex shilling and viij d. gottin fra Robert Sanders for the fewdewtie or grund annuell of his tenement nixt the tolbuith, quhilk he hes bought in fra the toun at nyntine yeares purches, and the bygaine restis therof, the rest being allowed to him in his awine hand for severall bygane termes sellarie was awand be the toun to him as the tounes printer, was distribut and given be advyce of the proveist and baillies [and others] to the persones fallowing out of charitie, viz., twentie nyne pundis therof to Daniell Broune, threttie four pundis xvj s. therof to (*blank*) Gray, a minister in Polland, to Thomas Findlay twelwe pundis, and uther twelwe pundis therof to umquhill Alexander Watsounes sone named Walter, and the remander therof, being alevine pundis x s. viij d. was given to a indigent woman.

23 December 1676.

Report, de-  
creit against  
Grinok.

The proveist made report of his dilligence in Edinburgh anent the tounes affaires, and that he had obtained a decreit of declarator befor the lordis against the toun of Grinok.<sup>1</sup>

Warrant,  
wyne.

[The treasurer to have a warrant for £250 Scots disbursed "for thrie hogisheidis French wyne, furnished last year, quherof twa to the archbishop of Glasgow and the uther to Sir John Harper."]

Thanks to the  
bishop.

Appoyntis the thrie baillies [and four others] to give the archbishop of Glasgow thankis in the tounes name for his paines and cair takin on their accompt in the pley persewed against Grinok.

Lockhart and  
M'Keinzie.

John Bell [and two others] ar appoyntit to consider quhat is fitt to be given to Sir George Lockhart and Sir George M'Keinzie for their extraordinarie paines takin be them in the pley against Grinok.

Birscat, pre-  
centor in the  
Laigh Kirk.

Mr. James Birscat is nominat and appoyntit to be precentor in the Tron Kirk in place of Robert Forrest, and to get his pension accordingly, and to begin the morrow; and the deane of gild and deacon conveyner is appoyntit to send for Robert Forrest to discharge him to medle in that employment in tyme coming, and appoyntis the maister of wark to give to the said Mr. James twentie pundis for his incurragement and to place it in his compt.

9 January 1677.

Oak tries,  
breist work at  
Newport.

It is concluded that there be ane commissioun sent to Niniane

<sup>1</sup> Inv. I., bundle 6, No. I. See footnote, p. 263.

Andersoune in Waterfoord in Irland, to try if he can get four or fyve hundreth oackin tries to buy there for the use of the breist wark at Newport, at fyftine footis lenth and eight inches squar, and if they can be gottin that he fraught a veschell ther for bringing them over, and appoyntis the proveist to wryt to the said Ninian in name of the toune and to draw a bill upon the toune for payment of the said tries.

Ordaines Johne Campbell to pay to James Ker twelfe rex dollouris for Warrant, the quartering of the earle of Linlithgow the tyme the counsell satt here, Campbell. quhilk sall be allowed in his excyse compt.

20 January 1677.

The magistratis and counsell grantis libertie to Hugh Boick, wrytter Licence to in Edinburgh, to sell four hogisheidis of Virginie tobacco, made offer of to Boick. the toune, to quhom he pleases.

John Campbell producit a band of twa thousand markis quhilk the Hammil-  
toune was resting to John Hammiltoune, late of Clochcurr in Irland, <sup>tounes band</sup>  
quhilk sowme the said John Campbell hes payit, with ane yeares annuell- <sup>reteired be</sup> Campbell.  
rent therof, being eightie pundis, in lew of the pryce of the landis in  
Waster Commoun sold be the toune to the said John Campbell, at twa  
thousand and fyftie markis Scotis, [and John Campbell to have a warrant  
for 70 merks being the balance].

The magistratis and counsell having considered that the hous at the Blaires hous  
foot of the Saltmercat somtyme pertaining to umquhill (*blank*) Blair, as <sup>and Aiken-</sup>  
lykwayes that hous on the south syd of the Briggait, somtyme pertaining <sup>heid's hous.</sup>  
to (*blank*) Clark and Bessie Aikinheid, ar'both become ruinous and lyklie  
to fall, quhilk may be dangerous and hazardsoume to old people and  
bairnes throw the falling therof, it is appoyntit that it be advysed what  
way sall be takin to obleidge the heritoris therof to tak them doune and  
caus them repair the samyne, they being on the hie street.

3 February 1677.

Ordaines Robert Cors to have ane warrant for twentie fyve pundis Warrant,  
starling lent be him out of the excyse to Captaine Scott, quhilk he is to Cors.  
pay by his note upon demand, or gett James Murray, clark to the troupe,  
to pay the same.

Pollokis frie-  
dome cryed  
doun.

Robert Pollok, maltman, being conveyed and fund guiltie of bringing some furlotis of malt out of the mylne without payment of the excyse, it was declared that he should have no friedom within this burgh their-after, and ordaines him to produce his burges tikit, quhilk accordingly he did and the samyne was instantly riven at the table.

Petitiounes,  
inhabitants of  
Grinok.

In ansuer to the supplicatiounes given in be severall of the inhabitantis of Grinok, makand mention that quher they ar summond at the instance of this toune to compeir befor the lordis for exercing of a frie trade and importing of guidis, contrair the act of parliament, humblie therfor desyring that the said magistratis and counsell that they wold be pleased, for friething them of truble and expence, to tak such of their oathes who ar frie of using any such trade, quhilk they offered to give for bygaines, and to give band and cautiounes nocht to use the lyk in tyme coming contrair the act of parliament, they recommend the samyne to the proveist, baillies [and three others] to meit with any of the said persones and to tak tryell of the veritie of this affair, with power to them to tak their oathes for bygaines and band and cawtiounes that they sall not exerce any such trade in tyme coming, to the effect that they who gives the samyne may be scored out of the summondis.

Supplicatiounes,  
Mitchell.

In ansuer to the supplicatiounes given in and presentit to the said magistratis and counsell be William Mitchell, tailyor, cravand some supplie, in respect of his povertie and the great burdine he hes had by being quartered on, and speciallie quhen one Mowat one of the Kings troupe died in his hous severall yeares agoe, they have ordained baillie Colhoun to pay to him that fourtie pundis Scotis he receavit for sufferring of umquhill James Stirlings relict to be interred in the Hie Kirk, and ordaines the clark to give him warrand for that effect.

Act anent the  
excys of  
malt.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being verie sensible and lykwayes informed of the great quantitie of malt brought into this toune and broune therin without paying of the excys therfor, as lykwayes of severall quantities brought in to the toune quhilk nather payes excyse nor yit is grund at the toune mylnes, quhilk being takin to their consideratione, for remeid quherof they have enacted, statut and ordained [here follow detailed regulations occupying about two pages of the record].

24 February 1677.

Appoyntis the lait deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to call for the whoill doytis and aitchesounes<sup>1</sup> in the tounes handis, and to sell and dispose therupon or roup them as they best can for the weill of the tounes.

Doytis and  
aitchesounes.

Appoyntis ane proclamatioune to be sent throw the tounes to adverteis all the burgessis therin that hes a mynd to few any of the tounes landis at Newport, for building of houssis and cellaris thereon, for accommodating of skippers and seamen, and better accommodatioune of cellering of their guidis, that they repair to the tounes clarkis chamber betwixt and the first of Aprill nixt, and ther give up their names to the clark that ane pairticular day may be appoyntit for casting of lotis for quhat pairt of the said grund they mynd to build upon, as the samyne is or shall be divyded for that effect, and these who hes a mynd to sie the few rightis they ar to get of the said landis lett them repair to the tounes clark quher they will get a just double therof to advyse.

Proclama-  
tioune anent  
setting in few  
peices of  
grund at  
Newport.

Appoyntis a new smiddie to be builded at Newport, and the deacon conveyiner to try out some fitt persone to be smith there.

Smith and  
smiddie at  
Newport.

There was ane letter producit from Ninian Andersoune, in ansuer to that quhilk was sent to him be the tounes, to buy tries for Newport, quherin he declares that they will not be at so easie a rate or so weill gottin as expected, and therfor it is recommended to the proveist to tak the easiest and fittest cours he thinkis best for provyding the said tries.

Tries to be  
provydit for  
Newport.

Appoyntis the proveist, and quhom he pleases to tak with him, to repair to Newport at his conveniencie, for meithing and stobbing of the grund ther for building of houssis theron, and to tak inspectiounes of the tounes houssis, cellaris, and uther their busines there.

Proveist to  
Newport.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of fyve pundis starling given to Walter Corbett, lait prenteis to Androw Purdome, for chying the note of the chyme of bellis in the tolbuith quhen his maister was at Holland, and to helpe him to buy worklumes to sett wp his trade.

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

<sup>1</sup> "Doyt," a small copper coin of the value of a penny Scots. "Aitchesoun, a billon coin, or rather copper washed with silver, struck in the reign of James VI., of the value

of 8d. Scots. From the name of the then assay-master of the mint." (Jamieson's Scottish Dictionary.)

1 March 1677.

Proveist to  
Edinburgh.

The proveist and Hugh Nisbit ar appoyntit to repair to Edinburgh to ansuer befor the secreit counsell, upon the sext of this instant, to the summondis given to the toune at the instance of the Kings advocat for Mungow Mathie, jylour, his suffering of William Stirling and Thomas Blackwall escape out of the tolbuith.<sup>1</sup>

Warrands,  
Cors.

These appoyntit made report that they had determined twentie pundis starling to be given to Sir George Lockhart and ten pundis starling to Sir George M'Keinzie for their extraordinarie paines in the tounes busines and affair against Grinock.

17 March 1677.

Proveistis  
agriement  
with my  
Lord Ros for  
the tounes  
fynes.

The proveist made report of his and Hugh Nisbitis dilligence at Edinburgh anent the tounes affaires, and that the magistratis of this burgh wer fyned by the secreit counsell in ten thousand markis for Thomas Blackwall and William Stirling their escaping out of the tolbuith of this burgh, quherin they wer prisoners, reserving to them to seek their releiff aff Mungow Mathie, jylour, and Blackwall and Stirlings estaitis; and for eschewing farder truble and friething them of farder charges the proveist did declare that he had settled with George lord Ros on these tearmes, that the toune should give the said lord Ros the sowme of twa thousand markis, with ane assignatioune to the counsellis decreit for the ten thousand markia of fyne for seiking releiff aff William Stirling and Blackwallis estait and Mungow Mathie, the jylour, as also to the band grantit be Mungow Mathie to the toune at his admissioun as jylour, and that the said lord Ros is to procure ane discharge from Sir William Sharpe to the toune of the said ten thousand markis, conforme to ane subscrivit agriement past betwixt the said lord Ros and him productit; quhilk report and agriement was allowed and approvine be the said magistratis and counsell, and the proveist and baillies commissionat and appoyntit to grant and subscryve in favouris of the said lord Ros ane assignatioune to the said

<sup>1</sup> Wodrow mentions that "Mr. Blackwall was committed to prison for house and field conventicles, and entertaining nonconformist ministers in his house . . . but one night, the

door being open . . . he and William Stirling, a gentleman in prison with him, got out." (Church History, 1829 edition, ii., p. 359.)



decreit and band, and appoyntit to delyver the samyne to the said lord upon his delyverie of the said discharge of the said fyne; and ordaines Robert Cors to pay to the said lord Ros the said twa thousand markis, conforme to the agriement, quhilk sall be allowed to him at his compt making of the excyse; as also ordaines Robert Cors to have ane warrand for the sowme of four hundreth pundis Scotis payit to the proveist and quhilk he deburst to advocatis and clarkis and their servantis and utheris in defence of the said play befor the counsell, and for his and Hugh Nisbitis charges and expenssis in ryding to Edinburgh theranent.

The proveist made report that he had settled with ane uther persone at Edinburgh, in place of Robert Mein, for sending to the toune the newest letters and gazetis, who will serve them better than they war formerly, quhilk was allowed, and appoyntis the clark to signifie so much to the said Robert and to tell him he send no mae and quhat was restand for bygaines should be payit.

In ansuer to the supplicatioun presentit be the baxters of this burgh, desyryng ane augmentatioun of the pryce of the wheat breid, in respect the wheat is become dearer, the magistratis and counsell refers the same to the baillies, and to augment the pryce or utherwayes regulat the same as they think best conforme to the pryce of the wheat; with that certificatioun that the baxters obleidge themselves to mak guid and sufficient breid, under the paine of fourtie pundis to be exacted aff ilk ane of them that contraveines.

24 March 1677.

Anent the supplicatioun given in and presentit to the magistratis and counsell of the said burgh be Mathow M'Caulay, present visitour of the maltmen, the maisters and remanent bretherin of the said calling, makand mentioun that quher by the incoming of many straingers from the cuntrie, who making themselves burgessis enters and comes in friemen with the said societie of maltmen for ane litle inconsiderable sowme, the members of the said societie doe exceidingly incresee, to the great prejudice of the calling and to the great hurt and prejudice of the burgh of Glasgow their excyse, these straingers incomers being poor takis many sinistrous wayes and courses to steill malt out of the tounes mylnes excyse frie, quherby honest men of the said societie and weilwishers to

the said burgh of Glasgow ar exceidingly prejudged, throw their selling malt at ane lower rate then they who pay the excyse honestly, quhilk the petitioners conceaves humblie might be helped and redrest if the fynes of straingers entring friemen wer augmentit to ane hundreth pundis Scotis, as uther callings doe exact, quhilk the petitioners will not tak upon them to doe without their lordshipis speciall warrand and ordour for that effect; lyk as there ar severall persones who ar nather burgessis of Glasgow, nor fewares of Gorballis, nor frie with this calling, but straingers who makis malt with their awine hand, sellis the samyne without presenting it to the mercat, quherby the maltmen in Glasgow and fewaris of Gorballis ar greatly prejudged, as also the said burgh in their excyse by their glandestine grinding of their malt at uther mylnes than the tounes mylnes, and so prejudging the toun of the moulter and excyse therof, and therfor cravand the said magistratis and counsell to give their delyverance, warrand and ordour to the petitioners to exact ane hundreth pundis Scotis monye, as uther callings doe exact fra ilk strainger who enters frieman with the said societie in all tyme coming, and to mak ane act in their bookis for that effect, which will contribut much for the augmenting and keeping up the just excyse of all malt grund at the tounes mylnes and the guid and weill of the said societie, and their lordshipis petitioners therby sall be ingadged everie way to be active for the exact payment of the dew excyse, and sall ever pray for the prosperitie of the said burgh, as the said petitione mair fullie proportis. Quhilk being red and thereafter takin to the said proveist, baillies and counsell their consideratioun, after mature advyce and deliberatioun had be them theranent, and finding the samyne in it selfe most reasonable, for the reasones and caussis above wryttin, and utheris, the said proveist, baillies and counsell have given and grantit, and heirby gives and grantis to the visitour of maltmen of the said burgh, and remanent members of the said societie, and ther successouris in office, full power, warrand and ordour, in all tyme coming, to exact and receave from ilk strainger that enters burges of the said burgh, and desyres to enter frieman with the said societie, the sowme of ane hundreth pundis Scotis for the better supplie of the poor of the said calling, declaring that thir presentis ar nowayes to be extended against burges bairnes, or these that maries burgessis and friemens

daughters, and lykwayes discharges any of the inhabitentis of Gorballis to tak in or brew any malt from any strainger, not indwellers and maltmen in Glasgow or fewers of Gorballis, except the same be presentit to the mercat of Glasgow and sightit be the visitour, and pay the ladles, under such paines and penalties it sall please the magistratis of this burgh to exact and inflict on them, and discharges the collectouris to suffer any malt out of the mylnes to pas belonging to any persone aforsaid without warrand fra the said visitour, declaring thir presentis to stand in force during the said magistratis and counsell their will and pleasour.

In ansuer to the petitiounes given in be the pertners of the soaparie, Grund at and be William Andersoune, lait proveist, James Fairie and Robert Campbell, desyring they may be first preferred and have their first choyse of the grund at Newport for bigging of houssis there, they being the first offerers to build, conforme to the proclamatioune, the same is recomendit to these who ar appoyntit to repair thither for sighting of the grund to sie the samyne done accordingly.

The deane of gild [and two others] ar appoyntit to sight the Inner Hie Kirk. Hie Kirk and to caus mak and sett in new pewes in such pairtes therof they think fitt.

The magistratis and counsell have concluded that their be no checkis Chek dis- kepted heirafter for goeing throw the toune to sight quhat malt was charged. broune, becaus they find it no wayes advantagious to the toune.

The said magistratis and counsell considering that Mungow Mathie Hammill had quat given over his place as jylour and keeper of the tolbuith, in appoyntit jylour. ansuer to the supplicatioune given in and presentit to them be Coline Hammill, merchand, burges of this burgh, they have nominated and admitted the said Coline to serve in the said office as jylour and keeper of the said tolbuith and haill prisone houssis therin, and hes acceptit Patrik Bryce, maltman, and John Watsoune, skipper, as cawtioneris for his fidelitie and his fulfilling and being lyable to the injunctiounes formerly sett doune and observed be his predicessouris in the said office, and appoyntis baillie Bell to sie his band subscrivit and to enter him to the said office.

9 April 1677.

It being presentit to the said magistratis and counsell that William Andersone, sessionne clark, his place declared vacant.

Andersoune, sessioun clerk, had committed severall abuses in his employment in the said office, they have therfor discharged him of the said employment, and declaires his place vacant, and ordouris him to give in the haill bookis and registers in to the clarkis chamber.

Nisbit and  
Wallace to  
Hammil-  
toun.

Hugh Nisbit and Johnne Wallace ar appoyntit to repair to Hammiltoun to meit with the commissioners of the shyre auent the repairing of hie wayes.

A 3<sup>d</sup> doctor  
to the  
Grammer  
School.

It is concluded that there be a thrid doctor admittit in the Grammer Schoole, with such restrictiounes and qualificatiounes as the magistratis sall appoynt and sett doune, and conteinowes the admissioun of any persone quhill that be done.

Procurators  
discharged  
the justice  
court.

The baillies having presentit the great abuses committed be procurators at the justice court, and the magistratis and counsell considering that ther is no maters ther but of fact, they discharge compeirance of any procurator at that court.

Jamesone to  
ring the dead  
bell.

Johnne Jamesoune, merchand, is nominat and appoyntit to ring the dead bell, and to have the one halfe of quhat is gott in therfor for his paines, and the uther halfe equallie betwixt Hugh Bennies relict and Johnne Clark.

. 17 April 1677.

Cameron,  
sessioun  
clark.

Mr. James Cameron was admitted and receavit sessioun clerk during the counsellis will and pleasour, and to have the casualities therof as formerly receavit be William Anderson, and the proveist and baillies ar appoyntit to meit with the ministeris to give the said Mr. James injunctiones, and that he exceid not the former pryces.

5 May 1677.

Bank anent  
cellaris and  
utheris at  
Newport.

Ordaines ane proclamatioun to be sent throw the toun intimating to all persones who hes builded any daill houss or too fallis upon any of the tounes grund at Newport, that they tak doune the same betwixt and Witsonday nixt, to the effect these who hes fewed the grund may build theron, and these that possesses any of the tounes cellaris there and houssis above the same that they remove therfra betwixt and the said terme, and pay in the rentis they are restand therfor to Johnne Grahame, and delyver the keyes or then come and tak new takis of the cellaris and

rowmes above that ar not set allreddie, and that under the paine of ane hundreth pundis Scotis besyd performance; as lykwayes if any persone that hes nocht fewed of the tounes ground alreddie and hes a mynd to doe the same that they repair to the tounne clarkis chamber quher they will get their rights drawne up as utheris that hes fewed grund there.

In answer to the supplicatioune presentit be Michael Leiper, cook, <sup>Act in</sup> making mentioun that quher it pleased the magistratis formerly to grant <sup>favouris of</sup> Leiper. him the friedom of a burges for setting up his trade, cravand farder they wold grant him the libertie of a gild brother, quhilk was grantit be the said magistratis and counsell to him during their pleasour.

26 May 1677.

Anent the supplicatioune given in be Johne Louk, merchand, craving <sup>Loukis</sup> the libertie of a cast fra the Provan Loch to his mylne at Halhill, for <sup>petitioune.</sup> bringing the water therto fra the said loch, quhilk desyre being votted, be pluralitie of votis the samyne was refused.

It was reported that James Thomesoune is agried with for inlarging <sup>Agriement</sup> the buell<sup>1</sup> on the foir syd of the tolbuith toward the Saltmercat, in cutting <sup>with</sup> <sup>Thomesoune</sup> the Kings armes in stone and puting them up therin, for twelfe pundis <sup>approve.</sup> starling, quhilk was approve.

5 June 1677.

[Mills, 8,100 merks; ladles, 3,050 merks; tron, 1,090 merks; mealmarket <sup>Common good</sup> and pecks, 770 merks; bridge and custom thereof, 1,460 merks; "gras of St. <sup>set.</sup> Ninians kirkyaird set to Douhill, elder, for ane dollour, quhilk was given to the officeris to buy their denner with. Conteinowed the rouping of the excyse of brandie to ane uther occasioun."] ]

16 June 1677.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to agrie with James <sup>New guard</sup> Clark, measoune, for building a new guard hous in Trongait foragainst <sup>hous.</sup> Allane Dougallis land.

It is concluded that there be a smiddie builded at Newport, and that <sup>Smiddie at</sup> Harie Wat be smith ther, and till the smiddie be builded grantis him <sup>Newport to</sup> libertie to dwell in that hous at the bak of the fleshmercat quher Robert <sup>be builded to</sup> Harie Watt. Broome dwelt.

<sup>1</sup> "Buell" seems to be a form of the Scottish word bowall, boal or hole, signifying an aperture in a wall.

Wallace to be made burges and guild brother. It is concluded that Hugh Wallace, merchand, be made burges and gild brother of this burgh, and that his fynes be remittit and forgiven to him, at requeist and desyre of Sir Thomas Wallace of Craigie, lord justice clark, and appoyntis the deane of gild to tak his oath, and the clark to give him his tikit conforme.

Anent the quartering of sojouris and localitie. George Johnstoune and Robert Cors, merchandis, ar appoyntit to meit with James Ker from tyme to tyme and to sie the regulating the quarterings of the souldiers, and that no localitie be upliftit except quhat is necessarie, and that the samyne be disposed on to these sojouris who most neidis get localitie and no uther wayes.

King Charles the First portratour. Appoyntis the proveist to use all dilligence to get the portratour of King Charles the First, that it may be hung in the counsell hous with the rest now ther.

Grass at the new vennellis. Archibald Gray and Johne Drew ar appoyntit to find cawtioune that they sall forbeir the eating of the grass at the foot of the New Vennell, quhilk is appoyntit for washing and bleitching, and that all horssis or kyne that beis fund theron be poyndit till they pay xx s., and ordaines the deacon conveyiner to sie to the exacting therof.

A pynter and a plaisterer to be made burges. Recommendis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to try the sufficiencie of George Wallace to be a pynter, and (*blank*) to be a plaisterer, and ordaines them to be made burgessis.

6 July 1677.

Fisching, herring. It is concluded that some persone goe east to Edinburgh to assist the proveist to deall with the duk of Lauderdaill, who is on his way for Scotland, for getting some restriction put to the fisching company, and some libertie grantit to burgessis to salt herring, in caice the proveist think fitt, and appoyntis a letter to be wryttin to him to know his mynd therin.

20 July 1677.

Royall Company. Johne Bell, lait proveist, is appoyntit to repair to Edinburgh anent the tounes affaires, and speciallie to try if ther be any restrictione put to the priviledge of the Royall Company.

11 August 1677.

Oarchyaird in Gorballis. James Fairie, deacon conveyiner, declared he was content to give over and quat the tak he had from the toune of the oarchyaird in Gorballis,

in respect Sir James Turner who possest the same had given over the samyne to him, quhilk offer was acceptit off, and ordaines the said yaird to be publictly roupd.

The proveist made report of his dilligence in Edinburgh anent the <sup>Report,</sup> <sup>proveist.</sup> tounes affaires, and anent the conventioun of burrowes, and productit ane act of the thesaurie and exchequer in favouris of the toune, quherby all ships coming in to Clyd ar discharged to be livered or loadned but at Newport, except quhat is allowed to burghes and barronies by act of parliament; quhilk was red, and the deane of gild and deacon conveyner appoyntit to conveyn their severall houssis and intimat the samyne to them.

25 August 1677.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyned, and taking to <sup>Act in</sup> <sup>favouris of</sup> <sup>Young anent</sup> <sup>the entrie of</sup> <sup>ships.</sup> their consideratioun the act of the magistratis and toune counsell of the said burgh daitit the xxvj of November last, quherby it is concluded and ordained that a book should be made to the effect that ilk ship that comes within the river of Clyd may be booked therintill, and the owners to pay for their entrie for ilk ship that is a hundreth tune and above a rex dollour, and ilk ship within a hundreth tune to pay xxx s. Scotis, and to pay for ilk hundreth French salt imported within the said river xij s. iiij d., for the use of the said burgh; as also considering that the said present magistratis, be ane former act, had nominat, commissionat, and appoyntit Thomas Young to repair to Newport for keeping the tounes salt furlotis there, and to have the charge of the outgiving and intaking of the said furlotis, as also to tak ane entrie of ilk ship sall happin to come within the river as said is, and there being warrand given for allowing him somthing for his paines, the said magistratis and counsell hes given and grantit and heirby gives and grantis warrand and commissioun to the said Thomas Young to tak ane entrie of all ships that comes to the river of Clyd, and caus book them in the book appoyntit for that effect, and to exact as said is a rex dollour aff ilk ship belonging to Glasgow that is a hundreth tunes and upward, and aff ilk ship belonging therto that is under that burdine xxx s. Scotis, and to exact aff ilk water boll French salt belonging to burgessis of the said burgh four penneis, for his paines in keeping the salt furlotis and in giving out and intaking the same, and

to exact the double of the said sowmes aff all straingers, Dumbartan paying only as burgessis of Glasgow, and ordaines the said Thomas to tak band at the outgiving of the furlotis that the same sall be delyvered bak.

Mortifica-  
tioune,  
Doctor  
Lightoune.

There was producit befor the said proveist, baillies and counsell, ane mortificatioune grantit be Bischop Lightoune, lait archbishop of Glasgow, quherby he destinatis and appoyntis the sowme of thrie hundreth pundis starling to be payit in to the magistratis and counsell of Glasgow, or ony uther quhom they sall appoynt in their names, for quhilk they are to pay the yearly annuelrent of ane hundreth and fyftie pundis starling of the said sowme, for menteining of ane bursary of philosophie in the colledge of Glasgow, to be presentit conforme to the said mortificatioune; and the annuelrent of ane uther hundreth and fyftie pundis starling for menteining of twa poor men in that hospitall called St. Nicollas Hospitall, or the Bischops Hospitall, as they also sall be presentit, conforme to the said mortificatioune; quhilk sowme the said magistratis and counsell was content to accept of and to pay the annualrent therof as said is, and appoyntis ane letter to be sent up to thank the said bishop for his gratuitie.

8 September 1677.

Copy of the  
letter sent to  
Bischop  
Lightoune.

There was ane letter subscrivit be the magistratis and counsell, direct to bischop Lightoune, quherof the tenour fallowes:—My lord,—Wee receavit ane accompt from Mr. Andersoune of your favouris and munificence towardis the poor of this place, by the mortificatioune of thrie hundreth pundis starling, one halfe towardis a bursarie in the Universitie and the uther to twa poor men in St. Nicollas Hospitall, and we cannot but, with all gratitude and sense of obligatioune to your cair and zail to our poor, returne yow most heartie [thankis] for this liberallitie, so in compliance with your pious and charitable intentiones we declare that we ar verie weill satisfieit to accept on us and our successours the debt of these sowmes to be payit in to us, and that we will not only mak dew and thankfull payment of the annualrents therof in maner as they ar by yow mortified and designed, but we will indeavour by all meanes in our power that the whoill uther circumstances and designe of your so pious and charitable a work be dewly observed and intearlie and punctwallie ordored, according to your awine method, without any innovatioune; and hoping your cair and affectioun for the poor sall not want its awne rewaird by Him who



repayes quhat is given to them, we doe alwayes remayne, my lord, your lordshipis most humble servantis.

Recomendis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to caus helpe Hie kirkyaird and repair the Hie Kirk yaird dyk and sie that the same be kepted clos. dyk.

29 September 1677.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for ten pundis starling given to Mr. Niniane Patersoune to helpe to print a book he hes dedicat to the toun<sup>1</sup> . . . also for sex pundis starling payit to James Thome-soune in pairt payment of quhat he is to get for cutting the Kings armes, and for fyve pundis starling payit to John Hendrie in pairt payment of

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

<sup>1</sup> Ninian Paterson, A.M., was a native of Glasgow, at the university of which he took his degree in 1657. Some particulars regarding him will be found in *Fasti Ecclesie Scoticanæ*, under the heads of Dalserf, Smallholm, and Liberton, near Edinburgh, of which parishes he was successively minister. In the account of Liberton Parish, contained in the first volume of *Archæologica Scotica*, Mr. Whyte, then minister of Liberton, says that Paterson "distinguished himself greatly by his genius in Latin poetry. He wrote

eight books of epigrams, and paraphrased no less than fifty of the Psalms of David. They are accounted elegant" (p. 382). The book referred to in the text forms part of a volume published at Edinburgh in 1678, titled "Epigrammatum Libri Octo. Cum aliquot Psalmorum Paraphrasi Poetica. Auctore Niniano Patersono, Glascuensi." A copy of this volume is in the Mitchell Library, Glasgow. The Glasgow dedication is in the following terms:—

LIBER QUINTUS.  
AD ALMAM MATREM  
GLASCUAM.

Glascua, multum alias inter memorabilis urbes,  
Pulchra situ, cœlo fulgida, amœna solo.  
Cui sonat, et pascunt, ditat, fert munera,  
cantat,  
Campana, et pisces, annulus, arbor, avis.  
Si fluviusque, situsque, tuus cœlumque,  
notetur,  
Nil super esse potest laudis Edina tibi.  
Da saltem patria alma gradum sperare secun-  
dum.  
Si cor Edina tibi Glascua ocellus erit.  
Qualiscunque meis surgat tibi gloria cunis,  
Vate Patersono Glascua clara suo.

[Translation.  
BOOK FIFTH.  
TO DEAR MOTHER  
GLASGOW.

Glasgow, very memorable among towns, beautiful in situation, with a bright sky, pleasing in its soil. For which the bell rings, the fishes feed, the ring enriches, the tree bears fruit, the bird sings. If thy river, situation, and climate, be considered, nothing of praise can remain to thee, O Edinburgh. Grant at least, O bounteous country, to hope for the second place. If Edinburgh shall be to thee the heart, Glasgow will be the eye. Whatsoever glory may rise to thee from my nativity, Glasgow will be renowned by its bard, Paterson.]

quhat he is to get for drawing the King Charles the First his portratour,  
 . . . and for twelfe pundis Scatis given to one James Williamsoune  
 for helping the bigging of a brig betwixt Hammiltoune and Lanerk.

2 October 1677.

Hors guard. The hous on the landis at the bak of the fleshmercat is ordained to be  
 repaired for keeping the hors guard.

Electione,  
 proveist  
 and baillies. [The archbishop nominated James Campbell to continue provost for another  
 year, and from leets presented to him appointed John Johnstone and John Camp-  
 bell, merchants, and James Colhoune, craftsman, to be bailies.]

5 October 1677.

Councillors. [The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with two persons added  
 to supply vacancies, appointed thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be  
 councillors for the ensuing year.]

Quarter-  
 maisteris. Johne Ritchie, elder, and John Raltoune, maltman, ar nominated and  
 appoynted jointly to quarter the souldiers that ar within the toune or  
 that sall heirafter com, and to cast a cast throw the whoill toune, and  
 discharges them to quarter wpon any persone but conforme to the act of  
 the secreit counsell, and that they uplift no localitie in tyme coming;  
 and ordaines them to get their sellarie for their paines as James Ker  
 gott formerly.

10 October 1677.

Dean of gild,  
 etc. [Ninian Andersoune, dean of guild; William Watsoune, deacon convener;  
 John Goveane, treasurer; Mathow M'Caulay, visitor of maltmen and mealmen;  
 John Miller, water bailie; John M'Kewne, bailie of Gorbals; George Campbell,  
 master of work; John Gillespie, visitor of gardeners; John Grahame, procurator-  
 fiscal.]

13 October 1677.

Old statutis,  
 breid, tallow,  
 and candle. It is ordained that the old actis be proclaimed and the same put to  
 executioun, under the paines therin contained, and quhilkis ar heirby  
 authorised and approvine by the magistratis; as also it is heirby statut and  
 ordained that the twelfe penny wheat loaff, weill bakin of fyne flour, sall

weigh fourtine unces, and be sold at that rate, and the rest of the quantities of breid weigh and be sold conforme; and that the stone of guid and sufficient ruch tallow be sold at fyftie shilling the stone, and the stone weight of guid and sufficient weill made candle be sold for fyftie eight shilling Scotis; and that under the paines contained in the old actis, and quhat further paines the magistratis sall pleas to fyne the contraveiners in.

20 October 1677.

It is concluded that these of the Provand tennentis who ar in the tolbuith, for their bygainne rent restand to the toune, be deteaned in prisone till they give payment or securitie therfor, and ordaine John Barnes, baillie, there, to doe the lyk with utheris there that ar awand any, utherwayes he to be answerable therfor himselfe.

Provand  
tennentis to  
pay their  
dewtie and  
rent.

Appoyntis the proveist and John Bell to meit with the archbishop of Glasgow and settle with him for getting a new tak of the Barrony tynd.

Barronytynd.

James Tayleor, merchand, being conveyined at the instance of the fiscall for useing of commerce and paking and peiling with unfriemen, contrair to his burges oathe, who compeirand grantit the same, for quhilk the said magistratis and counsell declared his friedome of this burgh null, and he ordained to give in his burges and gild brother tikit quhilk he did accordingly.

Tayleors  
friedome  
cryed downe.

10 November 1677.

It is concluded that there be a contributiounne collected throw the toune for helping of these who susteined los throw the lait fyre, and that some fitt persone be thought on to collect the same.

Contribu-  
tiounne.

The proveist is appoyntit to repair to Edinburgh to attend the tounes affaires; as also he is commissionat to mak offer of the landis of Provand to any persone who hes a mynd to buy the same, to be holden few of the toune, for helping to pay the tounes debts and helping the poor people who hes susteined los by the fyre.

Proveist to  
Edinburgh.

Recomendis to the baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to tak a list of what persones wrought at the fyre and to give them some allowance for their paines.

These that  
wrought at  
the fyre.

The proveist producit a letter fra bischop Lightounne of his receipt of theires sent to him formerly, and appoyntis the proveist in name of the

Letter of  
thankis to  
Bishop  
Lightounne.

counsell to send him a letter of thankis for his so civill and kynd returne to them.

Warrant,  
Johnstoune.

Ordaines baillie Johnstoune to have a warrant for ten pundis starling payit to (*blank*) Hendrie, quhilk compleitis him of quhat he can ask for drawing the lait Kings portratt.

List of the  
los at the  
fyre.  
Lyll.

The baillies ar appoyntit to tak als pairticular a list as they can of the los susteined by the lait fyre.

Appoyntis the deacon conveyner and Archibald Flemyng to provyd some hous and a persone to wait on Cristine Lyll, who is furious, quhilk the toune will pay.

4 December 1677.

Act anent  
building.

The magistratis and counsell taking to their serious consideratioun the great impovrishment this burgh is reduced to throw the sad and lamentable wo occasioned by fyre on the secund of November last, that God in his justice heath suffered this burgh to fall under, and lykwayes the most pairt of the said burgh being eyewitnesis twyse to His just punishment, for our iniquities, by this rod which we pray Him to mak us sensible off, that we may turne from the evill of our wayes to Himselfe, that so His wraith may be averted and we preserved from the lyk in tyme to come; and becaus such things ar mor incident to burghs and incorporatiounes, by reasone of their joyning housses to housses, and on being inflamed is reddie to inflame ane uther, especially being contiguous joyned and reared wp of timber and daill boardis, without so much as their wind-skew of stone, therfor they out of their dewtie to sie to the preservatioun of their burgh and citie, doe statut and ordaine that quhen it sall pleas God to put any of their nighbouris in ane capacitie and resolutioun to build *de novo*, or repair their ruinous houssis, not only for their probable securitie but als for decoring the said burgh, that each persone building *de novo* on the hie streit, or repairing, sall be obleidged and is heirby obleist to doe it by stone work, from heid to foot, bak and foir, without ony timber or daill except in the insett therof, quhilk is understood to be partitions, doors, windowes, presses and such lyk, and this to be done or engadged to befor they be suffered to enter to building; and seing that severall heritouris at present ar not in a capacitie to build, and manye utheris having under booths and no intrest in the houssis covering them,

they being at present ather not fitting to build or unwilling, or may be belonging to minoris, by which they have their chops uncovered, repairing to the magistratis for libertie of covering themselves the best way they can for present till it sall please God to capacitat the owners to doe the samyne; which desyre the said magistratis and counsell thought bot just; therfor they thought fitt to licence the same to be done be the grund heritouris, they alwayes enacting themselves to uncover the same againe quhen it sall pleas the super heritour to build, and not to come no further out with the upper structur nor the foir face of the under chops, and to build the samyne with stone, except the toune counsell licence them, quhich they will tak into their consideratioune how far they may without spoyling the broadnes of the streit, they alwayes repairing it with stone in the foir wark by arched pillaris, and how many as the toune counsell, by the advice of architectouris, sall think most convenient, and the magistratis with the deane of gild for the tyme ar to sie the persones presently covering themselves enacted to uncover their houssis at the rebuilding, and to keep themselves within the above wryttin limitis excepting as aforesaid, under the penaltie of fourtie pundis starling each under heritour, and if they be full heritouris to rebuild the samyne according to the act of counsell within the time appoynted by act of parliament.

The foirnamed persones being conveyned, there was a letter productit direct from the proveist from Edinburgh for taking advyce of the said magistratis and counsell, and of these persones who had los in the lajt fyre, what way was fittest to be fallowed for getting some supplie to helpe them to rebuild their houssis, whilkis persones being also conveyned it was referred to themselves to choyse two or thrie persones of their awine number who hes susteined the los to repair to Edinburgh, on the tounes expenssis, for assisting and giveing the proveist their best advyce what way sall be fittest to be fallowed for getting some supplie to the end forsaid, and remittis to the proveist and these who sall be appoyntit to goe east to assist him to doe in that affair as they sall think most fitt and convenient; quhilk persones concerned in the burning, having instantly conveyned among themselves, did report that they had made choyse of John Andersone, younger of Dowhill, who for present is at Edinburgh, and of William Wallace, lait baillie, and John Gilhagie, merchand,

Getting a  
supplie to  
these who  
had their  
landis brunt.

whom they have appoyntit to repair to Edinburgh for giving the proveist their best advyce and concurrence to the effect forsaid, quhilk was approvin be the counsell.

Clark to  
Edinburgh.

Appoyntis the clark to goe east and to tak with him the hail writis of Provand.

Malt lost at  
the fyre.

Appoyntis the magistratis to tak tryell of what malt was lost at the fyre and to give doune the excyse therof.

Red of the  
brunt houssis.

Recommendis to proveist Bell, the baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyner, to lay doune some fitt way for getting the red of the brunt houssis takin aff the streit.

29 December 1677.

Report con-  
tributioun  
anent the  
fyre.

The proveist made report of his dilligence in Edinburgh anent the townes affaires, and that the secreit counsell had given ordour for collect- ing a voluntary contributioun for helping these that susteined los by the lait great fyre, and the magistratis and counsell considering that some fitt persone aught to be nominat as generall collectour to receave the same from those sall happin to collect the said contributioun throw the respective burghes and shyres, they, be pluralitie of votis, did mak choyse of Frederik Hammiltoun to be generall collectour therof, and in respect cawtioun is to be fund to the secreit counsell that the said collectour sall apply the monye that happines to be collected to the use above mentioned, the said magistratis and counsell heirby commissionat the proveist and baillies to obleis themselves as cawtiouner for the said Frederik, of the quhilk cawtiounrie the counsell obleissis them and their successouris to relive the said magistratis.

Commis-  
sioners for  
raising the  
contribu-  
tiounes.

To the effect some speidie cours may be takin for raising and collect- ing the said contributioun, the magistratis and counsell does nominat and appoynt the proveist, baillies, deane of gild, deacon conveyner [and nine others] to meit and conveyn among themselves to advyce and lay doune the fittest way to fallow to rais the said contributioun, and that the contributioun within this burgh be wplifted presently.

Correction  
hous and  
yaird and  
Gorball yaird.

Appoyntis a proclamatioun to be sent throw the toun to intimat that who hes a mynd to tak the correctioun hous and yaird and Gorball yaird and hous therin, that they repair to the tolbuith on Thursday nixt quher the same is to be roupd.

Recommendis to the dean of gild and deacon conveyer to sett the Hill in waster  
Waster Comoune hill to James M'Culloch, or ony utheris, as they can commoune.  
best agrie.

The proveist, baillies, and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyned <sup>Doctour</sup>  
and taking to their consideratioune that there ar many poor people within <sup>Birsbane as</sup>  
this burgh who ar not able to bestow wpon themselves expenssis for <sup>the tounes</sup>  
curing them of severall deseases, by procuring to them potiones of <sup>phisitian.</sup>  
phisick and uther cures to be prescribed by phisitianes and utheris for  
that effect, and understanding the guid experience and qualificatioune  
of Mr. Mathow Birsban, doctour of phisick, they have nominated and  
appoynted and heirby nominatis and appoyntis the said Mr. Mathow  
Birsban to be the tounes phisitian, and to oversie the said poor within  
the said burgh, in order to the prescryving to them such potiones of  
phisick as they sall appoynt, or ony uther cures for their health and  
conforme to their constitutioune, as he sall be desyred be the magistratis,  
to such persones as they sall appoynt, for the quhilk the toun is to pay  
to him yearly the sowme of ane hundreth markis Scotis monye for his  
paines, and to begin the payment therof at Witsonday nixt.

Ther was a recept subscrivit be the magistratis and counsell in <sup>Recept sub-</sup>  
favouris of James Andersoune of the thrie hundreth pundis starling <sup>scrivit to</sup>  
mortified be bischop Lightoun to the colledge of Glasgow, for menteing <sup>Andersoune.</sup>  
a bursar therin and twa poor men in the bischops hospitall, the samyne  
being by him payit in to the toun, and quhilk recept conteines ane  
obleisment to pay the annuelrent therof to the said persones conforme to  
the said mortificatioune.

*5 February 1678.*

The proveist, baillies and counsell, being conveyned anent ane ordour <sup>Act anent</sup>  
sent be his grace the duk of Hammiltoun, as shirreff of the shyre of <sup>the band.</sup>  
Lanerk, and present baillie of the regaltie of Glasgow, conforme to ane  
ordour direct to him be the lordis of the committee of his Majesties privie  
counsell for the wast, requyring him to present the band ordored be  
the said committee, to be subscrivit be all heritouris, lyferenters and  
utheris within the said shyre and burghes therin, that they, their  
wyfes, bairnes, servantis and coaters, sall not be present at any con-  
ventickles or disorderly meittings, but shall live ordourly conforme to the

actis of parliament made theragainst, under the paines and penalties mentioned in the said actis of parliament, but sall observe and fulfill the haill uther heidis and artickles contened in the said band, under the paines and penalties therin mentiouned; quhilk being [taken] to the said magistratis and counsell their consideratioune, it was concluded and enacted be them, in obedience to the said act of the committee of his Majesties privie counsell, that the haill magistratis and counsell should immediatly tak and signe the said band; and farder ordaines the deane of gild to conveye the merchand rank, and the deacon conveyiner the haill craftis, in their respective houssis, for taking and subscribing the said band to the effect abovwryttin.

16 February 1678.

Baillies of  
Gorballis and  
Provand to  
put the lawes  
to execution.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, considering what obligatioune they ly under by taking the band, obleidging them that they their families and tennentis sall live ordourly and fulfill the uther heidis therin contened, as is ordored by the committee of his Majesties privie counsell, be the quhilk the toune may be prejudged by their tennentis of Gorballis and Provand that sall happin to live disordorely, they therfor have heirby enacted and ordained that their baillies of Gorballis and Provand sie the lawes put to executioun against the said tennentis within their respective boundis who does not live ordorly, that the said toune and communitie therof be frie of any hazard they sall sustein therthrow, certifieing the said baillies, if they failyie therintill, that quhat prejudice fallowes thereon sall be on their awine hazard, and the toune to be frie of the samyne, and appoyntis the present magistratis to intimat the same to them.

Act anent  
these who  
buildis.

The said magistratis and counsell, considering the great los sustained be many of the burgessis inhabitentis by having their houssis and chops brunt by the lait accidental fyre, and to let be sein how reddie they ar for the guid and weill of the toune and of those people that hes a mynd to rebuild their houssis and chops that wer brunt on the foir streit, to advance to them some thing out of the tounes commoune purs, als ampleie as they can allow for their incurradgment to build, the said persones who sall happin to build doeing the same in such ane regular way as



the toune or the committee aftermentioned sall think expedient, wpon guid advyce had theranent, and in the meanetyme it is heirby concluded that all persones who sall build houssis that their windskewes be made of stone work, and they heirby commissionat and appoynt the proveist, baillies, deane of gild and deacon convener for the tyme, and quhom they pleas to tak with them, to consider on the said affaires and to determine anent the said buildings and quhat sall be given to the said persones that sall build for their incurradgment, and to report the same to the counsell fra tyme to tyme as occasiounes sall offer, that the same may be allowd and approvin of be them.

14 *March* 1678.

There was ane act of the secreit counsell produced and red allowing ~~Marschell aff~~ and approving of their puting of Markus Marschell aff the toune counsell ~~the counsell.~~ for not subscriyving the band ordored by the committee of the counsell, and ordaining his burges tikit to be riven if he subscriyve not the samyne, and also ordaining to turne all utheris aff the counsell who sall refuis to subscriyve the samyne band.

26 *March* 1678.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being convened, in obedience to the commandis of the lordis of the committee of his Majesties most honoured privie counsell, and for avoyding and friething the toune and the burgessis and inhabitentis therin of prejudice and truble, have takin and subscrivit the band, quherby they obleis them and their successoris in office that their haill burgessis and inhabitentis respective, their wyfes, bairnes and servantis, sall nowayes be present at any conventickles or disorderly meittings in tyme comming, but sall live ordorly, in obedience to the lawes, under the paines and penalties conteined in the actis of parliament, and that they sall obey the haill uther heidis and artickles conteined in the said band, under the paines and penalties therin conteined, as the samyne of the dait of thir presentis at mair lenth beares; and seing reasone is that the said magistratis and counsell and their successouris in office be fred and relived be the inhabitentis and burgessis of the said obligatiounes takin be them, therfor they have enacted, statut and ordained, as they heirby enact, statut

and ordain Niniane Andersoune, present deane of gild, and in his absence Frederik Hammiltoune, late deane of gild, to meit and conveyin the haill merchand rank and present to them ane band to be subscrivit be them, obleidging them to relive the said magistratis and counsell and their successouris in office of any hazard they or the communitie of the said burgh sall happin to sustein throw their taking of the said band; as also that the deacon conveyiner conveyin the craftis and present the lyk band of releiff to be subscrivit be haill deacones of tradis and their maisters, obleidging them in name of their respective tredis to frieth the said magistratis and counsell in maner above wryttin; certifieing such of the said persones as refuis to subscribe the said bandis of releiff that their burges tikitis sall be takin from them and they put out of the toune.

2 April 1678.

Complent  
against  
Craufurd.

The baillies and counsell being conveyined anent the complent given in befor them be Johne Grahame, procuratour fiscall of this burgh, against Thomas Craufurd, merchand, burges therof, makand mention that quher yeasterday, the first of Aprill instant, James Campbell, present proveist of the said burgh, with sundrie utheris the magistratis and uther burgessis, being standing on the plaine stones beneth the tolbuith, the place ordinary for the magistratis their waiting and attending to heir the complentis and grivances of the burgessis and utheris and to give them justice incombent to their office accordingly, and at that tyme, being about thrie houres in the afternoone, severall persones of qualitie and strangers war standing besyd, the said Thomas Craufurd, in ane arrogant and proud maner, without consideratioune or respect that he as a burges of this burgh oweth to his magistratis, to quhom he is sworne by his burges oath to give to them all dew obedience, most contrair therto, in a furious way, come to the said James Campbell, proveist, and there fell in questioning him about sundrie things, and did challeng him therwpon; and the proveist having desyred him severall tymes to decist, becaus of the straingers onlookers, and marvelling at the proveistis patience and the miscarriage of the said Thomas, trew it is the said Thomas wold nowayes decist, but said in a disdainfull way to the said proveist that he knew his malice and wold byd the butt of it, and that within a short tyme it is lyk he wold get word about

with him, and that he defyed him, with many mae opprobrious speeches, laying asyd both the fear of G<sup>d</sup> and his bundin dewtie to his magistratis, be all whilkis he hes committed ane great insolent wrong; and therfor craving the said baillies and counsell to unlaw and fyne him for his said trespas, to be applyed to the use of the poor, and to ryve and destroy his burges and gild brother tikit, and to cry doune his friedome and declare it null, and he never to enjoy the lyk benefeit and priviledge heirafter, in example to utheris not to committ the lyk, as the said complent beires; quhilk being red in presens of the said baillies and counsell, the said Thomas Craufurd compeirand personallie, who confessed he had spokin severall of the said wordis to the said proveist; besyd the quhilk confessione the said baillies and counsell having caused cite severall famous witnessis, who were receavit, suorne and examined anent the said expressiounes and cariadge, who be their depositions theranent takin did cleirly also prove the samyne in presens of the said Thomas, and therfor the said baillies and counsell, be this their act and sentance, declares the said Thomas Craufurd his friedome of this burgh null and of non avail in tyme coming, and ordaines him to delyver wp his burges and gild brother tikit to the said baillies, and to pay for the use of the poor the sowme of ane hundreth pundis of fyne, and to remayne in waird quhill the same be payit.

4 May 1678.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to sie the red of Red of the the lait fyre laid in such convenient places about the toune as they fyre. think fitt.

Grantis libertie to the pertinens of the soaparie to inclos the grund at Grund on the east syd of their hous, and to pay quhat fewdewty the counsell sall east side of think fitt theirfor, and appoyntis a right to be drawine wp to them for their soaperie. securitie.

4 June 1678.

[Mills, 8,000 merks; ladles, 3,000 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 700 merks; Common good tron, 880 merks; setting of bridge delayed "for severall reasones; "gras of St. set. Ninians litle kirk yaird set to Douhill, elder, for payment of a dollour," given to the officers as formerly.]

8 June 1678.

Proveist,  
commis-  
sioner.

The proveist was unanimously electit and choysen commissioner for the toune to attend the generall conventioun of burrowes at Edinburgh, quhilkis ar to meit the (*blank*<sup>1</sup>) day of this instant, being befor the ordinary tyme, in respect of the conventioun of estaitis quhilk is to be holdin at Edinburgh the twentie sex day of Junij instant; as also the said proveist is electit and choysen their commissioner for the toune to attend the said conventioun of estaitis.

Raltounes,  
sojouris.

John Raltounes petitioun, quherby he craves satisfactioun of the damadge he susteined by some of the sojouris of the Kings regiment of guard, quhen they wer last here, the same is referred to baillie Johnstoun [and two others] to tak tryell and to report.

Fleshouris  
fyned.

It being presentit be the magistratis that they had fyned and imprisoned the most pairt of the fleshouris, both in the toune and land mercatis, for contravening the tounes actis, the same was approvine, and the magistratis appoynted to put these fleshouris who ar not burgessis aff the toune, and these who ar burgessis that befor they come out of prisone, or kill ony bestiall, that they give securitie, under the paine of ane hundreth pundis and los of their friedome, *toties quoties* they sall contravein the tounes actis in tyme coming.

Buckit  
mony.

The buckit monye gottin at the admissioun of burgessis is ordained to be applyed for buying of new buckitis ay and quhill the toune be furnished.

24 June 1678.

Letter to the  
proveist  
anent Crau-  
furd's yairs.

The baillies and counsell being conveyned, they did ordaine the clark to wryt to Edinburgh to the proveist signifieing that they had perused his letter . . . as lykwayes that the proveist be acquaintit with Thomas Craufurd his building a yair for taking herring and salmond betwixt the land of the Garvall poynt, quhilk makis a great outcry, and quhilk will not only be a prejudice to the toune and utheris concerned in fisching in the water of Clyd but also is a hindrance to boatis, barkis, and (as is said) ships from coming wp or goeing doune that way by the shoir, quheras boatis in tyme of wind come wp clos by the shoir, and now most goe by the

<sup>1</sup> The convention met on 20th June.

current of the river and keep off, and so be in hazard to be driven to the uthar syd in storme, and to be in hazard of lossing; and desyres the earle of Glencairne and utheris interested to be acquaintit theirwith, and that it is there opinion that it should be castin out, and that [if] Thomas have any intrest to have a yair there that he persew therfor in law, by quhilk meanes the toun and utheris will be defenders, quhilk is moir easie than to persew, and desyres the proveist may advyse the same be law.

6 August 1678.

Ordaines Frederik Hammiltoun to have ane warrand for the sowme Agriement of four hundreth markis payit to William Hooome, merchand in Edin-<sup>with Hooome</sup> burgh, for twa yeares sallarie advanced to him in hand for setting wp and <sup>anent the</sup> stadge coach. keeping the stadge coach betwixt this and Edinburgh, conforme to the agriement made theiranent, quhilk agriement was producit and red, and the proveist and baillies commissionat to subscrivye the same in name of the toun.<sup>1</sup>

Appoyntis Frederik Hammiltoun to pay to baillie Colhoun four <sup>Warrand,</sup> <sup>horologies.</sup>

<sup>1</sup> William Hooome obtained from the privy council the exclusive privilege of having for seven years a stage coach between Edinburgh and Glasgow, and an assurance against his horses being pressed for any kind of public service (Chambers' Domestic Annals, ii., p. 392). Under the agreement mentioned in the text, a copy of which is preserved in the Town-Clerk's office, Glasgow (MS. Reports, &c., ii., p. 161), "the said William Hooome obliges him, with all diligence, to have in readiness ane sufficient strong coach, with sax able horses, to be driven, with servants and furniture, for the convenience of all travellers who shall think fit to make use thereof, for their journey betwixt Glasgow and Edinburgh; and which coach shall contain sax persons, and shall go ance ilk week betwixt the foresaid two places, or twyce a week if he shall have encouragement, beginning upon the first day of September next to come, and thereafter to continue for the space of five years allenarly. . . . And that ilk person

going passenger therein shall have liberty to take in ane block bag or portmanteau for carrying of their cloaks, linnings, or sick-lyke. And that ilk person paying to the said William Hooome, ilk time betwixt the said places, from the month of March to the first of September, being counted summer months, the sum of eight shilling sterling, which is £4 16 s. Scots, and from the first of September to the first of March, being counted winter months, the sum of £5 8 s. Scots, and that by ilk person passing therein. And the said coach, horses, servants, and furniture foresaid, are to take journey ilk Monday and return ilk Saturday, at night, whether there be persons to the number foresaid or none at all to pass therein. And that the burgesses of this burgh be preferred to all others." The 400 merks for two years' service were paid on condition that a proportionate part should be refunded in the event of the coach being discontinued within that period, but the result of the venture has not been ascertained.

hundreth pundis Scotis for puting wp four new horologes, with the globs, in the tolbuith and guilting the samyne, conforme to the agriement made with him be the deane of gild and deacon conveyner appoyntit be the counsell for doeing the same.

Foir staires  
and wind-  
skewes.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyned, wpon guid and serious consideratioun had be them, it is concluded that the haill heritouris of the houssis and chops brunt within this burgh produce their rightis to the counsell against the nixt meiting, that it may be sein if they have any priviledge of putting out staires on the foir streit and building with windskewes, certifieing such as produces not intrest theirintill that their foir staires will be takin doune and staires and windskewes discharget to be built in tyme coming on the foir streit, and ordanies all work building on the hie streit to be arreistit till then.

Excys of ilk  
mask malt.

There was ane act productit from the merchand rank, and ane uther from the craftis rank, quherby they mak offer and ar content of ten shilling Scotis to be added to the present excyse on ilk mask malt that sall be broune and ventit within this burgh, being thrie pundis Scotis for ilk fyve furlotis, and that for enabling the toune to pay the supplie grantit to his Majestie be the lait conventioun of estaitis, and for keeping the toune and inhabitentis therof frie of stenting, and this to containe during the haill tyme of the said supplie, being fyve yeares space, beginning this day, and wpon sundrie uther provisiounes contained in the said actis, quhilkis offers wer acceptit of and the excyse to be exactit in maner and conforme therto.

Report, proveist,  
shooes furnished to  
Angous regiment.

The proveist made report of his dilligence at Edinburgh, at the burrowes and conventioun of estaitis, and utheris the tounes affaires, and productit a tickit grantit be Sir William Sharp of ane thousand and fyftie sex pundis Scotis for paying sex hundreth seavintie fyve pundis Scotis quhilk the toune deburst for shooes made to the Angous regiment, the remanent of the quhilk sowme is to be payit to the earle of Strathmoir him selfe, being his regiment, quhilk he payit out for shoone to the said regiment.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The army of which the Angus militia and the other regiment here referred to formed a part is known in history as the "Highland

Host." For particulars regarding the army's visits to the city, reference may be made to Brown's History of Glasgow (1795), pp. 151-6.

10 August 1678.

Ordaines the doytis that ar lying in the clarkis chamber to be sent Doytia. to France with the fittest occasioun, to be disposed on for the tounes use; and appoyntis proveist Bell, the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to tak ane accompt of them.

12 August 1678.

There was letters producit raised against Thomas Craufurd for citing <sup>Letteres raised against Craufurd.</sup> him befor the secreit counsell for puting wp ane yair in Clyd at the Garvall poynt, quherupon they ordaine him to be summond to compeir befor the counsell against the first of November, or ony uther day of November nixt.

Appoyntis the deane of gild to buy twa tries to lay betwixt the one <sup>Tries to the Hie Kirk.</sup> syd of the Hie Kirk and the uther.

7 September 1678.

Appoyntis the doytis and dinneires that wer lying in the clarkis <sup>Doytis to be given to Nisbit.</sup> chamber, extending to two hundreth threttie four livers ten sous, to be given to Hugh Nisbit to be sent to France to be disposed on ther, for quhilk he is to be comptable to the toun.

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratioun the <sup>Blaires old hous.</sup> severall complentis made to them anent the sufferring that hous at the foot of the Saltmercat, quhilk belonged to umquhill (*blank*) Blair, to stand untakin doune, and the hazard that may be susteined theirthrow if it should happin to fall, they appoynt the proveist, baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to call befor them certane persones of the measounes and wrightis, and to caus them tak inspectioun of the said hous, and to caus tak doune the same, at least so far therof the said persones sall find ruinous and in hazaird to fall, for preventeing im-meinent danger.

28 September 1678.

Ordaines the thesaurer . . . to pay to John Raltoun ten pundis <sup>Warrantis, thesaurer.</sup> starling for his los he susteined by the sojouris letting out of his wyne in the cellar and uther driñk quhen they come here in Februarij last.

These who wer appoyntit made report that they had revised the <sup>Compt, tounes and pertinens of the soaperie.</sup> compt restand be the toun to the pertinens of the soaparie, for wyne

furnished be them on the tounes accompt to severall persones, and for knappell and daillis for the tounes use, quhilk extendis to ane thousand and fyftie eight pundis sextine shilling; and findis that they ar resting to the tounie the sowme of nyne hundreth and fourtie pundis for the pryce of the Lymnehous boig and landis belonging therto, fewed be them fra the tounie,<sup>1</sup> quhilk being defalked the tounie restis to them ane hundreth eightine pundis sextine shilling quhilk the thesaurer is heirby ordained to pay to them, and appoyntis the clark to give them out their securitie of the said landis, they being payit conforme to the aforesaid accompt.

Land at bak  
of flesh-  
mercat.

There was a right producit, grantit be George Andersoune, as tutour dative to George Broome, sone and air to umquhill Robert Broome, quherby he dispones to the tounie, for payment of twa thousand markis, that aiker of land and hous bulded therupon, at the bak of the fleshmercat, nixt the yairdis at the heid of Longcroft.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 215, 224.

<sup>2</sup> The title deeds of this property are not among the city's writs, and are not specified in the Inventory made up in 1696, but the titles of the fleshmarket, beginning with a sasine in favour of William Campbell, expede by Henry Gibsone, notary, on 14th April, 1563, and followed by a sasine to his son, John Campbell, on 12th November, 1583 (Glasgow Protocols, No. 2557), are still preserved. In the disposition granted by Thomas Brown, merchant, in favour of the town council and community, dated 21st November, 1637, the property on part of which the fleshmarket was erected (see Glasg. Rec., I., p. 439; II., pp. 55, 61-2, 68) is described as "that rowinows and waist tenement of land in the quhilk thair is now ane borne buildit, with ane yaird at the back of the samein, and half aiker of land att the back of the said yaird, lyand within the territorie of the said brught of Glasgow, nixt adjacent to the Wast Port therof; boundit betwixt the lands of umquhile Robert Watstone, eldest, fleschor, on the eist, the commoun lone that passis from the Grammer Scooll

upon the northe, the landis of umquhile Michael Dalgles and umquhile maister Johne Allansoun upon the waist, and the hie streit upon the southe pairtis" (MS. Inv. of Writs, I., bundle 23). There are also among the city's writs the titles of two adjoining properties. One of these is described in a disposition by Arthur Kirk and others, representatives of Patrick Adam, tailor, in favour of the town, dated 2nd August, 1666, as a "tenement with rig of land at the back therof in Longcroft, on the north syd of the Trongait, boundit betwixt the lands of old belonging to umquhile Williame Watsoune and now to Andrew King, and the lands of the aires of umquhile William Wilsoune, respective, on the east, the hie streit on the south, the fleshmercat of the said burgh and rig of land at the bak therof, belonging to the samyne burgh, quherupon the candlehoussis ar built, on the wast, and the Grammer School lone on the north pairtis; with the hail beds, buirds, skelfes, furmes, ambries, bunkers, and all timber and stones belonging to the tenement; and sicklyk theis thrie rigs of land, with the pertinentis,



Anent the supplicatioun presentit be the fleshouris of this burgh, <sup>A pairt</sup> and the same being takin to consideratioun, the magistratis and counsell <sup>fleshouris</sup> does quyt and give doune to the said fleshouris the sowme of fyftie pundis <sup>rent quat.</sup> Scotis of this yeares rent restand be them to the toune, and for the los they susteined the tyme that the armie lay here throw their want of the fleshmercat, the samyne being takin wp to keep their carriages and ammunitioun.

1 October 1678.

[The archbishop nominated John Bell, late provost, to be provost for the Electione of ensuing year; and from leets presented to him chose Ninian Andersoun and <sup>magistratis.</sup> George Johnstoun, merchants, and George Grahame, maltman, to be bailies.]

5 October 1678.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with the addition of Toune Frederick Hammiltoun, sent for by the provost to make up the number of twelve, <sup>counsell.</sup> elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the council for the ensuing year.]

Proveist Campbell is appoyntit to repair to Edinburgh anent the <sup>Campbell to</sup> townes affaires, and to cleir comptis with Sir William Shairp, and ap- <sup>Edinburgh.</sup> poyntis the proveist to wryt a letter with him to the secreit counsell in anser to theiris wryttin to the toune concerning conventickles.<sup>1</sup>

lyand in the said Longcroft, and ar boundit betwixt the forsaid rig of land, at the bak of the said fleshmercat, on the east, the lands of umquhile Quiantine Brok, now belonging to David Scot, on the wast, the said Grammer School lone on the north, and the lands of *(blank)* on the south pairtis." By another disposition, dated 25th July, 1670, Mr. William Wilsone and others conveyed to the town "fyve ruidis of land, with all pertinentis therof, in that pairt callit Longcroft, boundit betwixt the landis of old belonging to umquhill Thomas Norvall, and now pertaining to the aires of umquhill Robert Broome, on the east, the landis of old pertaining to umquhill Robert Watsoun, ther- after to umquhill Patrick Adame, and to the

said burgh of Glasgow, on the wast, that lone callit the Grammer School lone on the north and the yaird belonging to me the said Mr. William Wilsoun and utheris on the south pairtis" (*Ib.*, bundle 25). Broome's acre thus lay on the east side of the five roods conveyed by Wilsone's disposition.

<sup>1</sup> In administering the laws for suppression of conventicles the magistrates sometimes came into conflict with the people, as may be gathered from the following letter, addressed by Archbishop Burnet, of Glasgow, to the bishop of Galloway:—"Glasgow, Octob. 15, 1678. My lord—I should have nothing to write to your lordship from this place, if there had not ane unhappy accident fallen out here the last Lord's day, of which I find

Hammiltounne  
to be ejected.

The said magistratis and counsell, considering the irregular carriadge of John Hammiltounne, their tennent in Provand, throw his keeping of conventickles, and how the secret counsell is insensed against the tounne for sufferring him to doe the samyne, for preventing therfor the danger the tounne may sustine, they heirby ordaine John Barnes, their baillie of Provand, to eject and cast the said John Hammiltounne out of the said landis, and to secure his guidis and plenishing, ay and quhill the tounne be satisfieit of the rent, and that he bring in the keyes of the tounes hous till the samyne be disposed wpon, and for this effect appoyntis the said John Barnes to tak with him such persones as he thinkis fitt.

9 October 1678.

Dean of gild,  
etc.

[Robert Campbell, dean of gild ; William Watsoune, deacon convener ; John Robesoune, treasurer ; John Findlay, visitor of maltmen ; John M'Ewne, water

myself obliged to give your lordship ane account. Our provost saw (as he was coming to church in the afternoone) many people going to the Saltmarket, as he supposed, to a conventicle, and so ordered one, Mr. John Lees, to take the officers with him and seize the preacher (if he could) with some of the most considerable of the hearers. This they endeavoured to doe, but found the conventiclers too hard for them. In the roome which they entered first they found not many men, but great multitudes of women in and about the house. Another roome they found fast shutt against them, where they suspected the preacher and most considerable persons to be. After some skuffle Mr. Lees thought it necessary to goe to the magistrates for advice and assistance, ordering the officers to guard the doore and staires till he should returne. As soone as he appeared in the street he was surrounded with some hundreths of women who pelted him severely with stones, and at last disarmed him, broke his sword, threw himself doune, trode upon him, and wounded him in three places on the head, and with blows and treading upon him bruised his

whole body and left him for dead. However, by the help of two souldiers (who made much more opposition to them then all our officers) the poore man was at last taken up and carried in to a house and had his wounds sighted and dressed by two chirurgions and is by them conceaved to be in a dangerous condition. I am somewhat troubled that such ane attempt should have beene made here, for it doth but discover our nakednes, for if the women had beene repulsed and men obliged to appeare, it is to be feared this tumult might have produed more fatall effects ; for I can assure your lordship we are at their mercy every houre, and how farre the noise and report of this may encourage other disaffected places I cannot tell. I intended to have given the E. of Murray this account, but I thought it better to order the magistrates to doe it, that it might come from them to the committee rather than from, my lord, your lordshipis affectionate brother and servant, ALEX. : GLASCUEN."—Fac-simile of Letter in "The Book of Glasgow Cathedral" (1898), p. 166.

bailie; John Wallace, bailie of Gorbals; George Campbell, master of work; Robert Tennent, visitor of gardeners.]

In ansuer to the supplicatioune given in be Alexander Thom, architectour, wpon severall consideratiounes the said magistratis and counsell hes given and grantit and heirby gives and grantis libertie and licence to the said Alexander Thom to reside within this burgh, and to exerce his employment and calling in architectorie, or in measonrie, and that fra the dait heirof to the terme of Candlemes 1680.

Licence to  
Thom,  
architectour.

12 October 1678.

[The 12 d. loaf, "weill bakin of fyne flour," to weigh 13 oz. 2 drops; rough tallow, 50 s. the stone; candle, 56 s. 8 d. the stone.]

Breid, candle,  
tallow.

Anent the petitionne given in be Walter Corbett, smith, he is ap- poyntit to keep the tolbuith knock and chymne of bellis therin, and ordaines him to be payit of fyve pundis starling yearly be the thesaurer and his successoris for his paines, and the samyne to be defalked aff the twentie pundis starling quhilk Androw [Purdoune] gott yearly for keeping the haill knockis, and that the said Androw keep the rest of the knockis and gett fyftine pundis starling for his paines yearly.

Act in  
favouris of  
Corbett and  
Purdoune.

26 October 1678.

It is concluded that a port be put on the south port of the brig. Anent the petitionne given in be the candlemakers regrating the great los they will be at, and how unable they will [be] to mak and sell sufficient candle conforme to the lait statutis, being fyftie sex shilling viij d. the stone, the tallow not being so guid, but full of water, as it was in former yeares, and for severall uther reasones contained in the said supplicatioune and petitionne; quhilk being takin to the said magistratis and counsell their consideratioune they have grantit and heirby grantis libertie to the said candlemakers to exact for the enshewing year fyftie eight shilling Scotis for ilk stone of guid and sufficient weill made candle, the said candlemakers giving their oathes that they have not sold any tallow for transportatioune since Michaelmes last; and conforme quherunto William Goveane and George Johnstoune compeired and gave

Port to the  
brig.  
Act in  
favouris of  
the candle-  
makers.

their oathes they had not done the samyne, and discharges the rest of the candlemakers to have libertie to mak any candle till they compeir and doe the samyne, and refers to the baillies to tak their oathes theiranent.

4 November 1678.

Craufurdis  
petitione.

Anent the supplicatioune given in be Thomas Craufurd it is concluded that the proces the toune hes against him for puting wp his yair at Craufurdis dyk, or theraboutis, sist and be conteinowed in caice he tak the said yair doune betwixt and Saturday at night, and thereafter sall heir him wpon his desyre.

Port at Bellis  
wynd.

Appoyntis the proveist or ony he lykis to tak with him to agrie with John Boyd, measoune, or ony uther measoune, for bigging of a port at the new vennell nixt Gossie Bellis hous.<sup>1</sup>

The key of  
Hammil-  
tounes hous  
producit.

John Barnes, younger, producit the key of John Hammiltounes hous in Provand, with a band he had takin for the bygane rent he is restand, quhilkis war given him bak.

19 November 1678.

Letters anent  
tounes  
affaires.

The magistratis and counsell being conveyned they did read the letters sent fra Edinburgh be baillie Niniane Andersoune and Mr. Edward Wright anent the tounes affaires, and having considered the samyne, as also that Thomas Craufurd had not takin doune his yair, that he be persewed with all dilligence, conforme to the summondis raised against him, and that a letter be wryttin to baillie Niniane for that effect.

Cors,  
weighous.

Appoyntis the proveist, bailies, [and four others] to meit and settle with Robert Cors anent his building a hous to be a weighous.

Warrand,  
maister of  
wark.

Ordaines the maister of wark to pay to Barbara Stewart for hir supplie ten rex dollouris, and uther ten to Susanna Stewart for her supplie, and to (*blank*), ane Dutchwoman, twa rex dollouris, and to Thomas Findlay thrie pundis starling to buy clothes for his laurieatioune.

4 January 1679.

Report,  
Proveist.

The proveist made report of his last dilligence in Edinburgh about

<sup>1</sup> This port is referred to in footnote p. 223.

the tounes affaires, and producit the double of the interloquitour of the pley Glasgow against Grinok.<sup>1</sup>

18 *January* 1679.

Anent the petition given in be Mr. George Adame he [is] admittit Adame admittit precentour in the Hie Kirk, and to teach and leare musick in the toun, in the place of umquhill William Inneis, and to have the same fie that the said William had, and to begine at Mertimes last and to conteinow during the tounes will and pleasour, and ordaines the clark to extract to him ane presentatione conforme.

<sup>1</sup> Among the city's writs "anent the plea betwixt the town of Glasgow and Greinock" is a paper, dated 1675, headed "Information for the Magistrate of the Royall Burghes of Glasgow, Dumbartane, and Renfrew," and containing the following particulars:—"The towne of Greinock being a brwgh of barronie and lyeing wpon Clydesyde, in quhich Clyde the saids towns, and particularlie the towne of Glasgow, are infett in the haill harbors, creickis, roads and ports therof, from Kelvine pott to the Clochstane, notwithstanding of the severall acts of parliament in favores of royall burrowes, and the prohibitionnes in them contained against unfriemen, traders that are not burgesses of royall burrowes hes at their own hand, to the great prejudice of the saids three royall brwghes, both exported and imported staple commoditie, quhich [be] the act of parliament friemen and inhabitants of brwghs of barronie are only allowed to retail. And becaus the saids townes lay at considerable distance from the said towne of Greinock, the merchants and inhabitants therof took the advantage, quhen their ships came in they wold have repaired and entered in his Majesties custome bookis, at Glasgow, their wyne and their salt and wther commodities, and efter entering wold have disloadned their ships in their own privat sellaris and disposed therwpon befor ever the saids townes could be any wayes

advertised, for in one nights time efter entry they wold have disloadned their whole vessells and put the goods out of the hazard of seizure be the saids royall burrowes and greatlie diminished his Majesties customs. And of late the lairds of Greinock, Bannatyne of Kellie and wthers, wpon the 20 of Julie instant having browght in a vessell loadened with salt, wyne and brandie, quhich is staple commoditie, and allowed only to brwghes royall, the magistrats of the saids three towns did send downe to the road foirgainst the hill of Ardmuir, quherin the said shipe wes, and finding none within her save some boyes, they did take the said shipe loadned with the saids commodities from the said road wnto their own harborie at New wark, and they wer so tender of all persounes interest in the said shipe, and particularlie of his Majesties interest as to the customes, that they called for thrie waiters and cawsed lock and seall wp the hatches, and expecting noe invasion be the town of Greinock, seing they had done nothing bot that quhich be the act of parliament they wer allowed for making seizure wpon all shipes within the bounds of their brwghes and harbowries, roades, ports, and pendicles. In the night tyme, efter the said shipe and goods had bein in their possessione for the space of 12 or 16 houres, the saids lairds of Greinock and James Bannatyne of Kellie, at the least the said James himself,

Suggaries. Remittis to the proveist to consider whither the twa suggaries should have their excyse frie or not for their malt, and he to doe therin as he thinkis fitt.

Jonet  
Hutchesoune. Ordaines (*blank*) to pay to John Craig ten dukadounes, quhilk is threttie fyve pundis Scotis, quhilk he is to send to Holland to Jonet Hutchesoune, natural daughter to umquhill George Hutchesoune, for her supplie, and it is concluded that als much be sent her yearly during her lyfyme.

21 January 1679.

Gibsones  
land and  
tyndis  
theirol. Appoyntis the proveist, [and four others] to consider John and Walter Gibsones petition anent the los they sustein in their land by the tounes kairters, and for [that] effect to give them quhat ease they think fitt in consideratioune therof, and quhat they rest of bygane tynde, and to setle with them quhat they sall pay of byrunes and in time coming.

with 100 or 150 armed men, efter they had made open a sellar within the said towne of Greinock, quherin the earle of Argyle had a number of fyrelocks for the use of the Argyle militia, to [arme] themselves therwith, and quhill the keepers of the said ship wer asleip, came with 6 or 7 boats loadned with the saids men armed, and ther commanded the persones that wer akeeping the said ship to render, and inrespect they wer refused, wpon the accompt that it wes in the night time and that it wes not knowne quhat they wer, and that they might be alseweill robbers as anie wther persones, and fearing that the goodis might be imbaicelled, and becaus wpon the accompt of the act of parliament, inrespect that the owners of the saids goods wer not freemen, they entered the said shipe with the number of 8, and the rest who did not enter shott and crwellie wounded a number of the persons that wer in the said ship, and had almost caried the ship away, till by providence the said 8 that first entered wer twrned owt of her and the ship caried to the towne of Dum-bartane wnder the protectione of his Majesties castle For quhich ryot, betting, brwiseing,

and bleading, convocating of his Majesties leidges with swords, dwrkis, gwms, and other weapons invasive, the magistratis of the saids townes hes commenced a complaint befor your lordahippis of the secreet of counsell, craving that the committers of the ryote, brwiseings, blood and batteries, and the convocatters of his Majesties leidges, in maner above represented, may be pwnished in their persones and goods, and that your lordshipis, wpon the accompt of the lawfulness of the forsaid seasure, may find that the magistratis of the respective bur-rows have done no wrong in seasing wpon the said ship, loadned with staple commoditie of unfriemen, wpon the forsaid road within their bounds quherin they stand infett; and that your lordshipis may order ane to receive the other half of the goodis as fallen to his Majestie by escheit, seing be the very late act of parliament, viz., 5 act, 3 sess., 2 parl., Charles 2, all the brwghes of barronie, and inhabitants in them, hath of priviledge, is onlie to export the naturall product of their owne manufactories, and as a retwrne therof to import timber, tarr, dales, and other commodi-ties, propper for their own tillage, bot so

31 January 1679.

Complent being made be the principall and maisteris of the colledge <sup>Bulyard</sup> that some persones keeps bulyard tables, to the prejudice of the young <sup>tables.</sup> men their schoolars frequenting the same, neir the colledge, quhen they should be at their book, and particularly be one (*blank*) who lives in Thomas Millers land, it is concluded that he be discharged to keep the same, and that no bulyard board be kept betwixt the Wyndheid and the croce, and ordaines the deane of gild to sie this act tak effect and be put to executioun.

1 March 1679.

The proveist made report that for cleiring the difference betwixt <sup>Gavill to be</sup> Dowhill, elder, and Mathow Cumyng, concerning their landis in Salt-<sup>build, Salt-</sup>mercat, he had agried with a meason to build wp the gavill betwixt <sup>mercat.</sup> their landis, on the tounes expenssis, quhilk was approvine, the tounes alwayes keeping aff them als much of the monye they ar to get fra the tounes for their incurradgment to build.<sup>2</sup>

power to import the staple commodities, viz., wyne, wax, and salt, quhich is left only pecwliar to royall burrowes; and be the same act ther is a clear power given to the saides royall burrowes to make seasure wpon the shipe and goods imported be wnfriemen wtherwayes" (MS. Inv. of Writs, I., bundle 6, No. 4).

An action having been raised by the burgh of Glasgow against several of the inhabitants of Greenock, the lords of session, on 7th December, 1676, issued a decreet, whereby they found that "the pursewars, and other burghs royall within this kingdom, have the onlie privilege of importing wine, brandy, and salt, but prejudice to the defenders to buy these commodities from the burgesses and frie men of any burgh royall within this kingdom; as also declares the penalty in cause of contravention to be the confiscatioun of the guids imported, or value therof, but not escheat of the importers whole moveables; and declares that the guids may be summarly

seized and secured as escheat if the importer be fund to have the same in his possessione within burghs royall, or the subburbs or appendicles belonging to them, or within the ports or harbours; and that they may be arreisted if the importer be found to have the samine elsequher until they be declared to be escheat" (*Ib.*, No. 1). This case and another of similar purport, decided on 20th December, 1678, are reported in Morrison's Dictionary of Decisions (pp. 1908-16).

<sup>2</sup> The property here referred to as belonging to "Dowhill" (i.e., John Anderson, of Dowhill) was the tenement, 14-22 Saltmarket, which formed the subject of the article "Dowhill's Land" in "The Regality Club," I., pp. 1-7. This tenement was acquired and removed by the corporation of Glasgow under the powers contained in their Improvements Act of 1866. In the titles it is described as a "great fore high tenement of land in Saltmarket Street, commonly called Dowhill's land, bounded betwixt the land lately of the

Calsay of the  
new vennell  
to be laid.

Appoyntis the deane of gild, [and two others] to consider what way the calsay at the new vennell, at the land mercat, sall be most regularly laid, and to speik to theis who hes yairdis on both sydis therof if they will joyne with the toune for building stone dykis there.

Fewdewties  
of the new  
streit.

Anent the petitione given in be the candlemakers and utheris in the new streit, quherby they complein of the greatnes of their fewdewties and of their inabilities to pay the same for their landis there, recommendis to the proveist, [and seven others] to consider the samyne, and to condeschend quhat they think they may pay for byrunes and in tyme comming and to report.

Key at  
Broomelaw  
and brig  
ther; dyk at  
Newark.

Appoyntis the deane of gild to caus repair the key at the Broomelaw, and brig at the foot of the Old Grein; and to try out some fitt persone for building wp a dyck aff the burne at Newark for convoying aff the current of the water aff the tounes harbeire there.

15 March 1679.

Bank, setting  
houssis,  
salmond fry.

Ordaines ane proclamatioune to be sent throw the toune discharging the inhabitantis to set any houssis to strangers without acquainting the magistratis; and that non kill any salmond fry within the boundis of the tounes libertie on Clyd, under such paines and mulctis as the magistratis sall please to inflict on the contraveiners.

22 March 1679.

Ordour fra  
the comitte  
of the secreit  
counsell.

There was ane ordour product be the lordis of the committee of his Majesties privie counsell, ordaining the magistratis of this burgh to give wp a list of the names and designatiounes of the haill persones that ar or sall be ludged in the citie of Glasgow, each night, to the guard, that the same may be given wp be them to the lord Ros, or uther commanding officer under him, under the paine of ane thousand markis; as also commanding the magistratis to turne out the wyfes and families of all uted ministers, fugitive and vagrant preachers, inter-Merchants' House of Glasgow upon the north, the land sometime of Matthew Cuming and others upon the south, the land of the heirs and successors of Alexander Carlisle upon the west, and the Saltmarket upon the east."

The Merchants' House property, of which some particulars will be found in subsequent minutes, was situated at the corner of Tron-gate and Saltmarket. See p. 321.



comuned persones, from the citie of Glasgow and suburbs therof, betwixt and the tenth of Aprill nixt, under the paine of ane hundreth [pundis] starling for each of the said persones who sall be fund therein after the said day, as the said act of the dait the nyntine of March instant at mair lenth beires; quhilk being taken to the said magistratis and counsell their consideratioune they ordaine proclamatioune to be made throw the tounne, be touck of drum, to the effect forsaid, that non pretend ignorance, and remittis to the magistratis to sie the said act putt to execution.

19 April 1679.

The proveist made report that he, with the baillies and a consider-<sup>Glen, first</sup> able pairt of the counsell, had placed and installed Mr. George Glen to<sup>doctour in</sup> be doctour of the Grammer School, in place of Mr. Johne Andersoune,<sup>the grammer</sup> now deceast, lait doctour there, quhilk was approvine of be the hail school.  
counsell, and ordaines him to get his cellarie as umquhill Mr. John had.

It is concluded that the land betwixt Johne Loukis dyk and<sup>Pairt of</sup> Cropnestok, so far east as the heid of the New Grein, by the way syd, be<sup>Crapnestok,</sup> bought and added to the New Grein, and appoyntis the proveist and<sup>New Grein.</sup> James Campbell, with quhom they think fitt to tak with them, to doe the samyne to the tounnes best advantadge.

24 May 1679.

These who wer appoyntit to consider upon the fewdewties of the new Fewdewties streit, or Candlerig, made report that they had done the same, and that<sup>of the New</sup> they had concluded, that the fewers sall pay quhat they rest for bygaines<sup>or Candlerig</sup> Streit. preceeding Witsonday last, conforme to the rental; and for their incurradgment to doe the samyne they have appoyntit that the fewdewties on the wast syd of the streit, for ilk elne of front of the houssis and yairdis at the bak their of, sall be thrie shilling Scotis yearly, and these who have builded or sall build on the east syd of the said streit sall pay four shilling Scotis for ilk elne in foir front, with yairds at the bak therof, yearly; and recomendis to Frederik Hammiltoune to persew the heritouris for all byrunes with all diligence, conforme to their rightis, and grantis power to the magistratis to consider these of them that ar poor and grant them ane ease wpon their petitions.

Petition of  
some above  
the croce.

Appoyntis the proveist, baillies [and three others] to consider the petitioune given in be some persones above the croce, desyryng the toune wold buy them some piece grund about the foot of the Old Vennell for a washing place, and to think on some fitt place for that effect and to report.

Some wellis  
to be  
repaired.

Recomends to the deane of gild to caus helpe and repair the Stockwell and well at the Gallowgait brig.

Warrant,  
drogs and  
medica-  
mentis.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowme of ane hundreth threttie ane pundis Scotis, for drogs and medicamentis furnished be himselfe to poor people in the toune, be ordour of the magistratis, sen the fourth day of October last, conforme to the compt therof red and allowed.

Decreit,  
Burnes and  
Bogle against  
Telpher.

Anent the complent first made be Robert Burnes and Robert Bogle, merchands, against Alexander Telpher, merchand, to the deane of gild and his bretherin, for that the compleiners having a bak tenement in the heid of the Saltmercat, on the wast syd therof, somtyme perteing to Hendrie Kelso, quher the said Alexander hes some bak houssis in the clos, he had at his awine hand, in a clandestine way, bigged wp a stair to the syd wall of his hous, quher there was never any befor, quherthrow the passage of the clos, being but narrow, is stopped, and the compleiners prejudged in their entrie to their landis; quhilk being called and red befor the said deane of gild and his bretherin, and they having recommended the same to the magistratis and counsell, the said magistratis and counsell, after their rysing out of the counsell hous, past to the said landis and ther sightit the same in relatioune to the said complent, and after heiring of both parties quhat they could say, and consideratioune takin anent the said complent, they fund that the said Alexander Telpher had done a wrong (he having no intrest to big ther) in building the said stair, and therfor ordaines him to tak the samyne doune againe with all dilligence, under the paine of fourtie pundis attour the doune taking therof.

Taksmen of  
the laidles.

Anent the petitioune given in be the taksmen of the laidles, makand mentioun that quheras they took the laidles the last year at a dear rate, quherby they ar great loosers for severall reasounes, and particularly that not only some noblemen and gentlemen about the toune, but also severall burgessis who hes fermes in the cuntrie, refusiss to pay their

laidles of their victuall brought into the toune, conforme to use and wont, it is concluded that all persounes who brings in their victuall to this burgh sall pay their laidles, except quhat burgessis hes growing on their awine landis and brings in for their awine use.

3 June 1679.

[Mills, 7,500 merks; ladles, 2,700 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 660 merks; Common tron, 850 merks; bridge and customs thereof, 1,200 merks; "grass of St. Ninians <sup>good set.</sup> Kirk yaird set to Dowhill for a dollour," given to the officers.]

28 June 1679.

Appoyntis the proveist to receave in the whoill comptis of the pro-Compts of visiounes furnished be the toune to the Kings armie, and the furnishing <sup>expenssis to the armie.</sup> of baggadage horssis, and uther expenssis the toune hes bein at this tyme bygaine, since Maij last, that payment may be ordored accordingly.

These who wer appoyntit to try out a washing place above the Washing croce made report that they had agried with the proveist for buying <sup>place at foot of old vennell.</sup> in from [him] the dounmost pairt of his yaird, on the south syd of the Old Vennell, be north the haill yaird of (*blank*) Cauldwellis yaird, for payment of nyne hundreth markis Scotis, quhilk was approvin, and ordaines him to be payit therof wpon his subscryving a right to the toune.

It is concluded and agried that Arthour Takitis get ane hundreth <sup>Takitis little</sup> markis for their taking in a entrie of his at the new port<sup>1</sup> above the yaird. croce, and a peice of a yaird of his there, he giving a right to them of the samyne.

Anent the petitione given in be Marie Padie, relict of umquhill <sup>Licence of door granted to Padie.</sup> Mr. Mathow Ramsay, lyfrentrix of that yaird nixt to the tounes new vennell above the croce, craving libertie of a door aff the yaird to the said vennell, in the stone dyk the toune is building there, the same is grantit to her, shoe paying to the toune what the deane of gild [and two others] sall think fitt for granting of the said libertie, they being appoyntit to agrie with her for that effect.

<sup>1</sup> Bell's Wynd. The disposition of this dated 24th February, 1680. (MS. Inv. of property by Arthur Tackets to the town is Writs I., bundle 29.)

Warrands,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Coline Hammill [£15 8s.] Scotis, for furnishing of coall and candle to the guardis, the later end of Maij and beginning of Junij last, and for furnishing of some drink to sojouris who wer in the tolbuith, and to pay [£38 6s. 8d.] to umquhill Mr. John Andersounes daughter that was awand to her father, for a quarters cellarie as ane of the doctouris of the Grammer School before his deceas.

19 July 1679.

Ansuer to  
Grinokis  
letter anent  
the lether.

There was a letter producit direct from Sir John Shaw of Grinock, craving the tounne to delyver bak some lether was takin fra (*blank*) Rankines, twa of his tennentis there, be baillie Johnstoune, the same being imported be them contrair to the law, they not being friemen in any royall burgh, the taking and apprehending of the quhilk lether was approvin be the counsell, and ordaines the proveist to wryt ane ansuer to the said Sir John and signifie so much to him, and that they resolve to consult the same with their lawers and proceed in that affair so far as law will allow them.

Yaird at old  
vennell.

[The procurator for John Bell, provost, resigned to the town "the eastmost pairt, or downmost pairt, of his yaird, at the old vennell, sold be him to the tounne," and the treasurer was authorised to pay the price of 900 merks.]<sup>1</sup>

9 August 1679.

Ansuer of the  
candlemakers  
petition.

In ansuer to the petitioune given in be the fewers of the Candlerig, candlemakers and utheris, craving ane ease of their bygainne fewdewties,

<sup>1</sup> In the disposition of the ground, which is dated 12th July, 1679, it is narrated that "John Bell of Hammiltoun Ferm, proveist of Glasgow," was owner of "ane meikle yaird, with frie ish and entrie therto, and all pertinentis therof, be the ordinarie passages to and from the same, lyand within the said burgh, on the east syd of the Hie Streit therof passand from the mercat cros to the Blakfrier Kirk; bounding betwixt the burne of Mollendinor on the east, the landis of William Boyd and David Cauldwall on the south, the vennell callit the Stincking Vennell on the north, and the lands now belonging to John

Rankine and the successouris of umquhill Mathow Colhoune and utheris respective on the wast pairtis." The portion conveyed to the magistrates and council "for the use of ane commoune washing place there," is described as "that eastmost pairt of the said yaird, northward from the landis of the said umquhill David Cauldwall, quhilk was on ane pairt of the south syd of the same, conforme as it is stobbed, meithed, and marched northward therfra to the vennell forsaid; with frie ish and entrie therto be the said vennell and all pertinentis therof" (MS. Inv. I., bundle 26, No. 9).

the counsell declares that they will have the hail bygaines payit and give ane ease in tyme coming, as they have condeschended alredie.

Ordaines Johne Goveane to have ane warrand for the sowme of <sup>Warrandis,</sup> three thousand twa hundreth and alevine pundis Scotis, payit for the <sup>Goveane,</sup> charges and expenssis bestowed be the toune on the souldiers <sup>souldiers.</sup> at the barracadis, provisione to their horssis, and spent on intelligence and for provisioune sent be the toune to the Kings camp at Hammiltoun and Bothwell, and for interteaning the lord generall quhen he come to this burgh, and the rest of the noblemen and gentlemen with him, and for furnishing of baggadge horssis to Loudon Hill, Stirling, and to the camp at Bothwell, and utherwayes conforme to the particular compt therof<sup>1</sup>

23 August 1679.

Ordaines Johne Goveane to have ane warrand for the sowme of ane <sup>Warrand,</sup> thousand ane hundreth seavintie eight pundis for wyne payit be him, <sup>Goveane,</sup> and furnished be the toune to the archbishop of Glasgow and ither <sup>wynes.</sup> persounes, on the tounes accompt, this last year, conforme to the comptis therof given in be the proveist, who was appoyntit to tak wp the same and ordour payment accordingly.

The magistratis and counsell on severall consideratiounes hes ad- <sup>Young, bible-</sup> mittit and receavit, and heirby admittis and receaves Mr. James Young <sup>othecarius.</sup> to be bibleothecarius in the colledge of Glasgow, in maner and conforme to the mortificatioune in all things, and ordaines the clark to extract ane presentatioune to him accordingly.

The proveist made report that he had bought John Louk, Robert Landis M'Cuir and James Stewartis land, in this syd of Crapnestock, neir the <sup>joyned to</sup> Grein, quhilk was approvin, and ordaines him to buy in the rest to be <sup>new grein.</sup> joyned to the said grein.

Anent the petition given in be severall heritouris and fewers of Act anent sundrie tenementis in that streit callit the New Streit at the bak of the <sup>the candle-</sup> makers their

<sup>1</sup> The covenanters had attacked and defeated Claverhouse and his party at Drumclog, near Loudon-hill, on Sunday, 11th June, and next day they marched to Glasgow, but were repulsed by the royalists, acting in conjunction with the municipal authorities. To suppress

the rising the duke of Monmouth ("the lord general" alluded to in the text) was placed in command of a large army which completely routed the covenanting forces at Bothwell bridge on 22nd June.

fleshmercat, cravand the haill candlemakers there to be discharged to melt or rynd any crakings there in tyme coming, conforme to the laudable actis and custome of Edinburgh and uther royall burrowes, but in such remott places fra houssis as the filthie, stinking and noysome smell therof may be avoyded, and the danger by fyre, as the said magistratis and counsell should think fitt; quhilk being red and considered be the said proveist, baillies and counsell, they have discharged and heirby discharges the haill candlemakers in the said new streit, or in any place within the toune, to melt or rynd any crakings there in tyme coming, and that under the penaltie of ane hundreth pundis *toties quoties*, to be exactit aff ilk contraveiner; and for their melting and rynding of the said crackings hes given and grantit, as they heirby give and grant licence to them to build litle houssis at the jebett brigg or theraboutis, in the commoune lone beyond Suans yett that goes towardis the Cowcaddens,<sup>1</sup> and appoyntis Frederick Hammiltoune and John Cauldwall, merchandis, to caus mak intimatiounne theirow to them and sie this act tak effect and be put to executiounne.

Warrant,  
losses at fair,  
etc.

Ordaines the maister of wark to pay to ilk ane of the toune officers twa rex dollouris, in respect of the los of the custome at the fair of Glasgow last, and also to pay to the Gorbail officer uther twa rex dollouris, and lykwayes to pay to Robert Hill twentie pundis Scotis for the los of a baggadg horse that was lost at Loudoun Hill, sent alongs with Clavers troupe and dragounes, and to place the same to the tounes accompt.

Warrant,  
Goveane.

Ordaines John Goveane to have a warrant for ane hundreth markis payit to James Colhoune for his attendence and sieing the calsay at the new vennell regularly laid, and the wel at the Gallowgait brig repaired, and for mending the lead of the platform of the tolbuith.

13 September 1679.

Landis, New  
Grein.

The same persounes who wer formerly appoyntit to buy in the rest

<sup>1</sup> The place fixed for the "cracking" or crackling house was at or near the junction of the modern Buchanan and Cathedral streets. See article on "The Crawford Mansion" in "Regality Club," vol. I., pp. 123-7, and relative plan showing the site of the crackling-

house quarry. The "jebbet" or "gibbet" (*infra* p. 279) brig was probably a small bridge crossing Glasgow or St. Enoch's burn and so called from some peculiarity in its construction.

of the landis to be joyned to the New Grein ar yit appoyntit to doe the same, and to agrie for building a dyk there.

Recomendis to the proveist to tak quhat persones he pleases with Lord him to the buriell of the lord Cochran, who is to be interred on the <sup>Cochrans</sup> <sup>buriell.</sup> xxv of this instant, conforme to the letter direct be the earle of Dundonald for that effect.

The magistratis and counsell having considered Mr. Harie Mar- <sup>Marschell,</sup> schellis petitioun, quherby he compleines of the chyrurgians and fermacians <sup>chyrurgians</sup> <sup>and ferma-</sup> their refusall to admitt him frie with them, as they doe to utheris, they <sup>cians.</sup> ordaine intimatioun to be made to them to produce their rightis, or quhat they have to say quhey he should not be admittit, against the nixt counsell, quherin, if they failyie to mak certificatioun, the toune will grant him licence to set wp.

Appoyntis baillie Andersoune [and four others] to heire quhat over- <sup>Overtouris,</sup> touris the maltmen hes to mak, and in quhat conditiones they desyre a <sup>maltmen for</sup> <sup>a beir mercat.</sup> beir mercat to be bought, and to consider what place is most convenient for that effect, and to report.

There was a few right subscrivit in favouris of Frederik Hammil- <sup>Few right,</sup> <sup>suggar work.</sup> toune, John Cauldwall, Peiter Gemmill and Robert Cummyng, of their <sup>suggar work</sup> suggar work and yaird, in the new streit, for payment of four shilling Scotis for ilk elne in foirfront, and the samyne extending to fyftie fyve elnes amountis to alevine pundis yearly.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> This feu right was granted in favour of "Frederick Hammitoune, John Caldwell, Peter Gemmill, and Robert Cumyng, merchants, burgesses of the burgh, equally among them, their heirs and assignees . . . conform to a contract of copartnery," and the property consisted of the southern portions of the five roods and acre of land mentioned in footnote, *antea*, pp. 256-7. The ground conveyed is described as "lying next to the lands of Robert Marschell, the tenement of the late Robert Broome, and the lands of the late William Dunlop, John Wallace, and Allan Dougall, on the east and south, the new street [Candlerigs] on the west, and the new vennel or wynd [Bell's Wynd] leading eastward from

the said new street, through the said five roods and acre of land, on the north parts; upon which portions of land is now erected a great building for the making of sugar, commonly called 'a manufactory' or 'suggar work,' with yard at the back thereof, extending in the fore front from the south to the north to fifty-five ells in length, and in breadth from east to west to fifty-two ells of land, as now built and surrounded by a stone wall." For the sake of distinction this property was called the Wester Sugarhouse, an adjoining building in Bell Street, which was used for a similar purpose, being named the North Sugarhouse. In 1752 the owners of the Wester Sugarhouse sold to Robert Currie,

23 September 1679.

Toune mylne. It is concluded that Johne Scot get fyftie pundis Scotis to helpe to buy a wheill and axiltrie to the toune mylne, and appoyntis baillie Colhoune to sie the samyne sufficiently don, and Scot to enact himselfe to wphold the samyne a sufficient goeing mylne in tyme coming.

Warrant, stone lumheid. Ordaines the maister of wark to pay to William Blak twentie pundis Scotis to helpe him to build ane stone lumheid in his hous.

George Andersoune, Clark. The magistratis and counsell having considered the extraordinary wrytting and uther paines takin and done be George Andersoune, their clark, in the tounes affaires, these fyve yeares past or therby, and that he hes gottin nothing fra the toune for the samyne, as he or his predecissouris wer wont to get, the toune now having moir busines to doe in these yeares than formerly, therfor they concluded that he get fyftie pundis starling fra the toune for the said bygane paines, and ordaines him to deteane the samyne in the first end of the tyndis and utheris he is commissionat to receave in name of the toune, and appoyntis the proveist to give him a warrant for allowing the samyne accordingly.

Act in favouris of Marschell, chyrurgianis. Anent the supplicatioun and petitioun given in befor them be Mr. Hendrie Marschell, chyrurgian, burges of this burgh, makand mentioun that quher the petitioner, at sundrie tymes, both desyred and petitioned the deacon and visitour of chyrurgians and his maisteris to admitt him, being burges and gildbrother, frieman in their trade, as chyrurgian and apothecarie, being the airtis he professis, and as they had admitted utheris, both burgessis and straingers, professing these airtis, he being fund qualified and paying the ordinary fies and dewes, quhilk after long tyme and dependance upon their ansuer they refused to doe; and therwpon the supplicant having meined himselfe to the deacon conveyner, deacones of craftis and their brethern of counsell, cravand them to consider the premissis and decerne therin as they should think fitt (the

merchant, a piece of their property, described as a yard or waste ground, with a frontage to Bell Street of 73 feet. The east half of this yard having come into the possession of William Horn, wright, in 1764, he built thereon the tenement entering by 67

Bell Street, which has been recently removed by the corporation under the powers contained in the Improvements Act of 1897. At present (1904) a new building is being erected by the corporation on the site of the old "yard" and adjoining ground.



said calling being incorporat with them) the deacon conveyiner, deacones of tradis, who for the most pairt wer present and their bretherin of counsell, be their act of the dait the twentie sex of August last, have concluded and declared, be pluralitie of votis, that it is their optioun that the said Mr. Harie should be admitted frieman with the said incorporatioun of chyrurgianes, and have power and libertie to exercise his imployment of chyrurgerie and pharmacie, als frielie as any within the said calling, he being fund qualified after tryell, and paying the dewes, unles the calling instruct ane sufficient grund whey the samyne should not be grantit, and therfor referred the same to the proveist, baillies and counsell of Glasgow, to be farder considered be them, and to determine theranent according to justice, as the said act beires. Quhilk act the supplicant hes presented to the visitour and maisteris of the said calling, and having over and over againe desyred them, after tryell, to admitt the supplicant frieman, quhilk they yit altogether refuis, and conforme to the said act, being a burges and gild brother, and craving no uther benefeit but quhat is ordinarily given to uthers of the lyk conditioun, therfor humblie beseiking their lordshippis to consider the haill premissis, and to act and doe therin, according to their lordshipis just autoritie and power, and wpon their said refuisall to grant to the supplicant such licence to sett wp as if he war reallie admitted with the said calling, and as their lordshipis should think fitt and expedient, wpon payment of the dewes, as the said supplicatioun mair fullie portis. Quhilk being called and red, wpon the threttine day of September instant, with the extract of the forsaid act, made be the said deacon conveyiner, deacones of craftis and their counsell, of the dait and tenour forsaid, producit, the forsaid magistratis and counsell, be their act of the same dait, did appoynt the desyre of the same supplicatioun to be intimat to the visitour of chyrurgians for himselfe and in name of the calling, ordaining him to be warned against this day, to the effect he might instruct ane sufficient caus quherfor the supplicant aught not to be admitted ane frieman in that calling, and the said visitour being warned accordingly, and the said act and supplicatioun of new againe this day red, and non compeirand to object in the contrair, the said proveist, baillies and counsell, after mature advyce and deliberatioun

had anent the premissis, hes given and grantit and heirby gives and grantis to the said Mr. Hendrie Marschell, supplicant, full power, licence and libertie to sett wp and exerce his calling as chyrurgian and apothecary and pharmacian within this burgh, als ample in all respectis as if he war admittit frieman with the said calling of chyrurgians, and ordaines their clark to give the supplicant out the extract of thir presentis.

30 September 1679.

Warrands,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for allowing, in his awine hand, seavintie nyne pundis ten shilling iiij d. for drogs furnished be him to the poor people in the toune since the fyftine of Maij last, at command of the magistratis, and to pay to James Robesoune, baxter, twentie pundis for helping him to build ane oven to baik plack pyes in, as also the sowme of twentie pundis Scotis to buy him ane laid of wheit to incurragde him to baik guid breid, and to pay to maister Thomas Findlay fyftie pundis Scotis to buy him clothes and bookis.

Election.

The quhilk day, being the first Tuesday after Michaelmas, and so the ordinary day for electing the magistratis of this burgh for the enshewing year, there was producit a letter direct be the Kings Majestie to the proveist, baillies and uther magistratis of the citie of Glasgow, quherof the tenour follows:—CHARLES R. Right trustie and weilbeloved, we great yow weill: Wheras we ar informed that the tyme of the election of the magistratis of our citie of Glasgow is neir, and seing by the translatione of Alexander, lait lord archbishop of Glasgow to St. Androwes (in whom was the legall right of election) that archbishoprik is voyd, therfor we requyre yow that the magistratis who have served this year may be containowed in the enshewing year; so, expecting your reddie obedience, we bid yow fairweill. Given at our court, at Windsor Castle, the twelfe day of September, 1679, and of our righne the one and thretty year. By his Majesties command: LAUDERDALE. After reading quherof Johne Bell, proveist, Niniane Andersoune, George Johnstone and George Grahame, baillies, wer unanimously receaved and containowed magistratis of the said burgh for the enshewing year, who being present did accept and give their oathes *de fidei administratioune*, as use is.

3 October 1679.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with four other persons Town council to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the town council for the ensuing year.]

8 October 1679.

[Robert Campbell, dean of guild; James Farie, deacon convener; John Dean of gild, Findlay, visitor of maltmen; James Corbet, treasurer; John Bradie, water bailie; <sup>etc.</sup> John Wallace, bailie of Gorbals; George Campbell, master of work; John Gillespie, visitor of gardeners.]

18 October 1679.

The declaratioun was subscrivit be the magistratis and most pairt <sup>Declaratiounes</sup> of the counsell. <sub>subscrivit.</sub>

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 11 oz. 12 drop; rough tallow to be sold for 50 s. Breid, tallow, the stone; candle, 58 s. the stone.] <sub>candle.</sub>

8 December 1679.

The baillies and counsell having considered what sowmes of monye <sup>Thesaurer,</sup> the toune is indew, wpon sundrie accomptis, and particularly to these who <sup>monye resting</sup> sold the land to the toune to be joynd to the New Grein, and that there <sup>to the toune.</sup> is monye awand to the toune be the pertinens of the soaparie, quhilk they borrowit out of the excyse and utherwayes, and be severall uther persones, therfor they ordaine the thesaurer with all dilligence to crave and uplift the said monye from these persones who ar awand in the samine, and if neid beis to persew them therfor, and appoyntis the clark to give him ane accompt by the counsell bookis of quhat is restand.

23 December 1679.

The proveist made report of his dilligence at Edinburgh anent the <sup>Report, pro-</sup> tounes affaires, and that Sir John Shaw had referred that busines betwixt <sup>veist, anent</sup> the toune of Glasgow and Grinock<sup>1</sup> to the particular convention of <sup>Glasgow and</sup> burrowes, and had subscrivit ane submissioun under his hand for that <sup>Grinock.</sup> effect, and that the particular convention had elected eight of their number to meit at Glasgow in March nixt to determine in the said affair,

<sup>1</sup> See 19 July, 1679, *antea*, p. 268.

but that he had delayed to consent to any such submissioun till the said magistritis and counsell had their thoughtis theranent, quhilk he left to themselves to doe as they thought fitt; as also that the pley betwixt the executoures of Doctor Stang and the toune was lykwayes submitted; quhilk twa submissiounes the magistratis and counsell were weill satisfieit with and approved theirow.

Landis for a  
new lean.

The magistratis and counsell having considered the petition given in be the most pairt of the burgessis and heritouris of the houssis in Saltmercat and Trongait, desyring them to buy in some fitt place, at least that land belonging to Edward Robesoune, for making a streit betwixt the Saltmercat and Trongait for better stopping of fyre, if the lyk accident should happin to fall againe, they did remitt the samyne to the proveist [and three others] to meit with these interested and try if they can buy the said landis for being a lean, and to report.

30 December 1679.

Partizans.

Ordaines threttie sex partizans to be made for the use of the toune, handsomlie, and to be gilded at the heid.

26 February 1680.

Warrands,  
brunt hous,  
archbishop.

Ordaines John Braidie to pay to Robert M'Cuir fyve hundreth markis, allowed to him be the toune for his incurradgment to build his brunt hous in Trongait that was brunt by the lait fyre; as lykwayes to pay to the deane of gild the sowme of seavine hundreth and eightine pundis Scotis, deburst be him for his awine charges and expenssis, and of those that wer with him, in attending on the archbishops at Edinburgh and to St. Andrewes quhen they war translaited.<sup>1</sup>

Robesoune's  
land, leane.

The proveist made report that the land in Saltmercat belonging to umquhill Edward Robesoune was bought for the use of the toune for building of ane leane, and that the pryce therof was four thousand twa hundreth markis, to be payit against Whitsunday nixt, conforme to the dispositioun grantit be Bedlay, John Robesoune, sone to the said Edward, and sundrie utheris wadsetters and the relict.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> John Paterson, from Galloway to Edinburgh, and Alexander Burnet, from Glasgow to St. Andrews.

<sup>2</sup> The lane thus formd was at first named Gibson's Wynd, afterwards Princes Street, and its solum is now included in the widened

It is concluded that the gavill in Saltmercat betwixt Douhillis and Kirkis land. Kirkis land be builded on the tounes expenssis, for the better furthering of Douhill to build his hous there, these concerned in the said Kirkis land giving bond ather to build within twa yeares or then pay bak the monye that is agried on for building the gavill.

27 March 1680.

The thesaurer made report that he had receavit bond from the Pertiners of the soaparie for the sextine hundreth and eightie pundis they wer restand to the toun, beiring annuellrent fra Candlemes last and payable at Lambes nixt, quhilk was approveine. Pertiners of the soaperies band.

The magistratis and counsell having considered the conditioune of John Howie, the taksman of the Grein the last year, and how the samyne was almost all eatin and destroyed the tyme of the lait rebellious, and having sein his comptis of quhat he had receavit, being only twa hundreth pundis, except some litle moir that he had deburst for servantis fies, and that he had given band and cawtione for ane thousand markis quhilk was Discharge to Howie, Grein, rebellion.

Parnie Street. The titles specified in the Inventory of 1696 under the heading "Wrytes of the Weynd on the south syde of Walter Gibsons land" commence with an instrument of sasine in favor of Jonet Arthurelie as heir to Arthur Arthurelie, her brother, and of John Masoune, citizen, on her resignation, exped by David Gybson, notary, on 26 July 1541. The disposition mentioned in the text is dated 8 January 1680, and is granted by Mr. Archibald Robertoune of Bedlay and others to the magistrates and council of Glasgow in name of the community. The property is described as "that tenement of land lyand within the burgh of Glasgow, on the wast syd of the hie streit callit the Saltmercat, boundit betwixt the landis of ald belonging to umquhill Archibald Miller, and now to the successouris of umquhill Robert Alexander, on the south, the landis or ysird of umquhill Walter Bowie, now belonging to the aires of umquhill Robert

Miller, on the wast, the landis somtyme pertaining to umquhill George Pollok, thereafter to umquhill William Norvall, thereafter to umquhill John Dainziell, and now to Walter Gibsons, on the north, and the hie streit on the east pairtis." In the disposition it is stated that "the said tenement of land, heigh and laigh, bak and foir, with clos and all pertinentis therof, wer all brunt by the lait accidentall fyre, quhilk [did] happin within this burgh in November 1677 yeares," and that the property was conveyed to the magistrates and council "that the samyne (being for the present all ruinous and brunt) may be altogether dimolished, taken doune and red, and ane hie streit or leane made therof for frie passage from the Saltmercat to the Trongait, tending to the benefeit of the rest of the houssis theraboutis, for moir easie and quick service in caice of any sudden or accidentall fyre heirafter (as God avert)," (MS. Inv., I., bundle 27.)

the pryce therof, quherby there will be £466 13s. 4d. yit restand, off the quhilk rest they heirby discharge him and all utheris quhom it effeires, wpon the consideratioune forsaid, and ordaines the clark to give him wp his band to be cancelled and destroyed, and quhilk twa hundreth pundis receavit as said is he payit in to John Robesoune, then thesaurer, for quhilk he compted.

Glen, water  
serjant.

James Glen is admitted to be one of the tounes water serjands in place of William Lang, who is not able to goe about the samyne, in respect of his infirmities and old age, and also to the haill casualities belonging therto.

1 May 1680.

Taksmen of  
the Craigs,  
discharge  
merchand  
hospitall.

It being presented that the tennentis in the Craigs, belonging to the merchand hospitall, had susteined great los the last year the tyme of the lait rebellion, by getting their cornes and stra destroyed and eatin, and that of necessitie the merchand hous most quat to the said tennentis or taksmen considerably of their rent, quherby they will not be in a conditioune to get their poor supplied; quhilk being takin to the said magistratis and counsell their consideratioune, they, in lew of the said los, discharges the said hospitall of four hundreth and fyftie pundis they rest to the toune, borrowit out of the excyse, and ordaines John Bradie to give wp the note to the deane of gild that is in his handis for the said sowme, to be destroyed, and thir presentis sall be a warrand to the said John Bradie to get the said sowme allowed to him at his compt making.

Warrand,  
tolbuith.

Ordaines John Johnstoune to have ane warrand for fourtie pundis twelf shilling Scots payit be him to the proveist, and quhilk he deburst for menteining of sundrie distressed persones in the tolbuith.

Licence to  
Rankine, a  
cutler.

Anent the petitioune given in be David Rankine in Hammiltoune, desyring libertie to sett wp and use his trade here as a cutler in making knyfes, whingers, razours and utheris belonging to that trade, being considered, they have given and grantit and heirby gives and grantis him libertie to set wp during their will and pleasour.

Craufurd is  
fyn re-  
mitted.

Compeired William Craufurd, who had bein formerly fyned for bailing of insufficient breid, and produced sufficient and weill baiken wheat breid, and promised to mak guid breid in tyme coming, quherwith the magistratis and counsell wer satisfet, and therfor remittis to the

baillies to give him bak his fyne except some litle thing takin out of it alreddie.

Anent the supplicatiounes given in be the candlemakers, desyring libertie of a peice grund to build litle houssis on for melting their crak-<sup>Candle-makers</sup> ings in some uther place than at the gibbet brig, betwixt and the Cowcadens, quhilk being considered they refused their desyre, and the counsell adheares to their former act, and recommendis to these in the former act to sie that they rynd no crakings in the Candlerig, and that they build their houssis as they ar appoyntit for that effect betwixt and Mertimes nixt, or then be discharged the libertie of making any candle thereafter.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyned, and taking to their consideratiounes their calling and presenting of ane <sup>Call and presentatione, Mr. Adame Gordoune.</sup> able and qualified persone for serving the cuir as ane of this burghs ordinary ministers, now vacant throw the transportatiounes of Mr. William Stirling, lait minister there, from this place to Ancrum, they all with ane unanimous consent, being assured and weill informed of the qualificatiounes, guid lyfe and conversatiounes of Mr. Adame Gordoune, present minister of the new kirk of Munckland, hes called, nominat and presentit, and heirby callis nominatis and presentis the said Mr. Adam Gordoune to be ane of the ordinarie ministers of this burgh, in place of the said Mr. William Stirling, and to the ordinary stipend payable yearly to any of the ministers within the said burgh serving the cure there, quhilk is yearly ane thousand pundis monye of stipend and four scoir pundis of hous maill, the said ane thousand pundis to be payit fra Mertimes last and the said hous maill fra Witsonday nixt to come; and willis and desyres the most reverend father in God, Arthour by the mercie of God archbishop of Glasgow, to try and examine the litratour, qualificatiounes, guid lyfe and conversatiounes of the said Mr. Adame, and being fund qualifeit to admitt and receave him to be ane of the ordinary ministers of the said burgh of Glasgow, and to authorize him with his grace testimoniell of admission therto, and to give him collatiounes and institution as use is, and to the stipend forsaid, and ordaines the clark to give to the said Mr. Adame ane extract of the said call and presentatione, quhilk sall be als sufficient, being subscrivit be him, as subscrivit be the said magistratis and counsell themselves.

7 June 1680.

Grund to  
build on in  
new vennell.

It being reported that Allane Marschell, Johne Maxwell, James Shaw, wrightis, and James Blair, merchand, had measured aff grund on the north syd of the new vennell or wynd above the croce, tending to the Candle Streit, for building of houssis there, quhilk was approvin be the counsell, and for their incurradgment ordaines ilk ane of them to gett twentie pundis Scotis, they building thrie stories hie, and sklaiting the same, and payand twa shilling Scotis of fewdewtie for ilk elne of foir front, and ordaines their rightis to be drawne up accordingly.

Warrands,  
Johnstoune.

Johne Johnstoune is appoyntit to pay to Alexander Agnew, out of the excyse, ane hundreth markis for helping to repair his hous he had brunt in Lochryen in winter last; and to pay to Mr. Patrick Bell fyve pundis starling to helpe to keep him at the colledge; and to pay to Daniell Purdoune, baxter, ten dollouris for his present necessitie; and to the proveist nyne pundis starling that was spent wpon the twentie nyne of Maij last.

Licence,  
Sanders.

In answer to the supplicatioune given in befor them be Robert Sanders, stationer, cravand libertie to build beneth his hinging stair of his tenement at the Grayfrier Wynd, and to come als far as the staps of the stair that enters therto ar towards the wynd, for the better accomodatioune and ease of his laigh cellar there, and to build wp the voyd with stone for that effect; after heiring therof, and consideratioune had theranent, sundrie of the magistratis and counsell having sightit the samyne formerly, quhilk they reportit this day, and finding that the same will not prove troublesome ather to nighbouris or to the wydnes of the streit there, there being a stair there alreddie, they having therwpon, and wpon sundrie uther consideratiounes, given and grantit and heirby gives and grantis libertie and licence to the said Robert to build with stone under his said foir hinging stair of his said hous, he coming no farder out therwith then the staps of the stair entring therto now ar.

Common good  
set.

[Mills, 9,600 merks; ladles, 3,600 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 850 merks; tron, 950 merks; bridge, 1,260 merks.]

2 July 1680.

Monye,  
Doughill, for  
building.

The magistratis and counsell remittis to the committee who is appoyntit to consider what is to be given to these who ar to build, for



their incurragment, to ordour what Dowhill should have for building his land in Saltmercat, and in the meane tyme ordaines the notes to be given wp for the sowmes his sones ar restand to the toune, extending to fyftine hundreth seavine pundis Scotis, and ordaines the thesaurer to have a warrand for the same in respect he is to be charged therwith, the notis being takin for quhat he borrowed fra James Colhoune out of the excys.

It being compleined on be the minnisters that sundrie persones keeps Scotis schooles who does not frequent the kirk, nor lives ordourly, and a great pairt of them cited having appeired, Robert Mayne, William M'Nab and Duncan Hunter, being fund of them that appeired that they had no ordour nor lived regularly, they wer discharged to keep schoolis and to remove aff the toune, and the remanent who keeps schooles wer appoyntit to get testificatis ather fra the archbishop or their ordinary minnisters of their deportment, or then to have no libertie for keeping of schooles. <sup>School-  
maisteris.</sup>

In answer to the desyre given in be the ministers of the toune, craving the magistratis and counsell to appoynt some fitt place for the ministers to retein to befor sermon, in or about the Tron Church, and for being a convenient place lykwayes for keeping of sessiones, they remitt the same to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to appoynt some place most convenient for that effect. <sup>Place for  
meiting or  
sessione  
hous at the  
Laigh Kirk.</sup>

Anent the petition given in be Patrik Bryce concerning the coall pitis in Muir of Gorballis, remittis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to meit with the said Patrick, and ordaines him in the mein tyme to set down twa new pitis in quhat place of the Gorbail landis sall be thought most convenient in Gorballis, that the toune be not disappointed of coallis, and to commoun with him and give him quhat he craves for his incurragment to kep the said heughs, that the toune may be furnished, and to report. <sup>Bryce, heughs  
in Gorballis.</sup>

24 July 1680.

Ordaines John Robesoun to have ane warrand for the sowme of seavine hundreth seavintie nyne pundis Scotis, payit be him for French wyne and some uther small things, furnished be the toune to the archbishop of Glasgow and some uther persones this last year. <sup>Warrand,  
Robesoun.</sup>

Militia.

Appoyntis the proveist and baillie Johnstone to repair to Lanark on Twesday nixt to attend the meiting of the shyre for regulating of the new militia.

Act, taksmen  
of the meil-  
mercat and  
laidles.

In answer to the supplicatioune given in to them be the taksmen of the meilmercat and laidles, for that in sundrie places, as in the Gorballis and uther pairtis, divers persones, both burgessis and utheris, hes sett up mercatis for selling of meill and uther victuall out of their garnallis they have made there, in great quantities of victuall bought be them, in sundrie pairtes of this kingdome, to sell over againe, quhilk victuall they doe not present to the publict mercat of this burgh as they aught, and therby not only prejudging the liberties of this burgh, but also greatly damni-fieing the said taksmen for want of the ladle of ilk sek and payment for the use of their pekis and uther measouris, conforme to old use and wont, as the said petition beires; after reading therof and considera-tioune had theranent, and manie of the said magistratis and counsell knowing the samyne to be of veritie, they heirby statut and ordaine that the said taksmen sall be payit be the said importers and sellers of the said victuall of their haill dewes for the said laidles and pekis, als weill of all victuall weighted as measoured, and inhibitis and discharges any such mercatis to be keeped heirafter within the Gorballis, or to mak any garnallis there or ony uther place quhatsomever, within the privi-leges belonging to this burgh, ilk persone under the paine of ane hundreth pundis Scotis monye attour the los of their friedome, and re-commendis to the magistratis to sie this act put to all dew and finall executioun.

Warrantis,  
Johnstone.

Ordaines Johne Johnstone to have ane warrant for the sowme of seavine hundreth tua pundis for sek furnished be the toune to the archbishop, noblemen and utheris, this last year, and for ane hundreth and fyftie pundis deburst to the proveist for paying of ane chamber maill at Edinburgh; . . . as also for the sowme of £10 16s. Scotis allowed to the said John Johnstone for his expenssis and hors hyre in ryding to Irwing and Air, and for twentie four pundis sextine shilling for his hors hyre and expenssis in goeing to St. Andrewes, and for alevine pundis nyne shilling for his hors hyre and expenssis in convoying the archbishop to Edinburgh, and for threttie thrie pundis ane shilling for

his expenssis and hors hyre in goeing to Lanerk and in attending the meiting of the shyre there.

The magistratis and counsell having considered the conditioun<sup>Hutchesounne,</sup> of Jonet Hutchesounne, naturall daughter to umquhill George Hutche-<sup>warrands,</sup> sounne, they have appoyntit her four pundis starling to be payit yearly to her during her lyfetime, shoe remayning here, and if shoe returne to Holland and remayne ther, from quhence shoe come, ordaines fyve pundis starling to be yearly payit to her during her said lyfetime; and in respect shoe hes engaged to return to Holland and remayne there, ordaines the thesaurer to pay to her fyve pundis starling to be payit to her for this year, and sua to be payit yearly thereafter.

28 August 1680.

The magistratis and counsell having considered the petition given<sup>Grinock,</sup> in be James and Thomas Rankine in Greinock, concerning their lether<sup>lether.</sup> seased on be the toune, it is concluded they gett bak the tounes halfe of the said lether, they paying in fyftie pundis starling to the toune, and remittis to themselves to think wpon the fittest way to get ane ordour for getting bak the uther halfe belonging to the King.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Under the submission referred to on 23 December, 1679 (*antea*, p. 275), a committee of royal burghs pronounced a decree arbitral on 19 May, 1680, whereby they declared the seizure of leather by Glasgow to be lawfully made, it being a commodity not allowed for burghs of barony to import, and having been found and seized within the burgh of Glasgow, "bot withall recommends the supplicantis, Thomas and James Rankenis, to the favour of the magistratis and counsell of Glasgow for the saids goods for this tyme. And decerne and ordaine the inhabitantis of Greinock to desist fra importing of lether in all tyme comeing." It was also, of consent of both parties, ordained that in future Glasgow should insist for no contraventions against Greenock till first they acquainted Sir John Shaw of the names of those complained against, and what importation or exportation they are charged with; and that

Sir John "shall cause them find caution, and shall be obleist to give the toune of Glasgow satisfaction therein . . . or otherwayes Sir John shall putt them out of the toune of Greinock and all libertie therof; and the town of Glasgow shall have full power and libertie to sease upon and arreist all the goodis sua imported or exported, and to recover the avallis therof fra the delinquentis whether they be arreisted or not; and in caice the goodis can be apprehendit within Greinock or any jurisdictione therof, that Sir John shall cause make the samen, or avallis therof, furth cummand to the town of Glasgow; and that all persones, inhabiteris of the toune of Greinock, importeris or exporteris, under culler of uther menis names, shall be in the same conditioun in reference to the premisses as if they themselves exported or imported." (Inv. of City Writes, I., bundle 6, No. 2.)

Act, Bryce,  
anent col-  
hewghs.

The deane of gild made report that he and the deacon conveyner, as they wer appoyntit, had mett with Patrick Bryce concerning the sett doune of a new heugh in Gorballis, for furnishing the toune with coallis, and that they thought fitt and had condeschended, wpon his ingadging to wphold the said work a goeing work, that the toune should give him a new tak, and for his incurradgment he should get wp his bandis of sex hundreth marks he is owing to the toune and discharge him therof, as also of fourtie eight pundis restand of the cropt of the Grein in anno (*blank*) and of ten pundis starling restand of the gras therof, cropt 1679, and to give him wp his bandis grantit for the samyne, and for his farder incurradgment the toune should advance and pay to him fyve hundreth markis farder in hand, all whilkis was condeschended to and approvin of be the said magistratis and counsell and a tak ordained to be drawine wp accordingly; and appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyner yet to speik to him and appoynt him, quhat coallis he leadis with his awine hors, to condeschend on the number of hutches ilk gang and that they be just measour.

18 September 1680.

To agrie with  
the bischop  
for tynd.

Appoyntis the proveist, and quhom he pleases to tak with him, to meit with the archbischof of Glasgow and try if they can settle and agrie with him for the tyndis of some landis within the parsonadge of Glasgow, now bought in be the toune, quherof the tynd was formerly drawine, and to report.

Place for  
docking of  
ships.

Appoyntis the deane of gild, deacon conveyner, with James Colhoun, to tak advyce of Sir George Maxwell of Newark for buying of timber for making of some convenient place at Newport Glasgow quher they sall think fitt, and to report, for docking of ships.

2 October 1680.

Few rightis,  
new vennell,  
[Bells Wynd];  
Gorballyaird.

There was thrie few rightis subscrivit be the toune off severall peices of that new vennell or streit made of the landis above the croce, bought fra umquhill James Bell and the aires of umquhill Walter M'Allaster, quherof one to James Blair, merchand, of sextine elnes in lenth in front, ane uther to Allane Marschell, wright, of (*blank*) elnes, and the

thrid to John Maxwell, wright, conteining these (*blank*), all in foir front, for building of stone houssis thereon and to be sklaited, for quhilk ilk ane of them is to pay twa shilling of fewdewtie, for ilk elne in foir front, yearly. As also there was a tak of the Gorbail yaird subscrivit to John Shirrelaw, as it was possest be Alexander Pollok.

There was a tak subscrivit in favouris of Patrick Bryce of the colheughs in Gorbailis, for the space of (*blank*), and for his incurradg-<sup>Tak subscri-  
vit to Bryce.</sup> ment he is discharged of all he is restand to the toune, and allowed fyve hundreth markis be the toune to him for his incurradgment to hold wp the work, to be payit to him be the thesaurer.

Appoyntis the proveist to give the archbischoep thankis in taking the toune alongs with him in condeschending to get some fitt minister <sup>Toune,  
bischoep,  
parsons for  
Glasgow.</sup> to be parsons of Glasgow, and to tell him to be pleased to present Mr. Ros in Pearth, and the toune will concurr with him in it, or ony uther he sall please to mak choyse of.

Anent the supplicatioune given in befor them be James and Jonet <sup>Act, Gabriell  
Fairies  
childerin.</sup> Fairies, lawfull children to the deceast Gabriell Fairie, younger, maltman in Glasgow, mentioning that about a year syne the said Gabriell, the supplicantis father, they being verie young, having takine occasioun to live them and pas aff the countrie in a ship to the West Indians, in his passage was cast away, and having neglectit, befor his departour, to admitt himselfe burges and gild brother of this burgh, as only lawfull sone to umquhill Gabriell Fairie, elder, maltman, burges and gildbrother therof, guideschir to the said childerin, throw his said neglect they are now deprivyd of the benefeit of entring by their said father, and therfor cravand the said magistratis and counsell to grant to them the benefeit yet of entring, as if their said father had bein entred burges and gild brother, they paying (as they ar most willing to pay) the ordinarie dewes as burgessis bairnes payes, as the said supplicatioun beires; quhilk being callit and red, and the said magistratis and counsell taking the samyne to their consideratioun, and finding the samyne to have bein meerly neglected by their said father befor his removeall aff the cuntrie, and that the said poor childerin aught not to be furstrat of that benefeit, and that the desyre of the said supplicatioun is in itselfe reasonable, they have statut and ordained and heirby statutis

and ordaines that the saidis James and Jonet Fairies sall have the benefeit of entring as burgessis and gild brother bairnes, throw right of their said guidschir, and recommends to the deane of gild and his brethern to receave and admitt the said James Fairie conforme, and the husband of the said Jonet, if shoe happin to marie, as burgessis and gildbrother, they paying the ordinarie dewes as uther burgessis and gildbrother bairnes payes for their fynes.

5 October 1680.

Election of Magistrates. [The archbishop continued John Bell as provost, and from leets presented to him appointed Hugh Nisbet and John Johnstoune, merchants, and Duncan Campbell, craftsman, to be bailies for the ensuing year.]

8 October 1680.

New counsell. [The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with seven persons to supply vacancies, chose thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

13 October 1680.

Dean of gild, etc. [Ninian Andersoune, dean of gild; James Fairie, deacon convener; William Spadie, treasurer; John Cumyng, visitor of maltmen; James Corbett, water bailie; Archibald Sheilles, bailie of Gorbals; George Campbell, master of work; John Gillespie, visitor of gardeners; John Grahame, procurator fiscal.]

Campbell to supplie the deane of gildis place. The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratione that Niniane Andersoune, who is this day choysen deane of gild, is seiklie and not able to officiat for present, therfor they heirby nominat and appoynt Robert Campbell, last deane of gild, to exerce the said office as deane of gild during his unweilnes; and in caice the said Ninian Andersoune depairt this lyfe (as God forbid) they heirby appoynt and ordaine the said Robert Campbell to exerce the said office thereafter as deane of gild, for the enshewing year, als amplie in all respectis as any deane of gild heirtofoir exerceed the samyne.

23 October 1680.

Gilmouris hous to be bought in. It is concluded that the hous, peice grund at the bak therof, and yaird adjacent therto, belonging to James Gilmour, called Og, be bought in for the use of the toune, that therby they may be payit of the bygainne

grund annuallis, and that at the best advantage for the toune as the proveist sall agrie.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 12 oz. 7 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 50s. the Braid, tallow, stone; and well made candles for 58s. the stone.] candle.

The magistratis and counsell being conveyin, and taking to their Act against consideratiounes the frequent supplicatiounes given in to them be the candle-makers, quherby they crave ane uther place to be allowed to them to melt their crackings in nor that quhilk is allowed to them at the gibbett brig be former actis of counsell, they heirby discharge them to trouble the counsell any moir with such petitiones concerning that affair, under the paine of ane hundreth pundis, *toties quoties*, they contravein.

Appointis the proveist, baillies, deane of gild and deacon conveyiner Quartering of to meit and consider on the best and most commodious way of quartering sojouris. the souldiers within the toune, and to ordour the same accordingly, and to report.

30 October 1680.

Recommendis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyiner to sight Tynd barne. quhat is necessarie to be repaired of the tynd barne in Gorballis and caus doe the samyne.

John Raltoune is electit and choysen to be the tounes quartermaister, Raltoune for quartering the sojouris that ar or sall be in toune, and appointis the quarter- proveist and baillie Nisbit to speik to the Generall, and to recommend to maister. him that the said John Raltoune be not abused be the officers or souldiers.

Ordaines the proveist to repair to Edinburgh anent the tounes Brunt and affaires, and to advyse what cours is most fitting to be takin anent these ruinous landis landis in the foir street laitly brunt and utherwayes ruinous, and what to be re- built. cours sall be takin theranent for rebuilding thereof against these who refusis to build the same.

Recommendis to the baillies to tak strick cours with these inhabi- Act, strain- tentis that gives not wp a list of these straingers they quarter nightly, gers names, unto the guard; as also with these that dightis not the streitis, conforme streitis. to former proclamatiounes emittit for that effect.

4 December 1680.

Appointis Robert Cors and John Goveane to sett doune a list Heritouris of brunt landis.

of the haill heritouris of the brunt landis within the toune and on the foir streit, and ordaines them to be charged to rebuild the same conforme to the act of parliament.

21 December 1680.

**Buckitis.** Appoyntis the deane of gild and conveiner to caus helpe the old bukitis, and to mak ane hundreth and fyftie new ones, as also to caus mak some short ledders.

**Warrands, Robesoun.** Ordaines John Robesoun to have ane warrand for the sowme of thrie hundreth sextie pundis nyn shilling Scotis, payed be him for the expenssis and hors hyres of these that went to the buriell of Kilburnie his ladie, and to the buriell of the ladie Blackhall.<sup>1</sup>

**Water spout.** Appoyntis the deane [and two others] to sight the spout was made for quenching of fyre, and sie if it can be made yit use of in caice of neid.

**Letter from the colledge.** There was a letter producit, direct be the principall of the colledge of Glasgow to the proveist, whilk was red, quherof the tenour fallowes: My lord,—All the maisteris of the colledge doe verie thankfullie acknowledge your lordshipis willing assistance to repres the disordouris of our colledge, particularly to stay the insolencie of these who wer laityly our schollers, but ar now no moir. What cours or method your lordship sall tak in it, whither by your selfe or by the joynt concurrance of your counsell, quhilk semeth to be the fairest way, sall be most acceptable to my lord, your verie humble servant, *Sic subscribitur*, A. E. Wright. Quhilk being takin to the said proveist, baillies and counsell their consideratione, and finding the desyre therof most reasonable, they appoynt the proveist and baillies to be assistant and give their concurrance to the said maisteris of the colledge for suppressing any abuses sall happin be done be these schollers in the colledge, and to desyre the maisteris to give them wp a list of the said schollers, whither burgessis or straingers, and where the straingers ar buirded, that they may be bund to keep the peace or then to remove them aff the toune, and to tak such uther cours as is most fitting theranent.

<sup>1</sup> Lady Margaret Crawford of Kilbirnie, and her sister, Anne Crawford, wife of Sir Archibald Stewart of Blackhall. See interesting

particulars in Williamson's "Old Cartburn" (1894), pp. 26-7, and in Law's Memorials there quoted.



29 December 1680.

Ordaines William Spadie, thesaurer, to have ane warrand for the <sup>Warrand,</sup> sowme of threttie eight pundis xij s. Scotis, payit to John Cors, in name <sup>thesaurer.</sup> of Thomas Comlay, for sending of printed papers, besyd the ordinary gazetis and newes paperis, to the toune these twa yeares bypast.

11 January 1681.

Appoyntis the proveist to repair to Edinburgh anent the <sup>Proveist to</sup> townes <sup>Edinburgh.</sup> affaires, and particularly anent these fewdewties the archbishop is seiking out of the kilnes at the Craigs, and appoyntis him to cleir comptis anent quhat monye he hes lent to Maris regiment.

Appoyntis Baillie Nisbit to tak advyce of Mr. Withers, who is build- <sup>A weiz at</sup> ing a ship at Hammiltoune anent the making of ane weiz<sup>1</sup> at Newark <sup>Newport.</sup> for docking of ships there, and if he think fitt to employ him for doeing therof.

Appoyntis the clark to wryt to Donald Campbell, in name of the <sup>Letter anent</sup> toune, that they think strainge he hes never given them ane accompt <sup>Pickie and</sup> of the rent of Pickie and Peikie mylne these severall yeares past, not- <sup>Pikie mylne.</sup> withstanding of his severall promissis, this being the third or fourth year uncontraverted, and that if he give not ane satisfactorie ansuer, with the first occasioun, to tell him they resolve to seek it another way.

The proveist made report that he had spokin with Alexander Telpher <sup>Telphers</sup> anent the buying in of his hous in Saltmercat, in Conynghames clos, and <sup>land to be</sup> that Telpher refused to sell it unles the toune buy also his timber, daillis <sup>bought in.</sup> and sklaitis, quhilk he had bought for repairing therof, quhilk being considered they appoynt the proveist to agrie with Telpher and buy the same the best way he can.<sup>2</sup>

There was ane presentatioun productit, grantit be bischop Lightoune, <sup>Presenta-</sup> quherby he nominatis and presentis Robert Blair, sone to umquhill <sup>tioun, Blair.</sup> Laurence Blair in Irwing, to that bursares place in the colledge of Glasgow, conforme to the said bischop his mortificatioun, and to conteinow during his remayning at his cours of philosophie in the colledge, quhilk

<sup>1</sup> "Weiz," apparently a structure formed to divert the water. An old Scottish word "weise" or "weize" signified to turn about or twist.

<sup>2</sup> On 6th June it was reported that "Alex-

ander Telphers land, quhilk was umquhill Hendrie Kelsoes, with the haill standing stone wark and the timber and utheris there," had been bought for 950 marks.

was acceptit; and ordaines the thesaurers, present and to com, to pay to him yearly ane hundreth and eight pundis, quhilk is the annualrent of ane hundreth and fyftie pundis starling.

1 March 1681.

Agriement,  
archbishop,  
tyndis.

The proveist made report of his dilligence at Edinburgh anent the tounes affaires, and that he had agried with the archbishop of Glasgow for the tyndis of the aikers about the toune, formerly drawne be the said bischop, and for the gleib lands that was payit to the persone of Glasgow, and also for the mans that the toune is obleist to furnish to the said parsones, for the space of nyntein yeares, for the quhilk the toune is to pay yearlie to the said archbishop twa thousand markis, yearly, during that space, and the archbishop is to relive the toune of the stipend formerly payit to the persone of Glasgow and utheris, contained in the tak of the said tyndis drawine up theranent and subscrivit be the said archbishop and proveist att Edinburgh; quhilk tak was allowed and approvine and heirby commissionatis and appoyntis the remanent magistratis to subscrivye the said tak in the tounes name, on these tearmes that the said archbischope obleidge himselfe to obtaine ane decreit against these persones who hes takin yairds and inclosers aff any of theis lands for the tynds therof that wer formerly wont to be drawne be the archbishop of Glasgow.

Quhat is  
necessarie for  
his royall  
highnes his  
intertean-  
ment.

Appoyntis the proveist, baillies, James Campbell, deane of gild and deacon conveyner to meit and advyse with themselves what sall be thought fitt and necessary for interteaning his royall highnes the Duke of Albany, and what hous sall be thought most proper to him to ludge in, incaice it sall pleas his highnes to come to this toune, and to caus provyde the samyne accordingly, and to provyd all uther things that sall be thought fit for his interteanment.

Weiz at  
Newport.

Baillie Nisbit, deane of gild and James Colhoune made report that they had agried with Mr. Withers for making a weiz at Newport, for docking of ships there, and that they had agried for building a smiddie there, quhilk was approvine, and appoyntis the same persones to sie it done and perfected, and to buy timber and other necessities for that effect.

Baillie Campbell made report that he had seized on sex barrellis Rynd tallow. rynd tallow, exporting out of the kingdome, quhilk was approvin, the exportatioun being against the lawes of the kingdome and actis of the burgh, and ordaines the same to be roupd and sold, and the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to dispose on quhat is gottin therfor equallie betwixt them, for the use of the poor of their respective hospitalis.

Recomends to the baillies to caus remove all bulliart tables neir the Bulliart colledge, at least to discharge theis who hes them to permitt any studentis tables to be discharged. in the colledge to play therat, being the desyre of the maisteris therof.

Ordaines George Johnstoun to pay to John Marschell ten dollouris Warrand, for his debursmentis in defending the caus persewit be the bischop of the Johnstoun. Isles against sundrie merchandis, for alledged taking of herring in the Isles for the tynd therof.

26 March 1681.

There was producit befor the said magistratis and counsell ane act of Act anent the lordis of the thesaurerie, ordaining the toun to delyver wp the lather Grinock lether. was seased on be them belonging to the Rankines in Grinok, they finding cawtion to answer for quhat the toun hes to lay to their charge as accords of law, and notwithstanding of the said act Sir John Shaw of Grinok, for himselfe and in name of the said Rankines, referred himselfe in the magistratis and counsellis will for quhat fyne they pleased to exact befor the delyverie of the said lether, quhilkis being takin to the said magistratis and counsell their consideratioun, it is statut and ordained that the said lether be delyvered wp to the said Rankines, they paying the fyne that was formerly concluded and condeschended on be the said magistratis and counsell their former act, they delyvering wp the act of the lordis of thesaurerie, with a receipt of the said lether, and that thereafter the magistratis and counsell will tak them to consideratioun for the said fyne.

Nominatis and appoyntis Walter Colhoun to be mylner at the sub-Colhoun, deane mylne, in place of umquhill John Gray, he obleidging himselfe to mylner at the mentein the samyne sufficiently, and appoyntis the deane of gild to put subdeane mylnes. him in possessione, and to tak notice quhat condition shoe now is in, that shoe may be left so at his removeall, and he is to conteinow mylner there during their pleasour and his good behaveour.

Gilmouris  
hous sold to  
Corbett.

The proveist made report that he had sold the hous and peice grund in Candlerig Streit, quhilk was formerly James Gilmouris, to Walter Corbett, hammerman, for sex hundreth markis, and with these termes that he keep the tolbuith knock and the chymnes in good ordour.

Warrand,  
Johnstoune.

Ordaines George Johnstoune to pay to the proveist four scoir pundis starling to ane accompt for buying necessities for the tounes use, for interteaning his royall highnes againe he come here.

30 April 1681.

Double of tak  
of tyndis.

Ordaines the double of the tak of the drawne tyndis of the aikers about the toune, with the mans and glyb, to be delyvered to the archbishop, with his note of thrie thousand markis he is awand to the toune, quhilk was promist to him be the proveist at the taking of the said tyndis, for the bygaine tyndis of these who hes made yairdis and inclosouris, on these termes that the said archbishop obtain decreitis against the said persones who hes the said yairdis and inclosouris for bygaines, and stait the rentall for tymes to come, and give the toune ane assignatioune for the said bygaines.

Proveist to  
Edinburgh.

Appoyntis the proveist, and whom he pleases to tak with him, to repair to Edinburgh anent the citatioune given to the toune to compeir befor the counsell for not sending in the declaratioune subscrivit in tyme.

Releiff of  
prisoners.

Ordaines twa hundreth pundis Scotis to be given out of the first end of the fyne that is to be gottin fra the Rankines in Grinock, for their lether seased on, for helping to relive (*blank*), prisoner with the Turkis, from that slaverie.

A fyft minis-  
ter and  
parson.

There wer some proposellis producit fra the ministers, regraiting the great paines they ar at in preaching so oftin for want of a fyft minister, they not being able to conteinow any moir in preaching, taking notice of skandaillis, and doeing the rest of the dewtie incombent to their employment, they finding the same to be so weightie, and therfor cravand the toune wold be pleased to present some fitt persone in place of the minister of the Blakfrier Kirk, for easing them of a pairt of the burdine, quhilk conforme to ane letter from the archbishop was earnestly recomended to the said magistratis and counsell, for granting therof, and sicklyk that the archbishop did declair that quhomsomever he should present to exerce

the function of the parsons in the Hie Kirk, that he wold doe same be the joynt advyce of the said magistratis and counsell, quhilkis being takin to their consideratioune they appoynt thankis to be given to the said archbishop for his cair in provyding one to be persone, and taking their advyce therintill, and that the bishop may be desyred that he will insist to get Mr. (blank) Kairnecors to supplie the office of the parsons in the said Hie Kirk, and that he be told that they will have their thoughtis on some persone to be the said fyft minister.

Appoyntis William Carpander, servitour to Mr. Richard Crump, <sup>Carpander,</sup> esquyr, somtyme majour of Bristoll, to be admittit burges and gild <sup>burghes and</sup> brother gratis, for severall favouris done be them to our townes people at Bristoll.

21 May 1681.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyned <sup>Applica-</sup> anent ane applicatioune made to them be the ministers within this burgh, <sup>tioune. minis-</sup> with consent of his grace the archbishop therof, craving that they will <sup>ters, Black-</sup> present some fitt and qualifeit persone to serve the cure of the ministrie, <sup>frier Kirk.</sup> in place of the vacancie of the Blakfrier Church, the said ministers not being able any longer to tak cair of that vacant parish, they finding their charge to be so weightie, as in the said applicatioune at mair length is contained; quhilk, at the desyre of the said archbishop, being takin to the said magistratis and counsell their consideratioune, and after advyce and deliberatioune had theranent, they have agried and concluded and heirby agries and concluds that Mr. Alexander Kinneir, present minister of Bothwell, be called and presentit to be ane of the ministers within this burgh, and to the stipend formerly belonging to these that served the cure at the Blakfrier Kirk, quhilk is restand be the earle of Argyll, being the annuell rent of ten thousand pundis Scotis, yearly, but if it sall happin that the said stipend be not recovered or tymously payed be the said earle, in that caice the toun is to pay the said stipend, yearly, to the said Mr. Alexander Kinneir during his lyfytyme and serving the cuir within the said burgh, provyding alwayes as it is heirby expressly provyded and declared that thir presentis, with the presentatioune to be given to the said Mr. Alexander, sall be nowayes binding on the toun, or obleidge them to present ony uther minister for serving the cure in

place of the said Mr. Alexander after him, on which termes thir presentis ar grantit and no utherwayes; and therfor the said magistratis and counsell have nominat and presentit and heirby nominatis and presentis the said Mr. Alexander Kinneir to be ane of the ordinarie ministers of this burgh, and to the stipend payable to him for serving the cure therat, conforme to and wpon the conditiones above mentioned, during his lyfytyme and serving the cure there, desyryng the most reverend father in God Arthour, by the mercie of God archbishop of Glasgow, to try and examine the litratour, qualificatioune, good lyfe and conversatioune of the said Mr. Alexander Kinneir, and being fund qualifeit to admitt and receave him to be one of the ministers of this burgh for exercing the function of the ministrie therin, and to give him collatioune, institutione, and all uther sort of ecclesiastick ordouris requisit for that effect, and to tak his oath of alledgiance and oath of supremacie for acknouledging his Majesties royall prerogative and giving dew obedience to his grace the said archbishop, his ordinarie, in forme as effeires; and ordaines their clark to subscribye the extract of thir presentis, quhilk sall be als sufficient as if ther wer a presentatioune drawne wp and subscrivit be the said magistratis and counsell themselves.

Letter to  
Argyll.

Appoyntis the clark to wryt ane letter to the earle of Argyll, in name of the toune, that they, at desyre of the archbishop of Glasgow and ministers in toune, ar necessitat to supplie the vacancie of the ministrie at the Blakfrier Kirk, quhilk hes bein this long tyme vacant throw want of its stipend, quhilk was put in his lordshipis fatheris handis, conforme to his band grantit be him and his cawtioneris therfor, quhilk stipend the toune cannot pay without recovering the said debt, and to send him a double of the said band, with the double of uther twa bandis, grantit be his lordshipis father to Hutchesounes Hospitall, of uther twa considerable sowmes, and to show his lordship that they thought it their dewtie to signifie so much to him that such cours may be takin theranent as may prevent further truble to his lordship and expenssis to them.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> A sum of £10,000 Scots, lent to the marquis of Argyll, seems to have consisted of the money contributed by the inhabitants of Glasgow, in 1635, as an endowment towards

the maintenance of the minister and reader of Blackfriars Church, which was at that time transferred by the college to the city (Glasg. Chart., pt. ii., p. 360). Several references to

Appoyntis baillie Nisbit [and three others] to agrie with the timber <sup>Wiz and</sup> made use of for making the wiz, and to caus pay the same and the man <sup>smiddie at</sup> for his paines that built the same; as also to sie the smiddie at <sup>Newport.</sup> Newport that is agried to be built ther outred and payit for with all materiellis necessarie.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to caus build a <sup>Dyck at</sup> stone dyk betwixt Dowhill and St. Ninians kirkyaird, quher the buttis <sup>St. Ninians</sup> ar. As also that they conveyn the haill fleshouris in the land <sup>kirkyaird.</sup> mercat <sup>New land</sup> and ordaine them to goe aff the streit to the new mercat built for them, <sup>mercat.</sup> and ordaine them their places and sett doune quhat they sall pay yearly.

Appoyntis the proveist, baillies [and six others], and any four of <sup>Landis joyned</sup> them to be a quorum, to conveyn these persones to quhom the landis be- <sup>to the Grein.</sup>

this loan occur in the records, the last of these which has been noticed being contained in a minute dated 23rd December, 1700. In that minute it is narrated that "the late marques of Argyle stands indebted to the magistrates and council for themselves, as representing the communitie of the said burgh, and as patrons to Hutchisons Hospitall, in the respective sums following, viz.—£10,000 Scots money, principall, with the bygon resting annualrents, contained in a band granted be the said late marques, therein designed Archibald lord Lorne, as principall, and his cautioners therein named, to the said burgh, dated 7th October, 1636; item, 10,000 merks, with the bygone resting annualrents contained in another band granted be the said laite marques and his cautioner to Hutchisons Hospitall, dated 16th August, 1643." [This bond was taken over by the town, in a settlement with the Hospital, in 1659.] "Item, £800, money foresaid, with penaltie and annualrents contained in another band granted be the said laite marques [to Hutchisons Hospital], dated 18th March, 1645." The estates of the marquis were forfeited to the crown in 1661, and in 1700 there was a proposal to apply for reduction of the decree of forfeiture, "to the effect that the said laite

marques his creditors might have access to such debts as were resting by the deceast marques of Huntly and his predecessors to the said late marques of Argyle." As part of the arrangement for these contemplated proceedings, the magistrates and council discharged the then earl of Argyle and his heirs and successors personally, and restricted their claim to such funds as might be secured through the reduction of the forfeiture or might be recovered from the cautioners; but, so far as has been ascertained, the loans were never repaid either wholly or partially. (MS. Council Rec., XVI., pp. 268-70; Hist. of Hutchesones' Hospital (1800), Appx., pp. lix.-lxx.)

<sup>1</sup> When M'Ure published his History of Glasgow in 1736, the land market, otherwise called the mutton market, was situated in Bell Street, and this was probably the "new mercat" above referred to. The Bell Street market was transferred to trustees under the Markets Act of 1845, and subsequently to markets commissioners under the act of 1850. In 1851 these commissioners sold the site to the Police and Statute Labour Committee, to be used for an extension of the police office. (MS. Sasine Reg. vol. 353, fol. 82.)

longed that is joynd to the Grein, and to agrie with them for the pryce therof that the same may be payit, and to report.

Licence to  
Sheilles.

In ansuer to the petitione given in be Elisabeth Sheillis, lawfull daughter to umquhill Archibald Sheillis, skipper, burges of this burgh, they grant her libertie to make candle within the samyne burgh for her helpe to a lyfliehood.

6 June 1681.

Anent these  
who takis the  
commounne  
guidis.

The magistratis and counsell, considering that the morrow is the day for the rouping of the tounes commounne guidis, and that somtymes they ar sett to persones that are insufficient for paying the tak dewtie, it is therfor concluded that any persone who happines to tak any of the said goods that ar suspect to be insolvent, that they immediatly condescend on the securitie they will give therfor at the taking of the same, and recommendis to the magistratis to sie that the securitie be sufficient sall be given for any of the said guidis befor they be put in possessiounne, and particularly the takers of the mylnes, being most considerable.

Letter from  
archbishop  
anent the  
tyndis.

There was a letter producit and red, direct be the archbishop of Glasgow to the magistratis and counsell, quherin he desyres that they may cause draw wp ane assignatiounne be him to the tounne of the bygainne tyndis of the landis that ar made in yairdis and utherwayes inclosed, quhilkis wer wont to be drawne but forborne these sundrie yeares past, and that the heritouris and possessouris therof sall be persewed ather in his name or the tounes as they think fitt, for the quhilk right to these bygainnes the proveist declared and acknowledged that he had promist to the said archbishop thrie thousand markis, and for satisfieing therof he had given up to the said archbishop his tikit of the lyk sowme the archbishop had borrowit fra the tounne the uther year, quhilk was allowed and approve be the magistratis and counsell.

The said  
tyndis payit.

Heritouris  
and utheris to  
be conveyned.

Appoyntis the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to conveyn these persones lyable in tyndis for their yairdis and inclosers and caus them pay the same, if they can, befor any persuit be intended against them, and to report.

Act in  
favouris of  
Boyd.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyned, and taking to their consideratiounne that these sundrie yeares the said burgh hes bein in use and possessiounne of ane peice grund in Dowhill,



at the foot of the new vennell, for washing and drying there their clothes, and for quhilk they payit yearly nyne furlotis beir, conforme to the bishops fear, to Androw Steinstoune, then taksman therof and uther landis in Dowhill; and seing Johne Andersoune of Dowhill hes of new sett the said landis and peice of grund to Robert Boyd, maltman, and that the said Robert is willing the said burgh posses the said peice grund for the use forsaid, during his tak, for payment of the lyk ferme, the said proveist, baillies and counsell therfor ordaines their thesaurer to pay to him the samyne yearly, and ordaines William Spadie, present thesaurer, to pay to him the said nyne furlotis beir conforme to the Gorbail fear for the cropt 1680.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyned on the Grein for Common setting their commoune guidis, conforme to old use and wont, this <sup>good set.</sup> being the first Twesday of Junij instant, and so the ordinarie day for rousing therof, after lawfull rousing [the same were set as follows:— Mills, 9,600 merks; ladles, 3,300 merks; pecks, 760 merks; tron, 920 merks; bridge, 1,490 merks.]

25 June 1681.

There was a letter direct be the proveist, baillies and counsell of Letter from Edinburgh, subscrivit be Mr. James Ruchheid, their clark, in their name, <sup>Edinburgh</sup> desyring that the generall conventioun of burrowes that was appoyntit <sup>anent bur-</sup> to sitt at Edinburgh the first Twesday of July nixt should be delayed <sup>rowes mett-</sup> to the twentie fyft of the said moneth, quhilk is some few dayes befor <sup>ing.</sup> the doune sitting of the parliament, quhilk is to sitt at Edinburgh the twenty eight of the said moneth of July, conforme to his Majesties proclamatione ished out for that effect, and for sundrie uther reasones contained in the said letter, quhilk is condeschended and agried to be the said proveist, baillies and counsell of this burgh, on these termes that the magistratis and toune counsell of Edinburgh pretend not to any power or jurisdiction for altering the ordinary day of the generall convention in tyme coming, and therfor of new againe they have nominat and commissionat John Bell, present proveist, their commissioner to attend the said generall conventioun of burrowes the said twenty fyft of July nixt.

Nisbit to  
Lanerk.

Appoyntis baillie Nisbit to repair to Lanerk anent the meiting of the shyre there, for giving his vott for the electioun of the commissioners of the shyre to the parliament in name of the toune, for their landis of Provand.

Letter from  
Argyll

There was ane letter direct be the earle of Argyll, in ansuer to the tounes sent to him, quherby he doubtis not but they all know that his Majestie, out of his royall bountie, did bestow upon him a pairt of that estait quhilk was his fatheris, frie of ony burdine, and disposed on the rest conforme to his royall prerogative, so that by no law or reasone he can be lyable to these debtis mentioned in the tounes letter to him, but that he is verie reddie at all occasiounes to serve the toune quherin it is possible without ane indispensable ruine to his familie.

Argyllis  
debtis.

Ordaines the proveist to advyse quhen he goes to Edinburgh, and doe quhat is most fitting for getting satisfactioun of the earle of Argyll of quhat he is indew.<sup>1</sup>

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Raltoune, the touns [quartermaister], his cellarie for quartering the sojouris this last year, being ten pundis starling, and to pay to Coline Hammill fyftie sex pundis for coall and candle to the guards, fra the twentie twa of Maij last to this day inclusive, conforme to his compt, and for sex pundis sextine shilling Scotis for meit and drink given to Skarlett the tyme he was in the tolbuith conforme to the said compt.

Warrant,  
Colhoune.

Ordaines James Colhoune to have ane warrant for the sowme of twelfe hundreth threttie sex pundis payit be him for French wyne given be the toune to the archbishop of Glasgow and utheris this last year, and for sek and uther things sent to Edinburgh to friendis there, conforme to the compt therof, quhilk sowme is to be allowed to the said James Colhoune at his comptmaking of the excyse.

Warrant,  
Johnstoune.

Ordaines George Johnstoune to pay to Robert Cors twa hundreth and eightie pundis Scotis, for French wyne sent to Edinburgh to the duck of Albany and utheris, of the grouth 1680, conforme to the compt therof, quhilk is to be allowed to him at his compt making of the excyse.

16 July 1681.

Maister of the  
grammer  
school.

Appoyntis the baillies [and three others] to speik to Mr. Francis

<sup>1</sup> See footnote, *antea*, pp. 294-5.

Kinkaid, and try if he think fitt to dimitt his place as maister of the grammer school, in respect of his infirmitie, to any persone sall be fund qualified therfor, reserving a pairt of the sallarie to himselfe during his lyfytyme, and that they tak advyce of the principall and maisteris of the colledge to sie quhom they thought fitt and qualified to be presented therto; and remittis the petition given in be Mr. John Campbell, ane of the doctouris of the said school, craving his sallarie to be augmentit, to be considered.

[Warrants given for payment of £674 2 s. 10 d. "for dailles, sklaitis, naillis, Warrands. fuge and sklaiting and uther necessities for the new and old fleshmercatis, Provand, tolbuith, and port to the Grein;" £295 6 s. "to the men who susteined los by having their cornes brunt and utheris by the fyre in the Shitt Wynd the last year;" £244 16 s. "for the lymne to the Grein dyk;" £164 13 s. 4 d. "for pleughing and harrowing the land laitly joyned to the New Grein, being fourtie eight aikers;" and £216 "for the charges and expenssis of these that went to Peibles with the archbishop to the synod and to Edinburgh."]

Appoyntis baillie Nisbit, deane of gild and deacon conveyner, to Barnes and caus pay these persones who furnished barnes and houssis for the guards, <sup>houssis to the</sup> <sup>guardis.</sup> and to tak quhat los they susteined therby to their consideratioune, as also the same persones to caus satisfie John Barnes for furnishing of the generallis chamber and George Grahame for furnishing ane chamber at the Stable Grein.

9 August 1681.

Appoyntis a proclamatioune to be sent throw the toune to intimat <sup>Rouping of</sup> <sup>the tyndis.</sup> to all persones who hes a mynd to buy the tyndis of the aikers about the toune for this present cropt, quhilk was formerly drawine be the archbishop of Glasgow, except the tyndis of these landis taken in to the Grein, that the same is to be rouped in the tolbuith on Fryday nixt, in the foirnoon, on such conditiounes as sall be then intimat to them, as also that the drawine tyndis of the Gorballis is to be rouped the said tyme.

29 August 1681.

Anent ane complement made against twa Irish merchandis, for im-Complement, im-  
porting ane considerable quantitie of tanned lether from Irland, and <sup>portatioune of</sup> <sup>Irish ledder.</sup>

selling the same without making ane offer to the toune, quhilk was found to be ane fault, and therfor remitis to the deane of gild and deacon conveyner to get satisfaction, and quhat is gottin to be applyed for the poor of their twa houssis.

Offer of  
venter goods.

There was ane offer made to the toun, be one Richard Bucklie, off ane hundreth and fyve hogisheidis Virgini leaff tobacco, with some leiff tobacco in bulk, and thrie barrellis roll tobacco, at the pryces fallowing, viz., the hogisheidis at twentie four shilling starling the hundreth, the tobacco in bulk at twentie shilling the hundreth, and the roll tobacco at threttie shilling starling the hundreth, the buyers paying reddie monye, with all dewtie lyable therefor; quhilk being taken to the magistratis and counsell consideratioune, and that the toune of Dumbartane having quat their pairt, they befor ansuer ordained him to seller the said tobacco in Glasgow, and he to give his oath if he sold or made offer therof to ony utheris of befor, and ordaines the clark to wryt to the proveist heirol. As also to wryt to the proveist that sieing sundrie persones had petitioned the parliament for getting payment and releiff of cawtionrie of Argylls debtis that he use dilligence for getting satisfactioun quhat the marqueis of Argyll restis to Hutchesounes Hospitall and the Blakfrier Kirk.

13 September 1681.

Letter to the  
proveist in  
ansuer to his.

Ordaines the clark to wryt a letter to the proveist at Edinburgh showing him that the deane of gild, conveyner, and sundrie of the counsellouris, wer aff the toune, and so could not get a quorum, but that they who wer present had perused his letter direct to them, quherby he craves their opinion as to the earle of Argylls affair, and resigning the tounes priviledges in his Majesties hand, and to show him that they had agried and concluded that the persuit against Argyll anent getting satisfaction of quhat he is dew to the hospitall and minister of the Blakfrier Kirk should be prosecutt, and to tak such wayes and methods for doing the same as should be most propper; and as concerning the priviledges of the burgh, if he cannot get them repaired as to their liberties to desyre him to use his indeavour to get quhat they have preserved, for they resolve on no accompt to resigne their royaltie.

17 September 1681.

The letter direct fra the proveist to them was red, giving them ane accompt of severall passages that past in this parliament, since his last, to quhilk ordaines the clark in their names to wryt him ane ansuer and render him hartie thankis for his behaveour and cair, and desyre him to doe quhat in him lay for the weill of the toune and preserving their liberties, as also sie if any allowance can be gottin for the expenssis the toune is at in furnishing of guardis and coall and candle therto, ather as to bygaines or in tyme coming.

Appoyntis baillie Campbell, with the lait deacon conveyner, in absence of James Fairie, present deacon conveyner, to convey the deacones and to acquaint them to intimat to the respective callings that they mak choyse of no deacones for the enshewing year but these who will tak the test, conforme to the lait act of parliament.<sup>1</sup>

27 September 1681.

There was a letter produced from Mr. Francis Kinkaid, quherby he offers a dimissioun of his place as maister of the Grammer School, in respect of his infirmitie and old age, and submits himselfe to the toune quhat uther cellarie they will allow him during his lyftyme; quhilk being takin to consideratioun, they remitt the same to the baillies [and three others] to meit with the maisteris of the colledge and Mr. Francis, and tak their advyce quhat persones they think most fitt, prudent and qualified for that place, and to have their thoughtis quhat pensioun the said Mr. Francis sall have during his lyftyme, and to report.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Duncane Campbell the sowme of fyftie twa pundis Scotis for furnishing the grein cloth that covers the counsell table.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the sowme of ten pundis starling payit to John Alexander, post, for his extraordinary paines and service in the tounes affaires these severall yeares, and appoyntis the post to furnish newes papers and gazatis tymeously and weikly, and he to have therfor als much as any utheris had befor.

<sup>1</sup> On 31st August, parliament prescribed a stringent form of oath, called the test, to be taken by all persons in public trust. (1681, c. 6, A.P.S. VIII, pp. 243-4.)

Warrantis,  
Colhoun.

Ordaines James Colhoun to have ane warrant for the sowme of seavine hundreth and twentie pundis Scotis, for timber furnished be him and pertinens to be two weiz for docking of ships at Newport, and for fyve pundis starling payit to Mr. Withers for making the said weiz; and for ten pundis starling payit to John Barnes for furnitour to the generallis ludging the last year.

1 October 1681.

Proclama-  
tioun anent  
the d. of  
Albany his  
coming here.

The proveist acquainted the counsell that he had got advertisment that his royall heighnes wold be att Glasgow on Moonday nixt, and therfor appoyntis the haill counsell to attend wpon the magistratis for waiting on him, that the handsomest of the young men of the toun be wairned to beir partizanis in ther [handis] to wait wpon him as shall wait wpon him, and ordaines a proclamatioun to be sent throw the burgh, ane proclamatioun ordaining the inhabitentis to put out baill fyres at the heid of ilk clos, at such tymes as they be warned by rining of the bellis, under such penaltie as the magistratis sall condesend on.<sup>1</sup>

Warrantis.

Ordaines James Colhoun to pay to baillie Nisbit the sowme of twentie fyve pundis starling monye for his expenssis in goeing to Edinburgh, at the doune sitting of the parliament, to wait on the proveist, and for paying the expenssis be the way of these that went afeild and come home with him, and for the coach hyre fra Edinburgh and uther charges and expenssis deburst in the tounes affaires; as also ordaines the said James Colhoun twa hundreth pundis Scotis for puting up and gilding the new horologe in the Hie Kirk and furnishing all materiellis therto.

8 October 1681.

Warrants,  
Colhoun.

Ordaines James Colhoun to have ane warrant for [£161 4s. 8d.] payit to George Johnstone for his expenssis and hors hyres in goeing to Dumfries, and expenssis in waiting on the bischop severall tymes; and for fyve hundreth markis payit to Johne Cauldwall for incuradging him to build his hous in Stockwell most regularly and ordourlie with frie stone in the front.

<sup>1</sup> This entry, in which there are evidently clerical mistakes, is printed as written, except that the word "[hands]" is supplied.

The royal visitor, here named "Albany," is better known as the Duke of York, afterwards King James VII.

Baillies Nisbit and Campbell made report that they had mett with <sup>Anent a</sup> the principall and some of the regentis of the colledge, and desyred their <sup>maister for</sup> advyce as to the fitness and qualificatiounes of Mr. George Glen to be <sup>the Grammer</sup> maister of the Grammer School, and they declared that the said Mr. George was sufficiently fitt to exerce the said office for his learning, but wold say nothing to his uther qualificatiounes, and therfor the magistratis and counsell concluded that the said Mr. George should conteinow in teaching the skollers as he hes doune this tyme bypast, and that they wold have their farder thoughtis anent him befor his admissiounes.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Robert Allane, Robert Bartoune and <sup>Warrands,</sup> James Muir sex pundis starling, by and attour uther sex pundis starling <sup>thesaurer.</sup> left here by his royall highnes for their extraordinary wrytting to the toune this last year, and to pay to James Park threttie pundis, and to Robert Andersoune four rex dollouris, for service done to the toune this last year, as also to pay to Allane Hogisyaird, maltman, twentie four pundis Scotis, and uther twentie four pundis to Daniell Purdouna, baxter, for their supplie, and lykwayes to pay to John Alexander, post, threttie fyve pundis sex shilling viij d. for sending a man extraordinarie to Edinburgh, ilk weik, the tyme of the sitting of the parliament,<sup>1</sup> for bringing newes to the toune, the space of eight weikis.

The proveist, John Bell, gave in ane accompt of the haill expenssis <sup>Expenssis for</sup> the toun hes bein at in intertaining his royall highnes, and these that were <sup>intertainment</sup> with him, the tyme he was heir, quhilk is as follows, viz., to Robert Brock <sup>of his royall</sup> for silver and gold boxes given to his royall highnes with his burges <sup>highnes.</sup>

<sup>1</sup> In this parliament various acts specially relating to Glasgow were passed. By c. 97 it was ordered that houses which should in future be built in Glasgow and certain other towns were to be roofed with lead, slate, or tiles, and no other material (A.P.S., VIII., p. 357); c. 103 declared two sugar-works in Glasgow to have the privileges of a recent act of parliament regarding manufactories (*Ib.*, p. 360); c. 304 similarly declared the woollen work of serge and other stuffs erected by James Armour to be a manufactory (*Ib.*, p. 361); c. 140 ratified the privileges of the incorporation of weavers (*Ib.*, p. 396); and

c. 157, ratified an act of the convention<sup>2</sup> of burghs, dated 6th July, 1676, empowering the magistrates and council to feu portions of their common muir, and also three dispositions, dated 22nd August, 1676, granted by the town council, with consent of the archbishop, (1) to John Campbell of Woodside of the lands in Wester Common called Moodies mailling and Peiters mailling, (2) to James Fairie, late bailie of the burgh, of the lands of Cowlares, Seggieholme, and west part of Sight hill, and (3) to Ninian Anderson, merchant, of the lands of Lymehouse boig, with pieces of ground adjoining.

ticket, and to his servants with their burges tickits, at their admissions, and for uther silver work made for the entertainment, wpon the touns accompt, one thousand fyve hundreth eighty eight pounds fourtein shilling; item, to Alexander Vaws for confections at that tyme, four hundreth thretty twa pounds; item, drink money given be the proveist to the dukes servantis, six hundreth and sixtie poundis; item, to Hugh Blair and his servant, for coming out of Edinburgh and their attendance heir at that tyme, sixtie four poundis; item, for provisions in the proveistis hows<sup>1</sup> the tyme the duke was ther, and these that wer with him, eight hundreth and sixtie poundis; item, for wyne the said tyme four hundreth and twa pundis; extending in the hail to the sowm of four thowsand and one poundis twelve shilling; quhilk accompt was approven, and ordaines James Colquhoun to have ane warrand for fyve hundreth poundis Scotis payed be him to Robert Brock, in the first end of the said silver work, and ordains Robert Cors to pay the hail remanent of the sadis sowmes above wryttin, and the clerk to give him ane warrand for that effect, quhilk sowmes is to be allowed at their respective comptis making of the excyse.

11 October 1681.

Electioun of  
the provest  
and baillies.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, being conveyened for electing of the magistratis of this burgh for the ensewing yeir, the ordinary day of election being past, quhilk was Twesday last, bot the election delayed to this day in respect of his royal highnes being heir, [the archbishop continued John Bell as provost for the ensuing year; and from leets presented to him nominated John Barnes and Robert Corse, merchants, and John Wallace, craftsman, to be baillies.]

14 October 1681.

Counsell.

[The magistrates of this and each of the two preceding years, with three persons to supply vacancies, but still wanting two to make up the full number, appointed thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the council for the ensuing year.]

<sup>1</sup> Provost Bell's house, in which the duke of York was entertained, was situated on the south side of Bridgegate and west side of Saltmarket Street. Part of the building

stood till 1903, when it was removed by the corporation in connection with the widening of Bridgegate. See footnote, *antea*, p. 39.



19 October 1681.

[On account of the absence of merchant councillors and others, the elections Dean of gild, of dean of guild, deacon convener, and visitor of maltmen were delayed.] etc.

16 November 1681.

Conveened the proveist and baillies, the provest produced ane act of Counsell. his royall highnes, his Majesties high commissoner, and lordis of his Majesties privy counsell, quherof the tennor followis:—Edinburgh, the eight day of November 1681. His royall highnes his Majesties high commissioner, and lordis of his Majesties privy counsell having considered the petition of John Bell, provest of Glasgow, desyring that the election of the counsell of Glasgow, as the same is made, might be approven, and having considered the report of the committee for publict affairs to whom the same was remitted, doe find the election of the said counsell of Glasgow is illegall, in regard ther wanted two or thrie of the electouris of the counsell which is requisit by the constitution of the burgh,<sup>1</sup> and that no posterior act of counsell can supply the same, and therfor doe ordain John Bell to goe to Glasgow and, wpon the eighteenth instant, to call together these magistratis and counsellouris who have right of election in the said burgh, and to make a new and formall election of the counsell, conform to the constitution of the burgh; and the magistratis already elected and counsell (to be that day choysen) are appoynted the said day to take and signe the oath and test, in presence of the Lord Ross, and to report the same wpon the twenty two of the said month to his Majesties privy counsell, with certification to them, if they failyie, his royall highnes and the counsell will recommend to the archbishop of Glasgow to nominat and appoynt new magistratis, and will themselves nominat a counsell for the said burgh. Extractit by me, *sic subscribitur*, PA. MEINZEIS. In obedience to the quhilk act, the sadis proveist and baillies, being conveened as said is, with Hugh Nisbit, John Johnstoun and Duncan Campbell, the thrie (last yearis) baillies, with George Grahame, ane of these who wer baillies the yeir preceeding the last yeir, and becaus they wanted four persons to make wp the number of twelve, quhich is the number conform to the constitution of the burgh that use to choyse the toun counsell, they sent

<sup>1</sup> See "Form of election of counsell," 19th August, 1637, Glasg. Rec., I., p. 382; also "Act anent the forme and manner of choysing," 15th October, 1663, *antea*, pp. 18, 19.

for James Campbell, lait provest, John Campbell, lait baillie, George Campbell and James Robison, merchandis, who being come and sett down with the rest they went on and maid ane new and formall election of the persons following to be on the toun counsell for the yeir ensewing, viz. [thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen].

18 November 1681.

**Oath and test.** In obedience to ane act of his royall highnes his Majesties high commissioner and lordis of his Majesties privy counsell, daitted the eight of this instant, conveened in the toun counsell hows of the said burgh, in presence of the lord Ross, John Bell, proveist, [the bailies and councillors formerly elected]; and quhilk magistratis and counsell forsaide, with the toun clerk, did, in ane dutifull obedience to the lait act of parliament and act of his Majesties privy counsell, take the oath and test, in presence of the said lord Ross, and signed the samien with their handis.

23 November 1681.

**Election of dean of gild, deacon convenor, etc.**

The magistratis and counsellouris forsaide being conveened for electing the dean of gild and deacon convenor, quher the haill deacons of crafts wer present to give their votte in the said election, conform to their priviledge and old use and wont, who in respect of the want of merchandis to com-pense the said deacons, they wer by the saids magistratis and counsell removed and debarred fra having any votte in the election for the ensewing yeir, with this provision allwayes that it should be without prejudice to them and their liberties to compeir and give their vottes at the lyke elections in tyme coming; and therfor the saids magistratis and counsell went on to the said electioun [and appointed Hugh Nisbit, dean of gild; Alexander Ross, deacon convenor; John Ritchie, treasurer; James Campbell, visitor of maltmen; John Smyth, water bailie; Duncan Campbell, bailie of Gorbals; George Campbell, master of work; Robert Tennent, visitor of gardeners; John Grahame, procurator-fiscal.]

**Statutes, wheat bread, tallow and candle, and old actis ratified.**

It is statute and ordained that the wheat loaff, being weill baken and of fyne flower, shall weigh eleven unce and twelve drop and be sold for twelve pennies, and that all uther wheat bread of quhatsomever syze be according to that weight and pryce sold; as also it is statute and

ordained that the pryce of the stone of sufficient rough tallou shall be sold for thrie mark and half merk the stane, that the stane of sufficient candle be made and sold for four merk the stane, and ordains the same to be proclaimed on Fryday nixt with the rest of the old actis quhilk are heirby approven. And farder the saidis magistratis and counsell having taken to their consideration the petition presented to them by the candle-makeris within this burgh, they, for severall weightie reasons, have allowed and heirby allowes the said candlemakeris to exact the sowm of fifty eight shilling Scotis for ilk stane of candle they have sold since Lowksmes<sup>1</sup> last, quhilk is the ordinary tyme of making the pryces therof for the yeir ensewing, in respect they have payed for the tallou conform to the last yeiris statutes, quhilk was fifty shilling the stane; and farder it is heirby declared that what tallou or candle the candlemakeris hes in their hand undisposed of, bowght be them fra the flesheouris within the said burgh since Lowksmes last, that they shall pay for the stane of the said tallou conform to this yeiris statute, quhilk is fourty six shilling and eight pennies the stane; and what therof is already payed grants liberty to the candlemakeris to seek repetition for what they have payed more nor this yeiris statute, and to conveyen them that refuses befor the magistratis for that effect, the saidis candlemakeris allways making faith as to what quantity of tallou or candle they have in their handis maid therof that was bowght since the said tyme of Lowksmes last, and the persons fra whom they bought the same.

25 November 1681.

Appoyntis the quartermaister to quarter the soldiouris more regularly, with all expedition, and that with consent and be the advyce of baillies Barnes and Wallace.

Ordains baillie Cors to pay to Francis Polanus ten pound starling for helping him to releive his twa bretheren and a sister out of slavery, quher they are detained by the Turks, he having maid the same appear to be true by certificatis he produced.

It was concluded that what remains of the fyne that was gotten fra Rankins fyne, Rankins in Greenock, for importing of Irish leather,<sup>2</sup> be given to (blank)

<sup>1</sup> "Lowksmes," feast of the nativity of St. Luke (18 October).

<sup>2</sup> See p. 283.

Act in  
favouris of  
the candle-  
makeris.

Quarter-  
maister to  
quarter the  
soldiouris.

Warrant,  
Cors.

Rankins fyne,  
ransom fra  
the Turks.

for helping to pay what he rests for his ransome for releiving owt of prison fra the Turks, and ordains the same to be delyvered to him for that effect.

20 December 1681.

Ralton,  
visitor of  
maltmen.

The magistratis and counsell did elect and choyse John Raltoun to be visitor of the maltmen in place of James Campbell, who was formerly choysen, in respect he refused to accept and take the test, and who also refused to accept therof, and allowes him to advyse betwixt and the nixt counsell day.

Pension to  
Saffley.

In ansuer to the supplication given in be Hugh Saffley, professor of navigation, it is concluded that he get four pund starling be yeir so long as he stayes and teaches that art in the toun, and to have ten dollouris by and attour presently.

Ansuer to the  
ministeris of  
Litle Polandis  
letter.

In ansuer to the letter direct to the magistratis and counsell of this burgh be the ministeris in Litle Poland, it is concluded that ane letter be sent in name of the toun to James Cornwall of Bonhard, to be transmitted to the saids ministeris, declareing that the toun hes condescended and aggried to accept of such twa young men as the said ministeris shall think fitt to send hither for the colledge, and that they will mentain and keep them at the colledge ay and quhill they shall be found qualified for being ministeris of the gospell.

10 January 1682.

Proveist and  
dean of gild  
to Edinburgh.

Appoynts the proveist to repair to Edinburgh anent the touns affairis, and especially anent the debt restand to the toun for the poor of Hutchesones hospitall, and minister of the Blackfrier Kirk, be the lait marquis of Argyll; as also that the dean of gild goe thither, with his conveniencie, to assist the proveist therin; as also concerning the obtaining payment of the legacy left to the merchandis hospitall be Zacharias Zibbs.<sup>1</sup>

Proveist and  
dean of gildis  
absence.

Appoynts James Campbell, lait provest, to preside in counsell in absence of the present provest, and in his absence the eldest baillie present, and the same persons swa to preside in the dean of gildis court in absence of the dean of gild.

Warrant,  
bucketis.

Ordains Robert Corse to have ane warrant for thrie hundreth and twenty pundis Scotis, payed to John Woddrop for four scoir bucketis

<sup>1</sup> See p. 318.

made be him for the use of the toun, by and attour the fiftie he maid formerly.

Ordains the maister of work to pay to George Tod twenty pundis Warrant, Scotis, to help him to bigg a ferry boat for carying people over the <sup>maister of</sup> water of Irving at Richartoun, and to place the same to the touns account. <sup>wark.</sup>

4 February 1682.

Grantis liberty to John Buklie to gett wp a warkhows within the Warrant, toun, for dying of silks and linnens and the lyke, in ansuer to the suppli- <sup>workhous for</sup> cation given in be him desyring the same. <sup>dying silkis.</sup>

Ordains the maister of wark to pay thretty pundis Scotis to Mr. Hugh Warrant, Muir, in respect he complains of the fewnes of schollars in the schooll, and <sup>Muir.</sup> of a small cellary as precenter, and to place the same on the touns accompt.

18 February 1682.

Ordains Robert Corse to have ane warrant for the sowm of nyne Warrant, hundreth and sixty pundis Scotis for French and Spanish wyne payed to <sup>Corse, wyne.</sup> Robert Campbell, quhilk he furnished wpon the touns accompt to his royall highnes, the primat, and the archbishop of Glasgow, of the grouth 1681.

Appoynts the dean of gild and George Andersone, clerk, to repair to <sup>Dean of gild</sup> Edinburgh for getting the mortified landis and utheris belonging to the <sup>and clerk to</sup> hospitallis, and uther poor in the toun, declared frie of paying cess, and <sup>Edinburgh.</sup> to clear comptis with Sir William Sharp and James Oswald anent the cess and excyse payed be the toun, and to take nottice of and agent what uther affairis the toun is concerned in there.

It is concluded that Patrick Bell get that peice ground on the water- <sup>Bell, Grein,</sup> syde, at the heid of the New Grein, belonging to the toun, for satis- <sup>salmond</sup> faction of the loss and damage he sustains throw the touns peoples <sup>fishing.</sup> fishing and taking salmond and drawing their netts ther, wpon his grund of Proveisthaugh, and ordains a right therof to be drawn wp and sub-crivit be the toun in his favouris.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> In 1792 the corporation of Glasgow acquired the lands of Provosthaugh from another Patrick Bell, who was then proprietor, and it is probable that the piece of waterside ground above referred to was included in the

purchase (MS. Inv., II., bundle 14). A list of purchases for the New Green will be found in "Glasgow Water Supply," &c. (1901), App., p. 28.

Warrant,  
Johnstoun.

It was concluded that Walter Corbet get fyve hundreth pundis Scotis, for taking down and mending and helping the High Kirk clock, and putting wp the same again.

18 *March* 1682.

Dean of gild  
and clerkis  
report,  
Edinburgh.

The dean of gild and the clerk maid report of their diligence at Edinburgh anent the touns affairis, and that they obtained ane act of the lordis of the thesaury for freeing the mortified landis belonging to the hospitallis and uther poor in the toun from payment of any cess, and that they had cleared comptis with Sir William Sharp and James Oswald.

Warrant,  
Johnstoun,  
New Green.

Ordains John Johnstoun to pay to Robert Rae the sowm of four thousand merkis, for his ten aikeris of land or therby, bowght fra him be the toun and joyned within the New Grein, and in satisfaction for the rent of the said landis since the touns possession of the same; and to pay to Thomas Crawford eight hundreth merkis, quhilk, with ane thowsand merkis payed to him formerly be John Robison, is in compleit payment to him of the pryce of the four aikeris of land bowght be the toun fra him and joyned to the Grein, and in satisfaction of the fyne taken fra him quhen James Campbell was provest.

Return to the  
privy coun-  
sell, constitu-  
tion of this  
burgh.

In obedience to ane act of his royall highnes, his Majesties high commissioner, and lordis of his Majesties privy counsell, daitted the nyth of February last, ordains the clerk to testifie and declare and subscrivve ane extract therof, in their names, that the constitution of this burgh consists of ane provest and thrie baillies, with threttein counsellouris of the merchand rank and twelve persons counsellouris of the craftis rank, quhilkis counsellouris are choysen yearly after Michaelmes be the present magistratis and the twa yeiris magistratis immediately preceeding.

Few right,  
Maxwell,  
Bells Wynd.

There was ane few right subscrivit in favouris of John Maxwell, wright, and Issobell Findlay, his spous, of ane peice grund in the new vennell or wynd called Bells Wynd . . . for erecting and building ane hows and yaird theron, quhilk is now builded; randring and paying out therof, yearly, twa shilling Scotis for ilk elne of grund in foirfront.

6 *April* 1682.

Archbishop,  
teyndis,  
kilnes in the  
Craigs.

Appoyntis the proveist, baillies, [and three others] to meet with the archbishop of Glasgow anent some difference in the tack of the drawn

teyndis of the toun, sett be the archbishop to them, anent the hundreth merkis sowght be the said bishop be year more then the two thousand merk, yearly and for ilk year of the nyntein yeiris tack, and anent the pretension the bishop hes to the kilnes in the Craigs, and to clear these things and report; as also appoyntis the same persons to sight the kilnes in Craigs belonging to John Cuming and Robert Tennent, and to consider quherin they are prejudged, conform to their petition given in, and to report.

25 April 1682.

The magistratis and counsell having considered the abuse laitely <sup>Anent captain Innes abuse to baillie Wallace.</sup> done to John Wallace, baillie, be captain Innes and John Innes, his nevoy, and that the provest hes given ane accompt therof to my lord Ross, appoynts the lyke information also to be given to the generall, and that the busines be persewed either befor the generall or privy counsell, as shall be found most propper, after the generallis opinion is gotten theranent, and for that end appoynts the dean of gild to be ready to goe to Edinburgh with the first conveniencie.

Ordains baillie Corse to have a warrand for the sowm of ane hundreth <sup>Warrand, Corse.</sup> and fourtein poundis sixtein shilling, which was payed to Robert Campbell, and quhilk he gave to the dukes servantis in drink money when his royall highnes wes heir.

Appoyntis the dean of gild to inform himself what is done in uther <sup>Anent adjusting the measouris.</sup> burghs and shyres in relation to the adjusting the measouris, conform to the lait act of counsell, and appoyntis him to caws doe the same within this burgh accordingly.

The following letter, direct to the magistratis and counsell of this <sup>The Marqueis of Montrose, his lordships letter to the toun.</sup> burgh be the Marqueis of Montrose, was produced and red, quherof the tennour fallows:—Edinburgh 5th Apryll 1682. My lord proveist and gentlemen,—His Majestie having appoynted me baillie of the regality of Glasgow, in quhich, as in all other capacities I am or shall be stated, I resolve to imbrace every occasion, faithfully and zealously, to advance his Majesties service, and being confident that yow will be no les forward in your respective stationes to promote the royall interest, and withall having many resons to have a singular respect to your city, in which I have my

The towns  
letter of  
thankis to the  
Marqueis of  
Montrose.

freedome and intend to have my neighbourhood,<sup>1</sup> I thought none fitter to discharge the dewty that office owes his Majestie, both for his Majesties service and my credit, then baillie Nisbet, your dean of gild, whom, for my respect to your city and the personall kyndnes I have for himself, I have deputed baillie of the regality, as by the commission heirwith sent appearis; and I doe resolve to continow it to his successouris in that magistracy, without some indispensable caws to the contrary. This being the greatest testimony I can at present give of my respect to your city, I expect, reciprocally, that yow will see that office dewly and honourably discharged for his Majesties service and my credit, which is my great concern; and if any thing else fall in my way, wherin I may be servicable to yow, it shall appear wpon all occasions that I am, really, your affectionat friend and servant, *sic subscribitur*: MONTROSE. Conform quherunto the forsaid commission was produced and red, and the saidis magistratis and counsell ordained that ther shold immediately be ane letter of thankis written and subscryved be them to the said marqueis of Montrose, for the honour and favour his lordship hes put wpon the toun by his said letter and commission, and quhich letter was accordingly done, quherof the tenour also followis:—Glasgow, 25th Apryll 1682. May it please your lordship,—Your servants, the magistratis and counsell of Glasgow, with all humility and thankfulness have received your lordshipis most oblidging letter and commission, therin contained, to Hugh Nisbit, our present dean of gild, which (as a new chain of obligation to your lordshipis noble predecessouris kyndnesses to this place) hath so straitly obleidged ws that, without being reckoned among the chiefest of ungrate, we cannot bot acknowledge the true sentiment we have of your lordshipis great and undeserved favour, and especially for your lordshipis confidence in his and our readines to serve his Majestie and the royall interest in our stations, wherof we hope your lordship shall never have grund to dowbt either of your lordshipis present choice of the person, or his successouris in office, bot that it shall rather prove to your honour in seeing justice administred to the people without their grudge, the peace preserved and your right maintained. For all quhich, most noble lord, the magistratis

<sup>1</sup> The Glasgow residence of the Montrose family, commonly called the "Duke's lodging," was situated on the south side of Drygait, near the head of High Street.



and counsell thought it their dewty to insert this favour and their gratefull acceptance therof in their recordis, and to return your lordship their most hearty thankis and humble obedience, and doe promise and declare that your lordshipis satisfaction therin shall be our great indavour, and that they hope your lordship shall never be under that indispensable necessity of alteration, so long as it shall please the Lord to preserve them in any capacity to serve your lordship, and chearfully they will imbrace all occasions to serve his Majesties interestis, and your lordship, with that humble dewty and dew respect that becometh them who wisheth all increase of honour, health, weelfare and happines to your noble family; and that God may long preserve it, is the earnest desyre of them who beggs pardon to subscribe themselves.<sup>1</sup>

.4 May 1682.

These who wer appoynted to meet with the archbishop of Glasgow Agreement maid report that they had settled with him, and aggried to give him twa <sup>with the arch-</sup>thowsand merkis, by and attour the twa thowsand merkis he is to have <sup>bishop, band</sup> subscrivit. yearly for the tack of the teyndis of the aikeris about the toun, and that he is to assigne the toun to all bygane teyndis of yairdis and utheris imparked, that wer formerly wont to be teinded; and that the archbishop declares he passes fra any pretension to the killis in the Craigs; quhilk sowm of twa thowsand merkis presently condescended to be given him, with twa thousand merkis restand to him for the last yeiris tack dutie of the teyndis, and eight thowsand six hundreth merkis restand be the toun

<sup>1</sup> On the death of Charles, sixth duke of Lennox, in 1672, the dukedom and other possessions, including the heritable office of bailie of the regality of Glasgow, reverted to King Charles II., who bestowed the bailiary on William duke of Hamilton for his lifetime. M'Ure, who was present at the ceremony, describes the investiture of the latter in 1673, and mentions that he held the office till his death in 1694, adding—"After him lord Boyle, earl of Glasgow, was baillie of the regality, and it is now (1736) in the hands of his grace the duke of Montrose" (Hist. of

Glasgow, 1830 edition, pp. 80, .81). By a charter dated 20th August, 1680, King Charles II. granted the bailiary to his natural son, Charles duke of Lennox and Richmond (to be held by him "as vassal to the archbishop"), but reserving the liferent grant to William duke of Hamilton, and this charter was ratified by parliament on 6th September, 1681 (c. 15, A.P.S., VIII., pp. 251-2). It was probably in consequence of these various grants that dubiety was created regarding the actual holder of the office, as referred to in an entry dated 1st July, 1682 (*infra*, p. 318).

to him, conform to their band, makes in haill the sowm of twelve thowsand six hundreth merkis, for quhich there is a band subscrivit in his favouris and Barbara Barclay, his lady, of twelve thowsand merkis, bearing annuellrent fra Whitsonday nixt, quhilk is to be delyvered to him wpon his giving wp the band of eight thowsand six hundreth merkis; and there being resting to compleit the said sowm six hundreth merkis, ordains the provest to pay the samen to the said archbishop, with the sowm of ane hundreth seventy twa pundis Scotis, for a quarter yeiris annuellrent of the said sowm of eight thowsand six hundreth merkis restand at Whitson-day nixt.

Warrand,  
person of  
Glasgow.

Ordains John Johnstoun to have a warrand for twa hundreth fourtie ane pundis fyve shilling Scotis, payed to baillie Barnes, for his expensis in going to Edinburgh and Kelso to wait wpon Mr. Richard Tweddale, who is to be person of Glasgow.

Warraud,  
thesaurer.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to David Ross, merchand in Invernes, as having commission fra the magistratis of the said burgh, the sowm of four hundreth pounds Scotis, for helping the toun to build ane stone bridge over the river Nes at Invernes, they having ane act of counsell for seeking a voluntary contribution for that effect.

Litlegill,  
helping to  
build two  
bridges wpon  
Clyd and  
Duneden.

The magistratis and counsell, having considered ane act of his Majesties privy counsell, founded on twa actis of parliament in favouris of William Baillie of Litlegill, for getting a voluntar contribution towardis the building of twa bridges wpon Clyd and Duneden,<sup>1</sup> and for exacting a small imposition fra them that passes the same, conform to ane petition given in be the said Litlegill for ane supply or contribution for helping forward so good a work, the saidis magistratis and counsell have concluded and aggried that the said William Baillie shall have four hundred pundis Scotis payed him be the toun, for helping to build the saidis bridges, wpon these termes that he obleidge himself that the haill burgessis and freemen of Glasgow shall be frie, when occasion offeris, to pas and repas along the saidis bridges, without payment of any impost or custome in tyme coming, after building of the saidis bridges, utherwayes in lew therof, if he refuse to give the said obligation, they will be assistant to him in collecting a contribution throw the toun to any person he shall

<sup>1</sup> Now called Duneaton, a stream which joins the Clyde near Abington.

appoynt to collect the same, and that he shall have liberty to exact custome fra the burgessis passing the saidis bridges allowed him be the act.

27 May 1682.

Appoyntis the dean of gild to caws provyde the touns dinner against the first Twesday of June nixt, and to aggrie als easie as he can, and in what hows he thinkis fittest for making the same. Anent the touns dinner.

Appoyntis a proclamatioun to be sent throw the toun anent the keeping of the 29 of May. Proclamatiounes for keeping 29 May.

Ordains the proveist to have a warrand for twenty fyve pund starling for his charges and expenssis in going to Edinburgh when their royall highnessis went from thence, and in going to Hamiltoun, quhilk soum is to be allowed to the said proveist at his compt making of the excys. Warrand, proveist.

If satisfaction be not given to baillie Wallace for the abuse done to him be captain Innes and his nevoy, John Innes, betwixt and Twesday come a eight dayes, appoynts summondis to be raised against them for citeing them befor the privy counsell. Anent the abuse to baillie Wallace be captain Innes.

5 June 1682.

Appoyntis a proclamation establishing a Scotts staple port at Camphire to be proclaimed on Wednesday nixt, and appoyntis the dean of gild to intimat the same to the merchandis. Proclamation, staple port at Camphire.

Ordains the proveist to have a warrand for two hundreth and fourty pounds Scotis payed to Edward and James Fountains, masteris of the revellis, for discharging the ventneris in toun of the charges of horning given them for keeping games or playes of quhatsomever kynd in their howssis, and for freeing them of the lyke in tyme coming during their gift;<sup>1</sup> and for twenty poundis starling payed to Mr. Richard Tweddale for transporting him fra Kelso to be parson in Glasgow, and for ten Warrantis, proveist.

<sup>1</sup> In 1673 two brothers, Edward Fountain of Lochhill and Captain James Fountain, had their patent formally proclaimed throughout Scotland as "Masters of the Revels" within the kingdom. They thus possessed a privilege of licensing and authorising balls, masks, plays, and such-like entertainments, for

which they exacted fees. In 1681 the lords of council ordered that any former acts they had passed should be held as restricted to public shows, balls, and lotteries; but in June, 1682, the agent of the convention of royal burghs complained to the privy council that the masters of revels were in the

pund ten shillings starling for the charges and expenssis the toun was at the 29 of May last; as also for four hundred pundis Scotis payed to Littlegill for helping to build the twa bridges wpon Clyd and Duneden, in respect he hes given his obligatioun, as the toun desyred, for freeing the burgessis and inhabitantis from paying any custome therat.

Act anent  
the tron.

It is concluded, inacted and aggried that in tyme coming, for the advantage of the tron, all butter and cheese browght in to this toun in quantity, either bowght be burgessis out of the toun or browght in be strangeris and sold to burgessis, shall be weighed at the tron and pay the ordinar dewes to the tronner, and that it shall not be in the buyeris power to accept of any bargain of that kynd on the selleris word without weighing the same, quhilk if they doe they shall notwithstanding be lyable for the dewes of the tron.

6 June 1682.

Common good  
set.

[Mills, 10,000 merks; ladles, 3,600 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 850 merks; tron, 960 merks; bridge, 1,760 merks.]

19 June 1682.

Act anent  
the new  
measouris  
and regulat-  
ing pryces,  
common  
rubberis in  
the mercat.

Forasmuch as the magistratis and counsell, in obedience to ane act of his Majesties right honourable privy counsell, daitted the tenth day of March 1682, proceeding wpon and relateing unto severall actis of parliament, have discharged all persons whatsomever, either in burgh or land, to make use of any uther measure, in buying or selling victwall, then conform to the measouris of Linlithgow, quhich is declared to be the standart, having cawsed make and conform their measouris to the said standart of Linlithgow, in quhich they find that great abuses and exorbitancies hes bein committed by these who brought their victwall to the mercatis within this burgh, in keeping wp the pryces and selling the same conform to the old measouris, quherby the leidges, and especially the poor, are prejudged, quhich occasioned ane wproar within the toun be ane rabble of incon-

habit of demanding money from individuals "upon pretence of gaming at cards and dice and other games, or having such plays at their houses." The council ordained proceedings to be taken if the convention could "condescend upon particular acts of exac-

tion" (Chambers' Domestic Annals (1858), II. pp. 400-1). For an account of the convention's procedure in this matter reference may be made to their printed Records, vol. IV., pp. 29, 32, 44, 57.

siderable poor persons, quherof for the most pairt women; therfor the saidis magistratis and counsell, in consideration of the saidis abuses, heirby declares that no person who are resting any victwall bowght be them in the mercatis of Glasgow, be the new measouris, aught to pay the same untill as much of the pryce be rebaitted be the magistratis as the new measouris are made les nor the old measouris were. And farder, for preventing of the abuses and wrong done to the leidges, especially to the poor, by these who rubbs the meill at the measouring therof, which occasions ane great clamour, therfor they discharge the common rubberis fra rubbing any meall in tyme coming, allowing the same to the selleris only themselves, or their meneall servantis whom they bring with them, certifieing such of the touns people and common rubberis as shall contravein the premissis, or any pairt therof, in tyme coming, or committ any abuse or murmure against the helping of the measouris, they shall be banished aff the toun and farder fyned and punished in their persons. And farder, for avoyding of difference betwixt the buyeris and selleris of victwall in tyme coming, the magistratis are appoynted to repair to the mercat on the ordinar dayes and sie the pryces regulat, conform to the measouris. And ordains thir presentis to be published throw the toun by towke of drum that none pretend ignorance.

In ansuer to the supplication given in be captain Michael Seatone, baillie of Bruntisland, proceeding wpon ane act of privy counsell for getting a voluntar contribution fra this burgh and uther places for helping to repair the harbour of Bruntisland, in manner contained in the said act, the magistratis and counsell recommendis the same to the archbishop of Glasgow for giving ordour to the respective ministeris in the toun to intimat the same out of the pulpit, and to appoynt a collection to be at the kirk door for the use forsaid, and appoyntis baillie Barnes to acquaint the bishop and ministeris therwith.

1 July 1682.

Appoyntis the dean of gild and deacon conveener to take ane inventar of the bibleothick in the Grammer Schooll, and to caws make ane press to put them in, and delyver the same to the master and take his receipt therfor.

Argyllis  
bandis.

Appoynts the bandis restand be Argyll to be sent east to Edinburgh with the proveist.

Anent pro-  
claiming the  
fair of  
Glasgow.

In respect it does not consist with the knowlege of the magistratis and counsell who is baillie of the regality of Glasgow,<sup>1</sup> it is concluded and aggried that the fair of Glasgow, for this present yeir, be proclaimed in the Kings name, the archbishop and magistratis, without naming any baillie of the regality.

15 July 1682.

Proveistis  
report.

The proveist made report of his diligence at Edinburgh at the generall convention of burrows, and that he had given the bandis restand be Argyll to Hutchesones hospitall and the minister of the Blackfrier Church, and had gotten the same marked be the clerk of the commission appoynted to revise Argyllis estait.

Proveist to  
St. Andrews  
and Edin-  
burgh.

Appoyntis the proveist to attend the archbishop to Saint Andrews if he goe to the consecration that is to be there; as also to goe to Edinburgh anent the debt dew be Argyll, and to take with him whom he pleases to be assisting therin.

Zacharias  
Zibbs legacy.

[A discharge was subscribed by the magistrates and council, in name of the merchants' hospital, for £2,090 17 s. 2 d. "of legacy left to the said hospitall be umquhill Zacharias Zibbs," and of five hundred merkis farder given to the said hospitall that was left to be given to indigent persons."]

Ansuer to  
George  
Scheillis  
petition.

Anent ane supplicatioune presented to the magistratis and counsell be George Scheillis in Partick, mentioneing that quher the petitioner hes ane tenement of land in Trongait, near the West Port, quhich was nixt to ane uther tenement of his ther, lately burnt by ane accidentall fyre, and was pulled down the tyme therof, and seeing he is now intended to build and repair the same with ane sclaitt rooff, humbly therfor supplicating the said proveist and baillies to suffer him to build his said tenement als far out in the foir syde wpon the high street as John Reid his land wpon the east syde therof is, the said magistratis and counsell having repaired to the said tenement and visited the same, and thereafter considered the forsaid

<sup>1</sup> See footnote, p. 313.

<sup>2</sup> "Zacharias Zebbes, sugar boyller in the Eister Sugarie of Glasgow, was born in the town of Riostuke, in Germanie; departed

this lyf, in Glasgow, December, 1679, about the 36 yeir of his age; and left of legacie to the poor of the hous £2277 9 s. 6 d. Scots" (Hist. of Merchants' House of Glasgow (1866), p. 571).

supplication presented to them be the said George Scheillis, they have granted and heirby grantis liberty to the said George to build his said tenement als far out in the foir syde wpon the high street as the said John Reid his land is, he always building the same decently in stane work and putting ane sclaitt rooff theron.

14 August 1682.

Ordains the provest, John Bell, to pay to Mr. John Bell six hundreth Warrant, merkis for incuradging him to build his hows above the cross regularly <sup>provest.</sup> in sufficient stone work.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to John Lowke, younger [£340 Scots, Lands joyned being balance of price of] landis bowght fra him be the toun quhich are <sup>to New Grein.</sup> joyned within the New Grein.

26 August 1682.

Appoyntis the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyener <sup>Provest and</sup> to thank the marqueis of Montrose for his favouris and kyndnes to this <sup>utheris to</sup> toun, and that they think and try for somthing to be given to his lordship <sup>thank marq.</sup> and his lady, by way of complement, in name of the said toun.

In ansuer to the desyre of Mr. Mathow Brisbain, doctor of medicine, <sup>Ansuer to</sup> grants liberty to him to put a tomb or buriall place in the High Kirk <sup>doctor Bris-</sup> yaird, at the east end of the wall of the High Kirk, and to sett the back <sup>banes desyre</sup> of the said tomb to the said wall; and appoyntis the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to sie the said wall be not prejudged therby.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to George Grahame the sowm of ane Warrant, hundreth nyntie fyve poundis Scotis, for his expenssis in waiting on my <sup>thesaurer,</sup> lord primat severall tymes to Kilsyth, when he was bishop of Glasgow, <sup>archbishop.</sup> and going to Edinburgh with the present archbishop and his lady, and uther expenssis in waiting on them these twa yeiris he was baillie.

Ordains the proveist, John Bell, to pay to Cuthbert Campbell four Warrant, hundreth merkis farther then the thowsand merk given him formerly for <sup>provest.</sup> incuradging him to build his hous in the Saltmercat that was burnt by the lait accidentall fyre, and to pay to John Blair the sowm of four hundreth and fifty poundis Scotis for helping him to build his hows in the Briggait in stane work, and to pay to James Armour four hundreth poundis for incuradging him to build his hows in Stockwellgait in stane

wark, he being impeded be the magistratis and counsell to theick the same; and thir presentis, with the foirnamed persons their receiptis in the book, shall obtain the samen allowed to the said proveist at his compt making of the excys.

Calseyes to  
be mended.

Recommendis to the dean of gild to caus mend what calseys are most neidfull and requisit in and about the toun, and particularly the calsey of the great bridge over Clyd.

Warrant,  
provest.

Ordains the provest to have ane warrant for the sowm of . . . ane hundreth and twenty pundis Scotis, deburst to advocatis and their servandis in consulting the bandis dew be Argyll to the hospitall and minister of the Blackfrier Kirk, and for drawing a petition to be presented to the King and his royall highnes theranent.

2 September 1682.

Report, clerk,  
his diligence  
at Edinburgh  
anent the  
fynes.

The proveist and baillies made report that they had appoynted the clerk to repair to Edinburgh for clearing of any mistakes concerning the fyning of the irregular persons in the toun, and to speak to my lord chancellour theranent, and to inform him of the affair, and to show him the decret extracted against the said persons for their fynes, and to desyre his advyce what method showld be followed for putting of the said decret to execution, as also that they had appoynted him to take advyce of his Majesties advocat as to the formality of the said decret; of the quhilk the clerk made report he had done, and of the chancellour and advocatis opinion therin, quhilk was allowed and approven of be the saids magistratis and counsell, and ordains the clerk to wplift and receive als much of the first and readiest of the saidis fynes as will pay him for his charges and debursmentis in going to Edinburgh anent the said affair and advysing the same, conform as he shall give in his accompt, at leist ordains the person who shall be appoynted to collect the saidis fynes to pay to the clerk the said charges and debursmentis out of the first and readiest therof, and for his pains and truble in obtaining the said decret and uther pains theranent; as also ordains ilk ane of the clerks servantis in the chamber to have twenty dollouris out of the saidis fynes, for their pains in wryting listis, lybellis and utheris, and extract of the said decret.

30 September 1682.

Report,  
Provest.

The proveist, John Bell, made report that he had imployed his son Colin, who is at London, to use what diligence he cowl for getting pre-



ference of the debt dew be Argyll to the hospitall and Blackfrier Kirk, and that his son had drawen bill for payment of twenty pound starling, for defraying his charges and expenssis, quhilk was allowed, and any thing was to be farder allowed him for his pains and expenssis was continowed be the saidis magistratis and counsell, to be considered be them at the said Colin his home coming.

The magistratis and counsell taking to consideration that they had ingadged the dean of gild and merchand rank to build a large stane lodging, for the use of the poor, wpon the corner of the streetis of Trongait and Saltmercat, for the better decoreing of the toun, that ruinous ground ther being by all appearance lyklike to ly unbuilt by any who had interest therin, or otheris, and that they find the samen cannot be done by any stock belonging to the said hospitall without ane considerable supply and help, therfor they have heirby aggried and concluded to pay out of the moneyes belonging to the toun of Glasgow the hail pryce that the stane work of the said lodging shall amount to; and farder the saidis magistratis and counsell heirby inactis and obleidges them that, in case the memberis of the crafts hospitall will caws build ane other tenement in a decent manner wpon the uther corner of the street, on the east syde of the Saltmercat, or any uther publict place of the toun, quher the samen is ruinous and lately burnt, they shall pay the equivalent sowm to the deacon conveener and deacons of the said burgh, for incouradging them to doe the same, as shall be given to the merchandis hows; and if the stane work therof shall stand more then the merchandis hows they shall lykwayes pay the samen, with twa thowsand merkis farder in respect the merchandis have bein formerly supplied in uther works when nothing hes bein payed to the trades.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to John Alexander, post, ane hundreth pounds Scotis to buy him a horse for his extraordinar service this last yeir, and to pay to him thrie scoir pundis Scotis quhilk he payed to Robert Mein for furnishing the newes letteris and gazettis the said tyme, and to pay farder ten pund ten shilling he debursed for confectiones that the proveist gote on the touns accompt, and ten merkis he gave Donald M'Kay for half a barrell of herring that was promiseist him for sending the newes letteris and gazettis extraordinar, quhilk half barrell of herring is ordained to be given yeirly for that end.

Act, merch-  
audis and  
trades anent  
their build-  
inga.

Warrantis,  
thesaurer,  
post.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
setting  
houssis.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to Walter Colquhoun ten dollouris in hand, and appoyntis him to goe throw the toun and take account of these who come in to the toun without testimoniallis, and of these that sett them howssis without ane warrant fra the magistratis, and that he give in ane list of the samen to the magistratis, for which he is to get allowance out of fynes that are to [be] exacted of them therfor.

3 October 1682.

Election of  
the magis-  
tratis.

[The archbishop appointed John Barnes to be provost for the ensuing year.] And thereafter the said John Barnes, proveist, did send for John Fleyming of Cowtstoun, Alexander Yuill, John Crawford and John Andersone, called Machlin John, merchandis, for filling wp the number of the toun counsell as to the merchand rank, in place of two who wer deceassed and other two who had never compeired to accept; as also the said provest did send for David Wilsoun, skinner, and John Stirling, maltman, for filling wp the counsell of these wanting for the craftis rank, in place of one that was deceassed and another that never accepted; against quhilk it was objected be John Bell, lait provest, that the samen was contrair to the sett and priviledges of the burgh, and to the provestis oun burges oath, to send for any person off the streetis and summarly to creat them counsellouris without consent of the toun counsell, and that the samen had never bein the practise of any provest swa to do; and als it was objected be the said John Bell against the said Alexander Yuill that he could not be admitted nor received as ane counsellour, in respect he was never admitted burges and gildbrother of the said burgh, and swa was contrair to the constitution therof; quherto it was ansuered by the said John Barnes, provest, that what he did in sending for the foir-named persons for filling wp the full number of the counsell was to the end there might be fitt persons gotten who might elect or be elected baillies, and that he was content to take the said Alexander Yuill his oath as ane burges and gildbrother, and to admit him presently. Lykas compeired the said Alexander and offered to give his aith, and desyred to be admitted burges and gildbrother, declaring that it was none of his fault that he was not admitted and sworn formerly. Wherto it was replyed be the said John Bell that it was not the magistratis and counsell

that did admitt burgessis and gildbrether, and take their oathes, bot only the dean of gild and his bretheren in their oun court. Wherwpon, and in respect of the forsaid objections, he protested against the hail foir-named persons, and als the proveist, in case of electing them to be counsellouris, as being illegall for the reasons forsaid; notwithstanding quherof the said John Barnes, proveist, did admitt, receive and swear the fornamed persons to be counsellouris. Wherwpon, and wpon the hail premissis, the said proveist Barnes, John Bell, Alexander Yuill, and ilk ane of them asked instrumentis, ane or mae, in the handis of George Andersone, nottar publict, toun clerk of the said burgh. [Thereafter, from leets presented to him, the archbishop chose John Fleyming and Alexander Yuill, merchants, and Alexander Ross, craftsman, to be bailies for the ensuing year].

6 October 1682.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons appointed Counsellouris to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be coun-choysen. sellors for the ensuing year.]

11 October 1682.

[Hugh Nisbit, dean of guild; Robert Telfer, hammerman, deacon convener; Dean of gild, John Mitchell, visitor of maltmen;<sup>1</sup> Andrew Younger, treasurer; John Anderson, etc. water bailie; John M'Cuir, bailie of Gorbals; John Andersone, master of work; John Mackie, visitor of gardeners; John Grahame, procurator fiscal.]

14 October 1682.

The dean of gild, deacon conveener, Gorbail baillie, and James Muir <sup>Dean of gild</sup> who was choysen visitour, did all of them, with John Boyd who was <sup>and utheris</sup> choysen a counsellour and gave his oath, take and swear the oath and <sup>taken the</sup> test, and the proveist, baillies and counsell forsaid, with the toun clerk, did, in ane dutifull obedience to his Majesties lait act of parliament, subscribe the oath and test, having taken and sworne the same at their severall elections conform to the tennour therof in all poyntis.

Appoyntis the summondie of reduction and improbatioun given to <sup>Summondie</sup> the toun, at the instance of the Kings advocat and John Bowie, to be sent <sup>against</sup> east to the touns agent that he may aquant the touns advocatis therof, <sup>toun.</sup> for preventing any hazard that may come wpon the toun therby.

<sup>1</sup> John Mitchell having refused to accept, elected visitor in his stead. James Muir, maltman, was, on 14th October,

Lait proveist  
to preceed in  
counsell.

Be plurality of vottes, it is concluded that what lait proveist shall be present in counsell he shall preceid therin, in the provestis absence; and that no person give warrandis for getting malt fra the mylnes excyse frie, except the present provest when he is in toun.

Bread, tallow,  
candle.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 13 oz. ; rough tallow to be sold for 40 s. the stone ; candle, 46 s. 8 d. the stone.]

23 November 1682.

Election of  
deacon con-  
vener.

The magistratis and counsell being conveyened for electing and choysing ane deacon conveyener of this burgh, for the yeir ensewing, conform to the lordis of his Majesties most honourabll privy counsell their ordinance theranent, compeired William Spalding, deacon of taylouris, and John Ross, deacon of cordonieris, and presented the lites made be the deacons and members of the deacon conveyeneris hows, wherby they elect and choyse Robert Telfer, present deacon of the hammermen, James Fairie, lait baillie, and John Raltoun, lait visitor of maltmen, to be presented to the saids magistratis and counsell, to the effect one of them may be choysen deacon conveyener for the said yeir ensewing; and craved that, in respect it consisted with the said proveist his knowledge that the haill deacons and electouris of the saidis lites had ordourly taken and subscrivit the test in his presence, the saidis magistratis and counsell wold therfor proceed to the forsaid election, conform to the saids lites and the ordinary custome; wherunto it was ansuered be John Wallace, lait baillie, then present, that he had commission from the lord chancellour of Scotland and the archbishop of Glasgow, his grace, to be presis in the said deacon conveyeneris hows at the said election, and to make and present lites to the deacons and memberis therof, out of quhilk they ought to have choysen any thrie of the number to be presented to the said toun counsell to the effect forsaid, and quhilk lites he had accordingly presented to them, and they had refused the same and that therwpon they had *hinc inde* taken instrumentis; in respect quherof the saids lites now presented ought not to be respected, neither any deacon conveyener elected out therof, as being contrary to the effect of his said ordour and commission; and for instruction of his said commission produced ane letter direct to him be the said lord archbishop of Glasgow importing the same.

Which letter John Bell, lait proveist, desyred might be red in the councell and insert and recorded in the toun councell bookis, bot the samen was refused be the provest, in respect that the samen was produced both at the deacons giving account to his lordship of their election, as also at the election of the lites for the deacon conveyer in the deacon conveyers hows, and instrumentis taken *hinc inde* therwpon, and therfor thought it not necessar that the samen showld be now produced befor the councell of Glasgow till he returned a report of his diligence to the lord chancellor and the said archbishop of the deacon conveyers memberis their cariage in the affair, and thought it also fitt to adjourn his counsell to a further dyet till he knew my lord chancellour and the said archbishop their mynds theranent, which his lordship accordingly [did]; and William Spalding, in name of the trades, protested the said delay might not be imputed to their fault, they having ordourly elected and proceeded conform to the councellis ordinance and the constitution and ordinary practise of the saids trades. Wherupon, and wpon all and sundry the premissis the saids John Wallace, with John Andersone, maister of wark, who also concurred with him in his protestatioun, John Bell and William Spalding, asked and took instruments.

6 December 1682.

The magistratis and counsell being conveyined, John Bell, lait provest, desyred the present provest to produce and exhibit ane act of his Majesties privy councell, quhilk he heard was gotten owt, ordaining them to make choice of ane qualified and fitt tradesman to be deacon conveyer of this burgh for the ensewing yeir, that the samen might be red publictly. Quhilk act the provest declared he wold not produce till the counsell wer filled wp with persons in place of these who are deceissed and had not accepted. [After various replies and answers James Campbell, late provost, gave in the following protestation:] Wheras by the certain constitution of this city, and by the acts and immemoriall custome and practise therof, the election of the counsellouris of the samen have bein immediately after the election of the magistratis yeirly, and in case of the refusall of any (that current yeir) to compeir and accept, it hes bein the constant custome and practise to caws warne them be ane officer

Election of  
deacon  
conveener.

thrie severall dyets personally to that effect, and, in case of contumacy or refusall to accept, the magistratis and councell were in that case constantly in use to proceed to ane election of utheris in their place by votting, quhilk practise was also followed in case of the deceis of any that year befor their places were filled wp, and nottheles, finding that yow my lord proveist is calling for persons aff the streets summarly to receive them as counsellouris, without ane votte of the toun counsell, contrair to the forsaid sett, actis, and immemoriall custom and practise aforesaid, therfor I for my self, and in name and behalf of the remanent counsellouris of this city, and also of the haill incorporatioune adhering to this my protestatioune, doe heirby humbly protest theragains, as being illegall and a direct subverting and overturning the fundamentall lawes, sett and constitution of this city, and that the same may be null and voyde, and appeals to the right honourable the lordis of his Majesties privy councell against yow for remeid of law; and craves yow, George Andersone, city clerk, to record this protestatioune in the councell bookis.

[The present provost having sent for three merchants, he admitted them councillors in place of others who were deceased or had not accepted, and he produced an act of the privy council, dated 30th November last, with a leet of three persons, that one of them might be chosen deacon convener. Against this James Campbell and others protested, and nominated for the office "John Findlay who is nottourly known to be ane honest, discreet and loyall tradesman, fitt to serve in the forsaid office the space forsaid, and who hes not only bein most ordourly, and against whom no legall exception can be moved, bot obsequious also to his Majesties lawes by taking the test, and who wpon all occasions is most willing to serve his Majesties interest in whatsoever station he shall be called to." The act of privy council produced by the provost authorised him to convene the magistrates and council, who were empowered "to elect and make choice of ane fitt and qualified tradesman, freeman and burges, to be deacon convener for this ensewing yeir." A majority of the town council voted for John Wallace, whose name was included in the leet presented by the provost, and he was appointed deacon convener accordingly, under protest by the minority.]

Visitor of  
maltmen.

Ther was another act and ordinance produced fra the lords of his

Majesties most honourable privy counsell, ordaining the magistrats and toun counsell of the said burgh to make choice of ane to be visitor of the maltmen for the yeir ensewing, owt of the lyte last made be the incorporatioun of the maltmen. . . . Be plurality of vottes John Walker was elected and choysen to be visitor of the maltmen for the ensewing yeir to the next election.

19 December 1682.

The proveist, with some utheris, having presented that it was fitt <sup>Fishing society.</sup> some method shold be taken for releiving the toun and inhabitants of the burden that lyes on them throw the continwing of the fishing society, it is heirby recommended to the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to conveyin their respective howssis and incorporatiounes, and to give their advyce what is fitt to be done for getting the said society dissolved, that the burgessis may have liberty to make fish when they please, and that persons be employed for agenting of the said affair with advyce of the magistratis and toun counsell.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The fishing society, many references to which will be found in subsequent minutes, was not dissolved till 1690, when parliament restored to the lieges their rights of fishing, but reserved to the royal burghs the right of export (c. 103, A.P.S., IX., p. 224). For some particulars regarding the formation and proceedings of the society, reference may be made to Glasgow Charters, I., pp. cccxxii.-v. In the older Inventory of Writs, under the heading "Wrytes of the Toun's Royall Fisherie house at Greinock, acquired frae the royall fisherie companie, and of ane uther house which the town has now (1696) given over to Greinock," are specified various documents (the originals are missing) relating to transactions between the city and the society. The earlier of these consist of two tacks granted in 1671 and 1673, respectively, whereby the lairds of Greenock (John and Sir John Shaw), elder and younger, leased to the fishing society, for several successive periods of 19 years, (1) a piece of ground in

Greenock containing 42 ells in length and 27 ells in breadth, with free access from the harbour and shore, and power to build houses and storehouses on the ground; and (2) "that peice of ground upon the shoare and eist syde of that pairt of Greinock, commonly called the Rue, extending in measure to 170 foot square, . . . with libertie to enclose or build housis upon the said ground for making of herring or other fishes, accommodating their servants, and keeping of their cask, salt, and other materials." By the first tack it was "agreed that in caise it should happen the herring fishing to fall within the mules of Galloway and Kintire, or that it should happen the said fishing societie to dissolve or break up, that then, in these or either of these caises, this tack should from thenceforth expire and become voyd and null." The rent under the first tack was 50 merks, yearly, and £100 at the beginning of each 19th year, and for the second tack the double of these sums. On 13th March, 1683, John Barnes, provost

Deacon  
convenor.

Ther was ane act of the lordis of his Majesties privy counsell produced, daitted the seventh day of December instant, approving of the magistratis and toun counsell their electing of John Wallace to be deacon convenor for the yeir ensewing.

20 January 1683.

New Grein.

Appoynts the provest with John Bell, lait proveist, dean of gild, deacon convenor, and the clerk, to meet with James Stewart of Limloch and to settle and aggree with him anent the pryce of his aiker of land joynt to the New Grein and the few duties he had out of umquhill James Bells landis above the cross, and to report.

New Grein.

It was concluded and aggried that William Charteris get twelve hundreth merkis for the pryce of his thrie aikers of land joynt to the New Grein.

Zymbathie,  
Hungarian.

Ordains baillie Fleyming to pay to Mr. John Zymbathie the sown of twa hundreth and fifty merkis, partly for charity and for twa written broadis furnished to the toun, being ane Hungarian and left his countrey for his religion.

31 January 1683.

Kinneir,  
minister.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideration that Mr. Alexander Kinneir was formerlie presented to serve the cure as a minister of the toun in place of the minister of the Blackfrier Kirk, and that his yeirly stipend was not fully agreed and condescended on, it is therfor concluded and aggried that he get ane thowsand pound Scotis payed him yeirly, during the magistratis and counsell their will and pleasour, and his serving the cure as a minister of the toun, on this condition that his present allowance of ane thowsand pounds yeirly, during pleasour, shall not be binding on them nor their successeris in office for paying the same, bot that they may restrict him to the soum contained in his presentatione, of Glasgow, acting on behalf of the town, purchased from the fishing society their stores and storehouses at the price of £32,300 Scots. On 20th April the society signed an assignation of the two tacks in favour of provost Barnes, who on 22nd September, 1684, formally assigned his purchase to the town. On 14th May, 1692, a notary, on behalf of Glasgow, protested that the town should be

free of tack duty in respect of the dissolution of the society, and on 19th November following the town council of Glasgow entered into a contract with the laird of Greenock "concerning the extent of the ish and entrie of the said enclosed square piece of ground on the eist end of the town called the Rue" (MS. Inv. of City Writs, I., bundle 6, Nos. 5-13).



quhilk is the annualrent of ten thowsand pound dew by the lait Argyll, or the equivalent.

The proveist declared that he had bein at great charges and expenssis <sup>Proveist, expenssis.</sup> in persewing the trades befor the lordis of his Majesties privy counsell, for votteing and making lites and choysing their deacons at the last election, as also for the deacon conveener, and in getting ane ordour for making of new electiones, in respect they had not taken the test at their former electiones, to quhilk it was ansuered be proveist James Campbell that ther was no reason any such charges or expenssis showld be allowed him, in respect that what he did in that affair was without any act or warrand from the toun counsell, quhilk he owght to have had for that effect if he had expected any allowance from the toun of his expenssis, and quhilk is ordinar for any person imployed in the touns affairis to have; to quhilk it was replied be the provest that he found no necessity for taking advyce or ordour from the toun counsell for that end, in respect that what he did was in persewing the Kings interest; to quhilk it was duplyed be the said James that it was not the Kings interest the provest was persewing, and swa the said James Campbell and Alexander Ross, baillie, declared that they wer against allowing him any charges or expenssis for the cawssis forsaide; bot the said baillie was content (as he declared) that the proveistis charges showld be allowed him be the toun, on these termes that the expenssis the trades had bein put to in that persuit showld lykwayes be payed them and no utherwayes; quherwpon the said proveist, James Campbell and Alexander Ross took instruments. Ther-after the proveist did put it to a votte of counsell if they wold allow him his expenssis or no, and be plurality of vottes it was caried and aggried on that the same showld be allowed him and payed be the toun.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to consideration the supplication <sup>Crawfurd of Craufurdsburne, merchand, Crawfurdsburne, fyne.</sup> given in to them be Thomas Craufurd of Craufurdsburne, merchand, ordains his burges and gild brother ticket to be given wp to him, and his fyne of ane hundred pound delyvered back, which was taken fra him be the magistratis in anno [1678],<sup>1</sup> and that for taking away differences and animosities and keeping concord amongst freindis.

<sup>1</sup> See pp. 250-1. Thomas Crawford, second son of the laird of Jordanhill, purchased Cartaburn (latterly named Craufurdsburne) in 1669. Full particulars regarding him and his family and estate will be found in the late Mr. Williamson's "Old Cartaburn," published in 1894.

13 *March* 1683.

Montebank. Ordains the thesaurer to pay to Johne Maxwell, wright, the soun of fyve poundis starling quhilk he payed to the montebank<sup>1</sup> for cutting off umquhill Archibald Bishops legg.

5 *May* 1683.

Dunbartans  
petition  
anent build-  
ing their  
bridge. In ansuer to the supplication given in be the magistratis of Dunbartan, for themselves and in name of the burgh, cravand a supply for helping to build a bridge over the water of Levin, whilk being taken to the saids magistratis and counsell their consideratioune, it is inacted and ordained that ane contribution be collected throw the toun towardis the helping to build the said bridge, be such persons as the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener shall name and appoynt for that effect, on these termes that the haille burgessis and inhabitants of this burgh, and goodis belonging to them, shall be frie of any dutie in coming or going alongst the said bridge, and on such uther termes as the magistratis and counsell, with the toun of Dunbartan, shall aggrie wpon, and the toun of Dunbartan to obleidge themselves therto befor the said contribution be payed them.

Strangeris  
and vaga-  
bondis. John Ritchie, elder, merchand, and Thomas Urie, wright, to take account throw the haille toun of what persons resetts and harbours strangers and vagaboundis, and of the strangeris and vagaboundis themselves, and to give nottice of the same weekly to the magistratis and counsell, and what fynes are gotten fra the transgressouris that the samen be given in and distribute to the poor, and appoynts the saidis John Ritchie and Thomas Urie, each of them, to have fourty shilling Scotis weekly for their pains.

Ansuer to  
petition of  
taksman of  
the peckis. Baillie Fleyming, the dean of gild and deacon conveener, made report that they had considered the petition given in be Robert Fleyming, taksman of the peckis, desyring the magistratis and counsell to give him allowance for the loss he sustained throw breaking the pecks and changing the measours, and declared that they had taken information fra severall honest men, knoun in that affair, quherby they find that the

<sup>1</sup> Originally 'applied to one who mounted place and announced his skill in curing injuries or diseases.

supplicant cowl'd not get so much this year as will make him wp the four hundred twenty fyve merkis he hes payed already for the half of the tack dewty, yet they think it not fitt he should have any thing of that payed him back, bot its their opinion the magistratis and counsell give him wp his band they have for the uther half, and to free him of any farder payment; quhilk report was allowed and approven be the saids magistratis and counsell, and ordains the clerk to delyver him wp his band, and heirby discharges him of the soum contained in the same.

Ane minut of contract was produced, subscrivit be the memberis of the fishing society and the proveist, bearing that he had bowght, at the desyre of the merchandis and trades in the said burgh, the salt, cask, hoopes, knappell, wood and utheris, with the two store howssis and hail pertinentis therto belonging, quherby the said proveist as principall, and William and George Andersones as cautionouris for him, are obleidged to give responsall and sufficient security to the said fishing society for the soume of threttie thrie thowsand and thrie hundreth pundis Scotis,<sup>1</sup> payable at Martimes nixt, as being the pryce at quhilk the said store and storehowssis was rowped; quhilk bargain swa made be the provest was allowed and approven be the saidis magistratis and counsell, and heirby binds and obleissis them and their successouris in office to take the said bargain aff his hand, and to pay or caws the said soum obleist therfor be payed.

. . . And to the effect the said salt, cask, hoopes and utheris above-writin, except the two storehoussis, quhilk the toun is to keep in their oun hand and to pay the pryce proportionally, as the samen was rowped with the rest, may be the easier payed against the term, and for freeing the town of any farder trowble, appoynts the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to convene their respective incorporationes of merchandis and crafts, and to sell the said salt, with the cask, hoopes, knappell, wood and utheris, amongst themselves, either by rowpe or utherwayes, at the best avall and pryces they can.

21 May 1683.

The magistratis and toun counsell having taken to consideration the bargain of the salt, cask, hoopes, knappell, wood, with the rest of the store

<sup>1</sup> The actual price appears to have been not £33,300 but £32,300. See footnote, p. 328,

and minutes dated 21 November and 17 December, 1683.

Act anent the bargain of salt, etc., belonging to fishing society.

and storehowssis bowght be the proveist fra the fishing company, lying in Greinock, and what way the samen shall be disposed of for paying the pryce therof, it is concluded that the merchandis and trades shall accept and take the salt, cask, hoopes, knappell, Holland wood and French wood, at [£28,243 11s. 5d.]; and to sell and dispose therwpon at the best avall they can, and give sufficient security amongst them for paying the said soun at Martimes nixt; and that the toun is to detain and keep the two storehowssis, with the sheddis, iron chist, and pertinentis belonging therto, for the use of the said burgh and commonality, and to give the toun security for [£5,109] Scotis payable at the said term; and recommendis to the dean of gild and deacon conveener to appoynt persons of their own number to receive the said salt and utheris fra Patrick Murray, or any having warrand to delyver the same; and that the toun will appoynt some person to repair to Greinock for sighting of the twa storehowssis and shedds and having a care of the same.

Militia  
horssis,  
kilnes in the  
Craigs.

Appoynts the proveist, baillies [and five others] to meet and name what persons they think most fitt for putting out of militia horssis for the toun; as also to consider of the loss and damage sustained be Mary Rowand, John Cuming and Robert Tennent, by spoylling their kilnes in the Craigs, throw the touns winning of stanes ther, and to sight the samen, and to condescend what they think fitt to be given them for the said loss, and to report.

26 May 1683.

Anent the  
bargain of  
the fishing  
society.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyined, the proveist and dean of gild made report that they and the merchandis in the toun, having conveyined in the merchandis hospitall on the twenty ane of this instant, they had sold the salt, cask, hoopes, knappell, wood and utheris, except the storehowssis, quhilk is reserved to the toun, bowght fra the fishing company, to Robert Campbell, lait dean of gild, by ane publict rowpe in the said hospitall, for the sowm of twenty seven thowsand poundis, for quhich he was to give security to the said fishing society for paying the said sowm at Martinmes nixt, and releiving the proveist and his cautioneris and all utheris concerned of any obleisment granted therfor; conform quherto the said Robert, the said day the forsaid bargain was rowped, did accept and receive ane ordour fra the proveist and

William and George Andersones, his cautioners, direct to Patrick Murray, who was then at Greenock, to delyver him the salt and utheris sold to him, quhich accordingly he shew and produced to the said Patrick, who went alongst with the said Robert and shewed to him the said salt, kask, knappell and utheris, and offered and declared he was content to delyver the samen to him conform to the said ordour, quhilk after sighting the said Robert refused to accept of and receive, in respect the said salt was not conform to bargain, not being all Portugall salt, bot a considerable pairt therof Alicant salt, and therwpon the said Patrick Murray had taken instrumentis against the said Robert for not acceptance; and for coast, skaith and damage; and this day the proveist, merchand baillies, dean of gild, and severall of the merchand rank, having conveneened the merchand hows, the proveist, for himself and in name of the toun of Glasgow and these present, desyred and requyred the said Robert Campbell to receive the said salt and utheris sold to him at the rowpe, quherunto it was ansuered be the said Robert that he wold not accept of the same for the reasons aforesaid contained in Patrick Murrays instrument, bot that he wold receive the said bargain in case the salt wer conforme as the samen was sold to the proveist, quhilk it was not; wpon quhilk refusall the proveist took instruments against the said Robert and protested for coast, skaith, damage and remeid of law. All quhilkis being taken to the said proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, it is concluded that the proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, with John Andersone, maister of wark, shall meet with the said Robert Campbell and try if they can perswade him yet to receive and accept of the said bargain of salt and utheris forsaid, and wpon his refusall to protest that he may be lyable for all coast, skaith, damage, penalties or utheris quherin the toun are lyable by quhatsomever obleismentis or contractis granted be them in favouris of the fishing society, and all danger, interest or expenssis they shall happen to sustain therthrow, as also for the pryce for quhilk the samen was bowght. And in case he shall refuse to receive the same and give security, it is heirby inacted and agreed on that the magistratis and toun counsell shall give band and security to the fishing society for the same for frieing the toun of any penalties that may be incurred throw delay therof.

20 June 1683.

Fishing  
society.

The magistratis and counsell having taken to their consideration ane charge of horning given to the provest and his cautioners, at the instance of the fishing society, for accepting and receiving the salt, cask and remanent store and storehowssis bowght fra them, and to give security for the same, it was concluded that Robert Campbell be sent for and tryed if he will accept of the said salt and utheris bowght be him in the merchandis hospitall, and that he shall be no loser by the bargain, sieing the salt is not all of that species, and as he declared not so vendible, the said Robert doing his owtmmost indavour and diligence for disposing and making sale of the said salt and goodis, and giving no ease or abaitment in selling therof, as if the same wer sold on his own account, and no abaitment to be given him; the said Robert allwayes giving security to the said fishing company for paying the pryce of the said salt and utheris, more or less, as they have to delyver to him conform to the aggreement, and releiving the provest and his cautioneris and the toun of Glasgow of the samen. At quhich tyme compeired the said Robert and declared that he was willing and content to accept and receive the said bargain of salt and utheris on the termes aforsaid, that they wold not suffer him to be any loser and make wp what loss he showld sustain therthrow, and wpon the rest of the termes and conditions above mentioned, quhilk was condescended to be baith pairties. And for that end appoynts the provest, and whom uthers he pleases to take with him, to repair to Greenock with the said Robert tomorrow, and put him in possession and receiving of the said salt and utheris, and to take nottice what of the same is not conform to the bargain.

John Scott  
to supply  
Ninian John-  
ston's place  
at Newport.

The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideration severall complaints made this long tyme past against Ninian Johnston, who hes the keeping of the touns closs and sellaris at Newport and the measouring of the salt ther, they therfor discharge him fra that office and imployment, and all in ane voyce nominatis and appoynts John Scott, merchand in Glasgow, to have that place and haill caswalities belonging therto, as the said Ninian had, and appoynts the provest at his downgoing to put the said John in possession therof.

Appoynts proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyener to consider and appoynt what anchorage shall be exacted fra any vessells and boats that comes within the harbour of Newport, and what of the vessellis shall be lyable in, or free of the same, and to report.

Ordains the thesaurer to have ane warrand for twenty fyve pound starling payed to doctour Skene, proveist of the old colledge of St. Andrews, for helping to repair the said colledge.

[The treasurer to have a warrant for £13 4s. paid to "Thomas Young, Govean bell schoolmaister in Govean, for the touns pairt of the Gorballis for helping the bell of Govean."]

4 August 1683.

The proveist made report that Sir Adam Blair was insisting against the toun, befor the exchequer, for the soun of fyve thowsand twa hundreth merks, as the touns proportion of eightie thowsand merks imposed on the borrows to be payed to his Majestie in anno 1650,<sup>1</sup> and that be the moyan he hes made he is lyke to get the toun decerned to pay the same, notwithstanding of all the defences proponed in the touns favouris, yet be the interposition of freinds the samen was last exchequer day delayed till my lord high thesaurer and the archbishop of Glasgow showld canvesce the said affair, to whom Sir Adam and his freinds were content to referr the same if the magistratis and counsell of Glasgow were satisfied; whilk being taken to the saids magistratis and counsell their consideration, for avoyding of pley and expenssis, they remitt the same to the determination of the said high thesaurer and archbishop, with consent of the proveist, and to doe therin as they think fitt for the best advantage of the toun. The same day, the proveist also made report of his diligence at the last convention of burrows, and that the toun was highted in the stent roll thrie poundis Scotis more then what they payed formerly,<sup>2</sup> and produced ane extract of ane instrument taken against Sir James Rochheid for refusing to extract ane instrument taken in his hands against the convention for their illegall proceeding in that affair; and ordains the proveists expenssis to be payed for his being at Edinburgh by any person that

<sup>1</sup> Convention Rec., III., pp. 355-6.

burghs. (Conv. Rec., IV., p. 40; Glasgow

<sup>2</sup> Increased from £12 (the proportion in 1670) to £15 for each £100 on the whole

Water Supply, &c., p. 21.)

hes money in their hand, as also that the clerk be payed for his expensis and debursmentis for his being at Edinburgh anent the touns affairs in July last.

Horologes in  
Hutchesons  
hospitall.

Appoynts the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener, with proveist Bell, to sight the horologe in Hutchesons hospitall put wp by James Colquhoun, and to settle and aggrie with him for what he is to have for his pains in doing of the same, and to report.

Allowance for  
damage of  
kilnes in  
Wester-  
craigs.

The proveist, baillies and dean of gild, with these who were appoynted, made report that they had considered the loss and abuse done to the kilnes of Westercraigs belonging to John Cuming, Robert Tennent and Mary Rowand, throw the touns winning of stanes ther, and that they find that the kilne belonging to the said John, quhilk had a well that furnished water to the steep, the same is altogether become dry and his kilne rendered useles, in respect the water quhich was in the well runs into his kilne pott, and the gavell therof also is spoyled by the redd laid therto; and that Robert Tennent hes lost the benefeit of a well he had there, and the gavell of his kilne and yaird dyck is spoyled; and finds Mary Rowandis kilne spoyled and abused in the gavell; for quhilk loss it was their opinion that John Cuming showld have ane hundreth poundis Scotis, and ilk ane of the uther two ane hundreth merkis the peice; quhilk was allowed and approvin be the said magistratis and counsell; and ordains the clerk to give a warrand wpon Frederick Hamilton to pay the same out of the ground anwellis, feu duties and utheris wplifted be him and belonging to the toun.

28 September 1683.

Report anent  
horologes in  
Hutchesons  
hospitall.

These who wer appoynted to agree with James Colquhoun for putting wp the new horologes in the steeple of Hutchesons hospitall made report that they had settled with him for four hundred and fifty merkis, which is allowed and approven be the saids magistratis and counsell.

Warrand,  
Bellis Wynd.

Ordains the thesaurer to have ane warrand . . . for fyve hundred merkis payed to Mr. John Bell, which was allowed to him be the toun more then what he gote formerly for building his land in a decent way and decoring Bellis Wynd.

Hoofe for  
coalls at  
Newport.

The proveist, baillies and toun counsell, being conveened anent the



supplication given in to them be James Crawford of Gartnavill, merchand, burges of the said burgh, desyring liberty of als much ground at Newport Glasgow as to build ane hooff of stane wark for laying in and keeping of coalls at the back of the touns key and on the north syde of the passage and high way, betwixt the touns howssis and closs and the harbour towardis the sea, of the length of about fifty foot and thretty foot of breadth or therby, for which he shall pay to the toun what they shall think fitt in reason to exact. Whilk [being taken to their consideration] and finding the same not to be prejudiciall to the toun bot rather ane advantage to have ane hooffe for coalls there, both to them that dwellis on the touns ground and them that posseses the touns great lodging, they [granted the liberty James Crawford desired, he paying a reasonable feu-duty for the ground].

Anent ane supplication given in to the saids magistrats and counsell be James Andersone at Newport Glasgow, making mention that at his entry to the touns hows ther, for his incowradgment it was promised that no persones showld vent ale, beir or wyne wpon the touns ground ther bot himself, except these who wer there befor his entrie and did the same, and that he is informed some persons doe designe to brew and vent drink ther, quhilk will be to his prejudice, therfor supplicating that they may be discharged to doe the same; whilk being taken to the saids magistratis and counsell their consideration [they declared] that no person shall brew or sell any drink either within the touns closs there or any of the touns ground except these who are tolerat to doe the same befor the said James his entry to the hows, and if any shall presume to doe the same in tyme coming that they be discharged excepting as said is.

29 September 1683.

It was concluded that these who putts out the militia horssis for the toun shall be payed at Mertimes nixt at the rate that otheris gote formerly, which is thrie hundred merkis for horse, furniture and armes and a man to ryde, and a hundred merk by yeir for maintaining the horse and eightein shilling ilk day they ryde, the putteris out of the horse giving such security for doing duty and releiving the toun as these did befor who had the same.

John  
Alexander,  
postmaster,  
burges and  
gild brother.

Anent ane supplication given in be John Alexander, postmaster, humbly desyring that the toun wold allow him somthing as formerly for his extraordinar ryding in the tounes affairis, and the loss he hes sustained throw the deadnes of the tyme and want of the summer session, and to ingadge him the farder to be ane obedient and dutifull servant that they wold be pleased to admitt him burges and gild brother of this burgh, he being only burges gratis; quhilk being taken to the saids magistrats and counsell their consideration, it is inacted and ordained that the said John be made burges and gild brother for him and his posteritie, without paying any dewes, and to hold his fynes as payed for service done and to be done, and appoynts the dean of gild to admitt him accordingly; and farder ordains the thesaurer to pay to the said John Alexander ane hundred merkis for extraordinar ryding and service the last yeir.

Warrant,  
Fynnisonne.

Ordains Robert Fynnisonne to have ane warrant for fyve pound starling payed to John Alexander, quhilk he debursed to Robert Mein for furnishing newes letteris and gazetts to the toun this last yeir, with ten merkis farder paid for sending the saidis letteris extraordinar; and also for six poundis starling payed to James Muir and Richard Manuell, servantis in the clerkis chamber, for extraordinar wryting in the touns affairis the last yeir, and for attending above a quarter of a yeir in the chamber till ten aclock ilk night for taking wp a list of what strangeris came into the toun and giving wp the same to the guard.

Warrantis,  
thesaurer.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to James Park, the dean of gildis officer, the sowm of (*blank*) and to pay to Robert Andersone the deacon conveners officer eight poundis fourtein shilling, for their service done to the toun the last yeir; and to pay to James Duncan twenty four poundis for service done be him in furnishing of roses and floweris to the cownsell-hows and kirkis, to the magistratis and counsell.

Act of privy  
councell, test.

The proveist produced ane act of his Majesties privy councell, daitted the 12th of September instant, ordaining and declaring that the dean of gild of burghs and their counsell, and the liters and electouris of them and their clerk, are obleidged and owght to take the test befor the magistratis of the severall burghs, befor their respective elections, and appoynts the same to be given to the dean of gild to be intimat to the merchandis at their meeting.

1 October 1683.

James Campbell, lait provest, gave in ane protestation quherof the tennor followis:—Whereas ther was ane voluntar gift made by the merchandis and deacon conveeneris howses to the magistratis for the tyme of raising the excyse of the boll of malt from two merkis wpon each boll (conform to act of parliament) to three poundis Scotts, of purpose for defraying the charges and expenssis of the burgh, and for paying of the debtis and uther publict burdens affecting their toun and common good therof, and now finding that the same hes, conform to the said voluntar gift, bein exacted these twelve moneths bygane by yow the present magistratis and counsell without imploying the same for the ends and uses afsaid, and without so much as making ane compt therof, contrair to the practise of former magistratis and counsellis, therfor I, James Campbell, lait provest, for myself and in name of the merchands and trades of the toun counsell, and of both the saidis howssis adhereing heirunto, doe heirby protest against my lord proveist, baillies and counsell, refuseris to adhere, that ye may be lyable for compt, reckoning and payment of what shall be made appear to be received by yow or any of yow of the said excyse since Michaelmes last, to the effect the same may be imployed for the endis and uses above rehearsed, and that befor the judge competent, and for what coast, skaith and damage this burgh hath received by your misapplying the same; and wpon this my protestatioune, for myself and in name forsaid, I ask and take instrumentis in the handis of yow, George Andersone, toun clerk, and desyres the same to be insert and recorded in the councell bookis, and requyres each of yow present witnessis heirunto; and farder that no money be allowed in any compts except what ther is warrand for of the toun counsell, conform to the constitution of the toun. Quhilk protestatioune being given to the provest he made and gave in the following ansuer therto:—The proveist, baillies and counsell of Glasgow, and swa many as will adhere to them, asserts and mentains that the protestatiounes given in be James Campbell, lait provest, are in themselves most calumnious, groundles and unjust, and meere forgeries, in so far as the protester himself was provest of Glasgow for severall yeiris, and his accomptis ought and shold be canvassed alsweill as ever any proveists accomptis were (without reflection), as also his successour to

Protestatioune given  
in be James  
Campbell,  
lait provest.

Ansuer  
thereto.

that office and who was provest priour to him in the said burgh, his accomptis is in that same station with his; and the absurdities committed by both of them, not only by inverting the state of the counsell, sett of the burgh, and inhaunsing the excyse in their oun hands, is too palpable, especially sieing that John Bell, when he was provest of Glasgow, did by himself intromett with the excyse of the toun of Glasgow and disposed wpon the same at his pleasour, having no warrand therfor from the toun counsell of Glasgow. Yea, further, many of his procedouris and actings when he was proveist was without any booked or registrat act of counsell, to the great hurt and prejudice of the common weill therof, as can be instructed; as, particularly, the said John Bell, being proveist of the said burgh did, in the year 1681, at his oun pleasour, without any act of counsell, provyde severall silver plate and rich furnishing for intertaining of great persons, wpon the toun of Glasgow its propper and great expenssis, and did appropriat the same for his oun behove by ane surreptitious or clandestine act of counsell, and his accomptis now given in to the magistratis and present counsell of Glasgow cannot be allowed by them to him, either in conscience or reason, being most exorbitant; bot it seems and may easily appear their refusall therof to him is the occasion and caws wherfor the said James Campbell and he is drawing ane factious and contentious pairtie with them, that was joyned with them the last yeir, which party hes occasioned great dispeace, trowble and expenssis to the toun of Glasgow in severall actions, and particularly befor the lordis of his Majesties most honorabill privy counsell the last yeir, by whose lordshipis they wer found to be factious persons, conform to severall sentences. And farder the said proveist, baillies and counsell protestis that, as they are requyred to make compt and reckoning with the excyse of the burgh of Glasgow and other caswalities belonging therto (which they are willing to doe and in present action to performe), that also the said James Campbell and John Bell, and those who were baillies and counsell with them for the tyme, may also make compt and reckoning for their bygane intromissions, and be lyable for the excyse and common goodis belonging to the said toun during their imployments, for it is nottour and evident that the present magistrats of Glasgow have only intrometted with ane yeirs excyse and toun goodis, bot that the said

James Campbell and John Bell have intrometted with therof above nyne or ten yeiris, and it is not known nor understood what compt they have made therof, or how they have applyed the samen. By all quhich it may appear the forsaid protestatiounes are of purpose to disturb the peace of the toun of Glasgow, and are in themselves meer janglings, proceeding from ane discomposed, unjust and fanaticall principle (and party whom they formerly connived and complyed with against his Majestie and lawes) who of purpose to reestablish themselves in that former imployment, for monopolizing the toun of Glasgow in their oun handis, makes so great clamour; and with all submission this ansuer is remitted to the judge competent, together with ane humble subjection of the accomptis of the provest, baillies and counsell of Glasgow, and their intromission with the excyse and publict goodis of the said city since their acceptatioune of their imployments; and therwpon they take instruments. And farder, as to the last addition that no money be allowed in any accomptis except what is warranded for of the toun counsell, conform to the constitution of the toun, it is answered that the protester and his adhereris have bein and are for the present the reall impederis of the allegiance, becaus they wer about the same when the protestatioune was entered against them, and have notwithstanding gone on in diligence, conform as uther magistratis have done or wer in use to doe in any former tymes, in justing and closing their accompts.

2 October 1683.

[The archbishop continued John Barnes as provost, and from leets presented Election of to him chose Hugh Nisbit and John Andersone, merchants, and George Grahame, magistratis. craftsman, as bailies for the ensuing year.]

5 October 1683.

[The magistrates of this and each of the two preceding years chose thirteen Toun merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the town council for the ensuing year.] counsell.

10 October 1683.

[John Fleyming, dean of guild; John Wallace, deacon convener; Robert Dean of gild, Fynnison, treasurer.] etc.

13 October 1683.

Visitor of maltmen, etc. [John Stirling, visitor of maltmen; James Robesone, bailie of Gorbals; Andrew Purdoun, water bailie; Robert Tennent, visitor of gardeners; John Grahame, procurator fiscal.]

Bread, tallow, and candle. [The 12 d. loaf to weigh 11 oz. 13 drop; rough tallow to be sold for 40 s. the stone; candle, 48 s. the stone.]

Excyse, touns burdens. The magistratis and counsell, taking to their consideratioun the great and considerable sowmes of money that are restand be the toun to severall persons be band, and for the lands joyned to the Green, and to these that are repairing the burnt lands, they have inacted and ordained and heirby inacts and ordains the present collector of the excyse, or any who shall be appoynted to receive the same fra the collectouris at the mylnes in tyme coming, to pay and delyver ane weekis excyse ilk moneth to the toun thesaurer, and ordains the thesaurer to give a receipt of the same to the collectour, quhilk is to be payed every second week of the month, beginning at the second week of November nixt, with the quhilk soum swa to be received the thesaurer is to be charged at his compt making, and quhilk soumes are to be applyed for helping to pay the touns debtis and burdens.

Money or cures to the poor. It is inacted and concluded that in tyme coming the maister of wark pay no money to any poor person or utheris by ordour of any of the magistratis, except the warrand be subscrivit under their handis, and that the touns chirurgian shall not cure or furnish any drogs to any poor persons without ane subscrivit warrand, urtherwayes their comptis not to be allowed; and ordains them to produce the warrandis at the reading of their accomptis. And farder it is inacted that nane of the baillies give ordour for anything to be given to the poor except ane of them monethly *per vices*; and that baillie Nisbit shall have warrand therfor till the first of December, baillie Andersone the month thereafter, and baillie Grahame for the nixt month thereafter, and swa to continow monthlie, and that none of the baillies give any warrand in that month belonging to the uther.

Act discharging any person to ryde or spend without warrand. It is inacted, statute and ordained that no person shall ryde in conveying any persons ather fra or to the toun, nor spend any money in taverns or otherwayes, without ane ordor fra the provest, or in his absence fra the eldest baillie present and the dean of gild, urtherwayes the same is to be wpon their oun expenssis and the toun not to pay the samen.

Ordains Robert Fynnison to have ane warrand for the sowm of <sup>Warrand,</sup> twenty pound sterling payed be him to the provest, quhilk he debursed for <sup>Fynnison.</sup> the portraiture of his royall highnes, quhich is put wp in the tolbooth in that rowme quher the toun counsell sitts.

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideration that they <sup>Dean of gildis</sup> had elected and choysen John Fleyming to be dean of gild of this burgh <sup>court.</sup> for the ensewing yeir, with his representatioune that he cannot conveniently keep dean of gildis courts wpon Thursday, in respect of his keeping the comissar courts that day, and desyring wpon that consideratioune that they will allow him to keep the dean of gildis cowrts wpon the Fryday afternoon, quhilk was allowed, and the dean of gildis cowrt swa to be keeped during his being dean of gild allanerly, bot that uther deans of gild in tyme coming shall keep their courts on the former ordinar day.

27 October 1683.

Doctor Michael Wallace was elected and choysen to be the touns <sup>Doctor</sup> physitian in place of doctor Brisbane, and to have ane hundreth merkis of <sup>Wallace,</sup> pension payed him, yeirly, as doctor Brisbain gote. <sup>touns</sup> <sup>physitian.</sup>

John Andersone, called Machlin, was elected and choysen master of <sup>Master of</sup> wark for the ensewing yeir. <sup>wark.</sup>

[The provost reported that he and his cautioners "were charged with horning <sup>Report,</sup> to give security to the fishing societie for the salt and tree and hail store and <sup>fishing</sup> storehowssis" for the sum for which they were purchased, payable at Martinmas <sup>society.</sup> following. The council, considering that the purchase had been made on the town's account, agreed to give bond for the amount if Robert Campbell, who bought the "salt and tree," did not give security.]

John Scott, merchand, was elected and choysen to be the touns <sup>Scott,</sup> quartermaster for quartering the sojouris in the toun, and to have the <sup>quarter-</sup> pension conform as utheris gote formerly. <sup>master.</sup>

[Walter Brock, maltman, chosen "to be the touns jaylour and keeper of <sup>Brock,</sup> their tolbooth, in place of Colin Hammill, who is suspended therfra." ] <sup>jaylour.</sup>

21 November 1683.

There was ane band subscrivit be the magistratis and toun counsell <sup>Band sub-</sup> in favouris of Thomas Moncreiff of that Ilk, for himself and in name and <sup>scrivit to the</sup> <sup>fishing</sup> <sup>society.</sup>

to the behove of the fishing society, containing the sowm of threttie twa thowsand and thrie hundreth poundis Scots as the pryce of the salt, cask, store and store howssis formerly bowght be the provest fra them for the behove of the toun. . . . And appoynts the provest and George Andersone, clerk, to repair to Edinburgh and receive security fra the said fishing society for the haill store and storehoussis, with what papers they have relateing therto; and wpon recept therof to delyver wp to them the touns band for the pryce therof.

Warrant,  
Grahame.

Ordains John Grahame to pay to John Patersone, wright, the soun of ane thowsand merkis, in pairt payment of [£1,262 15 s. 8 d.] restand to him for trees, daills and knappell furnished for the use of the toun to the High Kirk, Stable Green port, and uther places, conform to the compt.

17 December 1683.

Report,  
provest and  
clerk fra  
Edinburgh.

The provest and clerk made report of their diligence at Edinburgh anent the touns affairs, and that they had settled with the fishing society and delyvered them the touns band for the soun of thretty twa thowsand thrie hundreth pounds for the pryce of the store and storehowssis at Greenock, bowght fra them, and that they had received ane assignation fra the said society to any right they had to both the new and old storehowssis and haill pertinents belonging therto, and to the haill salt, cask, knappell, and haill store, with their said right and interest of the samen, and had retired and taken out of the register the hornings and captions raised against the toun and utheris that wer concerned for giving security and making payment of the said pryce; quhilk assignation and paperis were produced, and the samen being subscrivit befor be the fishing society and the provestis name only insert therin, the same cowlde not weell be gotten renewed and put in the magistratis and toun counsellis name without great trowble and difficulty, swa the provest heirby declares and obleidges himself to assigne and transferr the samen haill right he hes in their favouris, the samen being really for their behove, they having given security for payment therof.<sup>1</sup>

Dean and  
deacon to con-  
veen their  
incorpora-  
tiouns.

Appoynts the dean of gild and deacon conveener to conveen their respective incorporatiounes and try if they can sell the salt and cask and

<sup>1</sup> See footnote, pp. 327-8.



knappell belonging to the fishing society, either by rowpe or to get them to take it amongst themselves for the touns best advantage.

There was ane band produced, subscrivit be Walter Brock, maltman, Brock, as principall, Walter Gibsone, merchand [and four others], as cautioneris <sup>jaylour, his</sup> band produced, for him for keeping the toun skaithles, throw his default as being jaylour <sup>band produced,</sup> of the tolbooth; with the quhilk band and cautioneris the saids magistratis and counsell wer satisfied and did accept therof, and appoyntis the provest, dean of gild and deacon conveener to enter the said Walter to the possession of the said jaylouris place, and to delyver to him the keyes of the tolbooth, and to sie him give a receipt to Colin Hamill of what prisoners are in the tolbooth, with ane obleisment to satisfie him of their bygane jaylour fie befor they goe out of prison.

Appoynts the provest and John Crauford, with Robert Campbell, lait <sup>Provest and</sup> dean of gild, to repair to Greenock and receive the keyes of the store- <sup>utheris to</sup> <sup>Greenock.</sup> howssis with the salt, cask and utheris bowght fra the fishing society.

9 January 1684.

Robert Campbell, lait dean of gild, produced the keyes of the two <sup>Keyes of the</sup> closes at Greenock, with the keyes of the howssis and haill sellaris <sup>closes at</sup> <sup>Greenock.</sup> within the closs quher the salt lyes, with the key of another sellar in Greenock quher some French salt is, belonging to the toun, that was bought fra the company, and gave in ane accompt of the haill salt, cask and knappell sold be him with ane accompt of the persons to whom the samen was sold.

Ordains John Fleyming, dean of gild, to have ane warrand for the <sup>Warrand,</sup> <sup>Kings armes.</sup> sowm of [£166 13s. 4d.] payed to Alexander Thom to ane account for cutting of the Kings armes for putting wpon the Stablegreen port.

The provest produced a letter direct from my lord high thesaurer and <sup>Letter from</sup> <sup>my lord</sup> <sup>thesaurer.</sup> the thesaurer deput to the magistrats and toun counsell, wherby they desyre to send in ane of their number for giving them ane accompt of what excyse is uplifted for malt or laid wpon ale more then the Kings allowance, and how the samen is disposed; whilk being taken to consideration they appoynt the provest to repair to Edinburgh for giving satisfaction anent the said affair to my lord thesaurer and thesaurer deput as best can be done, and to take with him what information and

instructions he can, and appoynts him to take nottice of any utheris the touns concernes ther.

*February 1684.*

Provest to  
Edinburgh.

Appoynts the provest to repair to Edinburgh anent the touns affairis, and particularly for giving satisfaction to the fishing society of the sowm restand to them be the toun for the pryce of the store and storehowssis, in respect they have given the magistratis and counsell ane charge of horning therfor.

*25 February 1684.*

Band sub-  
sorivit to the  
primat.

There was ane band of eight thowsand merkis Scotis subscrivit be the saidis magistratis and counsell in favouris of his grace the archbishop of St. Andrews, primat and metrapolitan of all Scotland, bearing annualrent fra Candlmes last and payable at Lambmes nixt, quhilk soum is borrowed for paying a part of the soum resting to the fishing company for the store and storehowssis and releiving the touns band of the said sowm *pro tanto*.

*26 March 1684.*

Warrant,  
Fleyming.

Ordains John Fleyming, dean of gild, to have ane warrant for the soum of thrie hundreth pounds Scotis payed to James Boyd, maisson, to ane accompt of what he is to have for helping and repairing the great bridge. . . . As also to have ane warrant for [£309 5s. 8d.] Scotis, payed to Walter Corbet for iron work made and furnished be him for the use of the toun to the High Kirk, tolbooth, wells and uther places, conform to the accompt therof given in and allowed.

Act anent the  
building of  
ane stair.

Anent ane supplicatioun given in be Alexander Wotherspoon, merchand, makand mention that quher the said Alexander hes ane tene-ment of land on the sowth syde of the foir street of the Briggait, near the great bridge, at the end of the westmost gavell quherof there is a litle peece waist ground besyde the litle custome hows, that is made use of for no other end then laying middings and fulzie therwpon, quhilk is noysom for people coming and going alongst the foir street; therfor supplicating the saids magistratis and counsell that they wold be pleased to grant liberty to the said Alexander to build ane stair wpon the said waist ground, that he may have ane entry therby in to his hows wpon the gavell therof, for which he should pay such satisfaction to the toun as the saids

magistratis and counsell showld modifie, as the said supplication in itself at mair length beiris. Quhilk peece waste ground being formerly sighted be the provest, dean of gild, and severall other members of the toun counsell, they, after mature advyce and deliberatioune had theranent, finding the samen to be nowayes prejudiciall to the toun, have granted and heirby gives and grants liberty to the said Alexander Wotherspoon to put wp and build ane stair wpon the said waist ground, that he may have ane entry therby in to his hows wpon the gavell therof, he not damnifieing the lights of John Watsouns laigh hows in the said gavell, and the said Alexander allwayes paying the sowm of thrie shilling four pennies Scotis yeirly to the toun, or their collectouris in their name, for the liberty aforesaid; and ordains the clerk to give out ane extract heiroy to the said Alexander which is heirby declared shall be als valid as if the samen wer subscryved be the saids magistratis and toun counsell.

19 April 1684.

The provest, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener made report <sup>Report anent</sup> that they had mett and communed with his grace the archbishop of <sup>barrony</sup> Glasgow anent the taking of ane nyntein yeirs tack of the <sup>tack of the</sup> teyndis of the <sup>teyndis</sup> barrony of Glasgow, for the use of the toun, quhilk wer formerly sett in tack to their predecessouris be my lord archbishop of St. Andrews, primat of Scotland, then archbishop of Glasgow, conform to the tack past betwixt him and the magistratis and toun counsell for the tyme, and that they had aggried with the said archbishop and taken the samen teyndis for the space of nyntein yeirs, quherof the cropt 1685 is the first yeir, and that they have aggried to give to the said archbishop twenty thowsand merks for the said tack; quhilk aggreement was allowed and approven be the saids magistratis and toun counsell, and ordains the clerk to draw wp a band to the said archbishop for the said sowme, bearing annualrent fra Whitsonday nixt, to be delyvered to his grace the said archbishop, he delyvering to them ane sufficient nyntein yeirs tack of the said teyndis.

The proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener made report <sup>Report anent</sup> that it was the desyre of the archbishop of Glasgow his grace to renew and <sup>agreement</sup> give ane new tack of the drawn teyndis of the aikers about the toun, <sup>for tack of</sup> formerly drawn be him and his predecessouris, for paying of eighteen <sup>the teyndis of</sup> town aikers.

hundreth merkis yeirly, with sixtie poundis to the parson of Glasgow for his hows maill, yearly, the saids magistratis and counsell reserving and leaving out of the said tack the gleib lands that wer formerly possess and pertained to the parson of Glasgow, quhilk was included in the former tack sett be the said archbishop to the toun, be the quhilk former tack the toun was obleidged to pay twa thowsand merkis, yeirly; and the archbishop is now content to grant the said tack for payment of the said eightein hundreth merks, yeirly, and the said parsons hows maill, whilk the saids magistratis and counsell consented and aggried unto and accepted of the said archbishops [offer], and ordains the tack to be drawn wp and renewed accordingly.

22 April 1684.

Tack of  
teyndis of  
Glasgow and  
barrony  
therof.

The tack of the personage and viccarage teyndis of the paroch, kirkis and paroches of Glasgow and barrony therof, granted and subscrivit be the archbishop of Glasgow his grace in favouris of the magistratis and toun counsell of the said burgh, and their successouris in office, wherby the said archbishop hes sett to them the haill teyndis within the saids boundis that wer formerly sett to them be archbishop Burnet, now primat and metrapolitan of Scotland, conform to the tack granted be his grace to them of the samen, except the teyndis of the landis of Mylnetoun and Camlachy, whilk wer sett and included in the former tack and not sett and included within this new tack, being for the space of nyntein yeirs to come fra their entry therto, quhilk is for the first yeir the cropt 1685, was produced and publictly read in presence of the saids magistratis and toun counsell, and they accepted and approved of the samen; for the quhilk tack they and their successouris in office are to pay him for the said nyntein yeiris tack the soun of twenty thowsand merkis, bearing annualrent fra Whitsonday nixt, and farder to pay to his grace, or his successouris in office, twa hundreth poundis of tack duty, yeirly, conform to the said tack; for which soun of twenty thowsand merkis the saids magistratis and counsell subscrivit ane band of borrowed money in favouris of the said archbishop, bearing annualrent fra the said term of Whitsonday nixt, payable to Martimes thereafter; and although the band bear for borrowed money yet the same is really granted for the said teyndis and wpon no other accompt quhatsomever; and in respect the

teyndis of the said lands of Mylntoun and Camlachie are not contained in this new tack, that wer formerly sett and included in the tack sett to the toun be archbishop Burnet, the provest, dean of gild, and utheris who wer present at the aggreement, declared in the said archbishops name that he hes faithfully promised to renew this tack granted be him to the toun when requyred, and prolong the same for a yeir or twa longer then the said nyntein yeiris space of the samen, and that in favouris of the saidis magistratis and toun counsell and their successouris.

There was another tack, be way of contract, made and past betwixt the archbishop and the magistratis and toun counsell, for the haill drawn teyndis of the aikers abowt the toun, with what is inclosed in yairds and in the New Green, formerly drawn be the archbishop and his predecessouris, subscrivit, and that in place of ane former tack made be way of contract betwixt the said archbishop and the magistratis and toun counsell for the tyme, be vertew of quhilk former tack the gleib landis formerly possess be the parson of Glasgow was included, and the archbishop was to satisfie him for his mans, and the toun was obleidged to pay two thowsand merkis yeirly therfor, and be the present tack the gleib lands are not sett and the toun is to pay to the archbishop and his successouris in office eightein hundreth merks, yeirly, and to give satisfaction to the parson of Glasgow for his mans; whilk tack was also allowed and approven of be the saids magistratis and counsell and subscrivit be them as said is.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The two tacks above referred to are still preserved (MS. Inv. of Writa, II., bundle 27). One of these is dated 22 April, 1684, and is granted by "the most reverend father in God, Arthur by the mercie of God archbishop of Glasgow, as having good, full and undowted right in and to all and sundrie the haill teyndis, fruits, profitis, provents, and emoluments of the paroch kirks and parochens of Glasgow and barrony therof, both personage and vicarage of the same," with consent of the dean and chapter of the metropolitan kirk. The deed proceeds on the narrative that "the said archbishop and his predecessouris, archbishops of

Glasgow, have been in possession and use of drawing and leading of the teyndis, great and small, personage and vicarage, of the lands, burrow aikers and uthers underwritten, viz., of the lands called St. Enochs craft, Broome-law craft, Palzeoun craft, Ramshorne, Meadowflett, Swans Yett, Crubbs, Deansyde, Provansyde, Langercraft, Dowhill, Eglishames craft, Crabnestock, Kinclaith, Hen craft, Round craft and Linningshauch; with the teyndis of the yairds adjacent to the said burgh of Glasgow; and ther being now severall houssis built upon a pairt of the ground of the said lands, and severall yairds, inclosures and parks taken in and made of other

Proclama-  
tioune for re-  
moving of  
nonconform-  
ist ministeris.

Ordains ane proclamatioune to be sent throw the toun tomorrow ordaining all nonconformist preacheris to remove themselves off the toun within fourty eight hours after the proclamatioune, and their families betwixt and Whitsonday nixt, conform to ane act of his Majesties privy counsell daited the 27th of July 1680.

pairs of the saids lands; and particularly that park called the New Grein, bounding in manner underwrittin, viz., by a stone dyck running by the rivolet of Molendinor on the west, and the said dyck running amongst the back passage towards Markdaylie till yow come to the way running toward the Borrowfield on the north, and from thence to the head of Provost haugh land, on the east, and the water of Clyde till you come to the said rivolet of Molendinor on the south parts; wherby the said archbishop is debarred from drawing of the teyndis therof; and to the end the said archbishop may sustain no prejudice therthrow the saids magistrats hes aggried with him to make payment to him and his successouris, for the worth and value of the saids teyndis of the lands and utheris forsaidis, of the yearly tack dewty after specifeit during the years therof after mentioned, and lykwayes to make payment to the parson of Glasgow and his successouris parsons therof of what they are in use to pay to him in lieu and plaice of his mans, conforme to ane former aggreement made theranent, and that yearly and ilk yeir during the space of the tack after-specifeit." The archbishop, with consent of the dean and chapter, accordingly leased to the provost, magistrats, and council, for behoof of the community, the teinds referred to for the space of 19 years from Candlemas, 1684, for payment to the archbishop and his successors of 1,800 merks Scots yearly, and to the parson of Glasgow of that which was formerly payable to him in lieu of a manse, "conforme to ane former aggreement made theranent," but the archbishop was to relieve the lessees of the parson's stipend.

The other tack, dated 25th August, 1684, narrates in similar terms the right of the archbishop to the teinds, "and accordinglie oure predecessors have been in use to set the same; and now, for ane certane soume of money actualle payed and delivered to ws at the makeing heirof, in name of grassum silver, for granting the tack underwrittin, be Johne Barnes, present proveist," and others, for behoof of the whole council and community, the archbishop, with consent of the dean and chapter, set to them "the haille teinds, personage and viccarage, of the said paroch kirks and parochines of Glasgow and barronie therof, with the haille teind herrings and uther teind fish of the water of Clyd, haille profits, provents, and emoluments whatesoever belonging to the saids personage and viccarage teinds of the paroches abovewrittin," and that for 19 years from Michaelmas, 1684; "excepting and reserving allways furth heirof the teinds, personage and viccarage, set be ws to the saids magistrats, conforme to ane tack granted be ws to them therof apairt, of the daitt underwrittin, whilks were formerlie used to be drawn be ws and our predecessouris. . . . And sicklike excepting and reserving to ws and our successoris, archbishops of Glasgow, the personage and viccarage teinds payable to ws furth of Partick mylne, with the teinds, personage, and viccarage of the lands afterspecifeit, to witt, the personage and viccarage teinds of the lands of Gairbraid, Lambhill, and Garroch, belonging to Ninian Hill; . . . Borrowfield, Nicolhouse, Camlachie and uthers belonging to John Walkinshaw, younger of Borrowfield; . . . Woodsyde, Meikle Cowcaddines, Blythis-

17 May 1684.

Ordains the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowm of eight rex <sup>Warrantis,</sup>  
dollaris payed to Mr. William Geddes, minister, for his incowradgment <sup>printing</sup>  
<sup>books.</sup>

wood, with these pairs of the lands of Nether Newtoun, sometime belonging to umquhile Coline Campbell of Blythiswood; . . . Keppoches and North Woodside, sometime belonging to Jean Colquhoun, relict of umquhile Alexander Irwing of Mountbodo; . . . Over Newtoun, belonging to William Andersone, laith proveist of Glasgow; . . . Over Possle, belonging to Sir William Fleming of Ferme; . . . Constoun, belonging to John Fleming of Constoun; . . . Milntounes, belonging to John Crawford, writer in Glasgow." The lessees were to pay to the archbishop and his successors 300 merks Scots yearly, "as being the old tack dewtie formerly paid for the saids teinds heirby sett in tack as said is; attoure the tack dewtie" payable by the said other tack dated 22 April, 1684. "And also the saids magistrats and their successors relieving us and our successours of the reparation of the kirks pertaining to the personage of Glasgow, and of the ministers stipends and furnishing of the elements of bread and wyne to the communion, imposed or to be imposed upon the personage and viccarage teinds of the saids paroches and paroch kirks of Glasgow [and] barronie therof, whether heirby set in this present tack or excepted and reserved furth therof in maner abovespecifeit . . . except allenarlie the stipend payable to Mr. Richard Waddell, laith minister at our cathedrall kirk of Glasgow, and his successors, ministers therat, which we bind and obleidge us and our successors, archbishops of Glasgow, to satisfie and pay yearlie to the said Mr. Richard Waddell and his successors foresaid."

The seals of the archbishop and the chapter were appended to the tacks, but only a small

portion of wax remains on the tack dated 22 April, while the seals attached to the other tack are considerably damaged. Both tacks are subscribed by the archbishop, "Arth. Glascuen;" and by "Mr. Jo. Hamilton, dean of Glasgow; Alexr. Rose, sub-dean of Glasgow; Mr. A. Gregorie, parson of Aire; Mr. F. Ross, parson of Renfrew; Geo. Mylne, cancellarius; Geo. Adam, Glascuen. secundo; Ja. Gillane, thesaurarius; John Chisholme, parson of Lillisleife; Mr. J. Hay, archdeacon of Glasgow; Mr. S. Nimmo, parson of Cumnock; Mr. Ja. Gillespie, Tarbolton; Mr. David Cunighame, Cambuslang." In addition (1) the tack dated 22 April is subscribed by "Mr. H. Gordon, parson of Cardros; Mr. A. Inglis, parson of Askirk; Mr. R. Waddell, par. Glas.; Mr. Ja. Craig, Killearn; Mr. D. Rob, Areskine;" and (2) the tack dated 25th August is subscribed by "Mr. A. Peacock, parson of Morbattle; John Kerr, parson of Roxburgh; Mr. W. Sterling, parson of Ancrum; Thos. Smyth, parson of Eddlestoun; Mr. W. Bullo, parson, Stobo; Ja. Crichtoun, Kilbryd." Of the thirty-two prebends, the holders of which were members of the chapter at the time of the Reformation, the following are not represented by the subscribers of the tack, viz., Govan, Barlanark or Provan, Carstairs, Durisdeer (sub-chanter), Moffat, Eaglesham, Luss, Douglas, Kirkmahoe, and Sanquhar. On the other hand, the parson of Lilliesleaf subscribed the tacks, though that parsonage was not a prebend but belonged to the chapter in common. All the members of the chapter who subscribed were ministers of parishes except George Adam, "Glascuen. secundo," who was precentor in the Inner High Church.

to print the twa bookis called the Memoriall Historicum and another book sett out be him.<sup>1</sup>

3 June 1684.

Common good set. [Mills, 9,650 merks; ladles, 3,600 merks; pecks, 900 merks; tron, 900 merks; bridge, 1,630 merks.]

6 June 1684.

Mylnes sett  
to James  
Robison.

The magistratis and counsell being conveyened, and taking to their consideration that wpon Twesday last, at ane publict rowpe, the dewty of the mylnes and casualities belonging therto wer sett to John Rob, maltman, for payment of nyne thowsand six hundreth and fifty merkis, conform to use and wont, for payment of quhilk soum he can neither give band nor security in respect of his condition, being bot poor, notwithstanding of his being put in prison wpon that accompt; and after offer made be the saidis magistratis and toun counsell to James Robisone and John Wilson, who wer the persons that offered for the dutie of the saidis mylnes at the rowpe, the samen wer sett to James Robisone, last tacksman, for the soum of eight thousand and six hundreth merkis, as he who bade most therfor, to be payed conform to use and wont, and wpon consideratione the same are sett to him at the rate forsaide, for making wp any loss he sustained throw his tack of the mylnes the last yeir, and recommendis thir presentis to be ratified be the magistratis and toun counsell at their nixt meeting, there not being a full quorum this day.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> William Geddes, Scottish presbyterian divine and author, was a native of Moray, and graduated at the University and King's College, Aberdeen, in 1650. He was admitted minister of Wick in 1664, transferred to Urquhart, Elginshire, in 1677, resigned on refusal to take the test in 1682, returned to Wick, where he was re-admitted minister in 1692, and died in 1694, aged about 94. Geddes published at Edinburgh in 1683 a volume of pious verse entitled "The Saint's Recreation; (third part) upon the Estate of Grace." The imprimatur at the beginning of the volume states that the author had re-

ceived permission from the privy council to print "Memoriale Historicum, or An Historical Memorial concerning the most remarkable occurrences and periods of Scripture; the Universal Histories of the Four Monarchs: the Scottish, English, French, and Turkish Histories;" as well as three other books which are specified. (Dictionary of National Biography.) It is doubtful if "Memoriale Historicum" was published, as no copy is known. A copy of "The Saint's Recreation," printed at Glasgow in 1758, is in the Mitchell Library.

<sup>2</sup> Approved by magistrates and council on 9th June.



9 June 1684.

The magistratis and toun counsell allowes and approves of the magistratis and dean of gild their making Patrick Dundas burges and gild brother of this burgh, the samen having bein promised him at the making of the bargain of the store and storehowssis with the fishing company; as also of the making of Robert Maitland, clerk to the custome hous at Newport, burges and gild brother, for his kyndnes and service to the merchandis of the toun and holding of their fynes as payed, being remitted to them; and siclyke appoynts Robert Wair to be made burges and gild brother, at the desyre of the archbishop of Glasgow, his lady and daughteris; and Mr. Gabriell Russall, minister of Govean, to be made burges and gildbrother lykwayes; and to remitt their fynes to them and hold the samen as payed; and appoyntis the dean of gild to take their aithes and admitt them, and the clerk to give them out extractis of their ticketis conform.

14 June 1684.

It is concluded that payment be made to these who hes put out militia horssis for the toun, as the magistratis and counsell shall condescend on, they giving band and cawtioune for doeing service therfor and freeing the toun of any hazard they may sustain throw their default, wpon quhich termes ordains the clerk to give out warrandis for paying them wpon any of the touns collectouris that hes money.

26 June 1684.

The provest, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyined anent ane supplication presented to them be Allan Marshall, present deacon of the wrights of the said burgh, for himself and in name of the masters and remanent memberis of the said incorporation, makand mention that quher by contract of aggreement made, ended and perfyted betwixt the said Allan Marshall, present deacon, with consent of John Otterburne, William Liddell, John Wallace, younger, William Selkrig, Robert Raltoun and William Rob, his masters of craft, for themselves and in name forsaid, on the ane part, and James Gilkersone, William Murdoch, George Shanks, James Andersone, George Murdoch, Thomas Peady, John Murdoch, Robert Blair, George Milne and John Smith,

wrights in Gorballis, on the uther part, of the dait the fourtein day of December j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. eightie thrie yeiris, it is mutwally condescended and aggried upon betwixt the saids pairties that it shall not be lawfull nor leisome to any stranger, being ane wright professing any wright work whatsoever, to have liberty to install, settle or sett wp himself to work in the said trade within the said village of Gorballis, or liberties therof, in all tyme coming from this dait, till first he make good and thankfull payment of the sowm of fourtie merkis Scotis, the ane half to be payed to the wrights of Glasgow for the use of their poor and the uther half to the wrightis of Gorballis and their poor; and ilk stranger professing the forsaid airt, befor he have liberty to sett wp to work, is and shall be obleidged to make ane sey to be prescryved to him be the oversman and masteris of the wrights of Gorballis, as judges to the sufficiencie or insufficiencie therof, that it may be knoun if he be able to serve his Majesties leidges. Item, that ilk prenteis it shall happen the wrights of Gorballs to take in prenteisship shall pay, at his first entry for his booking, the soum of<sup>1</sup> merks Scotis, the ane half to be payed to the wrights of Glasgow and the uther half to the wrights of Gorballs; and that the said prenteis shall be bound for fyve yeirs as prenteis and ane yeir thereafter for meat and fie, as the master and prenteis shall best agree. And also that ilk journeyman that shall happen to be fied with any of the forsaid wrights of Gorballis shall pay, at his first entrie for his booking, thretty shilling Scotis, the ane half to the wrights of Glasgow and the uther half to the wrights of Gorballis. Item, that ilk prenteish within the said village, after his prenteiship, before he shall have libertie to sett wp to work, is and shall be obleidged to pay ten merkis for his freedom fyne, to be equally divyded as said is, for the use of the saids parties their respective poor. Item, that ilk freemans son within the said village shall pay, befor he sett wp to work, the sowm of fyve merkis Scotis, and ilk freemans son in law the soum of fyve poundis Scotis money, to be equally payed and divyded as said is, for the use of the saids parties their respective poor. Item, that ilk freeman or master within the said village of Gorballis and liberties therof is and shall be obleidged heirby to pay to the wrights of Glasgow, or to their collectour in their names, for the use

<sup>1</sup> The number of merks is omitted.

of the poor of the said calling, yeirly and ilk yeir, in all tyme coming, the soun of fyftein shilling Scots money at twa termes in the yeir, Martimes and Whitsonday, be equal portions, beginnand the first termes payment therof wpon Whitsonday evin j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. eightie four yeiris, and swa to continow in the thankfull payment therof, yearly and ilk yeir, termly and proportionally, at the saids termes in all tyme coming. Lykas it is aggried wpon betwixt the saids parties that the saids wrights of Gorballe is and shall be obleist, as they be the said contract obleidges them and their successouris, being wrights, to present yeirly in all tyme thereafter to the deacon of the wrights of Glasgow and his masteris and their successours in office ane list or lite of thrie persons of their number, of the best and worthiest of their calling, wpon the first Fryday in the nixt week after the ordinary election of the deacons in Glasgow, betwixt ten and twelve hours in the foirnoon, within the crafts hospitall of the said burgh of Glasgow, to the effect the said deacon and masteris may make choice of one of the forsaid list or lite to be oversman to the wrightis of Gorballis and liberties therof for the ensewing yeir; and the said oversman being swa choysen shall give his oath *de fidei administratione* befor them; and thereafter shall have liberty to make choice of two of the number of the wrights of Gorballis to be his masteris, and the rest of the said trade to make choice of uther two masters for the said calling, yeirly. Morover it is aggreed wpon betwixt the saids parties that the said oversman, or any two of the saids masters, as he shall happen to choise, shall, at such tymes as he shall think most fitt, goe throw, search and try the wright work made within the said village and see if the samen be sufficient to serve his Majesties leidges, and to confiscat what shall be unsufficient for the use and behove of the wrights of Gorballs their poor; and the person in whose hands the said insufficient work be found shall be fyned at the will of the said oversman and his masters for the use of their said poor. As lykwayes the said oversman and wrights of the said village shall have liberty, yeirly, to choyse ane of their number to be collectour to the nixt ordinary tyme of election, and that the said oversman, masters, and their said collector, shall be obleist to make just compt, reckoning and payment of their intronission with their poors goodis to their succeeding oversman, masters and collectouris, yeirly, within the

chappell of Gorballs; and they, with the deacon of the wrights of Glasgow and two of his masteris, if they please to come, to audite and see the said compt. As also that the said oversman, masteris and collectour, shall have power to make acts and statutes among themselves for the weill of their calling and poor therof, the samen being nowayes prejudiciall to the wrights of Glasgow, or to any acts or statutes made or to be made be the magistratis or toun counsell therof or their baillies in Gorballs in their names. Item, it is condescended to and aggried betwixt both the said parties that the wrights of Gorballis shall not be hindered be the wrights of Glasgow to aggree with any person within the said burgh for any peece of work, the samen being made within the Gorballis, and being swa made that the wrights of Gorballis shall have libertie to bring in and sett wp the samen within the said burgh weekly, on two dayes ilk week allanerly, viz., Wednesday and Fryday, with their own work loomes, not exceeding half ane dayes tyme for setting wp that peece of work, and what shall be sett wp and brought in any other day then the dayes forsaid, be the said wrights of Gorballis, and shall be apprehended be the wrights of Glasgow, the samen shall be confiscat for the wrightis of Glasgow their poors use; excepting allwayes furth heirop and liberty forsaid any work as building and repairing of howssis, glass work and making of mortchists. Item, that it shall be leisome to any of the wrights of Gorballis, freemen ther, to hyre and conduce with the freemen of the wrights of Glasgow as journeymen for wadges, as they may best aggrie, without being booked in their bookis or paying to the said wrights of Glasgow anything therfor. Item, anent the compt and reckoning to be yearly made of the poors goodis of the wrightis of Gorballis, that the oversman and his masters shall aquant the deacon and his masters yeirly therwith to meet with them. Lykas, the saidis wrightis of Glasgow are be the forsaid contract bound and obleist to deall with the saidis magistratis and counsell in ordour to the procuring of their ratification of the haill premissis; as the said contract of the dait forsaid at more length beiris. Humbly therfor supplicating the saidis provest, baillies and counsell to ratifie, allow and approve the forsaid contract and aggreement, and interpone their authority therto; as the said supplication also more fully beirs. Whilk supplication being considered be the saids provest, baillies and counsell, they have

ratified, allowed and approven, and heirby ratifies, allowes and approves of the forsaid contract and agreement in the haill heidis, articles and clawssis therof, and have interponed and heirby interpones their authourity therto, and ordains the samen to stand in full force, strength and effect betwixt the saids parties and their successouris in all tyme coming; and whatever controversie or difference shall fall out betwixt aither of the saids parties, as to any of the articles of the said contract and agreement, it is heirby declared that the saids magistratis and counsell themselves and their successouris in office shall be judges therto and decyderis therof allenerly; wpon quhich termes thir presentis are granted and swa accepted be them, and no utherwayes.

Ordains John Fleyming, dean of gild, to pay to Alexander Thom Warrand, the soun of four hundreth merkis for helping to repair the consistoriall <sup>Fleyming.</sup> court, at the west end of the High Kirk, that was promised to be given <sup>consistoriale</sup> court. for incowradgment to doe the same, quhilk sowm shall be allowed to the said dean of gild at his compt making of the excyse.

The magistratis and toun counsell ratifies, allowes and approves of Clerk to George Andersone, clerk, his giving any former deputation to James Muir, <sup>depute any to</sup> or any others, to exerce the said office of clerkship in his absence, and <sup>exerce in his</sup> absence. heirby gives their power, warrand and consent to the said George, in tyme coming, to grant and subscriyve ane deputation to the said James Muir, or any other whom he shall think fitt, for whom he will be ansuerable, and that during his being absent.

Ordains John Fleyming, dean of gild, to pay to George Grahame, Warrand, baillie, the sowm of thrie hundreth merkis Scotis money for furnishing <sup>militia horse.</sup> and outreiking of ane sufficient horse, with man and armes, for serving the present militia, as ane of these the toun is obleidged to furnish, with the sowm of ane hundreth merkis for ane yeiris maintinance of the said horse, the said baillie giving ane obleisment that he shall give sufficient band and cautioune for performing of the samen and freeing the toun of all inconvenience they can sustain throw his default, as utheris gave band formerly.

17 July 1684.

The provest and clerk made report of their diligence at Edinburgh <sup>Report,</sup> anent the touns affairs, and what was done at the convention of burrows, <sup>provost and clerk, from</sup> Edinburgh.

and that they went beyond Dunbar to meet my lord high thesaurer and chancellor.<sup>1</sup>

Funerallis of  
Jonet  
Hutchesone.

Ordains John Fleyming, dean of gild, to pay to Jean Main thretty pounds Scotis for helping to pay the funerallis of Jonet Hutchesone, ane pensioner of the toun, who deceist in Holland.<sup>2</sup>

Warrant,  
executioner.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to Walter Brock sixtie eight pounds six shilling, quherof nyntein poundis was formerly given to the executioner<sup>3</sup> for maintaining him in the tolbooth when he was last here.

Act, candle-  
makeris,  
crackling  
hows.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, being conveyen anent the supplication presented to them be William Govean, George Johnstoun and John Kennedy, candlemakers, burgessis of the said burgh, makand mention that they, by ordour of the magistratis, dean of gild, deacon conveyer, and severall otheris of the toun counsell, had builded a litle hows of the length of thretty footts<sup>4</sup> or therby and about eighteen footts<sup>4</sup> in breadth within the loan and on the east syde of the street that passes to Cowcaddens, on that place called the Trumpling Brae, quher the butts stood somtyme of old, for melting and rying of their cracklings; humbly therfor supplicating the saids provest, baillies and counsell to allow and approve of the former ordour given to them for building of the said hows, and of their building the samen accordingly, and to declare the same to belong to them, or to any of their trade and incorporatiounes that shall be at equall charges and expenssis proportionally with them in building the said hows and obtaining liberty for the same, conform to

<sup>1</sup> The duke of Queensberry was treasurer and the earl of Perth chancellor.

<sup>2</sup> See pp. 262, 283.

<sup>3</sup> Wodrow records that in Glasgow several covenanters were executed this year. On 17th March a special commission sentenced five men, one belonging to Glasgow and the others brought from country parishes, to be hanged at the cross on 17th March. Their names, with the names of other four who suffered in 1666, are inscribed on a memorial stone in the cathedral burying-ground. Another martyrs' monument, placed in the wall on the east side of Castle Street, near the Monkland

Canal, has an inscription beginning with these words:—"Behind this stone lyes James Nisbet, who suffered martyrdom at this place June 5, 1684; also James Lawson and Alexander Wood, who suffered martyrdom, October 24, 1684; for their adherence to the Word of God, and Scotland's covenanted work of Reformation" (Wodrow's Church Hist., IV., pp. 62-66. Gibson's Tombstones and Monuments of the Covenanters, pp. 75-79).

<sup>4</sup> The word "footts" was originally written "elnes."

the compt to be given wp wpon the saids thrie persons their oathes, conform to what ilk interessid person shall desyre therof, and to their airis and successouris, candlemakers in the said burgh; as the said supplication at mair length beirs. Whilk being taken to the saids provest, baillies and counsell their consideration, and after mature advyce and deliberatioune had theranent, and finding the desyre of the said supplication reasonabill, they have allowed and approven, and be thir presentis, for them and their successouris in office, ratifies, allowes and approves of the said candlemakeris their building of the forsaid hows in manner and for the use abovewrittin, and declares the same to belong to them or any otheris of their incorporation that shall joyne with them and pay in manner forsaid, and to their airis and successouris, candlemakers in the said burgh, in all tyme coming; and thir presentis are heirby declared to be als valid and sufficient a right to the said candlemakeris as if there were ane disposition and chartour subscrivit in their favouris of the said hows, and ordains the clerk to subscrivye and give out ane extract heirof in their names.

26 July 1684.

The magistratis and counsell have concluded and appoynted ane con-  
tribution to be collected throw the respective howssis of the toun for <sup>Collection for Kelso.</sup>  
helping the toun of Kelso that was lately burnt, and appoynts the magistratis with the ministeris to imploy what person they think fittest for collecting therof.

Andro Purdoun is appoynted to receive the excyse fra the collectouris <sup>Purdoun,</sup>  
at the mylnes, and to begin this day eight dayes, and the maister of wark <sup>excyse, black-</sup>  
is to receive the black money<sup>1</sup> therof. <sup>money.</sup>

In ansuer to the supplication given in be John Andersone, elder, of <sup>Ansuer to Dowhill,</sup>  
Dowhill, makand mention of the great loss he sustained by the lait fyre <sup>elder.</sup>  
and throw decay of trade and utherwayes, and of the ill condition he is in, desyring the saids magistratis and counsell to consider the same and give him wp his notte of thrie hundreth and three scoir ten poundis he is resting to the toun, quhilk was severall tymes promeist him, for which

<sup>1</sup> "Black money," the designation given to (Jamieson's Scottish Dict.).  
the early copper currency of Scotland

he offeris to give a right to George Herbertsone of his high chope quher George Herbertson hes builded his land in Saltmercat. Quhilk being taken to the saids magistratis and counsell their consideration, they ordain the said notte to be delyvered wp to him, and discharges him of the same and soum therin contained, wpon his granting ane disposition to the forsaid chope as said is.

23 August 1684.

Presenta-  
tioune, Mr.  
John Sage,  
minister.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, and taking to their consideration their calling and presenting of ane able and qualified person for serving the cure as ane of this burghs ordinary ministeris, now vacant throw the transportation of Mr. John Gray, late minister here, from this place to Aberlady, they all with ane unanimous consent, being assured and weill informed of the qualificatioune, good lyfe and conversatioune of Mr. John Saige, student of divinity, hes called, nominat and presented and heirby calls, nominats and presents the said Mr. John Sage to be ane of the ordinary ministeris of this burgh in place of the said Mr. John Gray, and to the ordinary stipend payable yeirly to any of the ministeris within the said burgh serving the cure ther, quhilk is, yearly, ane thowsand pounds money of stipend and four scoir pounds of hows maill, to be payed at twa termes in the yeir, Whitsonday and Martimes, be equall portions, beginnand the first termes payment therof at the term of Whitsonday j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. and eighty fyve yeiris for the half yeir immediately preceeding; and wills and desyres the most reverend father in God, Arthur by the mercy of God archbishop of Glasgow, to try and examin the literature, qualificatioune, good lyfe and conversation of the said Mr. John Sage, and, being found qualified, to admitt and receive him to be ane of the ministeris of this burgh for exercing the function of the ministrie therin, and to give him collation, institution and all uther sort of ecclesiastick ordouris requisit for that effect, and to take his oath for giving dew obedience to his grace the said archbishop, his ordinary, in forme as effeiris; and ordains the clerk to subscrivye and give furth to the said Mr. John Sage ane extract of thir presents, quhilk is declared to be als sufficient as if ther wer a presentatioune drawn wp and subscrivit be the saids magistratis and counsell themselves.

Warrant,  
rosa solis,  
chestnuts.

Ordains Robert Fynnison, thesaurer, to pay to . . . James



Andersone the sowm of ane hundreth twenty eight poundis Scotis for rosa solis<sup>1</sup> and chesnuds furnished be him to the magistrats, that was given be them to some persons the last yeir.

20 September 1684.

The provest and dean of gild made report that they had mett and cleared compts with James Boyd, maisson, for repairing the great bridge [when it was found that the sum of £433 6s. 8d. was owing and payment was authorised]. <sup>Report, great bridge.</sup>

The magistratis and toun counsell have concluded and appoynted that Mr. Alexander Kinneir get four scoir pounds payed him, yeirly, for his hows maill, as the rest of the ministeris of the toun gets, and that during his serving the cure as ane of the ministeris of the toun. <sup>Mr. Alexander Kinneir, his hows maill.</sup>

26 September 1684.

There was ane factoury and commission subscrivit in favouris of George Andersone for wplifting and receiving the teyndis of the barrony, taken be the toun fra the archbishop for the space of nyntein yeirs to come, as also for the bygane teyndis restand. <sup>Factoury, barrony teyndis.</sup>

The magistratis and counsell taking to their consideratioun the great pains and trouble Walter Corbet, hammerman, is at in keeping the tolbooth clock and chimms, and that the sellary sattled on him is small and inconsiderable, being fyve pound starling, yeirly, [augmented it to £10]. <sup>Tolbooth clock and chimms.</sup>

The provest, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyener made report that they had settled and aggried with Robert Boyd for paying him fifty pounds Scots for ilk ruid of ane stane dyck quhilk he was formerly appoynted to build at the back of the High Kirk, for keeping fensible that yaird that belongs to the toun, quhilk they bowght for the touns [use for] washing and bleitching,<sup>2</sup> and keeping the Craigs park more fensible and the said washing place fra being spoyled by horse and kyne going in therto, for quhilk the said Robert is to furnish stane, lyme and all necessaris. Quhilk report was allowed and approven, and ordains the said Robert to build the said dyck sufficiently and als high as the magis- <sup>Report, dyck at back of High Kirk.</sup>

<sup>1</sup> "Rosa solis," the plant called sun-dew.

<sup>2</sup> See pp. 182-3.

Bridge  
beyond Cow-  
caddens.

tratis and counsell shall think fitt. As also ordains (*blank*) to pay to the said Robert Boyd the sowm of twa hundreth merks for building a bridge beyond the Cowcaddens and furnishing stane and lyme therto and casting the goats for taking the water aff the highway, quhich was unpassible ther, conform to the agriement made with him by the saidis persons theranent.

Report anent  
John  
Woddrops  
supplication.

The proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveener and thesaurer made report that they had considered John Woddrops petition, with the loss of his hydes that was taken owt of his holes and laid on wpon the sydes of the howssis for saving them from the lait fyre in Gallowgait, which they find to be very considerable, and therfor for helping to repair the same they thowght fitt to give him wp his band of nyne hundreth and fifty merks granted be him to the toun for the drawn teyndis this cropt 1684; whilk report was thowght just and reasonable.

Ansuer to  
Robert  
Stirlings  
petition.

The magistratis and counsell having considered the petition given in be Robert Stirling, maltman, makand mention of the great loss he sustained in keeping the subdeans mylne, and the charges and expenssis he was at in convoying the archbishop to Drumfreis and home again be Air, they ordain the said Robert to have ane hundreth pounds Scotis payed him for the said loss and expenssis, and ordains the clerk to give warrand on the thesaurer or any utheris that hes money belonging to the toun for paying the same.

Ansuer to  
John Cumings  
petition.

The magistratis and counsell considering the petition given in be John Cuming, maltman, anent the loss he sustained by the tack of the Green the last yeir, he having taken few beasts theron and none bot burgessis kyne, and the generall having cawsed him take far les for the officeris and dragouns horssis then he gote fra otheris, having promised to caws get him allowance therfor, they ordain the thesaurer to pay him ten poundis sterling for the said loss, with fourty fyve poundis farder quhilk he was cawsed pay by the magistratis to ane dragoun for a horse that he alledged was taken owt of the park and spoyled, the said John having made appear that the samen was not done throw his default; quhilk soumes shall be allowed to the said thesaurer at his compt making.

Warrand,  
thesaurer,  
guard  
chamber.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to James Woddrop, land laborer, the soum of twenty four pounds Scotis for the maill of a hows at the Gallow-

gate port that was taken from him, at command of the magistratis, to be a guard chamber to the officers quhill the new guard was builded, and for uther loss he sustained therby.

Ordains (*blank*) to pay to baillie John Andersone the soum of twelve pounds ten shillings sterling for the last yeiris allowance in plenishing the generallis lodging and furnishing him coall and candle. Baillie Andersone gave in ane accompt of the haill particular furnishing furnished be him that is within the generallis lodging, quhilk he was desyred to buy for that end wpon the touns accompt, and quhilk compt extends to seven hundreth twenty fyve pundis ten shilling, and was allowed and approven be the saids magistratis and counsell. And ordains the said baillie to be payed of the said soum, he making the said plenishing furthcoming and delyvering the same conform to the said compt to some person in name of the toun, quhilk they are to keep for the use abovewritten.

Ordains (*blank*) to pay to John M'Cuir, wryter, the soum of ane hundreth pounds Scotis for his pains and expenssis in going to Edinburgh lately for getting the archbishops hand to a new tack of the teyndis of the barrony, and going throw the countrey and getting the dean and chapters hands to the same; and ordains the uther tack formerly subscrivit be the said archbishop of the saids teyndis to be delyvered wp to him wpon the receipt of this new one.

Alexander Thom gave in ane accompt of his cutting the Kings armes wpon stone, furnishing ane stone therto, poynting and gilding therof, and cutting the Kings armes on timber for the Kings seat in the High Kirk, contriving the modellis of the frontispeece of the lafts ther, and for cutting severall thistles and crouns for the use of the said seat, and his haill pains and attendance therwpon, and the taking down and putting wp the said lafts, and for eight cedar tables and the pertinentis belonging therto, furnished be him for the use of the toun, wherby the toun will be restand to him, by and attour what he hes received formerly, the soum of four hundreth and fyve poundis Scotis, quhilk compt was allowed and approven, and ordains the clerk to give owt warrand for payment of the same wpon the thesaurer or any of the touns collectouris that hes money.

Presenta-  
tioune, Mr.  
James Young  
to be bibleo-  
thicarius of  
the colledge.

The said provest, baillies and counsell, taking to their consideratioune the contract and aggreement made and past betwixt their predecessouris in office and the masteris of the colledge of Glasgow, be vertew quherof it was concluded and aggried that the bibleothicarius of the said colledge be presented *per vices* be the said toun and colledge ilk four yeiris, and the caswalities belonging to the same; and the colledge having presented Mr. James Young, master and professor of humanity, and given him the last presentatioune as belonging to them for the space of four yeiris, quhilk are not yet owtrun till Lambmes 1687, therfor the saidis provest, baillies and counsell, for keeping a good correspondence betwixt the toun and colledge, and for the respect and kyndnes they bear and carry not only to the said Mr. James himself bot lykwayes to the memory of his umquhill father and uncle, who wer masters of the said colledge, and his grand-father who was a minister in this city, for them and their successouris in office have given, granted and presented, and be thir presents gives, grants and presents to the said Mr. James Young the forsaid place of bibleothicarius in the said colledge, and that for the space of four yeiris after the expyryng of the presentatioune granted to him be the said colledge, quhilk is at the said term of Lambmes 1687, and to the hail caswalities belonging therto, at the saidis magistratis and counsell their gift and presentatioune; and willis and desyres the principall and remanent masteris of the said colledge of Glasgow to admitt and receive the said Mr. James Young to the said place and caswalities forsaid belonging therto at the said term of Lambmes 1687 and that for the space of four yeiris thereafter.

27 September 1684.

Compt,  
George  
Anderson,  
clerk.

George Andersone gave in ane accompt of his and his servants expences, with their horses, being imployed to goe to Edinburgh in March 1683, be the toun, when Sir Adam Blair was persewing them befor the exchequer, and in the touns uther affairs ther, and staying there at that tyme till the store and storehowssis were rowped belonging to the fishing society, for the space of twenty four dayes. And for his goeing to Edinburgh, being imployed be the toun, with his servant and horses, to the convention of burrows in July 1683, and his staying then the space of sixtein dayes. Item, his charges and expenssis, being imployed to goe to Edinburgh in November 1683, to sie the touns

band for the store and storehowssis delyveréd and to receive wp the paperis, with a right fra the society therto, quhilk accordingly was done. As also his expence when he went to Edinburgh in March 1684, being called to give ane accompt of the fynes to my lord high thesaurer and thesaurer deput, where he, with his servant and twa horses, stayed twenty dayes. Item, his expence and debursments, with his servant and 2 horses, at Edinburgh, being called in to give ane accompt to my said lord thesaurer and thesaurer deput of the touns excyse and common goods, in Apryll. And siclyke for being at Edinburgh, being ordered thither be the magistratis and counsell, to the convention of burrows in July 1684, and clearing comptis of the cess and excyse with James Oswald, and delyvering wp his receipts and getting ample discharges, and ryding beyond Dunbar and meeting my lord high chancellour and thesaurer. And for his expenssis in borrowing and sending to the provest at Edinburgh a considerable pairt of the money that payed the royall company, spent be the said George at the borrowing and receiving therof. As also his expenssis and debursments in going to Greenock and taking William Stirling, baillie deput of the regality, with him, as he was desyred, for taking instrumentis in his hand against Patrick Murray and Robert Campbell anent the salt, and spent in Glasgow with Patrick Dundas anent the said bargain, quher the provest and severall uthers was present. Quhilk compt and ilk article therof being red and calculat and laid be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they find the samen extends to the soum of [£491 2 s. 8 d.]; quhilk was allowed and approven be them. And farder, they give and allow to the said George Andersone, clerk, the soum of four hundreth and eighty pounds partly for his pains in oft ryding anent the saids affairs, and for the haill gratis tickets written be him and severall rights, wryting and compts, and uther extraordinar wryting, this last yeir.

Ordains Robert Fynnison, thesaurer, to have ane warrand for the sowm of twa hundred and fourty poundis Scotis, payed be him for silver and gold ribbens for burgessis ticketis given to noblemen and gentlemen and their servants since May 1683.

Ordains (*blank*) to pay to James Muir, Richard Manuell and James Heriot, wryteris in the clerkis chamber, the sowm of ane hundreth and

Warrand,  
burgessis  
ticketis.

Warrand,  
wryteris in  
clerkis  
chamber.

eighty poundis for taking wp severall listis of the haill inhabitantis in the toun, and wryting bilgets and helping the quartermaister for quartering the soldiouris, and for attending at the chamber for a considerable space till ten aclock ilk night for taking wp of strangeris names and giving them in to the guard, and for furnishing of parchment to gratis burges ticketis these twa yeiris, and for severall tymes wryting the test, and uther extraordinar pains and wryting, quhich was very meikle this last yeir.

Provest and  
deacon  
convener.

The magistratis and toun counsell, taking to their consideration the great pains and trowble the provest hes bein at in ryding and doing the touns affairis these twa yeirs, they ordain the thesaurer to delyver him wp his band of ane thowsand seven hundreth six pundis 12 s. 6 d. he is restand to the toun, without payment, and declares him to be frie of the same;<sup>1</sup> as also ordains the thesaurer to delyver to John Wallace, deacon conveener, his band that he restis to the toun of four scoir poundis, for his pains and ryding in the touns affairis.

Mr. Alexander  
George,  
minister  
Barrony  
Kirk.

The magistratis and toun counsell, taking to their consideration the new tack of the teyndis of the barrony taken be them fra his grace the archbishop of Glasgow, for the space of nyntein yeirs yet to run, be acceptance of the quhich tack they are lyable in paying the minister of the barronies stipend, and in respect the quantity to be payed is not particularly exprest in the said tack, the saids magistrats and counsell heirby bind and obleis them to pay to Mr. Alexander George, minister of the said barrony, the soum of nyne hundreth pounds Scots for his stipend, yeirly, at twa termes in the yeir, Whitsonday and Martimes, be equall portions, with fifty pounds yeirly for furnishing the communion elements, and that during the yeirs of the said tack and his serving the cure at the said kirk.

Warrant,  
militia  
horse.

Ordains Robert Fynnison, thesaurer, to pay to Alexander Yuill the soum of thrie hundreth merkis for owtreiking and furnishing a militia horse for the toun, with ane hundreth merkis for a yeirs maintainance of the said horse, the said Alexander giving band and sufficient cawtioune for serving in the said militia with a man and a sufficient horse and armes, and freeing the toun of any hazard they shall happen to sustain throw his not performance, on quhich condition thir presentis are granted to him.

<sup>1</sup> This act rescinded, 4th November, 1684. *Postea*, p. 369.

It is concluded that baillie John Andersone and James Hamilton, <sup>Militia</sup>merchand, be payed for owtreiking their militia horssis with a years <sup>horses.</sup> maintainance, they giving band and cawtioune as uthers who putts owt horses for the said militia are obleidged to doe.

29 September 1684.

Ordains the thesaurer to have ane warrand to pay baillie Grahame <sup>Warrand,</sup> the soum of twa hundreth twenty thrie poundis Scotis, quherof fourty <sup>thesaurer.</sup> pounds is for expenssis in going to the archbishop of St. Andrews buriall,<sup>1</sup> and the rest of the said sowm is for drink spent in his hows be the magistratis wpon the touns accompt since the twenty eight of June last, conform to the compt therof red and allowed.

The magistrats and counsell have appoynted two hundreth merkis to <sup>Money for</sup> be payed be the toun to Patrick Maxwell, tanner, for three scoir hydes and <sup>loss of hydes</sup> wpwards that he lost at the late fyre, that wer taken fra him for laying <sup>at fyre.</sup> wpon howssis for saving them from the fyre; and ane hundreth merkis to be payed to Gabriell Listoun for thretty hydes he lost at the said fyre.

The Holland and French wood knappell belonging to the toun, lyand Knappell in the new closs at Greenock, were sold in haill sale to Alexander Thom <sup>sold.</sup> for fourtein shilling and six pennies the peice overhead.

The magistratis and counsell have concluded and appoynted that <sup>Money to be</sup> William Stirling, baillie deput of the regality, and John Johns, pro- <sup>payed to</sup> curatour fiscall of the comissariot of Glasgow, get twenty fyve poundis <sup>Stirling and</sup> sterling payed them for their pains and service in the touns affairs these <sup>Johns.</sup> twa yeirs past, and for their discretion to the toun and inhabitantis therin in their severall imployments.

The magistratis and counsell, in ansuer to the supplication given in <sup>Ansuer to</sup> to them be Allan Glen, they ordain him to be payed be the toun of the <sup>Allan Glen's</sup> six pounds nyne shillings sterling for a horse that he had new bowght <sup>petition.</sup> that died at Edinburgh, being bursten ryding thither be the provest.

30 September 1684.

[The archbishop nominated John Johnstoun of Clachrie as provost, and from <sup>Election of</sup> leets presented to him chose George Johnstoun and John Craufurd, merchants, <sup>magistrates.</sup> and William Watsoun, tailor, to be bailies for the ensuing year.]

<sup>1</sup> Archbishop Burnet died on 24th August, 1684.

3 October 1684.

Toun  
counsell.

[The magistratis of this and the two preceding years, with persons added to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen as town councillors.]

22 October 1684.

Election of  
dean of gild,  
etc.

[Robert Corse, dean of guild ; John Smith, deacon convener ; David Craufurd, treasurer ; Alexander Ross, bailie of Gorbals ; John Purveyance, water bailie ; James Corse, visitor of gardeners ; John Grahame, procurator fiscal.]

27 October 1684.

Pensions to  
touns physi-  
tian or utheris  
discharged.

The magistratis and counsell considering the sad condition the toun is in throw the great debt they are resting, it is therfor concluded that the toun shall make use of no person as the touns physitian or chirurgian in tyme coming, and if any person who is unweill and deserves to be cured, wpon their application to any of the magistratis they are impowered to recommend them to any physitian they shall think fitt ; and discharges the paying of any money to any pensioners or utheris on the touns accompt till the counsellis farder order. As also, in respect forsaid, it is enacted and concluded that none of the baillies shall have power to give to any poor person above half a dollour at a tyme ; and discharges the maister of wark to ansuer any money upon that accompt except wpon warrand subscrivit be twa of the baillies.

Warrands  
for payment.

Act restrain-  
ing magis-  
tratis to fyne  
or decyde  
debates with-  
out legall  
courts.

The magistratis and counsell, considering the great clamouris made be the touns people by the abuses committed be the lait magistratis these few veiris past, by decerning severall persons to pay debtis and sowmes of money to others, and extorting and exacting fynes from severall of them without using any probatioune or decerning any formall sentence against them in publict court, far contrair to the law and practique of the burgh, for remeid quherof it is inacted and concluded that in tyme coming none of the magistratis within the burgh, baillie of Gorballis nor water baillie, shall have power to fyne any person except by conveyeing the transgressours in a publict court and using a legall probation and giving a formall sentence against them, and that the touns baillies shall not determin anything betwixt the touns people above fourty shilling Scotis except they be convicted as said is.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See explanation of this act, *infra*, p. 383.



[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 11 oz. 3 drop 7 grains; rough tallow to be sold for 44 s. the stone; and candle for 50 s. 8 d. the stone.] Pryce of  
bread, tallow,  
and candle.

4 November 1684.

The provest, baillies and counsell being convened, and taking to their consideration ane former act of the magistratis and toun counsell, daited the twenty seventh day of September last, ordaining the thesaurer of the said burgh to delyver wp to John Barnes, lait provest, his band granted be him to the magistratis and toun counsell for the tyme of the sowm of seventein hundred and six punds twelve shilling six pennies, quhilk he is restand to the toun, without any payment, and declaring him to be frie of the samen soum for the great pains and trouble he hes bein at in ryding and doing the touns affairs these two yeiris;<sup>1</sup> and also finding by the accomptis given in be the said John Barnes, lait provest, and allowed to him be the magistratis and counsell for the tyme, that the samen is very exorbitant and far beyond any allowance given to former provestis, considering the touns affairs was in agitation for the tyme; and lykwayes taking to their consideration that ther was never any allowance given be the toun to any former provest for his pains in their affairs, bot only allowance for their just debursmentis and expenssis, and swa they conceive it unreasonable that he showld be exonerod of the said band; therfor the saids provest, baillies and toun counsell have rescinded and declared, and heirby rescinds and declares, the said act of counsell ordaining the said band to be delyvered wp to the said John Barnes, lait provest, and declaring him frie of the samen, to be voyd and null; and ordains George Andersone, toun clerk, in whose hands the said band is, to exhibit and produce the samen to the present provest, quhilk accordingly he went for and gave to the said present provest in presence of the remanent magistratis and toun counsell, who immediatlíe delyvered it to David Craufurd, present toun thesaurer, who was ordained to put the samen to executioun against the said John Barnes as accords of law quhill he pay the sowmes therin contained.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, p. 366.

<sup>2</sup> The magistrates and council sued ex-provost Barnes in the court of session for the sum contained in his bond, and obtained

decree on 3rd March, 1685. As reported in Morrison's Dictionary of Decisions (p. 2515), it was pleaded for the defender that he was discharged of the bond by an act of council,

6 December 1684.

Visitor of  
maltmen.  
Calsey in  
Trongait.

[John Lilburne chosen visitor of maltmen for ensuing year.]

Nominats, commissionats and appoynts George Johnstoun, baillie, to settle and aggrie with some fitt person for lifting of about ane hundred and twenty ruid of the Trongate calsey and laying the samen of new again, and that from the West Port till ye come on this syde of the Tron Church, the breadth of six elnes on every syde from the croun therof, and that he pay the samen out of the maltmens fynes or utheris that shall be gotten quhilk will amount to so much.

Maltmen and  
collectouris.

For clearing of any mistakes that may fall out betwixt the maltmen and the collectouris anent the excyse of what malt they shall bring in to the toun, it is heirby statute and ordained that every maltman be himself, his wyfe or servant, give ane subscrivit list weekly, on the Saturday morning, to the collector, befor they pay the excyse of what malt they had that week out of the mylne, and the person who received the same; and if the maltman, his wyfe or servant, cannot wryt that they sett to their mark to the said list in presence of ane honest and famous witnes who shall subscribe witnes therto; and that wnder the pain of ten pundis Scotis to be payed in case of faillye *toties quoties* any of them shall happen to contraveen.

17 January 1685.

Report, pro-  
vest. from  
Edinburgh.

The provest made report of his diligence at Edinburgh, and produced Sir George Lockhart and the rest of the touns advocatis their information anent what is fitt to be done in the touns affairs, and particularly to call the lait magistratis and counsell to ane accompt for imbazling the touns revenewes and common good, and that ther wer summondis of reduction raised for reducing some bands and acts of counsell granted be the lait magistratis, quherof one granted to the lait archbishop of Glasgow now of St. Andrews for twenty thowsand merkis, granted for a tack of the teyndis, with the bands granted to Coutstoun, Bailie Andersone and John that the discharge was "granted for the onerous cause of good services done to the town:" and that it was "ordinary to gratify the good services of magistrates." To this it was answered that the "magistrates are but administrators of the town's common good, and cannot, more than curators, gift away any part on't gratuitously; and if there be any such custom, it is but *vetustas erroris*. The lords decerned against the Provost."

Andersone, maister of wark; quhilk report was allowed and approven be the saids magistratis and councell, and appoyntis the reduction to be prosecute both as to these and what else shall be thought necessar be advyce of lawyeris.

Appoyntis the provest [and others], with ane of these of every quarter that collected the money for helping these that suffered by the lait fyre <sup>Money collected on account of lait fyre.</sup> beyond the Gallowgait bridge, to convene and call for accompt of the said money swa collected, and to distribute the samen to these that had the loss, als equally and justly as they best can, and particularly to consider these who had the greatest loss and are best deserving; and in the mean tyme appoyntis the dean of gild to call for the lists fra the collectouris that it may be knoun what is received.

The magistratis and counsell considering how unbeseeming it is in <sup>Cleansing of the street.</sup> the streets of the toun to sie the samen so filthie, by peoples letting middings and fulzie ly therupon and not clatting the streets as they owght to doe, therfor they heirby inact, statute and ordain that no persons shall lay out or suffer any middings to ly wpon the street longer then they may have a competent tyme to take them away, and that the streets be clated and made clean once every week, and that the samen be done be ilk person forganis his oun land, be these to whom the land pertains, at leist be these who gets the fulzie of the closs, and that under the pain of four shillings Scotis *toties quoties* they failzie to cleanse the said street once a week; quhilk is to be payed to Thomas Urie, quherof thrie shilling to be applyed to his oun use, who is heirby appoynted to sie this act put in executioun, and the uther twelve pennies to one of the toun officeris whom he is to take alongst with him to sie the samen done. And if any of the inhabitantis shall suffer any fulzie to ly longer wpon the streets then they may conveniently take the same away, the said Thomas is heirby empowered to cause take the same away and imploy the same to his oun use. And in respect ther is severall persons that hes not convenient places in backsydes to lay their fulzie in, they appoynt baillie Johnston and the dean of gild to look for some convenient place by the way leading to Crapnestock quher the people may lay their fulzie. And also appoynts <sup>Taking up lists of strangers.</sup> the said Thomas Urie to look for what strangeris and persons that want testificatis come into the toun, and to give in ane list therof to the magistratis, weekly or monthlie, for quhilk he is to have 40 s. for his pains.

14 February 1685.

Warrant,  
apologeticall  
declaration.

Ordains John Ritchie to pay to the provest the sowm of ane hundreth fifty nyne pundis fyftein shilling Scotis that was spent be him, on the touns accompt, the tyme the earle of Carnwath and remanent commissioners of counsell and justiciarie sate heir anent the apologeticall declaration.<sup>1</sup>

28 February 1685.

Oath of alle-  
giance, King  
James the  
7th.

The baillies and counsell did take the oath of allegiance and supremacie, as also the oath and test in name of our present dread soveraigne King James the seventh,<sup>2</sup> and subscrivit the samen with their hands.

The provestis  
commission  
to the parlia-  
ment.

The magistratis and toun counsell, taking to their consideration that our dread soveraigne the King hes be his proclamation ordained a parliament to meet at Edinburgh the nynth of Apryll nixt, commanding and requyring all shyres and burghs to make choice of their respective commissioneris, and them and all others concerned to attend the same at that tyme, in obedience to the qwhilk proclamation the saids magistratis and counsell have unanimously elected and choysen John Johnstoun of Clachrie, present provest, to be commissioner for this burgh at the said parliament, and ordains the clerk to give ane ample commission for that effect in their names, quherof the tennor followis:—Be it kend till all men be thir present letters, ws, the baillies and counsell of the burgh of Glasgow, forsameikle as it hath pleased his sacred Majestie King James the 7th to appoynt ane parliament to be holden at the burgh of Edinburgh wpon the nynth day of Apryll in this instant yeir of God 1685 yeiris, therfor witt ye ws to have nominat, constituted and ordained, lykas we be thir presentis nominat, constitute and ordain our weill beloved neighbour, John Johnston of Clachrie, present provest of our said burgh, our very lafull undowted and irrevocable commissioner to the effect underwritten, giving, granting and committing to him our very full, frie, plain

<sup>1</sup> The "apologeticall declaration" was a document drawn up and published by a section of the covenanters, in October, 1584, in which they disowned the royal authority, and announced that they were resolved to resist

persecution. The privy council retaliated by adopting more severe measures, and special commissions or courts of inquiry were appointed with justiciary powers.

<sup>2</sup> King Charles II. died on 6th February.

power, express bidding, mandament and charge, for ws and in our names and wpon our behalf, to meet and conveen with the remanent commissioneris of the said royall burrows of this kingdome, in the said ensewing parliament to be holden at the said burgh of Edinburgh wpon the said nynth of Apryll, with continuatioune of dayes, and there in our names to sit, treat, reason, votte and conclude wpon all and quhatsomever matteris that shall happen to be proponed, treated and concluded wpon the said parliament; firm and stable holding and for to hold all and quhatsomever our said commissioner shall doe in the premisses, in swa far as may concern the glorie of God, the Kings honour and weellfare of this kingdome and estate of the burrows. Attour, we testifie and declare our said commissioner to be a man fearing God, of the true protestant religion presently in publict profest and authorized be the lawes of this kingdome, without suspition of the contrair, ane merchand inhabitant in our said burgh, bearing all portable charges with his neighbouris within the samen, and is such as may tyne and win in all their affairis. In witnes quherof, thir presentis are subscrivit be George Andersone, our common clerk, at our command, our common seall of office of the said city is heirto affixt.<sup>1</sup>

13 March 1685.

Ther was ane humble address subscriv'd be the magistratis and toun counsell to be presented to his sacred Majestie, quherof the tennour followis:—To the Kings most excellent Majestie,—The humble address of the magistrats and counsell of your citie of Glasgow, for themselves and in name of the inhabitantis. As we, your Majesties most dutifull and loyall subjects, could not bot in a very speciall manner have a deep sense of and be much afflicted for the inexpressible loss of our late gracious monarch, by whose care and protection we were so weill defended from the dangers that did constantly threaten us from disordourly neighbouris, for quich loss each of your Majesties subjects is truly greived, according to the degrees of his sense and loyalty, so this gratefull and decent sorrow does not at all hinder ws from blessing Almighty God and having our

The touns  
address to his  
Majestie.

<sup>1</sup> Among the protests lodged when the rolls of parliament were called on 23rd April is one by John Johnstoun, commissioner for Glasgow, who "protested for precedence before

the four burghs ranking immediately before Glasgow, viz., Aberdeen, Sterline, Linlithgow, and St. Andrews." (A.P.S., viii., p. 455.)

hearts filled with sincere joy for your sacred Majesties accession to the throne of your royall ancestouris, by whom we and our predecessouris have bein of long protected, and from whose oun extraordinary experience, als weill as wisdom and cowrage, we have just reason to expect that this corner of the kingdome will be again reduced to quiet and happines, and the trade by which this place is only supported will be secured and incouraged by that extraordinary skill which your sacred Majestie hes in affairs of that nature. In return of all which we shall indavour, with hearts far more loyall then any professions we can make, not only to concurr our selves in our oun stations in your Majesties service, bot be very exemplar to others, in spyte of all dangers and opposition, thogh we have very good reason to hope that none of these will threaten your Majesties peacable reigne which, that it may be als happie as your Majesties great vertue deserves and as our sincere loyaltie showld inspyre ws to wish, shall be the constant and ardent prayeris of, may it please your sacred Majestie, your Majesties most humble, most faithfull and most dutifull subjects.

16 May 1685.

Warrant,  
maister of  
wark.

Ordains the maister of wark to pay to one Anthonie Nauden, a Frenchman, thrie rex dollouris to help to carry him and his wyfe aff the toun, he having left his countrey for his religion.

2 June 1685.

Common good [Mills, 8,000 merks; ladles, 3,400 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 900 merks; tron, 810 merks; bridge, 1,200 merks.]

27 June 1685.

Report, pro-  
vest, from  
Edinburgh.

The provest made report of his diligence at Edinburgh the tyme of sitting of the parliament and sitting of the burrows, before and at the tyme, and of the touns uther affairs from the second of Apryle last to the twentie fourth of this instant. And ordains David Craufurd, thesaurer, to pay to the said provest the soun of twelve hundred fourtein pounds fyftein shilling, Scotis money, for his expenssis and debursmentis, both ordinar and extraordinar, in attending the parliament and burrows the haill tyme forsaid, and for expenssis and horses hyres of himself and

these he took with him in meeting his Majesties high commissioner and lord chancellour when they wer coming from London, befor the doun-sitting of the parliament, and for dressing the foot mantle and furnishing livery cloathes to his servant and paying chamber maill and horse meat for some that attended him the said tyme, and other debursmentis in the touns affairs, conform to the accompt therof red and allowed.

Ordains Robert Johnstoun to have ane warrand for the sowm of seven thousand merkis sent east be him to Edinburgh to the provest, quhilk soum, with the sowm of fyve thowsand merks borrowed be baillie Johnstoun and Robert Corse, dean of gild, fra Jonet Muir, for quhilk they gave their oun band and quhilk also was sent to the provest, and with the quhilk twa sowmes the provest payed to the lait archbishop of Glasgow, now of St. Andrews,<sup>1</sup> the sowm of twelve thowsand merks of principall soum the toun was awand to him by band.

The magistratis and toun councell, taking to their consideration that be ane act of this current parliament the excyse of malt browen within this kingdome is to be exacted for the malt browen, and the land rent not to be burdened for making wp of the samen as formerly, swa that by all appearance, and by the insinuation of some persons, the excyse of the malt that shall happen to be browen within this toun, after the first of November nixt, may be taken far beyond the just availl, and the toun frustrat of that exaction that they had aff the samen formerly, wherby the toun will be exceedingly straitned and will not be in a condition to pay their debtis and publict burdens if the samen be not remeided, therfor they heirby commissionat and appoynt the provest to use his indavour to get the excyse in the touns hand, they payand as formerly, although he showld give some litle thing more, or to sie and deall what he can doe for getting libertie to exact a plack of the pynt of what malt shall be browen in the toun, or uther liberty to exact something in lieu and place therof, for helping to pay the touns debtis and publict burdens, and that as shall be thought fitt for the touns best advantage.

10 August 1685.

Ordains Robert M'Millen to pay to George Johnstoun, baillie, Warrand,

<sup>1</sup> Archbishop Ross was translated from Glasgow to St. Andrews in the end of the preceding year. He was succeeded in Glasgow by Alexander Cairncross, who was translated from Brechin. M'Millen.

[£1,528 3 s. 4 d.] Scotis money, debursed be him for baggage horses furnished for carieing the artillery and others belonging to the Kings forces, and for furnishing of post horses and their ryders, and for foot posts, the haille tyme of the lait rebellion fra the tyme that the late Argyle and his accomplices invaded this kingdome, conform to the compt therof.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to John Hall, elder, the soun of fifty fyve pounds two shilling Scotis for dressing the late Argyle, Rumbold, Mr. Thomas Archer, Mr. Lockhart, and ane poor Dutchman, the tyme they wer prisoneris in the tolbooth, being all wounded, and for furnishing drogs to them, conform to the compt therof.<sup>1</sup>

Warrant,  
thesaurer, lait  
rebellion.

Ordains the thesaurer to have ane warrant for the sowm of four hundreth threttie fyve pounds twelve shilling, payed to the touns militia and the militia of Gorballis the tyme of the lait rebellion, being eleven of them was out for the space of fourty four dayes, at eightein shilling ilk day, with sixtein pundis sixtein shilling Scotis payed to Andro Bell, ane of the eleven, being a trumpeter, attour his ordinar pay; and for twenty pundis Scotis payed farder for the expenssis and horse hyres of these who went to Hamilton to get the saids militia horses and men received and past mustour, conform to the compt therof.

Warrant,  
M'Millen,  
militia.

Ordains Robert M'Millen to have ane warrant for [£1,741 18 s. 8 d.] Scotis money debursed and lent be him to the officers of the thrie Lothian and Angus regimentis of militia, for the use of their severall regimentis, the tyme they lay heir, conform to their severall nottes and receptis obleidging them to procure the same allowed to the toun in their cess or excyse.

Report, pro-  
vest to Edin-  
burgh.

The provest made report that he had bein dealling with my lord high thesaurer and cash-keeper for getting the toun reimbursed of what money they had payed for baggage, post-horses and utheris, the tyme of the lait rebellion, quhilk my lord thesaurer was very willing shoud be done, bot that ther was no money at present to pay the same, bot that my

<sup>1</sup> The invasion of Scotland, conducted by the earl of Argyle, was of short duration. On 2nd May the earl sailed from Amsterdam, and by the middle of June his army was dispersed. Having been taken prisoner near

Paisley, he, along with others similarly implicated, seems to have been temporarily placed in Glasgow tolbooth. He was executed at Edinburgh on 30th June, 1685.



lord thesaurer and cash-keeper had offered to give als much meall out of the castle of Stirling as wold pay the same at such rate as they showld aggrie; quhilk being taken to consideration they appoynt the provest to repair to Edinburgh anent getting payment of the touns said debursmentis, either be meall or what other way he can obtain the same, and to speak my lord thesaurer anent the touns uther affairs befor he goe for London.

19 September 1685.

The magistratis and toun counsell, taking to their consideration that severall persons who wer elected and choysen to be on the toun counsell at the last election had seldome or never appeared at the ordinary meetings of the counsell, to give their advyce and assistance to the magistratis anent what related to the touns affairs, and particularlie John Andersone, lait baillie, who never since the last election appeared, and George Grahame, James Robisone and Allan Marshall who have not compeired these thrie or four counsell dayes lastbypast, notwithstanding that the said John Andersone was allwayes personally warned to attend at the ordinar counsell dayes when he was in the toun, as also the saids George Grahame, James Robisone and Allan Marshall, these four counsell dayes last, be Neill M'Allum, officer, who be his oath taken be the saids magistratis and counsell deponed the samen to be of verity; and therfor they declare their places vacant, and for supplying of the samen the saids magistratis and counsell made choice of John Bryssone and William Napeir, merchands, in place of John Andersone and James Robisone, and of John Hall, elder, and James Colquhoun, in place of the saids George Grahame and Allan Marshall; and ordains the saids four persons to be warned to attend at the nixt counsell meeting.

The provest made report of his diligence at Edinburgh anent the touns affairs the last tyme he was there, and that he had gote ane ordour from his grace my lord high thesaurer and cash-keeper for getting als much meall, at seven merks the boll, lying at Stirling, for paying what money the toun advanced for baggage and post-horses and utheris the tyme of the lait rebellion; quhilk meill he declared is come to Glasgow already, and ordains the same to be sold at the best advantage for the touns use.

Well at West  
port.

The saids magistratis and counsell allowes and approves of the setting doun of ane well at the West port, and ordains the samen to be finished and outredd and the expenssis to be payed be the toun. Ordanis John Purveyance to pay to Alexander Thom twa hundreth pounds Scots to accompt of setting doun the well at the West port, and uther work wrought be him to the toun.

Warrantis,  
thesaurer,  
postmaster.

Ordains David Craufurd, thesaurer, to pay to John Alexander, postmaster for the toun of Glasgow, the soun of thrie hundreth and thrie pounds ten shilling Scotis money, quherof sixty pundis payed to Robert Mein for ane years news letters and gazetts furnished to the toun fra the beginning of October 1683 to October 1684, and ane hundreth fifty six pundis for his fiall as the touns post fra the first of October 1684 to October 1685, at thrie pund per week; and the remander of the said soun is allowed for his extraordinary pains and in carieing of money and for horse hyres that he furnished at severall tymes on the touns account this last yeir, conform to the compt therof red and allowed. . . . As also

Gold box.

ordains the thesaurer to pay to Robert Brock, goldsmith, the soun of four scoir four pounds fourtein shilling Scotis for ane gold box made and furnished be him to the toun for ane burges ticket this last yeir, and the rest for thrie silver boxes and ane silver stamp made and furnished be him on the touns accompt quhen John Bell and John Barnes wer proveistis, conform to the accompt therof.

6 October 1685.

Election of  
the proveist  
and baillies.

The said day being the first Tuesday after Michaelmass, and swa the ordinar day for electing the magistrats of this burgh for the year ensuing, compeared Mr. Patrick Craw of Hewghhead, and produced ane letter direct be his grace Alexander, archbishop of Glasgow, to the proveist, magistrats and toun counsell of the said burgh, wherby the said archbishop continowes John Johnstoun of Clachrie, present proveist, to be proveist for the year ensuing, who being present did accept of the said office, and gave his oath *de fidei administratioune* as use is, and swore the oath and test and subscrivit the samen. Therafter the saids haill forenamed counsellouris being removed frae the table, except the present proveist and George Johnstoun, ane of the lait baillies, the said

proveist and baillie did set doune the leitts of the merchand and crafts counsellouris to be presented to the said archbishop, out of whilk he is to choise the three baillies for the year ensuing, and the number of the merchands who were to be leitted being twelve in number, the samen were divyded in sex leitts, being two for ilk leitt, out of whilk the persones following were elected and choisen, viz.:—Robert Corse, John Ritchie, and John Purveyance for the first leitt, and for the second John Bryssone and James Peadie; and the crafts counsellouris who were to be leitted, being also twelve in number, were divyded in three leitts, to the effect three of them might be choisen to be presented to the said archbishop, and that ane of them might be elected to be the third baillie for the crafts rank, out of whilk the persones following were choisen, viz.:—John Hall, elder, John Smith and Alexander Ross. And whilk leitts swa made up is ordained to be presented to the said archbishop be baillie George Johnstoune, Robert M'Millan, and the clerk; and they having done the samen accordingle, his grace did name and mark the saids Robert Corse and John Bryssone for the merchand rank, and John Hall for the crafts rank, to bear office as the three baillies of this burgh for the year ensuing, who being all present did accept and gave their oathes *de fidei administratione*, and tooke the oath and test and subscrivit the samen.

9 October 1685.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years chose thirteen merchants Councillors and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

10 October 1685.

The saids magistrats and counsell takeing to their consideration that Weddinsday next is the ordinar day the dean of gild and deacon conveener of this burgh, with the thesaurer and severall utheris that bearis office therin, uses to be elected, is ordained to be set a pairt and kepted for his Majesties birthday, therefor it is heirby inacted and concluded that the said election shall be on Tuesday nixt, whilks the dean of gild, deacon conveiner and utheris concerned are to have their leitts readie to be presented that day, and declares that this shall be without prejudice of the keeping of the ordinary day for the said election in tyme comeing.

Appointing  
ane day this  
year for  
choising the  
dean of gild  
and deacon  
conveener  
and utheris.

13 October 1685.

Dean of gild, [George Johnstoune, dean of guild; John Smith, deacon convener; Robert  
etc. M'Millan, treasurer; Alexander Knox, water bailie; Alexander Ross, bailie of  
Gorbals; John Lilburne, visitor of maltmen; James Peadie, master of work;  
John Grahame, procurator fiscal.]

19 October 1685.

Bread tallow, [ The 12 d. loaf to weigh 12½ oz. ; rough tallow to be sold for 46 s. the stone ;  
and candle. and candle for 52 s. the stone.]

Proveist The magistratis and counsell considering that the excyse of malt  
commissionat browne within the toune is to fall in the Kings hands, by the act of this  
anent the current parliament, at the begining of November next, and that the  
excyse. samen will be uplifted be collectouris or these who shall happine to take  
the excyse of the malt within the kingdom, wherby the toune may be  
prejudged of what they exacted formerly of the said malt by and attour  
the Kings dewes, they therefor comissionat the proveist to take what  
wayes and methods he shall think fitt for getting the superplus of the  
excyse continowed to the toune whilk they uplifted formerlie, attoure the  
King's pairt, for paying their cess and other publict burdines and debts,  
and if need beis that the dean of gild convene the haill merchanda, and  
the deacon convene the haill deacones and crafts for getting their con-  
currence and advyce theranent, in caice the toune shall get the uplifting  
of the haill themselves as formerly.

Anent the The magistrats and toune counsell haveing receaved ane lettre from  
colledge and doctor Fall, principall of the colledge of Glasgow, with some proposallis  
Gramer drawn up be him and the rest of the maisteris of the said colledge and  
Schooll. ministeris of the toune, in ordour of discipline and teaching of the  
schoollaris in the Gramer Schooll, and for keeping ane good correspondence  
betuixt the said Gramer Schooll and humanitie class in the colledge,  
having bein desired by the magistrats to give their oppinione anent what  
relates to good ordour and discipline in the said schooll, at ane visitation  
therein on Munday last; whilk being taken to the saids proveist, baillies  
and counsell their consideration, they ordaine their most heartie thankis  
to be given to the said principall and remanent maisteris and ministeris  
for their advyce and dilligence in the premissis, and for their last trouble

and paines in the visitation, hoping they wold continow to doe the like heirafter when occasion should offer. And the saids magistrats and counsell heirby declare that they will not have their burgesses restricted as to that article in the proposallis anent the humanitie class, but that they shall have free libertie aither to continow their children in the Gramer School till found qualified, or to put them to the humanitie class, or dispose on them otherwayes at their option, without any hinderance. And as to the rest of the proposallis they nominat and appoint the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and baillie Caldwell to call for the maister of the Gramer Schooll, and whom else they think fitt, and to advyse theranent, and to give in their oppinione to the magistrats and tounne counsell to be considered be them before any answer therof be given to the Colledge.

Nominats and appoints the proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon <sup>Committee</sup> <sup>anent the</sup> <sup>tounes few-</sup> <sup>dewties and</sup> <sup>utheris.</sup> <sup>conveener</sup> [and three others] to meet amongst themselves and take ane accompt what lands, aither in the aikeris about the tounne or lands in the barronie, that hes not payed and agreed for their teinds, and what lands is inclosed in yairds that payed formerlie; as also of the few dewties and ground annwellis payable to the tounne and what is resting, and of the tounnes cellaris at Newport Glasgow, and of the store houses at Greenock, and what of the tounes fewaris in Gorballis are unentered, and report.

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26 October 1685.

The magistrats and counsell nominats and appoints the proveist to <sup>Proveist and</sup> <sup>clerk ap-</sup> <sup>pointed to goe</sup> <sup>to Edin-</sup> <sup>burgh.</sup> repair to Edinburgh anent that persute Robert Hamiltounne is persewing the tounne for, and the tennents of Provand, and anent that persute of my lord Blantynes and the tounnes other affaires; and likewise appoints George Andersone, clerk, to repair to Edinburgh with his first conveniencie or when the proveist shall wryte for him anent the saids affaires; and to take in with him the accompt betwixt Sir Robert Hamiltounne and the tounne, with James Oswalds precepts for clearing of these affaires.

Appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveener to take accompt of <sup>Appointment</sup> <sup>for visiting</sup> <sup>the manufac-</sup> <sup>torie.</sup> what loomes, sheares, and uther materiallis are lying in the manufactorie in the Drygait, and to lay up the samen where they may best be preserved, and to cause wair and bestow anything that can be gottine for the yaird and houses for repairing of the said manufactorie.

Dumbartane  
bridge.

Appoints the dean of gild to call for the accompts of the contribution which was collected in this toune for the bridge of Dumbartane, and to deliver the samen to the thesaurer that he may call for the money collected, and he to be comptable therefor.

High Kirk  
clock.

The magistratis and counsell upon severall reasones, and after consideration had be them, have appointed and heirby appoints Walter Corbet to attend and have a care of the clock in the High Kirk alsweill as the clock and chimmes in the tolbooth, and to have fyve pounds sterling payed him yearlie aff the fyftein pound sterling Andrew Purdoun had payed him.

14 December 1685.

John Wad-  
drop to make  
buckets.

Ordaines John Waddrop to make sextie three leather buckets for the townes use, and to have four pund Scots for ilk ane of them, and ordaines the samen to be payed out of the bucket money collected at the dean of gilds court; as also to mend the haill old buckets that are spoiled, and to retaine also much of the bucket money in his oune hand quhilk he hes received or shall receave ay and untill he [be] payed for makeing of the said new buckets and mending the old.

29 December 1685.

My lord  
primats  
discharge  
produced.

The proveist made report of his dilligence at Edinburgh in the townes affaires, and produced the decreit obtained at the instance of the lord archbishop of St. Andrews before the lords of session against the toune for twentie thousand merks that was resting him for the tack of the teinds, conforme to their band whilk was granted be proveist Barnes and the toune counsell for the tyme to the said archbishop, and gave in ane discharge of the said soume that was payed to the said archbishop, and of eightein hundreth [merks] of bygane annuelrents resting preceeding Martimas last, and whilk was payed him, conforme to the said discharge. And the bands following were this day subscrivit in favoures of the persones following, ilk ane of them for their oune pairts for the money they lent and sent in to Edinburgh, for paying the said archbishop, viz. . . .

Earl of Dun-  
donnalds  
buriall.

Remitts to the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to appoint what

persones they think fitt to goe with them to the Earle of Dundonnalds buriall.

The proveist, baillies and toune counsell of the said burgh being <sup>Act declare-</sup>conveened, and takeing to their consideration ane act made be the magis- <sup>ing meaning</sup>trats and toune counsell of the samen burgh upon the twentie <sup>of another</sup>sevinth act, day of October 1684, wherby and for the reasones therin contained, the magistrats of the said burgh, baillie of Gorballis, and water baillie are not to fyne any persone but in ane publict court, and useing ane legall probation, and giveing ane formall sentence against them, and that the tounes baillies shall not determine anything betwixt the tounes people above fourtie shilling Scotts, excepted they be convicted as said is, the saids magistrats and counsell doe hereby declare that the true meaning of the said act was not to hinder the magistrats to punishe and fyne any persone who should bring in malt to the toune without paying the excyse, and to determine betwixt the tounes flesheouris and these who shall bring in kyne to the toune to sell to them for furnishing the leidges, and punishing of them for unsufficient flesh, or to punishe and fyne the baxters for unsufficient wheat bread, and these who brings in spoiled and unsufficient victuall to the toune to be sold, as uther magistrats did formerlie, and that it shall be leisum to the present magistrats and their successouris in office to doe the same in tyme comeing as their predecissouris were in use and wont to doe, notwithstanding of the foresaid act or any uther act made in the contrary.

Ordaines Frederick Hamiltone to pay . . . to the proveist Warrant, [<sup>£ 428 10 s. disbursed</sup>] to advocats and agents and their servants, and to <sup>maltmen</sup>the clerks of privy counsell, their servants and utheris, anent the action <sup>against dean</sup>of gild. persued be the maltmen of this burgh against George Johnstoun, dean of gild, before the secreet counsell.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being <sup>Presentation,</sup>veened, and takeing to their consideration their calling and presenting of <sup>Mr. Robert</sup>ane able and qualified persone for serving the cure as ane of this burghes <sup>Knox,</sup>ordinary ministers, now vacand throw the deceass of Mr. Adam Gordone, minister, here, they all, with ane unanimous consent, being assured and weill informed of the qualification, good life and conversation of Mr. Robert Knox, student of divinity, hes called, nominat and presented, and

heirby callis nominats and presents the said Mr. Robert Knox to be ane of the ordinary ministers of this burgh in place of the said umquhill Mr. Adam Gordone, and to the ordinary stipend payable yearlie to any of the ministers within the said burgh serving the cure there, whilk is yearlie ane thousand pundis money of stipend, and four score pundis of house maill, to be payed at two termes in the year, Whitsunday and Martimass, be equall portiones, begining the first termes payment therof at the terme of Whitsunday j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. eightie sex yearis, for the halfe year immediatlie preceeding. And willis and desires the most reverend father in God, Alexander by the mercy of God archbishop of Glasgow, to trye and examine the literature, qualification, good life and conversation of the said Mr. Robert Knox, and, being found qualified, to admitt and receave him to be ane of the ministeris of this burgh for exercing the function of the ministrie therin, and to give him collation, institution, and all uther sort of ecclesiastick ordouris requisite for that effect, and to take his oath for giveing dew obedience to his grace the said archbishop, his ordinary, in forme as effeirs. And ordaines the clerk to subscribe and give furth to the said Mr. Robert Knox ane extract of thir presentis, whilk is declared to be also sufficient as if there were a presentation drawn up and subscrivit be the saids magistrats and counsell themselves.

9 January 1686.

Lands joynd  
in to the  
Grein.

The magistrats and counsell, takeing to their consideration that there are severall lands imparked within the New Grein for which they never gott in any right frae the persones to whom the samen belonged, therefor appoints the clerk to call for the saids persones who hes not allreadie given rights, and to wryte dispositiones be them in favoures of the toune and get the samen subscrivit by them, and the toune infett and secured in the saids lands, for doing wherof the saids magistrats and counsell declares that they shall satisfie the clerk to his oun contentment.

Gratifieing  
the touns  
friends.

Appoints the proveist, baillies and dean of gild to gratifie such of the tounes freinds as they shall think fitt, by sending them what wyne they think convenient on the tounes accompt, and to cause pay the samen acordinglie.



25 February 1686.

The magistrats and counsell, takeing to their consideration that George Andersone is necessitat sometymes to be off the toune anent the tounes affaires and utheris, and that he had appointed John Marshall to exerce in his absence since James Muires deceass, whilk they heirby allow and approve of, and appoints him to nominat the said John Marshall, or any uther he pleases, to exerce for him when he is absent out of the toune in the office of clerkship. Act allowing clerk to choise deput.

Appoints the calsey to be mended betuixt and Camlachie, as also the stone dyck in Gorballis belonging to the toune to be repaired, and that pairt therof whilk is fallen to be rebuilded, and the little house in Gorballis called the washing house to be taken downe, and the stones therof to be made use of for helping the said dyck; as also the teind barne to be helped and repaired; and the windowes of the tolbooth to be helped and mended, and appoints Francis Stevinsone to doe the samen. Calsey and utheris to be mended.

Ordaines John Ritchie to have ane warrand for four hundreth pund Scots payed be him out of the excyse to Mr. Archibald Inglis as parson, in pairt payment of the teind tack dewtie the toune is lyable in payment to the archbishop the cropt 1686. Warrand, Ritchie.

The magistrats and counsell, takeing to consideration the loss sustained be umquhill John Howie, skinner, and his relict, as tackisman of the Greenes the tyme of the lait rebellion, in summer last, they quat and give doune to his said relict the soume of fyve hundreth and sex pund threttein shilling four pennies. Ease given doune of the dewtie of the Greenes.

10 April 1686.

Ordaines John Ritchie to pay to George Johnstoun, dean of gild, the soume of three hundreth pund Scots depursed be him the tyme of the lait rebellion, by and attoure what was allowed and payed him formerlie upon that accompt, of whilk he declares he can give noe accompt but that he depursed the same. Warrand, Ritchie, rebellion.

Ordaines Robert M'Millan, thesaurer, to pay to Alexander Ros . . . [£237 15 s. 8 d.] for his furnishing and outreiking ane militia horse for the toune that was wanting, with ane man and furniture, the tyme of the lait rebellion in summer last, and for the pryce of the said horse whilk Warrand, thesaurer, rebellion, guard.

was lost in the service the said tyme, and for ane yearis mantenance of ane other militia horse he furnished, that was resting him, and for severall horse hyres furnished be him in the tounes affaires. . . . [Also] to pay to the said Alexander Ross, in name of the fewars and tennents in Gorballis, [£47 1 s.] for coall and candle furnished to the dragounes that kepted ane guard in Gorballis fra the twentie fourth of November 1684 till the twentie ane day of Apryll, 1685; and to the lord Ross troupe the tyme they kepted guard there.

26 June 1686.

Ordour from  
the privy  
councill, and  
the bishopes  
letter con-  
cerning the  
provest.

The magistrats and toun counsell having conveyned, in obedience to ane ordour of the lords of his Majesties most honourable privy councill, daitted at Edinburgh the twentie fyfth day of Junij instant, mentioning that the saids lords of his Majesties privie councill, in persewance of his Majesties letter daited at Whitehall the nyntein day of March last, and the saids lords their sentence of the dait foresaid, turneing out John Johnstoune of the magistracie of Glasgow,<sup>1</sup> doe therby ordaine John Barnes, lait proveist therof, to be presentlie installed proveist of that burgh, and to officiat as such therin untill the next election, conforme to use of that toun in caices of vacancies, and recomends to his grace the lord archbishop of Glasgow to wryte to the present magistrats and counsell of Glasgow to install the said John Barnes their proveist accordingle, as the said ordour subscrivit be Sir William Patersone, clerk to the counsell, bearis, conforme to which ordour and recommendation his grace the said archbishop did direct ane letter to the baillies and toun counsell of the said burgh, daited at Edinburgh the said twentie fyfth of this instant, wherof the tennor followes:—Worthie freinds,—His Majestie and his privie counsell ordoring the removeall of John Johnstoune of Clachrie from his office as being proveist of Glasgow, and that John Barnes, lait proveist, according as is usewall in caices of vacancies, be admitted againe to the said office untill the nixt election, these are therefor requyreing yow to receave the said John Barnes as proveist of your counsell and the toun

<sup>1</sup> A full account of the proceedings against provost Johnston in connection with transactions between the town and archbishop Ross will be found in a paper read by Mr.

Andrew Roberts at a meeting of the Glasgow Archæological Society on 16th January, 1890 (*Transactions*, new series, vol. II., pp. 34-43).

of Glasgow; which ordour is heirby intimatted to yow by your affectionat freind to serve yow, *sic subscribitur*: Alexander, Glascuen. In obedience and conforme to the said ordour of his Majesties privie counsell and arch-bishopes letter, the saids magistrats and toune counsell did send John Crawford and Alexander Ross, lait baillies, two of their number, with George Andersone, clerk, for the said John Barnes, lait proveist, who came and did accept of the office as proveist of the said burgh untill the nixt election and gave his oath *de fidei administratione* as use is, and swore the oath and test and subscrivit the samen.

29 June 1686.

Ordaines a proclamation to be sent throw the toune the morrow, and ane other the next weik, for roupeing the meill quhich was gottine for the expence the toune was at the tyme of the lait rebellion upon the fyftein day of July nixt, and ane other proclamatioun to be sent throw for that same purpose the nixt week.

There was ane act produced and given in be the maltman calling anent the excyse, of the daitt of thir presentis, mentioning that the most pairt of their trade being conveyen, in ordour to the giveing ane answer to ane proposall put to them be John Barnes, present proveist, it was, by pluralitie of votts, condescended to that the two merks formerlie imposed on the excyse of ilk mask malt, and uplifted be the toune beside the Kings pairt, shall be yet uplifted be the toune for defraying of their present debts and cessis, fra the first of July nixt to the first of November nixt, provyded there be ane imposition on the wynes after the said first of November, and that all byganes frae the first of Maij till the first of July nixt shall never be craved nor exacted, and that countrey men set doune their malt in the mercat as formerlie. And ordaines the said act to be presented to the saids magistrats and counsell be John Stirling, lait visitor, John Cuming and John Waddrow, elder, as the said act subscrivit be Robert Allane, their clerk, bearis. Whilk being taken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they declare that the bygane excyse frae the first of Maij till now that is allreadie broune shall not be exacted, and inacts and statutes that the countrey men set doune their malt sold within the toune as formerlie, and recomends to the magis-

trats to discharge the milleris to let any out of the mylnes belonging to them except they have ane warrand frae the visitor that the samen was set doune in the mercat, the maltmen allwayes uplifting the saids two merks frae the brewaris and paying in the samen for the tounes use. And as to the rest of the overtures, ordaines the dean of gild and conveyner to conveyn the haill merchands and crafts in their respective houses for givinge their advyce theranent, or what farder they think fitt to be done anent the said excyse, and to report the samen to the saids magistrats and counsell.

Milner at the  
new mylne of  
Partick, 1686. Anent the petition given in to the magistrats and toun counsell of the said burgh be John Hutchisone, sone to George Hutchisone, mylner at new mylne of Partick, mentioning that quher his said father and his predicessouris have bein kyndlie tennents and mylneris at the said mylne these many yearis bygaine and served honestlie therat, and his father being now become infirme through old age the said John hes served and does serve as mylner at the said mylne for his father, and does keep the samen in good ordour and furnishes all things necessar therto, supplicating therefor the saids magistrats and toun counsell to take the premissis to their consideratioun, and not onlie allow him to serve as mylner at the said mylne with his father, during his lifetyme, that he may keep the same in good caice and condition, bot also to grant him ane act in his favoures to be mylner at the said mylne after his fatheris deceass; whilk supplicatioun being taken to the saids proveist and baillies and counsell their consideration, and after advyce had be them theranent, they allow the said John Hutchisone to serve with his said father as mylner at the said mylne during his lifetyme, and likewise nominats and appoints him to be mylner at the said mylne after his fatheris deceass, and to uplift the dues and casualities belonging to the samen, he keeping the said mylne in ane good condition, and observing and fulfilling all acts made or to be made anent the mylner therof. And thir presents onlie to continow during the will of the magistrats or their successouris in office.

5 July 1686.

Proveist  
Johnstoune  
craved  
pardone.

Compeared John Johnstoune of Clachrie, lait proveist of the said burgh, who in obedience to ane decreit and ordinance of the lords of his

Majesties most honourabill privy counsell, did, before the saids magistratis and toune counsell, crave pardone for his cryme and injurie done to his grace the archbishop of St. Andrews, in the termes contained in the saids lords of privy counsell their decreit pronounced against him theranent, daited the twentie fyfth day of June last; wherupon the said proveist Johnstoune tooke instruments.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, being conveyened anent the petition given in to the royall burrowes be William Andersone, in July 1685, with the saids burrowes their recomendation in the end therof, desireing this burgh to satisfie and pay him of the fyne with the annuelrent therof and expenses whilk his father was put to and exacted frae him, as being ane of the commissioneris for the royall burrowes in anno 16[74] yeiris; whilk being taken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, with the povertie of this burgh, through the great burdines they lye under by debt and decay of trade, wherby they are not able and in ane condition to answer the desire of the said petition, and therefor they doe unanymouslie recomend the same back againe to the saids royall burrowes, to the effect they may be pleased to pay the soumes craved be the said petition to be casten on proportionallie amongst the respective burrowes and to grant dilligence to cause such of the burrowes pay their proportionnes accordingle who shall refuse to doe the same.<sup>1</sup>

#### 24 July 1686.

The magistrats declared they had sighted the wheat bread baiken be the baxteris within the toune, and that they fand the samen to be verie unsufficient, and the deacon compearing and pleading for them, who promised they should make sufficient bread in tyme comeing, wherupon their fynes were quatt; and in caice they shall transgress and make unsufficient bread in tyme comeing, it is heirby statute and ordained that the bread shall be taken frae the contraveeneris and distribute to the poor without being forgiven.

The magistrats and toune counsell, takeing to their consideratioun ane supplication given in be Jonnet Miller, relict of William Cuming in Gorballis, anent the loss they sustained by ane accidentall fyre, haveing not

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, p. 192; also Convention Records, III., pp. 640-1; IV., pp. 79, 158-9.

onlie therby their haill houses and plenesching burnt, bot likewise the haill victuall that grew upon twentie two acres of land, and some of the former yearis crompt, they quat and give doune to her the rent payable be them to the toune for the crop 1684 yearis, whilk is sevin bollis victuall or therby and fourtein bollis sevin peckis and ane halfe peck victuall payable be them to Hutchisones hospitall the said crompt.

30 August 1686.

Highway  
toward  
Bishop-  
bridges.  
To warne the  
fewaris and  
tennants.

Appoynts the baillies to cause conveyin and warne the fewaris and tenants of the comone, and James Johnstoune to conveyin the fewaris and tenants of Provand, with all dilligence, to meet for repairing the highway frae the toune head toward the Bishopbridges so fare as the townes bounds goes, and where it shall be found needfull to be repaired, and to bring all necessaris with them for that effect.

Wynes sent  
to some  
freinds.

The proveist declaired that since his last admission to be proveist he had sent two hedgesheads wyne to his grace the due of Hamiltone, and other two to the archbishop of Glasgow, with ane barrell of sack, and that he had taken ane other hedgeshead to himselfe with ane barrell of sack.

25 September 1686.

The chancel-  
louris letter  
concerning  
the election of  
magistrats.

There was ane letter produced and red, signed be the earle of Perth, lord high chancellour, in name of his Majesties privie councill, and directed for the proveist and baillies of the burgh of Glasgow, or any ane of them, to be communicat to the toune counsell therof, of the quhich the tenor followes:—Affectionat freinds—Whereas his sacred Majestie hes by his royall letter, daited at the court of Windsor the twelfth day of September instant, signified that all electiones in royall burrowes be suspended untill his royall pleasure be knowne theranent, you are therefor, in persuance therof, heirby expreslie prohibited and discharged, as yow will answer at your perrill, to elect any new magistrats or counsell within your burgh for this year, and yow and the present counsell are by his Majesties authoritie hereby authorized to continow and exerce as magistrats and counsell untill his Majestie shall signifie his further pleasure. Signed at command and in name of his Majesties privy councill, your affectionat friend, *sic subscribitur*: Perth, cancell. I.P.D. Daited at Edinburgh the 16th of

September 1686. Quherunto the saids magistrats and counsell consented, with all humilitie and submission.

9 November 1686.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 13 oz. 2 drop; rough tallow to be sold for 48 s. Pryce of the stone, and candle for 54 s. 8 d. the stone.] bread.

18 November 1686.

Conveened within the toun counsell house of the said burgh his <sup>Magistrats</sup> grace the archbishop of Glasgow, in obedience to the recomendation of <sup>elected by</sup> the lords of his Majesties most honourabill privie counsell, for seing the <sup>warrant frae</sup> saids lords their act in persewance of his Majesties royall commands <sup>the privy</sup> nominating and appointing the magistrats, toun counsellours and deacones of crafts within this burgh of Glasgow and liberties therof, for the year ensuing, regularie and effectuellie put in execution, of the whilk act the tennor followes:—Edinburgh the ellevinth day of November 1686. Forasmuch as the Kings most excellent Majestie hath, by a letter direct under his royall hand to the privy counsell of this ancient kingdome, daited at the court of Whitehall the twentieth second day of October last bypast, signified his royall pleasure concerning the nomination of the magistrats and other counsellouris and deacones of trades for this burgh of Glasgow aftermentiouned, as being such whom his Majesty judges most loyall and ready to promote his service, and most foreward to support the good and interest of the said burgh, therefore the lords of his Majesties privy counsell, in pursuance of his Majesties commands aforesaid, doe hereby nominat and appoint John Barnes to be proveist of the said burgh of Glasgow, captaine John Andersone, James Hamiltone and John Wallace to be baillies, Robert Campbell to be dean of gild, William Wallace, deacon conveener, and James Hutchison to be thesaurer, [here follow names of 12 merchants and 12 craftsmen as councillors; with the name of a deacon for each of the smiths, cordiners, tailors, weavers, skinners, wrights, coopers, baxters, masons, bonnetmakers and fleshers, a visitor of the gardeners and a visitor of the victual]; who are hereby authorized to continow in their respective offices aforesaid within the said burgh and liberties therof for the ensuing year. And appoints the saids

magistrats, counsellouris, deacons and visitors to be admitted and receaved in their respective offices aforesaid once upon the eighteenth day of November instant. And recommends to the lord archbishop of Glasgow to be that day present to the end he may see his Majesties royall pleasure and these presents regularie and effectuellie put in execution. Extracted by me Sir William Paterson, clerk of his Majesties privy councill. *Sic subscribitur*: Will. Paterson, clericus secreti concilij. Conforme to the whilk act and recommendation, his grace the said archbishop did see the saids hail persons, proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, thesaurer and counsellouris, contained and named in the said act, compeir and accept of their saids respective offices for the year ensuing, who gave their oathes *de fidei administratione* therintill, and swore the oath and test and subscriyved the samen except [three who were absent or unwell. The deacons and visitors who were present acted likewise. The absentees subsequently accepted and were sworn].

19 November 1686.

Elections. [George Grahame, bailie of Gorbals; James Robisone, water bailie.]

7 January 1687.

Multer malt. Appoints the proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, or any three of them, to speake to Peter Corbet, tackisman of the milnes, to desire him to pay to the toun twentie shilling Scots for ilk boll of multer malt during the tyme of his tack, and if he refuse to cause persew him therfor.

Master of  
work.  
Touns  
chirurgian.

[John Andersone chosen master of work till next election.]

John Robisone, younger, is nominat and appointed to be the tounes chirurgian, and is to doe his endeavour to help and cure such persones as shall be recomended to him be the magistrats, and for quhich he is to have such allowance as the magistrats and counsell shall think fitt.

Proveist  
Johnstoun,  
tounes  
papers.

Appoints baillies Hamiltone and Wallace to speake with proveist Johnstoun, and to get frae him what paperis he hes belonging to the toun, and particularie the notes of the money whilk was lent the tyme of the lait rebellion to the officeris of the militia be the toun.

Declaratour,  
tack of the  
teinds.

It is agreed and concluded that the toun joyne and goe alongst with my lord archbishop of St. Andrewes in persewing and getting ane declaratour in their favoures for their last tack of the teinds of the



barronie and toune aikeris, and appoints the clerk to send east the decret obtained be the lord primat against the toune for the saids teinds.

20 January 1687.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyed, and takeing to their consideration that this burghes proportion of the cess payable to his Majestie yearlie, by act of parliament, is twelve hundreth pounds sterling, and that the toune is at the expenses of ane hundreth pound sterling yearlie and upwards for upholding and furnishing coall and candle to the guards, as likewise that the toune is resting to the agent of the burrowes the soume of ane hundreth and fyftein pounds sterling or therby, for their proportion of the burrowes dues, and siclike considering that there are some other publict dewes to be payed and some expenssis to be depursed for ingathering and collecting of the stent after-mentioned to be laid on upon the samen burgh, whilk will extend to ane hundreth and eightie fyve pund sterling, whilk soumes above writtin being calculat extends in the haille to sextein hundreth pounds sterling; and als considering that the saids magistrats and toune counsell are warranted be the said act of parliament to impose ane stent upon this burgh for paying of the said supplie and other publict burdines foresaid, therefore they heirby grant warrand and power to the stent-maisteris nominated by them to impose and lay on the said soume of sextein hundreth pounds sterling, for paying the tounes proportion of the said cess for the Martimass terme j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. eightie sex yearis lastbypast, and Whitsundayes terme nixt, and the other publict dues foresaid, wpon the heretouris and other inhabitants of the said burgh, merchands, craftsmen, victualleris and vintineris able to pay stent frae the first of Maij j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. eightie sex yearis till the moneth of Maij j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup>. eightie sevin yearis nixtocome; and the magistrats and counsell heirby earnestlie recommends to the saids stentmasteris to lay on the foresaid stent with all convenient dilligence, wheranent thir presents shall be their warrand.

Appoints ane proclamation to be sent through the toune for roupeing the tounes houses and sellaris at Newport Glasgow, reserving James Andersone right of ane house yet to rune, as also for roupeing the houses and sellaris belonging to the toune and bought frae the fishing societie,

The stent-  
masteris to  
lay on ane  
stent.

Roupeing  
houses and  
sellaris at  
Newport and  
Greinock.

on such ane convenient day as the proveist shall think fitt, and the rouse to be within the tolbuith of Glasgow.

Dailis and  
other timber,  
beir and  
meill.

Appoints and commissionats the dean of gild to sell and dispose on the dailis, timber and otheris belonging to the old fishing closs in Greinock, whilk was bought be the toune frae the fishing societie to the tounes best advantage; as also appoints him to sell the Provand beir and what meill the tennents hes in their hands to be delivered at the best avail.

25 January 1687.

Deacon con-  
vener, etc.

[George Grahame, late bailie, elected deacon convener in room of William Wallace, deceased; and John Gray, merchant, to take Grahame's place as bailie of Gorbals.]

Earle of  
Airlies  
troupe.

Appoints the proveist and baillie Hamiltone to repair to Hamiltone to speake with the earle of Airlie anent his troupe whilk is to be quartered here.

29 January 1687.

Anent the  
lands of  
Provand.

Appoints the proveist to repair to Edinburgh anent the tounes affaires, and the clerk to goe with him, and appoints the clerk to take in with him the haill paperis belonging to the Provand, and the precepts whilk the toune hes payed for the pryce of the same, for clearing accompts betwixt the toune and Silvertounhill and these concerned in him, be the advyce of lawieris for the tounes best advantage, and to do what is possible in defending the adjudication whilk Robert Hamiltone of Presmennan hes upon the lands of Provand for the soume of twelve thousand merks. And appoints the dean of gild likewise to repair to Edinburgh to meet with the proveist and clerk anent the saids affaires, if the proveist think it needfull to wryte for him, when the proveist is at Edinburgh.

The clerk to  
appoint ane  
deput. \*

The magistrats and counsell takeing to consideration that George Andersone, clerk, is necessitat sometyme to be called aff the toune, not onlie anent the tounes affaires bot likewayes his oune, and that it is requisite some persone exerce in his office as his deput in his absence, therfor they allow and approve of what persones he hes appointed to exerce formerlie in his absence, and of all acts of counsell made for that effect, and heirby grant him power and libertie in tyme comeing to deput

and appoint what persones he pleases to exerce the said office of clerkship when he shall happine to be aff the toune in tyme comeing, for whom he is to be answerable.

28 February 1687.

The gift granted be his most sacreed Majestie to this city was produced and read, wherby his Majestie hes bein graciouslie pleased to give, grant and dispon to the proveist, baillies and counsell of the said city, in name of the communitie of the same, ane imposition of four pennies Scots money upon everie pint of ale and drinking beir, broune or imported and sold or consumed within the samen city and suburbs therof, with power to the magistrats to uplift the said imposition upon ale and beir from the brewaris and importeris therof as is before mentioned, or at the rate of two merks Scots upon everie boll of malt, to be payed be the brewaris within the said city and suburbs therof, at the option of the magistrats and counsell for the tyme; and likewise doe grant and dispon to the proveist, baillies and counsell of the said city ane imposition of fiftie punds money foresaid upon everie tunn of French wyne, fiftie punds money above writtin upon every butt of Spanish or Ranish wyne, fiftie punds money foresaid upon everie but of brandy, aquavytie or strong wateris, and twentie shilling money foresaid upon everie barrell of mum beir vented, sold and retailed within the said city, to be payed be the selleris of ale, beir, French, Spanish and Ranish wyne, brandy, aquavyttie, strong wateris and mum beir; whilkis impositiounes and everie ane of them his Majestie declares shall exist and take effect for the space of nyntein yearis frae the terme of Candlemass lastbypast, from which tyme the samen is declaired to commence, and to be applyed in maner mentioned in the foresaid gift, as the samen containing therein severall other clauses of the dait, at Whitehall, the fyftein day of January lastbypast, at more lenth bears. Whilk gift was verie acceptable to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, and ane letter of thanks ordained to be sent to his Majestie of their acknowledgement of his Majesties clemencie and bountie to this city, wherof the tennor followes:—May it please your most sacreed Majestie—In the deepest sense of gratitude, wee most humble prostrat ourselves at your royall feet, acknowledging your Majesties clemencie and bountie towards this your city of Glasgow in

The Kings  
gift appoint-  
ing ane im-  
position on  
ale and other  
liquoris pro-  
duced and  
read.

Letter of  
thanks to his  
Majestie.

rescuing it from sinking under inevitable ruine, by your Majesties late princely grant of a moderat imposition on such liquoris as are consumed amongst ourselves. By this new and seasonable releiff your Majestie puts a fresh and lasting obligation upon this important place, in returne to which wee can humblie assure your Majestie that as this your new bountie shall be carefullie applyed and improved for the support and releiff of this city, so it, our lyves and our all, shall be continually devoted to the service of your sacredd person, croun and monarchie, upon all ocasioness; and wee shall make it our most indefatigable care and indeavour to make this city eminent and exemplarie in its loyaltie to all about ws, so that your Majestie shall never have cause to repent your royall care of and munificence toward it. For our pairt, who by your Majesties nomination represent your authoritie here, wee shall, under the prudent conduct and unspotted loyall example to the most reverend archbishop your Majestie hath bein graciouslie pleased now to nominat for ws, witness to the world our fervent zeall against all your adversaries, and unshaken fidelitie to promot your Majesties interest and service, as is the bounden dewtie of, may it please your most sacredd Majestie, your Majesties most humble, most loyall, and most obedient subjects and servants. Followes the tennor of ane other letter whilk was sent be the magistrats to the earle of Melfoord<sup>1</sup>:—May it please your lordship. As wee are eternallie bound to his sacredd Majesties bountie and munificence to this city in granting the lait imposition on our ale and other liquoris consumed amongst ourselves, so wee consider ourselves infinitlie indebted to your lordships care and goodness in giveing a true representation of the perishing state of this place, and solিকেiting his Majesties royall help, without which it would have utterlie perished. By this your mediation and intercession you have done true and excellent service to

Letter of  
thanks to my  
lord Melfort,  
his Majesties  
secretary.

<sup>1</sup> John Drummond, brother of the earl of Perth, lord chancellor of Scotland, was created earl of Melfort in 1686. Between 1682 and 1684, when the duke of Queensberry was lord high treasurer, Drummond acted as treasurer depute, and in August, 1684, he was appointed Secretary for Scotland, an office which he held till the Revolution. During the greater part of October, 1684, he was resident in

Glasgow, whence he wrote many letters, purporting to be a "perfitte journall" of his proceedings in that district. Extracts from the letters will be found in Historical MSS. Commission's Report on M.S. of Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry, preserved at Drumlanrig Castle, II, pp. 175-96. See also Report of Hist. MSS. Commission, XVI, pp. 119-21.

his Majestie, alswell as to this poor place, by putting new life in it for serveing the ends of the monarchy, from which it was quite disabled, and for freeing and releiveing itselfe from such sad pressure and burdines under which it must needs have sunk. For this great and seasonable service to his Majestie and to ws, wee offer yow our most humble and heartie thanks, and most earnestlie beseeches your lordship to accept of ane humble present or gratuitie from ws which, though it be farre below your merit and bears no proportion to the benefite aryseing from his Majesties gift, yet it is a small testimony of that gratitude wee ow to your lordship for so great favour and paines, and for saveing ws the great charges and expenses of sending commissioners to court to sollicite and agent this necessary support and relieff for this city; and though wee cannot offer your lordship ane suitable remuneration yet wee shall pray that God for this, and all other your eminent services rendered to the croun and to this your native countrey, may reward your lordship with all honour and prosperity here and eternall happiness heirafter, for wee are, may it please your lordship, your lordships most humble and most faithfull servants. Which two letters abovewritten were subscrivit be the magistrats and counsell foresaid.

The saids magistrats and counsell takeing to their consideration that there is ane gratuitie to be given to the procureris of the said gift from his most sacreed Majestie, they ordaine ane thousand pound sterling to be borrowed and made readie with all expedition to be payed in the first end of the said gratuitie.

Money to be  
borrowed for  
gratifeing the  
procureris of  
the gift.

12 March 1687.

The proveist, baillies and toune counsell, being informed that the takismen of the excyse of the toune of Glasgow have made application to the lords of his Majesties thesaurie that they were mightily prejudged by his Majesties granting ane gift to this burgh for ane imposition on ale and beir to be broune and consumed within the toune and suburbs, and that thereby they will be great loseris; whilk being taken to the saids magistrats and counsell their consideration, and to let it appear that the toune intends not to prejudge his Majestie nor his tackismen be the said gift, nor to lessen or make less his Majesties excyse, it is concluded that the toune make offer and accept of the tack of the excyse within the hail

Takismen  
alleging  
they were  
prejudged.

shyres and burghes taken be Castlecarye and Mr. John Cochran, and make up the haill quota of their tack dewtie to the lords of his Majesties thesaurie, and give sufficient securitie to them for that effect, and shall free the said tackismen of their tack, and give them allowance of what expenses they have bein at in the said affaire; and appoints the proveist, with the dean of gild and the clerk to repair to Edinburgh and make the said offer to the lords of the thesaurie, and to make application to them to get the toune vindicat and freed of any aspertiones may be laid on them concerning the said imposition; and if the toune cannot get the haill bargane taken be the saids persones, to try if they can agree for the excyse of the toune and Gorballis the best way for the tounes advantage.

4 April 1687.

Imposition on  
ale and beir  
to be uplifted.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, takeing to their consideration the imposition his sacreed Majestie hes bein pleased to grant to this burgh for exacting two merks aff ilk boll of malt, or ane plack of ilk pynt of ale or drinking beir, sold, vented and consumed within this burgh and suburbs since Candlemass last, whilk is to commence for the space of nyntein yearis, and that all faire wayes and methods hes bein taken for getting the same ingathered and uplifted for the ease and good of the inhabitants, whilk hes yet taken little or no effect; therefor the saids magistrats and counsell have concluded that there shall be uplifted, since the terme of Candlemass last and in tyme comeing, frae ilk brewar and vintiner the soume of two merks Scots for ilk boll of malt, or four pennies for ilk pynt of ale and drinking beir, sold, vented and retailed be them, as the saids magistrats and counsell shall think fitt. And yet in respect severall of the maltmen make offer and are content to uplift and ingather the soume of threttie shilling Scots for ilk fyve firlots of malt shall be sold be them to the brewaris within the toune, or brewed and vented be themselves, and pay in the samen to any who shall be appointed to receave in the said impositioun, whilk is heirby condescended to, wpon these termes that the said maltmen exact no more then the said threttie shilling frae the brewaris and vintineris for the said fyve firlots, in respect the ease granted is for the behove of the saids brewaris; and it is heirby declaired that the said ease shall be without prejudice to the

toune or these to be appointed be them to uplift the hail impositioun from these that payes not the said threttie shilling willinglie, for ilk fyve firlots malt, sold, vented and retailed as said is.

In ansuer to ane supplicatioun given in be James Porterfield, school-<sup>James Porter-</sup>maister, the magistrats and counsell ordaines him to continow and exerce <sup>field ordained</sup>his employment as ane schoolmaister within the toune, and to teach and <sup>school-</sup>maister. learne children to read, wryt, and lay compts and the like; and for his encouragement they nominat and appoint the said proveist, dean of gild and deacon conveener aither to cause repair the tounes house whilk was bought frae Robert Broom, that he may have the benefite therof for keeping his said schooll, or then to get fiftie two pund Scots, yearlie, after the terme of Whitsounday, yearlie, for paying ane house mail for keeping the said schooll, the said house being allwayes taken in ane convenient place in the toune as the said persones shall think convenient.

9 April 1687.

Anent the complaint given in be the procuratour fiscall against Mungo Mungo Cochrane, merchand, for his unseemly cariage and expressiones to <sup>Cochran</sup>John Barnes, proveist, yesterday, on the publict street, and saying that he <sup>fyned.</sup>and all the rest were oppressouris of their nighbouris, whilk the said Mungo compeared and granted, and declaired he was verie sory that he was so rash in venting such expressiones, and that what he said was out of rashnes and passion, and referred himselfe to the will of the proveist, baillies and counsell; whilk being taken to the said baillies and counsell their consideratioun, the proveist haveing removed, they fyned and unlawed the said Mungo in the soume of ane hundreth pund Scots to be payed for the use of the poor, and ordaines him to consigne and deliver up to the clerk his burges and gild brother ticket to be keeped be him untill the nixt meeting of the magistrats and counsell, to be then disposed of be them as they shall think fitt; and ordaines him to remaine in prison till the money and ticket be consigned in the clerks hand.

23 April 1687.

Appoints the proveist to repair to Edinburgh and from that to St. <sup>Proveist to</sup>Andrews, to waite on his grace the archbishop of Glasgow to his transla-<sup>Edinburgh</sup>tion. <sup>and St.</sup>  
<sup>Andrews.</sup>

tion there, whilk is to be upon the first of May nixt, and to take with him four persones such as he thinks meitt.

Partick  
bridge.

Appoints the dean of gild to sight Partick bridge and to see what is needfull to be repaired therof, and to cause doe the same.

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Mr. Robert Knox the soume of twenty pounds sterling of transportatioun money for bringing him and his familie here when he became ane of the tounes ministeris; as likeways to pay other twentie pound sterling to Mr. John Sage for transporting of him to be another of the tounes ministeris.

Mungo  
Cochranes  
fyne.

The magistrats and counsell considering the acknowledgement made be Mungo Cochrane for his abuse done to the proveist, and his being sory for the same, for whilk he was fyned and his burges ticket consigned, they remitt his fyne and burges and gild brother ticket wholly to the proveist. to be disposed of be him wholly as he shall think fitt.

Allowing  
payment to  
the procureris  
of the Kings  
gift.

The proveist, baillies and toun counsell of the said city being convened, and takeing to their consideration that his most excellent Majestie hes bein graciouslie pleased by his letter of gift daited at Whitehall the fyftein day of January lastbypast [here is narrated the terms of the imposition specified *antea* p. 395]; which impositiones and everie one of them his Majestie declaires shall exist and take effect for the space of nyntein years frae the terme of Candlemass lastbypast, from which tyme the samen is declaired to commence, and the samen is to be applyed in maner and at lenth contained in the said letter of gift; and that they have allreadie payed to the person or persones, procureris of the said impositions, the soume of ane thousand pounds sterling, by and attoure the expenses in procureing the great seall appended to the said gift, and reason being that what farder allowance is to be given to the procureris of the samen gift ought to be payed, therefor the saids proveist, baillies and counsell have bound and obleidged, and heirby binds and obleidges them and their successouris in office, proveist, baillies and counsell of the said city, to make payment to the persones procureris of the said gift frae his most sacreed Majestie for the said imposition of what shall be thought fitt to be payed to them of gratuitie more nor the ane thousand pounds sterling allreadie payed and the expenses in getting the great seall appended thereto, the samen in haill allways not to exceed the value of



what shall be uplifted and gottine be the said city of the said imposition be the space of ane year and ane halfe at most.

14 May 1687.

Ordaines [£ 415 Scots to be paid] to the proveist for his ounne expenses Warrant, and charges, and the expenses of these that went with him to Edinburgh, <sup>archbishop.</sup> and frae that to St. Andrews, to wait on his grace the archbishop of Glasgow at the translation.<sup>1</sup>

There was ane tack of the closs, houses and sellaris at the east end of Tack of Greenock that belonged to the fishing societie subscrivit in favoures of <sup>houses and sellaris at</sup> James Mushet, for the space of three yearis after Whitsunday nixt, and <sup>Greenock.</sup> appoints baillie Andersone to put him in possession therof, and to take notice if there be anything there belonging to the toune, and to cause try where any of the tounes salt firlots are.

Appoints the dean of gild to caus helpe and repair the key at the <sup>Key at Broomilaw.</sup> Broomilaw with the first conveniency.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Allan Glen the soume of sex pound Warrant, nyne shillings sterling for the pryce of ane horse quhilk he lost, being <sup>thesaurer.</sup> spoiled and died with ryding with the proveist to Edinburgh, and whilk was ordained to be payed to the said Allan by act of the magistrats and counsell daited 29 September 1684.<sup>2</sup>

24 May 1687.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for sevinteen pund ten Warrant, shillings sterling payed be him to the proveist, whilk he depursed for <sup>thesaurer.</sup> procureing the Kings letter, with the secreet counsellis warrand, for choising the magistrats and counsell at the last election.

7 June 1687.

[Mills, 9,550 merks ; ladles, 4,250 merks ; mealmarket and pecks, 1,020 merks ; Common good tron, 930 merks ; bridge, 1,550 merks.] <sup>set.</sup>

2 July 1687.

The magistrats and toune counsell being informed that there are Dean of gild several meilmen and utheris who uses ane trade as freemen within the said <sup>to call for unfreemen.</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Archbishop Cairncross was deprived of who was translated from Edinburgh. the archbishopric of Glasgow in the beginning <sup>2</sup> *Antea*, p. 367. of 1687, and was succeeded by John Paterson,

burgh and who are neither burges nor gildbrother within the samen, for preventing quherof they appoint the dean of gild to call and conveene them, and to obleidge these that shall be found guiltie aither to admitt themselves or to fyne them for bygaines; and refers to him with baillie Wallace or the deacon conveener, to give what ease they shall think fitt to these who shall enter.

Partick  
bridge.

Appoints the dean of gild, and quhom other he pleases to call to be present with him, to agree for repairing of Partick bridge and the highway betwixt and there, at the easiest rate he can.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
French wyne.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Louke *alias* Bristo, for himselfe and in name of his partiners, the soume of three hundreth merks for three hodgeheads French wyne furnished be them on the tounes accompt, the grouth 1685, wherof two hodgeheads was sent to the archbishop of Glasgow, and the other taken be proveist Barnes to his oune house.

9 August 1687.

Quarter-  
maister.

James Smith, merchand, is nominat and appointed to be tounes quartermaister for quartering the souldiouris within the toun, John Anderson, lait quartermaister, haveing given over the place by reason of sickness and infirmenes.

Ane gratuitie  
to be given.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being informed and takeing to their consideration that quhen the teinds of the personage of Glasgow were set to them be my lord archbishop of St. Andrews, then archbishop of Glasgow, there was ane gratuitie said to have bein promised by some of the counsell to his lady for the same, over and above the pryce thereof, therfor, in consideration of the samen, they think fitt she have the soume of fiftie pound sterling allowed her so soone as they get money arrayseing from the foresaids teinds that may bear the said gratuitie.

Warrant, St.  
Nicholas  
Hospitall.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Allan Hamilton what is resting him since his entrie to St. Nicolas Hospitall as ane of the poor men, conforme to umquhill bishop Lightoun his mortificatioun, whilk is fiftie four pund Scots yearlie, and ordaines the succeeding thesaurers to pay him his said pension in tyme comeing as the samen shall become due.

Porterfield,  
school-  
maister.

Ordaines the thesaureris of this burgh, present or to come, to pay to James Porterfield, yearlie, frae the terme of Whitsunday last, the soume

of fiftie two punds Scots to pay his house maill for encourageing him to keep ane schooll within the toune, he keeping the said schooll at such a convenient place in the toune as the magistrats and counsell shall think fitt.

3 September 1687.

The saids magistrats and counsell takeing to consideration that James Robisone, merchand, and severall others were persewed at the instance of John Johnstoune, proveist, and remanent magistrats and toune counsell for the tyme, for cutting and away taking severall trees in Gorballis belonging to the toune, they declyne and pass frae the said persute, and exoneris and discharges the said James Robisone and all otheris concerned of the samen, be thir presents.

The proveist, baillies and toune counsell of the said burgh being convened, there was ane band subscrivit in favours of Mr. John Glendee, sometyme minister of the good toune, now dean of Cashell and prebend of St. Michaelis, Dublin, in Ireland, for the soume of sextein thousand merks borrowed and received be the saids magistrats and toune counsell frae the said Mr. John Glendee for the use of the haille communitie of the said burgh, for paying and defraying ane pairt of the debts and burdines equivalent to the said soume sua borrowed.

13 September 1687.

The proveist, baillies and toune counsell of the burgh being convened, anent ane act made be them in favoures of the archbishop of St. Andrews his ladie, of the dait the nynth day of August last, by which they had appointed her fiftie pound sterling in satisfaction of ane gratuitie promised to her the tyme the personage teinds of Glasgow was set to them be the said archbishop; and considering that the foresaid soume is over and above the pryce payed be them for the saids teinds, and that any promise she had for the same was only made to her by some few of the memberis of the toune counsell and never allowed nor approven of by the rest, and likeways considering that since the makeing of the said act they have, be the advyce of otheris, fullie considered the worth of the saids teinds, and therupon finds that the highest rate that can be gottin or exacted be them for the same will come fare short of the pryce payed be

James Robison, trees in Gorballis.

Band subscrivit to Mr. John Glendee.

Act annulling ane former act of gratuitie.

them therefor, sua that they, upon all the foresaids considerationes and after mature deliberation had be the saids magistrats and counsell ther-  
anent, find sufficient ground and cause to recall and annull the foresaid  
gratuitie and act above specifeit, appointing, constituteing and liquidat-  
ing the samen; therefor and for that effect they have rescinded, cassed  
and annulled, and heirby rescinds, casses and annullis the foresaid act  
of counsell of the dait, tennor and contents above writtin and gratuitie  
foresaid thereby constitute, with all that hes followed or may or can  
follow thereon, and declares the same to have bein frae the begining to be  
now and in all tyme comeing voyd and null.

Warrant,  
archbishop.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to the proveist three hundreth threttie  
eight pundis Scots, quhilk he depursed for carying and transporting the  
archbishop of Glasgoves pleneshing and goods from Edinburgh to this  
place.

28 September 1687.

Letter anent  
ane correc-  
tion house.

The magistrats and toune counsell takeing to their consideration  
ane letter sent be Sir John Harper, for himself and in name of the justices  
of peace in the shyre of Lanerk, for provydeing ane correction house, con-  
form to the 18th Act of parl: 2nd, session 3rd, of King Charles the second,<sup>1</sup>  
they continow giveing ane ansuer therto till they consider the said act.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
Kings birth-  
day.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrant for two hundreth fourtie  
four pund Scots, depursed be him to the proveist for his expenses on the  
Kings birthday, the fourtein day of October 1686, and for the tounes  
dinner to some persones in the proveists house at the last election, and  
for ane gross of glass bottles.

Concerning  
marriages and  
baptizines.

The proveist, baillies and toune counsell of the said burgh being con-  
veened, and being certanlie informed that severall of the inhabitants  
marie and baptize their children at the meeting houses;<sup>2</sup> whilk being taken

<sup>1</sup> By this act (1672, c. 42, A.P.S. VIII., p. 89)  
the magistrats of certain burghs, including  
Glasgow for the shire of Lanark, were en-  
joined to provide correction houses for receiv-  
ing and entreitaining of beggars, vagabonds,  
and idle persons within their burghs and such  
as should be sent to them out of the shires and  
bounds there specified.

<sup>2</sup> By proclamation dated 28th June, and  
published by order of the privy council on  
5th July, 1687, King James suspended "all  
penal and sanguinary laws made against any  
for nonconformity to the religion established  
by law in this our ancient kingdom," and gave  
permission to all his subjects "to meet and  
serve God after their own way and manner,

to the saids magistrats and counsell their consideration, they hereby ordaine the haill inhabitants within the said burgh to booke their mariages, and what children they shall baptize, in the publict and authentick register as formerlie, that hazard may be evited and minouris may not be prejudged when extracts of their age may be called for at the publict register, and that they pay the ordinary dewes therefor to the clerk, beddellis and otheris concerned, conforme to use and wont, under the paine of three pund Scots to be exacted aff the contraveeneris *toties quoties*.

4 October 1687.

The whilk day, being the ordinary day for electing the magistrats of this burgh for the ensuing year, the letter following was produced, sub-  
 scrivit by his grace my lord duke of Hamilton, in name of the lords of his Majesties privie counsell, and direct to the proveist and remanent magistrats of the burgh of Glasgow, or aither of them, to be communicat to the tounse counsell therof, of the which letter the tennor followes:—Affectionat freinds. Wheras his most sacreed Majestie, by his royall letter daited at the court at the Beath the eight day of September then instant, signified that all electiones in royall burrowes be suspended untill his royall pleasure be knoune theranent, yow are therefor, in pursuance therof, heirby expreslie prohibited and discharged, as yow will answer at your perrillis, to elect any new magistrats or counsell within your burgh this year. And ye and the present magistrats and counsell are, by his Majesties authoritie,

Ane letter from the privie counsell discharging the election.

be it in private houses, chapels or places purposely hired or built for that use" (Wodrow's Church History, IV., pp. 226-7). On obtaining this liberty "the people of the presbyterian way," says M'Ure, "by large and vast contributions, built public meeting-houses, vastly large, and had two ministers for preaching there every Lord's day, which continued so till the revolution, that episcopacy was abolished by act of parliament, and presbytry settled in its place" (Hist. of Glasgow, 1830 edition, pp. 60, 61). One of the meeting-houses was situated at Merkdailly, on the south side of Gallowgate, and the other stood

between the New Wynd and Mains Wynd, on the south side of Trongate. Of the former meeting-house, James Wodrow, father of the historian, was appointed minister in 1688 (Life of Professor James Wodrow, pp. 80-5). Merkdailly was deserted in 1690, but the Wynd meeting-house was continued as a city church. When St. Andrew's Church was completed, about the year 1756, it was occupied by the Wynd congregation. The Wynd Church was shortly afterwards rebuilt, and occupied as a city church till 1807, when the congregation removed to the newly-built St. George's Church.

heirby authorized to continow and exerce as magistrats and counsell untill his Majestie shall signifie his further pleasure. Signed, in name and by warrand of his Majesties privie counsell, by your affectionat freind, *sic subscribitur*: HAMILTON, I.P.D. Whilk was in all humilitie consented to by the saids magistrats and counsell.

1 November 1687.

Warrand,  
Paterson.

Ordaines John Patersone to have ane warrand for the soume of twentie sevin pound sterling payed to James Stirling of Ballaggan for ane gold box given to his grace my lord archbishop of Glasgow with his burges ticket, and for some silver work that was given be the toune to ane freind.

Warrand,  
Green.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the soume of eight hundreth merks payed to James Boyd, maisson, to ane accompt for capeing the Green dyck.

Warrand,  
iron work.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Walter Corbet, smith, the soume of [£ 60 5 s. 6 d.] for iron work wrought and furnished be him to the key at the Broomilaw, Partick bridge, and other places in the toune.

12 November 1687.

Bread, tallow,  
candle.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 13 oz. 3 drops; tallow to be sold for 3½ merks the stone; and candle for 4 merks the stone.]

17 December 1687.

Warrand,  
duke of  
Gordons men.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to James Smith, merchand, the soume of ane hundreth pundis Scots money for trees and cabers that was taken frae him be the duke of Gordones men that wer here the tyme of Argyles rebellion, whilk they burnt upon the Green of Glasgow for their eldine.

Warrand,  
officers.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to ilk ane of the toune officeris ane rex doller, and two to Robert Andersone, the deacon conveeneris officer, and ane to John Hepburne, dempster, and another to hieland Donnald and his wife for their present necessitie; and to pay ten pund Scots farder to John Lundie and George Young, officeris, for their warning the toune counsell the last year.

29 December 1687.

James Smith was laid asyde from being quartermaister and John Quarter-Anderson, maister of wark was put in his place to exerce as quartermaister, <sup>maister.</sup> and ordained to quarter the souldioris accordinglie.

Ordaines John Patersone, wright, to detaine in his oune hand, out of Warrant, the first and readiest of the imposition he hes receaved and resting to the <sup>centrie boxes.</sup> toune, the soume of ane hundreth and nyne pund twelve shilling Scots for makeing of ten centrie boxes, at ten pund the peice, and for some other work wrought and furnished for the use of the toune.

Ordaines the present thesaurer, or he that shall succeed him, to pay Warrant, to John Wilsone, for himselfe and severall other of the carteris, his <sup>carying</sup> <sup>armes.</sup> partineris, the soume of nyntie nyne pund sextein shilling Scots money, for carying of armes to the castle of Edinburgh, and for carying of baggage and ammunition at several tymes and to severall places, belonging to his Majesties forces.

3 January 1688.

Compeared ane most reverend father in God, John by the mercie of His Majesties God lord archbishop of Glasgow, and produced ane act of his Majesties <sup>letter and act</sup> <sup>of privy</sup> <sup>councill</sup> <sup>anent the</sup> <sup>election of the</sup> <sup>magistrats.</sup> most honourabill privy councill, containing ane letter direct to them from the Kings most excellent Majestie for electing the magistrats and counsell of the said burgh of Glasgow for the year ensuing to Michaelmass nixtto-come, 1688 years; of the quhilk act and letter the tennor followes:—Edinburgh, the twentieth second day of December 1687. The which day, the letter underwritten direct from the Kings most excellent Majestie to the privy councill of this his ancient kingdome, daited at the court at Whitehall the nynth day of December 1687 yearis instant, being read in councill, was ordored to be recorded in their bookes; and it was recomended to his grace the lord archbishop of Glasgow to see his Majesties royall pleasure therinmentioned fully put in execution every maner of way, conforme to the tennor therof, and to be present at the entrance and admittance of the magistrats and councill of the said burgh of Glasgow now to be elected by him, by vertue of the said letter, at such a convenient dyet as his grace shall think fitt to appoint. Of the which letter the tennor followes:—*Sic suprascribitur*: JAMES R. Right trusty and right welbeloved cousin and counsellour, right trusty and right wel-

beloved councellouris, right trusty and entirely beloved cousins and councellouris, right trusty and right welbeloved cousins and councellouris, right trusty and welbeloved councellouris and trusty and welbeloved councellouris: Wee greet yow well. Whereas by our other letter of the eight of September last past wee did signifie our pleasure unto yow for suspending the election of magistrats of our royall burrowes of that our ancient kingdom untill wee should think fitt to declare our further pleasure unto yow concerning the same, and are now resolved to allow the magistrats and counsell of our burgh of Glasgow, during this current year, to be elected and choisen in the ordinary forme and method in such caises accustomed, who are heirby authorized to continow in their respective offices untill Michaelmass nixtcome, in the year 1688. Wee therefore authorise and requyre yow furthwith to make ane act to be intimated in due forme to the lord archbishop of Glasgow, and to the magistrats and counsell of the said burgh, and in our name to give the necessary ordouris for the election aforesaid, and for the saids magistrats and tounne counsell, when elected and choisen as aforesaid, to be admitted and receaved unto their respective offices, for which yow are to appoint the first convenient day, (and if need be) to appoint also such person or persones of your number, or any other person or persones whatsoever as yow shall think fitt, to be present at their entrance and admittance aforesaid, to the end he or they may see this our royall will and pleasure regularie and effectuellie put in execution; for doing wherof these presents shall be to yow, and all others respective who may be therin any way concerned, a sufficient warrand. And so wee bid yow heartily farewell. Given at our court, at Whitehall, the 9th day of December, 1687, and of our reigne the thrid year. By his Majesties command, *Sic subscribitur*: Melfort. Extracted furth of the records of counsell by me Sir William Patersone, knight and barronet, clerk to his Majesties most honourable privy counsell, *Sic subscribitur*: Will. Paterson, clericus secreti concilij. Conforme quherunto the said archbishop of Glasgow his grace did name and make choise of Walter Gibsone, merchand, to be proveist of the said burgh for the ensuing year till Michaelmass nixt, and being sent for be James Hamiltone and John Wallace, baillies, he came with the saids two persones and did accept of the said office as proveist, and gave his oath *de fidei administratione* therintill as use is.



[From leets presented to him the archbishop appointed Colin Bell and John Baillies  
 Gilhagie, merchants, and John Waddrope, craftsman, to be bailies.]  
 elected.

4 January 1688.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years elected thirteen merchants New counsell  
 and twelve craftsmen to be on the council.]

[Robert Campbell, dean of guild; John Wallace, deacon convener; John Dean of gild,  
 Purveyance, treasurer; George Campbell, master of work; John Stirling, maltman, etc.  
 "visitor and overseer of the mercats;" John Grahame, procurator-fiscal.]

7 January 1688.

[John Paterson, bailie of Gorbals; James Robison, water bailie.]

Gorbals;  
 water bailie.

Be pluralitie of votts John Paterson, wright, was elected and choisen High Church.  
 to attend and have ane care and be overseer of the metrapolitan church in  
 place of James Colquhoun, and have the allowance therefor as was given  
 to otheris.

John Robisone was elected and choisen to be tounes chirurgian, and Tounes  
 to have the pension accordingle as he got formerlie. chirurgian.

Nominats and appoints baillie Waddrope [and four others] to think Quartering of  
 on some methods for regulating the quartering of the souldiouris, and set the souldi-  
 doune the same in wryting and to report. ouris.

Nominats and commissionats the proveist [and others] to settle and The barronie  
 agree with these heretouris in the barronie for the teinds that have not teinds.  
 satled allreadie, as also with these that hes aikeris about the toun the  
 best way they can for the tounes advantage, and to cause persew these  
 who refuses to agree.

17 January 1688.

It is concluded be the magistrats and counsell that such of the malt- Concerning  
 men who refuses to uplift and pay the imposition granted to the toun the imposi-  
 for the malt they sell to the brewaris and vintineris, at two merk the boll, tion on ale  
 conforme to his Majesties gift, and pay in the samen to these who is or and beir.  
 shall be appointed to receave the said imposition, that the vintiner or  
 brewer of the said malt shall be lyable in payment of ane plack for ilk  
 pynt of ale and drinking beir they shall sell or consume within the said  
 burgh of the malt they shall happine to brew; and these vintineris and

breweris who pay in willinglie the said two merks to the maltmen or tounes collectouris for ilk boll of malt broune and made use of be them as said is, shall be free of any farder payment bot the two merk of the boll for any malt that shall be broune or made use of be them; upon quhich termes the said ease is granted.

21 *January* 1688.

The tounes  
debts.

Appoints the clerk to set doune ane list of the tounes haill debts they are resting, against this day eight dayes.

Walter  
Corbet to  
keep the haill  
clockis and  
chimnes.

Be pluralitie of votts, Walter Corbet was nominat and appointed to keep the clock of the tolbooth with the chimnes, and the haill remanent clocks belonging to the toune, for whilk he is to have twentie pound sterling payed him yearlie be the toune, viz., at the two termes in the year frae his entrie, quhilk is to be at Candlemass nixt, and the said Walter is to furnishe the haill clocks with oyll, and to ring the bellis at any solemnitie on his oune expenses without getting any payment frae the toune except the cellarie abovementioned.

Contract of  
the excyse.

There was ane contract subscrivit betwixt the magistrats and toune counsell and Mr. John Cochrane and John Baillie of Shirrell, on the ane and other parts, whereby the saids John Baillie and Mr. John Cochrane setts the Kings excyse of the malt is broune and sold within the toune for the space of their tack [being  $3\frac{1}{4}$  years, from 1st February, 1688, to 1st November 1691; for which the magistrates and council are to pay each year £20,000 Scots, by monthly instalments].

30 *January* 1688.

Sir John Bell  
and severall  
proveists  
accompts.

Nominats and appoints the proveist [and others] to revise and make Sir John Bell his compt of the excyse intrometted with be him when he was collector. [Others were appointed to revise the accounts of provosts Barnes and Johnstoune.]

27 *March* 1688.

Duncan  
Campbell  
appointed  
ston-cutter.

There was ane testificat produced in favouris of Duncan Campbell, subscrivit be the haill doctouris and most pairt of the chirurgianes in toune, of his dexteritie and success in cutting of the ston, as also in sounding with great facilitie, and hes given severall proofes therof within

this burgh; whilk being taken to the saids magistrats and counsell their consideration, they nominat and appoint him to cutt such poor in toun as he shall be desired be the magistrats, in place of Ewir M'Neill who is become unfit to doe the same through his infirmitie.

Nominats and appoints Sir John Bell, proveist Campbell, proveist Barnes, dean of gild, and James Andersone to meet and consider anent the makeing of ane entrie to the Trongait frae that lane or closs in Saltmercat that belonged to umquhill Edward Robisone, and to appoint what shall be given for takeing away the red of the saids lands, and to report, that ordour may be given for doing the same accordinglie as they shall condescend; and appoints the maister of wark to pay for laying the calsey in the said lane, and to place the same to the tounes accompt.

8 *May* 1688.

William Thomsone was nominat and appointed tounes chirurgian in place of the deceast John Robisone, and to have the ordinary sallary for the samen.

21 *May* 1688.

Upon complaint made against Mr. Hugh Muir for some abuse done to baillie Gilhagie upon Saturday last, the saids magistrats and counsell doe suspend him frae his place as ane of the doctouris in the Gramer Schooll dureing the archbishop of Glasgow and magistrats and tounes counsell their pleasure, and ordaines him to be put in prisone and remaine their swa lang as the magistrats shall think fitt; and in respect it is reported that he hes committed severall abuses by strikeing some of the scholaris too seveerlie, appoints the proveist [and four others] to hear what complaints shall come in against him by any persones of that nature, and to take tryall and examine the affaire, and to report, and any three of the saids persones to be ane quorum, the proveist being ane.

5 *June* 1688.

[Mills, 7,950 merks; ladles, 3,800 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,050 merks; tron, 800 merks; bridge, 1,250 merks.]

Common good  
set.

26 June 1688.

Archbishops  
letter con-  
cerning  
doctor of  
Gramer  
School.

There was ane letter direct by his grace my lord archbishop of Glasgow to the proveist of the said burgh, to be communicat to the counsell therof, of this dait, whilk was publictlye read to the saids magistrats and counsell, narrating that his grace finds by the depositions of the master of the Gramer Schooll, and one of the doctouris of the same, that Mr. Hugh Muir deserts his charge sometymes for one day, sometymes for two, without leave from magistrats or master; as also both by witnesses and his nighbouris it is found that he doeth exerce too rigide and cruell methods of discipline, and doeth rudely and unworthily treat the master, and that he did insolentlie upbrade baillie Gilhagie in ane publict place and companie, to whom as being ane present magistrat he did ow honour and reverence, and therefor and for other reasones contained in the said letter, his grace judges he ought to be removed frae his office as doctor in the Gramer Schooll, and this to be his oppinion. Whilk letter and determination of the said archbishop was acquiesced and condescended to be the saids magistrats and counsell.

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to baillie Bell the soume of twelve pound sterling for ane hodgehead of sack, and fourtein pound sterling for halfe ane tun of French wyne, and [£ 7 16 s. 8 d.] money foresaid for two cask of raseines and two cask of figgs, all furnished be him on the tounes accompt of the grouth 1687, whilk were given to severall of their friends the last year.

3 August 1688.

Warrand,  
thesaurer,  
birth of  
prince.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to James Gibsone the soume of [£ 505 5 s.] Scots whereof [£ 350] is for seven barrellis of gunpowder, and [£ 155 5 s.] for French wyne furnished be him on the tounes accompt, and whilk powder and wyne was made use of at the solemnitie for the birth of the Prince of Scotland and Waillis.<sup>1</sup>

8 September 1688.

House at the  
Spoutmouth.

The dean of gild made report that he bought the house at the east syde of the Spoutmouth that belongs to the aires of umquhill Mathew Aitkine for three hundreth merks, whereof ane pairt is to be made use

<sup>1</sup> The Prince was born on 10th June.

of for enlarging the entrie to the Spout, and the rest to remaine for the townes use to be disposed on as the magistrats and counsell shall think fitt; whilk bargane was allowed and approven off.

Recommends to the proveist [and others] to consider on some convenient way for laying and helping the calsay in Saltmercat; as likewise for setting doune ane well in the said Saltmercat Street for serving the inhabitants with water, and to report.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Thomas Crawford, elder, of Carsburne [£ 336] Scots for ane tun of French wyne, and twelve pundis money foresaid for wallnuts and chasnuts furnished be him on the townes accompt in November 1687.

The magistrats and toune counsell takeing to consideration that the inhabitants and brewaris in Gorballis continow still obstinat and refuses to pay the imposition on ale and drinking beir, conforme to his Majesties gift granted to the toune, notwithstanding of all the faire wayes and meanes hes bein taken with them for that effect, it is therefor enacted and concluded that if the magistrats shall think fitt that these brewaris in Gorballis who refuses to pay the said imposition be imprisoned till they pay the samen, after they are legallie conveyened and decerned for the same.

The magistrats and counsell allowes and approves, and doe hereby allow and approve of ane presentation subscrivit be the proveist and baillies in favouris of Malcolme Fleiming, indwellar in Glasgow, nominating and appointing him to be ane of the poor men in St Nicolas hospitall, conforme to bishop Lightoun his mortification, and ordaines the thesaureris of this burgh, present and to come, to pay him the yearlie annuitie allowed be the said mortification as the samen shall become due, and ordaines the clerk to give warrand for payment of the same.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to baillie Bell and James Bell, his brother, the soume of fourtie eight pundis Scots money resting to them for their expenses and horse hyres in rydeing to St. Andrews with proveist Barnes to the buriall of the late archbishop of St. Andrews.

2 October 1688.

Ane act of his Majesties most honorable privie councill intimating his most sacreed Majesties letter, authorizeing the magistrats and counsell of the royall burghes of this kingdome formerlie nominat to con-

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brewaris in  
Gorballis.

Malcolme  
Fleiming, ane  
of the poor in  
St. Nicolas  
hospitall.

Warrand,  
archbishop of  
St. Andrews.

Act and  
letter con-  
tinowing all  
magistrats  
of royall  
burghes.

tinow in their respective offices therintill untill his Majesties further pleasure be signified to them, was read, whereof the tennor followes:—  
 Edinburgh the thretteinth day of September 1688. Whereas the Kings most excellent Majestie hath by a letter direct under his royall hand, daited at the court at Windsore the 29th day of August lastbypast, signified to his privie counsell here that he hath thought fitt to suspend the electiones of magistrats and counsell of royall burrowes within this kingdome untill his Majestie shall declare his further pleasure, the lords of his Majesties privie counsell, in pursuance of his Majesties commands, doe hereby authorize and allow the magistrats and counsell of the royall burghes of this kingdome formerlie nominat to continow to exerce in their respective offices therein untill his Majesties further pleasure be signified to them. Extracted by me, Sir William Patersone of Grantoun, barronet, clerk to his Majesties most honorable privie counsell. *Sic subscribitur*: Will. Paterson. Unto which the saids magistrats and counsell gives all punctuall obedience and submits conforme therunto with all humility as becometh.

13 October 1688.

The chancel-  
 louris letter  
 concerning  
 the levying  
 of ten com-  
 panies.

There was ane letter produced, subscrivit be my lord chancellor, direct to the proveist of Glasgow, to be communicat to the magistrats and toune counsell therof, daited at Edinburgh the 12th day of October instant, wherof the tennor followes:—Gentlemen,—Your heartie offer to raise ten companies consisting each of ane hundred and twenty men for the service of the King and secureing the peace of the city of Glasgow is equallie acceptable to the privie counsell as it is duetifull to the King, and therefor yow are hereby not only authorized and empoured to raise and levie these companies, and to appoint officeris to them, but I am desired in the counsellis name to give yow their hearty thanks for this seasonable service and tender of your duety to his Majestie. Such citizens as are heretouris, who may be necessary for ordoring these companies in your city, are remitted to your archbishop to be in the name of the counsell dispensed with from their attendance with the heretouris of the shyres as he shall judge needfull. This I am appointed to signifie to yow in name of his Majesties privie counsell, and to desire the continuance of your zealous endeavouris for his Majesties service, to whom

your duetifull letter shall be transmitted. I am, gentlemen, your verie assured friend. *Sic subscribitur*: PERTH, cancell., I.P.D.

Ordaines ane proclamation to be sent through the toune for keeping the morrow, being his Majesties birthday. The Kings birthday.

It is concluded that the haill widowes within the toune that are able cause provyde ane sufficient man, with ane fyre lock and ane sword, and keep guard frae tyme to tyme as it fallis them with the rest of their nighbouris, and appoints ane proclamation to be sent through for that effect; as also the haill other inhabitants to bring sufficient armes with them at ilk mounting of the guards, and to bring powder and ball with them also; certifieing ilk person that failzie they shall be fyned and unlawed in twentie merks Scots. Widowes to put out ane man for keeping guard.

Recommends to the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener to take advyce of what persones they shall think fitt for setting doune ane list of the officeris to command the companies in toune, and to set doune methods for ordoring them the best way they can and shall think fitt, and to report. List of officeris of the townes companies.

16 October 1688.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveened, in persuance of the power granted to them be his Majesties privie counsell, authorizeing and impowring them to raise and levie ten companies of men for the Kings service and secureing the peace of this city of Glasgow, and to appoint officeris to them, they have nominat and appointed and hereby nominats and appoints the persones following to be officeris of the saids ten companies, viz.:—Walter Gibsone, proveist, and James Gibsone, his brother, captaines, Duncan M'Lauchlan, merchand, and George Buntine, hammerman, livetennents, and James Cuming, merchand, to be ensigne to ane of the saids companies; and Colin Bell, baillie, James Bell, his brother, captaines, John Herbertsone and Patrick Bell, younger, merchands, livetennents, and James Scott, merchand, ensigne to ane of the saids companies; and John Gilhagie, baillie, and William Andersone, merchand, captaines, James Crawford and James Johnstoun, merchands, livetennents, and Thomas Baxter, tailzeor, ensigne to ane of the samen companies; and John Woddrope, baillie, and Patrick Maxwell, tanner, captaines, William Corse, merchand, and Thomas Shiellis, maltman, Election of the officers to the ten companies.

livetennents, and Gabriell Listoune, cordoner, ensigne to ane other of these companies; and Robert Campbell, dean of gild, and John Campbell, his brother, captaines, Hugh Montgomerie, merchand, and John Mitchell, maltman, livetennents, and James Smith, merchand, ensigne to another of the companies; and Colin Campbell of Blythiswood and Mr. John Cochrane of Ferguslie, captaines, Thomas Weir and Mathew Achesone, merchands, livetennents, and Robert Telfer, hammerman, ensigne to another of the saids companies; and John Wallace, deacon conveener, and James Hamilton, merchand, captaines, Peter Cuthbert, maltman, and Walter Buchanan, baxter, livetennents, and John Donnaldsone, maltman, ensigne to ane other of the same companies; and Thomas Crawford, elder, of Carsburne, and John Barnes, lait proveist, captaines, Thomas Crawford, younger, and James Hutchisone, tanner, livetennents, and James Maxwell, cordoner, ensigne to ane other of the saids companies; and John Johnstoune, lait proveist, and William Colquhoune of Craigtoune, captaines, George Johnstoune and James Colquhoune, lait baillie, livetennents, and David Colquhoune, tailzeor, ensigne to ane other of the companies; and John Walkinshaw, younger of Borrowfield and William Bogill, merchand, captaines, William Walkingshaw and James Cuthbert, merchand, livetennents, and John Stirling, maltman, ensigne to ane other of the saids companies. Whilk persones abovewrittin, swa nominat to be officeris, is conforme to the list set doune be the persones who were appointed for that effect. And it is hereby concluded that whatever persones shall be named in place of the proveist and baillies for the magistracie that they shall succeed them in their place as officeris to their companies and exerce accordinglie.

30 October 1688.

Bread, tallow, candle. [The 12 d. loaf to weigh 14 oz.; tallow to be sold for 3½ merks the stone; and candle for 4 merks the stone.]

Warrant, meill sent to Inveraray. Ordaines Frederick Hamilton to pay to John Stirling, visitor of the maltmen, the soume of [£ 737 16 s. 2 d.] Scots money, whilk soume is for paying ane pairt of two hundred bollis of meill sent to the garisone at Inveraray by ordour of John Drummond.



13 November 1688.

It being represented that severall of the inhabitants neglects to appear and keep the guards when it fallis to their turne, therefor it is hereby enacted and concluded that whatsomever persone that shall be absent frae the guard, and shall not mount the samen at the ordinar tyme, sufficientlie armed with ane sufficient fyrelock and ane sword, that they shall be fyned and unlawed in twentie merks Scots, ilk persone *toties quoties* they shall failzie, conforme to the list to be given up be the officeris to the magistrats of the deficiencies, and that no person goe aff the guard without leive of their officeris, under the paine of being fyned in three pund Scots and punished as the magistrats shall think fit; and appoints baillie Woddrope and deacon conveener to intimat the samen to the respective trades.

4 December 1688.

Compearēd John Keith, servitor to his grace my lord archbishop of Glasgow, and produced ane act of his Majesties privie councill, narrating his Majesties letter allowing the magistrats of this city to be choisen, wherof the tennor followes:—Edinburgh the twentieth seventh day of November 1688. The which day, the letter underwrittin direct from the Kings most excellent Majestie being read in councill was ordored to be recorded in their bookes, and ane authentick extract therof to be transmitted to his grace the lord archbishop of Glasgow, that his grace may proceed and act accordinglie, of which letter the tennor followes:—*Sic suprascribitur*: JAMES R. Right trustie and right wellbeloved cousin and counsellour, right trustie and right wellbeloved counsellouris, right trustie and intirelie beloved cousines and counsellouris, right trustie and right well beloved cousines and counsellouris, right and wellbeloved cousines and counsellouris, right trustie and wellbeloved counsellouris and trustie and wellbeloved counsellouris: Wee greet yow well. Whereas by our letter, of the 29th day of August lastpast, wee did signifie our pleasure unto yow for suspending the election of magistrats of our royall burroughs of that our ancient kingdome untill wee should think fitt to declare our further pleasure unto yow concerning the same, and are now resolved to allow and authorize the lord archbishops of Glasgow to proceed to the nomina-

tion and choice of the proveist and baillies of that toune, according to his right and priviledge, as also to the nomination of the dean of gild and deacon conveener for this current year, it is now our will and pleasure, and wee doe hereby authorize and requyre yow in our name to grant warrand and authoritie to the said lord archbishope of Glasgow (notwithstanding of the generall stop lately put to the elections of the magistrats of our royall burroughs) forwith to nominat and elect the proveist and baillies of our said toune of Glasgow, according to his right and privilege, as also to nominat one to be dean of gild and another to be deacon conveener there; all which persons being hereby authorised to continow in their respective offices in the said burgh and liberties therof from Michaelmass last to Michaelmass following in the year 1689, wee doe therefore hereby authorize and requyre yow forthwith to make ane act to be intimated in due forme to the said lord archbishop to the effect allreadie mentioned, for doing all which these presents shall be to yow and him, and all otheris respectivelie who may be therin any way concerned, a sufficient warrand. And so wee bid yow heartily farewell. Given at our court at Whitehall the 12th day of November 1688, and of our reigne the 4th year. By his Majesties command. *Sic subscribitur*: Melfort. Extracted furth of the records of his Majesties privy councill by me, Sir William Patersone of Grantoun, barronet, clerk of his Majesties most honourable privy councill. *Sic subscribitur*: Will: Paterson. As also the said John Keith produced ane letter direct frae his grace my lord archbishop of Glásgow, wherby he nominats and appoints Walter Gibsone of Bashagrie to continow proveist of the said city of Glasgow for the year ensuing till Michaelmass nixt to come, 1689, who did accept and gave his oath *de fidei administratione* as use is.

Baillies.

[From leets presented to him the archbishop appointed James Gibsone and James Crawford, merchants, and John Paterson, craftsman, to be baillies.]

5 December 1688.

Counsell-  
ouris.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons added to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors.]

12 *December* 1688.

[William Napier, dean of guild; John Woddrope, deacon convenuer; John Dean of gild, Boyd, treasurer; John Purveyance, bailie of Gorbals; Robert Telfer, water bailie; <sup>etc.</sup> John Mitchell, visitor of maltmen; Patrick Tennent, visitor of gardeners; John Grahame, procurator fiscal.]

23 *January* 1689.

Ordaines John Andersone to have ane warrand for [£ 106 4 s.] that Warrand, he gave to James Bell by ordour of the proveist when he went to Stirling <sup>gunpowder and picks.</sup> with ane partie of the tounes people to bring here some gunpowder and picks.<sup>1</sup>

In respect that the regiment in toun refuses to obey the magistrats, <sup>Anent the tounes regiment disbanding.</sup> it is concluded that the said regiment be disbanded and are frae this tyme disbanded, bot that ther shall be ane guard kepted nightly of sextie men for preventing of stealling and accidentall fyre, as God forbid, and to goe on nightlie and dismiss in the morning, and the toun to furnish them coall and candle. As also that these who hes colouris and syths either give in the same to the toun or pay the samen themselves, and these that gives back the same for the tounes use that the toun pay for them, as also that the tounes partizanes be called in for, and recommends to the dean of gild and deacon convenuer to see the samen done.

24 *January* 1689.

The magistrats and counsell takeing to consideration that John <sup>Ane well set doune be John Wilson.</sup> Wilson, maltman, hes set doune ane well without the West port on the

<sup>1</sup> On 22nd March, 1689, the estates gave "order and warrand to William Drummond, depute keeper of the stores, to repair to Stirling and to delyver to John Andersone of Dowhill, or any having his order, upon receipt, out of the magazine of Stirling castle, four thousand muskets, one thousand picks, ane hundered barrells of powder, with match and bandeliers conforme, and ane hundered chists of ball; and grants warrand to the said John Andersone to send the same to Glasgow with a sufficient guard. And ordaines William Naper, present dean of gild, Thomas Craufurd,

younger of Craufurdsburn, James Pedie of Rochill, and Hew Montgomery, merchand, ther, when the said armes and amunition shall be brought to Glasgow to secure the same in the tolbooth therof untill furdur order. And they grant warrand and power to the said William Naper, Thomas Craufurd, James Pedie, and Hew Montgomery, incaice of necessitie, to draw together the fencible men in the said toun and to cause keep a watch and ward for security of the toun, and particularie for securitie of the said armes" (A.P.S., IX., p. 18).

tounes ground, near to the head of the Shitwynd, on his oun expenses, it is concluded be pluralitie of votts that he get ane hundreth merks payed him in lew of his said charges for setting doune the said well, the said John Wilsone declareing under his hand that the said well shall be made open and patent to the toun of Glasgow and haill inhabitants therin whenever they shall have occasion to make use of the samen for drawing water; and ordaines the thesaurer to pay him the said ane hundreth merks on the termes foresaid.

Address to  
his royall  
highness the  
Prince of  
Orange.

The proveist gave in ane address to be presented to his royall highness the Prince of Orrange, whilk was allowed be the magistrats and toun counsell and subscrivit be the most pairt; and appoints the proveist to advyse whither he send the samen or not, and by what persones it shall be presented to his highness, and the said address was delivered to him for that end.<sup>1</sup>

2 February 1689.

Anent the  
meeting of the  
burrowes.

There being ane letter direct to the proveist of Glasgow be Mr. John Buchan, ajent to the burrowes, at desire of the proveist of Edinburgh, desireing the toun to send some person to meet at Edinburgh with the commissioneris for the burrowes of Edinburgh, Perth, Dundie, Stirling, and Kirkaldie for consulting anent the calling of ane convention anent what measures shall be taken for promotting ane unioun of trade betuixt Scotland and England, the proveist of Edinburgh haveing receaved letteris frae London that the peers and commons of England did inclyne therto. Whilk being taken to consideration they appoint and commissionats the proveist to repair to Edinburgh and meet with the proveist of Edinburgh and remanent burrowes and to commune anent the said affaire, and to advyse with them what is fitt to be done in the said affaire, and to give report to the magistrats and counsell before anything be concluded.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
chasnutts.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Walter Brock [£ 46 5 s. Scots] that was spent in his house be the magistrats at severall tymes and in the guard, and for ane bushell of chasnutts given to ane freind of the tounes, whilk was to have bein payed be George Campbell, master of work, be ordour of Robert Campbell, then dean of gild, and is yet resting.

<sup>1</sup> King James left England in December, 1688, and thereupon negotiations were commenced which resulted in the settlement of the Scottish Crown upon King William and Queen Mary, on 11th April, 1689 (A.P.S., IX., p. 37).

18 May 1689.

It is concluded that there be ane letter written to Edinburgh to <sup>Letter concerning the</sup> advert in caice any persones be stirring for getting ane stop put to the <sup>imposition.</sup> uplifting of the imposition granted to the toune on the ale, wyne and drinking beir, and upon advertisement if it be found necessar that the proveist repair to Edinburgh theranent, and for getting the said imposition continowed.

Appoints the proveist and baillies to call and conveyn these persones <sup>Those who</sup> who brack the peckis in winter last and these who had accession therto, <sup>brack the</sup> and use all dilligence possible against them conforme to law till they <sup>peckis and the</sup> make als many peckis in the place of these that were brocken, or at least <sup>tolbooth.</sup> pay in the money for doing the same, and otherwayes to fyne them and punish their persones by and attour payment of the peckis. As also that the like be done against these who brack the tolbooth; for doing wherof this shall be ane warrand to the saids magistrats.

The magistrats and counsell being conveyned anent the petition given <sup>Petition be</sup> in to them be William Somervell, tackisman of the peckis, craveing allow- <sup>tackisman of</sup> ance and defalcation aff his tack dewtie for the loss and dammage he <sup>the peckis.</sup> sustained by brecking of the peckis, whilk was done on the eightein day of December last, and the loseing of his change since that tyme, and the ale he had spoiled and other abuses in his house through the persones thronging in that brock the saids peckis, and by keeping the horse guards in the meillmercat be the gentlemen of the shyres in winter last, whereby he was necessitat to keep servants for preserveing the victuall in the mercat, and for furnishing some candle to the said guard. Whilk being taken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they quatt and give doune to the said William Somervell the soume of two hundreth and twentie fyve merks resting be the said William of his yearis tack dewtie for the saids peckis.

The saids proveist, baillies and toune counsell, takeing to considera- <sup>Takisman of</sup> tion the petition presented to them be John Stirling, maltman, and his <sup>the mylnes</sup> partineris, tackismen of the mylnes and ladles for this last year, they have <sup>and ladles.</sup> quatt and given doune to them the soume of four hundreth pundis Scots in consideration of the loss they sustained be the maltmens refuseing to pay the excyse and imposition for their malt, and be the maltmen in

Gorballis grinding their malt by the tounes mylnes, and particularlie throw the loss they had of the ladles be the breackeing of the tounes pecks, the victuall being fare short of what wold have come to the mercat to be sold, through the want of measures, whilk wold have bein otherwayes if there had bein peckis to measure the same.

4 June 1689.

Common good set. [Mills, 9,025 merks; ladles, 4,000 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 900 merks; tron, 820 merks; bridge, 1,160 merks.]

6 June 1689.

Anent the imposition on ale and drinking beir.

The saids proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, and taking to their consideration that Mr. John Cochrane, notwithstanding of ane bargane made with him and John Baillie of Castlecary for the excyse of malt broune, vented and sold within the toun, the said Mr. John hes brocken the bargane and agreement betuixt the toun and them, by uplifting the said excyse frae the brewaris and retailieris of the ale and drinking beir, wherby the toun is prejudged of the imposition they had upon the ale and drinking beir, and the brewaris refuses to pay the same, therefore its referred to the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to conveyin the merchands and crafts and to take their advyce what methods shall be taken for uplifting the said imposition, and if there shall be ane stent laid on for paying the tounes publict burdens, and aither to appoint the imposition to be uplifted and give their concurrence for that effect, otherwayes to give their consent to the laying on the said stent immediatlie.

15 June 1689.

Accompt, expenses in going to Lanerk.

George Andersone gave in ane accompt of the expenses he and John Crawford was at, with their servant and horses and horse hyres, in going to Lanerk and attending the meeting of the shyre ther and at Hamiltone, and getting the toun freed of the proportion of the outreik of horse, and sending ane express to Irwing and Air theranent, whilk extends to twentie two pund ten shilling Scotts money.

Ane lane through to the Trongate.

It is concluded be the saids magistrats and toun counsell that ane passage or lane be made through James Armouris closs to the Trongate.

and for that end appoints the halfe of that chop belonging to (*blank*) be bought for makeing the said passage or lane the more broad and patent at the entrie to the Trongate.<sup>1</sup>

29 June 1689.

It being represented be Uchter Herbisone that when the tounie sent him to Inverarray in (*blank*) last with two hundred bollis meill and ane hundred bollis malt, by ordour of John Drummond, the said Uchter tooke with him twentie bollis malt belonging to himselfe, whilk he declares was taken frae him at Inverarray, with the rest of the malt and meall, be the person that intronnetted with the said malt and meill, whilk was Machanie and (*blank*) Stewart of Craigtounie, and that he received no payment therefor, it is therefore hereby concluded that if the tounie get the said twentie bollis allowed be the publict in their cess that they are to pay the same to the said Uchter.

1 July 1689.

There was ane tack of the coallis in Muir of Gorballis subscrivit in favouris of John Gilhagie, merchand, with libertie to win coallis, and to set doune coall heughes within the tounes bounds ther . . . under the restrictiones and conditiones mentioned in the said tack.

Ordaines the thesaurer . . . to pay to James Hamiltone twentie rex dollouris for convoying and waiteing on the archbishope of Glasgowe ladie to Edinburgh in winter last.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened anent the supplication presented to them be Robert Sanderis, printer, mentioning that wher he hes ane tenement of land lying within the said burgh on the north syde of that wynd called Bunns Wynd, on whilk he hes ane timber foir stair, beneth ane pairt wherof he got formerlie libertie frae Sir John Bell, when he was proveist, and remanent magistrats and tounie counsell for the tyme, to build up ane ston wall the bounds of ane cellar beneth the said foir stair towards the wynd;<sup>2</sup> and the said petitioner being now of

<sup>1</sup> In describing the streets and wynds in 1736, M'Ure says—"Armour's Wynd reaches south from the Trongate to Prince's Street, and is of length fifty-two ells and four ells

wide" (Hist. of Glasg., 1830 edition, p. 132).

<sup>2</sup> *Antea*, p. 280. Bunns Wynd is there called Grayfriar Wynd.

intention to rebuild the said tenement in ston work, and to take doune the ston work alreadie builded and bring in the samen als farr as the timber foir stair now is, whilk is within his oun drope, the saids magistrats and counsell allowing him to bring out the rest of the said tenement als farr as the said foir stair, the samen being nowayes prejudiciall to the toune; as the said supplication bearis: Whilk, with the report of sundrie of those who were appointed to sight the samen, being taken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they have given and granted and hereby gives and grants libertie to the said Robert Sanderis to bring out his said wall the length of the said foir stair, he takeing doune what he hes allreadie builded and makeing the samen equall with the rest and building the haill front in sufficient ston work.

Setting the  
teinds of the  
barronie  
paroch.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyned, and takeing to their consideration the great and assiduous service done to them and their predicessouris in the commone affaires of the said burgh be John Crawford, wryter ther, and especiallie his great care and dilligence in setting out of the teinds within the barronie paroch of Glasgow and uther burrow aikeris, belonging to them in tack frae the archbishope of Glasgow, by which he hes helped to raise and advance the grassumes and entressis of the saids teinds, payable be the respective heretouris of the said paroch furth of the samen, a verie considerable soume above the rate that ever the saids teinds payed of before to them or their predicessouris, to the great advancement and utilitie of the commone affaires of the said burgh, therefore the saids magistrats and counsell have modified and appointed and hereby modifies and appoints the soume of sex hundreth pundis to be payed be the thesaurer of the said burgh to the said John Crawford, as ane mean and reasonable satisfaction to him for his great paines and dilligence in setting out of the saids teinds in maner abovewrittin, and for his many other services done and performed be him to them and their foresaids in the affaires of the said burgh these diverse yearis bygane; and ordaines the said soume of six hundreth pundis to be payed to him, his aires and executeris, betwixt and the terme of Candlemass nixtto-come, with the ordinar annuelrent therfor thereafter swa lang as the samen remains unpaid. . . . Likeas the said John Crawford appeared before the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, and exhibite and

Milnetoune  
of Provand.



produced before them a chartour of alienation containing *de novo damus*, and diverse other clauses and articles therein exprest, bearing that the said John Crawford and his predicesouris held the lands of Milnetoune of Provand of the saids magistrats and counsell, in name of the community of the said burgh, in few and heretage, for payment of twentie pund of yearlie few dewtie; whilk holding is by the said new chartour changed in a free blensch holding for payment of ane pennie yearlie at Whitsunday, being requyred, as the samen, containing diverse other liberties and immunities in favouris of the said John Crawford and Jean Fleiming, his spouse, and their aires thereinmentiouned, [bears]. And the said John Crawford declaired that, for the great deference and respect he hes to the weill and utilitie of the said burgh and the promoteing the interest and affaires therof, he was content the said soume of six hundreth pund money, due to him as said is, should be compensated and extinguished by the foresaid twentie pund of few dewtie yearlie, and the other immunities contained in the said chartor, albeit the samen in the true value therof does not exceed the equall halfe of the said soume. And the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, considering the seen advantage and utilitie of the burgh by the foresaid compensation, did readily and willinglie accept therof, and granted and subscrivit the foresaid chartor, of the tennor and effect therein contained; and ordained the foresaid act of counsell and thir presents to be booked and recorded in their counsell bookes as the grounds therof.

3 July 1689.

Whereas his Majesties high commissioner, and lords of privie coun- Free election  
cill, be their act of the dait at Edinburgh the twentie fourth day of Junij of baillies and  
j<sup>m</sup>. vi<sup>c</sup>. eightie nyne yeares, in persewance of his Majesties letter in relation poll. counsell by  
to the election of the magistrats and toune counsell of Glasgow in maner  
therin specifeit, have given ordour and warrand for ane new and free  
election of the baillies, dean of gild, thesaurer and toune counsell of  
Glasgow, to be choisen at Glasgow the second and thrid dayes of Julij  
instant by the poll of habile burgesses bearing burdine, skott and lott,  
excluedeing honorarie burgesses, tounes servants, pensioners and beadmen,  
and appoints them to continow to the usewall tyme about Michaelmass

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nixt, and ordaining them to send up a list of three persones to his Majestie that they may make choise of one of them and authorize him to be proveist of the said burgh; and be the said act the earle of Dundonnald, or such persones as he shall commissionat, are appointed to be present and see the foresaid election, and likewise appointing the toune clerk of the said burgh to conveyn the habile burgesses and to proceed in the foresaid election, in the samen maner as was formerlie ordoured and appointed by the meeting of estates of the magistrats and toune counsell of Edinburgh and Dundee, with the foresaid restriction of the proveist untill his Majestie nominat ane of the three to be given in to him, or otherwayes declare his pleasure theranent, as the said act of the daitt foresaid in itselfe more fullie bears. In prosecution of which act I, George Andersone, clerk of the said burgh, caused warne the haill habile burgesses of the said burgh to compeir the said second and thrid dayes of Julij instant, in maner and to the effect above specifeit, conforme whereunto the habile burgesses of the said burgh compeared upon the saids second and thrid dayes of July respective, before Sir William Fleiming of Ferme, knight and barronet, commissar of Glasgow, as the person appointed be the said earle to be present at the said election, and before me as toune clerk aforesaid, and be pluralitie of votts nominated and elected the persons following, viz.:—James Peadie and John Corse, merchand baillies, and Simeon Tennent, crafts baillie, William Napier, dean of gild, and counsellors for the merchands rank: John Andersone of Dowhill, Hugh Montgomerie, James Stewart, Lumloch, Mathew Cuming, elder, John Leckie, elder, John Gibsone, John Aird, elder, James Bogle, captaine, John Robiesone, Campsie, John Spreull, elder, John Stirling, George Muirhead, James Sloss, Gavine Wood; John Gilcreist, deacon convenener, Peter Corbet, thesaurer, and counsellouris for the crafts rank: Stephan Crawford, John Greir, John Gray, George Nisbit, James Cuming, Robert Young, Robert Brock, Thomas Pollock, George Robiesone, George Buchannan, Robert Jamiesone, James Boyd. And in regaird the saids burgesses fand it not cleir be the foresaid act whither they were to send ane list to his Majestie of three persones out of which the proveist was to be choisen, or that the magistrats and toune counsell was to doe the same, they delayed the makeing the foresaid list untill his Majesties farder pleasure was knowne

theranent. In witnes wherof, thir presents are subscrivit be ws the saids Sir William Fleiming and George Andersone the said thrid day of Julij 1689.

8 August 1689.

The saids baillies and toune counsell being conveyned, there was presented to them ane act of the dean of gild, and most pairt of the merchand rank, daitted the second day of August instant, makeing mention that there was ane list of the tounes debt produced and read to them, whilk amounts to ane hundreth and eightie thousand pundis Scots and above, besides other latent debts which is supposed to be twentie thousand pund, and after some overtours and proposallis how the same should be defrayed, it was unanimouslie condescended by the dean of gild and remanent memberis present that the parliament and burrowes should be supplicat for a libertie to sell the haill publict goods of the toune for defraying the publict debts, and that the magistrats with consent of the merchands and trades houses might be authorized to expose the same to sale for that effect; as likewise haveing heard the report of those who were appointed to treat with the maltmen by the act of the 7th Junij 1689, that the maltmen were unwilling to comply with the overtouris of their house; therefore the said dean of gild and remanent memberis ratified and approved the said act of the 7th of Junij last, by which it was unanimouslie condescended and agreed upon that in lieu of the plack of the pynt each mask of malt browne and druncken within the toune, both by hostlers and vintineris and privat brewaris, should be lyable in payment of threttie shilling Scots money, and for the more speedie and effectuall payment therof it was enacted that ilk capitaine or officer commanding the guard for the tyme should be obleist to give concurrence by their guard to the toune officeris for summar poynding all the deficientis in payment therof, and that each deficient should be lyable in 40 shilling the mask; and to the effect the said imposition might be faithfullie impended for defraying the tounes burdines and paying the debts, they did nominat severall persones for collecting the samen, as likewise that the imposition of threttie pund on the tunn of wyne, and threttie pund on the butt of sack and butt of brandie, and twentie four shilling on the barrell of mum beir should be uplifted and impendit for the said use; and in caice the malt-

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anent the  
tounes debt.

men should yet come any lenth of compliyanee made allreadie to them or to be made to them by the magistrats, it was left in the magistrats power and recommended to them to commone with the maltmen and brewers, and if they think it requisite to transact with them at twentie six shilling eight pennies per mask or above, as they can best agree, and that the privat brewaris since Candlemas 1688, and in tyme comeing, be lyable in payment of as much for the tounes pairt as the vintineris, and that non of the inhabitants be free of excyse, neither magistrats nor any other, and if any magistrat shall give warrand to any in the contrare, he shall be lyable in ane hundreth pund of fyne (shipps beir or any other exported to sea excepted); whilk acts to the samen purpose are likewise made and agreed to be the haille respective crafts in the toune except the maltmen. All whilk being taken to the saids baillies and toune counsell their consideration, they have allowed and approven and heirby allowes and approves of the samen, and have by thir presents agreed and condescended that there shall be only two merks exacted for ilk mask malt browne within the toune for byganes, this week being included, be payed alsweill be privat brewaris as vintineris and hostlers, by and attoure the King's excyse; and nominats and appoints John Aird, elder, and George Nisbit for the south quarter, James Colquhoune and John Robiesone for the north quarter, Mr. Robert Selkrig and John Louke, Bristo, for the east quarter, John Coatts, younger, and John Adam, tailyeor, for the west quarter, to uplift and receave the samen two merks frae the vintineris and private brewaris for this week, and all bygaines, and to be comptable therefor, and to apply the samen for paying the tounes publict debts and burdines; and if any shall refuse to pay the said imposition and annuitie, appoints the magistrats to conveyn the delinquents, and to force them to do the samen, either by poynding or otherwise as they shall think fitt; and likewise appoints the collectouris at the mylnes to uplift two merks for ilk mask malt shall be browne in tyme comeing within the toune both frae vintineris and privat brewaris.

Excyse book. Nominats and appoints the baillies to call for the excyse booke frae Duncan M'Lauchlane and what other accompts he hes belonging to the toune; as also appoints the clerk to give to Dowhill what of the counsell bookes he shall call for, and the baillies to name what persones they

think fitt to take up ane list of what debts the toune is resting be band or otherwayes, and how the samen hes bein impended and bestowed, and to report to the counsell that it may be considered be them what redress may be had against these who hes spent the same otherwayes nor for the tounes publict good and interest.

Recommends to [the bailies and others], with consent of the ministers, <sup>Seatts in the churches.</sup> to consider how the seatts in the churches shall be disposed on, and to sett doune ane list what they think fitt to be payed for each seatt, and to report.

10 August 1689.

It being represented be the baillies that the earles of Argyll and Money to Glencairnes regiments, lying here, wants their pay, whereby they <sup>officeris in Argyllis and other regi-ments.</sup> threattnie to take free quarters in caice the magistrats will not advance them money for paying their souldiours, for preventing wherof the saids baillies hes advanced the saids earles certane soumes allreadie, as likewise to livetennent collonell Clelland for the use of Angus regiment, upon their bands to repay the samen; whilk was allowed and approve. And also allows them to lend what farder they shall think fitt to the officeris of the saids regiments for preventing of free quarteris, wpon their receipts and obligations either to get the saids soumes allowed to the toune in their cess or to pay the samen themselves.

26 August 1689.

There being a double of a signator or letter of gift produced and Dowhill to read, whilk is to be presented to their Majesties King William and Queen <sup>goe to London and present a petition to their Majesties for a free election.</sup> Marie, for getting the election of the proveist and baillies of this city in their owne hands (bishops now being abolished), whilk was allowed and approve; and appoints John Andersone of Dowhill to repair to London for presenting the samen to the King and Queens Majesties for getting the same made effectual; and ordaines ane commission to be given to the said John Andersone for that effect, of the whilk commission swa given to him the tennor followes:—Att Glasgow the 26th day of August 1689. The whilk day, the baillies and toune counsell of the said burgh being convened, and takeing to their consideration that episcopacie is now abolished, and they, with the advice and consent of the incorporations of

the merchands and crafts within the said city, think it at this time most propper and convenient for petitioning their most excellent majesties King William and Queen Marie, for getting the election of the magistrats of this city in their ounne hands, and the saids baillies and counsell being weill assured of the fitnes and qualification of John Andersone of Dowhill for going about the getting the same effectuat, therefore they have given and granted and hereby gives and grants full power and commission to the said John Andersone to repair with all dilligence to the city of London, or elsewhere as he shall find occasion, and there, for and in name of the saids magistrats and counsell of the said city and haill communitie therof, to petition their most sacreed majesties King William and Queen Marie that they may be graciouslie pleased to grant to this city the free election of their ounne magistrats as other royall burrowes of this kingdom hes, and conforme to their ancient constitution and sett; as likewise to doe and exerce all other matteris relateing to and tending to their liberties and priviledges, and for procureing what shall be thought necessar for the benefite and advantage of the said citie, and generallie all and sundrie other things neidfull to doe, use and exerce theranent, conforme to the instructiones given to the said John Andersone. Whereunto, and to all their said commissioner does in the premissis, they obleidge them and their successouris in office to abyde firme and stable, without reclamation, he keeping the instructiones given him as said is. In witnes wherof, thir presents are subscrivit be the baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener of the said city, as haveing power and commission frae the toune counsell of the samen.

Seats in the  
kirks.

The dean of gild, baillie Hall, [and nine others] are appointed, with any one of the baillies to be present, to dispose on the seats in the churches to the burgesses and inhabitants as they shall think fitting, they paying the rates set doune for the samen, and to pay the halfe in hand, and so to continow at the begining of ilk halfe year in tyme coming, and to use what methods they think most propper for effectuating the same, the entrie to the seatts to be frae Lambmass last; and nominats and appoints the persones following to uplift and receave what shall be gottine for the seatts of the respective churches, viz.:—John Stirling to receave what shall be gottine for the Inner High Church, and James Sloss

for the meeting house in the Wynd, and Stephan Crawford for the Laigh Kirk, and John Gray, cordoner, for the Utter High Kirk; and that for the space of ane year, and to make compt, reckoning and payment of their respective intromissiones.

The baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, John <sup>Dowhillis</sup> Andersone of Dowhill gave in and produced before them ane accompt <sup>of expenses in</sup> of his charges and expenses he was at in attending the meeting of estates <sup>procureing</sup> as the tounes commissioner, being choisen be the haill tounes, when he <sup>ane free</sup> was at London himselfe, and for procureing ane pass frae my lord secretarie of England to get libertie to ryde post for Scotland to attend the said meeting, and for his charges and expenses in rydeing then post frae London to Edinburgh, and to the clerks with his commission, and for all other expenses and debursements in extracting severall acts of convention relateing to the tounes affaires, and other extraordinary charges dureing the tyme of the said meeting of estates, extending to two hundreth threttie two pund three shilling Scots. As also the said John Anderson gave in ane accompt of his expenses and debursements in rydeing post to London about the begining of Junij last, being imployed be the tounes to goe there for getting ane warrand frae his Majestie to them to elect the magistrats and tounes counsell of Glasgow as other burghes in the kingdome had gottine, conform to the act of the meeting of estates, and for the secretaries dewes for the letter obtained from his Majestie to the secreet councill, and for wryteing ane petition to his Majestie for that effect, and for his ounes expenses, both ordinar and extraordinar, the haill tyme he was at London and Hamptoun Court, and in going to and frae London to Hamptoun and attending till the letter was procured for the said election, and in ryding post home againe frae London, whilk extends to 424 li. 19 s. As likewise, he gave in ane accompt of his expenses the tyme of the parliament, for the double of severall acts of parliament, and to the clerk of the counsell for the act of counsell upon his Majesties letter for the tounes to choise their magistrats and counsell, and severall other acts anent the tounes affaires, and for horse hyres and other expenses in ryding betwixt Glasgow and Edinburgh dureing the tyme of the parliament and burrowes, extending to 60 li. 19 s., and for his haill personall charges, ordinar and extraordinar, in attending the parliament and con-

vention of burrowes and committie of estates as the tounes commissioner dureing the haill tyme they satt, whilk at the meeting of estates and committie of estates was frae the 13th day of March to the 27th day of Maij, being sevintie fyve dayes, and attending the parliament from the 18th Junij to the 4th of August, being 47 dayes, which are in haill 122 dayes, for which he charges onlie 4 li. per diem, is 488 li. And whilk haill accompt being calculat and laid extends to the soume of ane thousand two hundreth fyftein pund ane shilling, which was allowed and approve be the saids magistrats and counsell, and ordaines the toun thesaurer to pay the samen soume to the said John Andersone.<sup>1</sup>

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
letter of gift.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to the said John Andersone of Dowhill the soume of four score sevin pund seventein shilling Scots, wherof sixtie six pund fyftein shilling was given to Sir John Dalrymple, his Majesties advocat, for his advyce and drawing up the letter of the gift or signatour to be presented to the King for the tounes getting the election of ther magistrats, and the rest given to his servants and utheris of drink money anent that affaire, and for his owne and baillie Woddropes charges and expenses in goeing to Edinburgh to advyse the samen.

23 September 1689.

Oath of  
allegiance to  
their  
Majesties.

[The members of the town council] did all in obedience to the act of parliament, and act of his Majesties privie councill, daited at Edinburgh the second day of September instant, in presence of William Colquhoun of Craigtoun, ane of the members of parliament, (the shirreff nor his deputs not being within the shyre for the tyme) swear the oath of allegiance and subscrivit the samen with their hands, by the which oath they and ilk ane of them did sinceerlie promise and swear that they will be faithfull and bear true allegiance to their majesties King William and Queen Marie; so help ws God. As did George Andersone, both as toun clerk of the said burgh and ane nottar publict.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
church  
seatts, etc.

Ordaines the toun thesaurer, or his successouris in office, to pay to John Patersone, lait baillie, the soume of ane hundreth twentie two pund two shilling eight pennies for putting up seatts in the churches and other

<sup>1</sup> Some interesting particulars connected with the negotiations for a free election will be found in the *Leven and Melville Papers* (Bannatyne Club), pp. 74, 85, 86, 142-4, 237-8.



wright work done to the toune, and furnishing daillis and naillis and other necessaris therto, conforme to ane accompt therof given in and allowed.

The baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being fullie informed of the literatur, qualification and good education of Mr. George Skirvine, <sup>Maister of the Gramer Schooll.</sup> sometyne master of the Gramer Schooll of Hamiltoune, and of his aptnes and fitness to be master of the Gramer Schooll of the said burgh of Glasgow, have therefor nominat and appointed, and hereby nominats, appoints and admits the said Mr. George Skirvine to be Gramer Schooll master of the said burgh of Glasgow, and allowes and appoints him to have the hail benefite, priviledges and immunities therto belonging, siclike and als freelie in all respects as any other master of the said schooll possest and enjoyed the same of before, and that from his entrie therto, whilk is heirby declaired to be and begin at the first day of November nixtcome, and swa to continow dureing his exerceing the said office and imployment as master of the said schooll; with power to the said Mr. George to ask, crave, uplift and receave his sallarie and all other dewes belonging therto yearlie, termlic, quarterlic and proportionallie dureing his exerceing his office as master of the said schooll.

The magistrats and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, <sup>Act, John Boyd, maisson.</sup> there was ane accompt of work produced, wrought be umquhill John Boyd, lait thesaurer, at the tolbooth, and putting in stenceris and batts in the windowes, and for other maisson work at the tounes walk mylne of Partick, Blackfrier Kirk, and other work done to the toune, and for furnishing stones and uther necessaris therto, whilk was done and wrought be him the tyme he was thesaurer, extending to the soume of two hundreth threttein pund ten shilling Scots money, the payment wherof he was to detaine in his oune hand aff the tounes money he had or should receave, and which compt is be the saids magistrats and counsell allowed and approve.

1 October 1689.

The said day, being the first Tuesday after Michaelmass, and so the ordinary day for the election of the proveist and baillies of this burgh for the year ensuing, there was ane letter produced frae his sacreed Majestie <sup>His Majesties letter produced for electing of the proveist.</sup> direct to the magistrats and toune counsell of the city of Glasgow for choiseing the proveist and other magistrats for the ensuing year, wherof

Election of  
provost and  
baillies.

the tennor followes:—*Sic suprascribitur*: WILLIAM R. Trusty and wel-beloved,—Wee greet yow well. Whereas wee understanding that the nameing of your proveist does properly belong to ws, and, there being no bishope, it is now in our power, yet in consideration of the particular service done to ws by that our city, and of the zeall and affection wee are well assured you have for ws, are therefore resolved to grant to yow a speciall mark of our royall favour in allowing and empowering yow to choose your oun proveist for the nixt ensuing year, as frelie as others of our royall burroughes doe; therefore it is our will and pleasure, and wee doe heirby authorize and requyre yow to elect and choose as well your proveist as other magistrats for the ensuing year, at the ordinary tyme and in the accustomed maner, notwithstanding of the right wee have of nameing your said proveist; for doeing of which these presents shall be to yow and all otheris respectively, who may be therin any way concerned, a sufficient warrant. And so wee bid yow farewell. Given at our court at Hampton Court, the 19th day of September, 1689, and of our reigne the first year. By his Majesties command. *Sic subscribitur*: Melvill.<sup>1</sup> In obedience wherunto the saids baillies and counsell went on to the said election, and the haill counsell being removed from the table, except James Peadie, John Corse, and Simeon Tennent, baillies, they divided the haill merchand rank on counsell in three lytt, to the effect three of them might be choisen, wherof one out of ilk lytt, to the effect out of those three who should be elected they might choose one of them to bear office as proveist of the said burgh for the year ensuing; and the said haill counsell haveing againe returned to the table, they, by pluralitie of vottes, made choise of John Andersone of Dowhill, John Leckie and John Corse to be presented on lytt, that out of them they might choose one to bear office as proveist of the said burgh for the ensuing year; and the saids John Leckie and John Corse, who were present, being removed, and the lytt put to ane vott, the said John Andersone of Dowhill was be the saids baillies and counsell unanimsly elected and choisen to bear office as proveist of the said burgh for the year ensuing. And the said John Anderson, new elected proveist being absent, the saids three baillies

<sup>1</sup> The original letter is preserved (MS. Inv., in the Memorial Catalogue of the Old Glasgow I., bundle 1, No. 42), and a facsimile is given Exhibition, 1894, p. 236, No. 972.

(the rest of the counsell haveing againe removed frae the table) did set doune the lytts of these who were to bear office as baillies for the year to come; and the merchand rank who were to be lyted, being threttein in number, they were divided in fyve twoes and one three, that out of them they might choise six persones to be put on two lytts, that out of ilk lytt they might choise one to bear office as the two merchand baillies for the year ensuing. Whilk being votted, by pluralitie of votts the saids John Leckie, James Sloss, Gavine Wood, John Gibsone, James Stewart and John Aird were choisen to the effect forsaid. And the crafts counsellouris were divyded in three lytts to the effect three might be choisen to be put on lytt that out therof one might be choisen to bear office as the thrid baillie for the crafts rank for the year to come; and whilk being votted, by pluralitie of votts the saids Peter Corbet, Thomas Pollock and George Nisbit were elected and choisen be the saids baillies and counsell to be put on lytt to the effect abovewrittin. And the saids two lytts for the merchands; and lytt for the crafts being severallie removed, the saids John Leckie and John Gibsone, for the merchand rank, and George Nisbit, for the crafts rank, by pluralitie of votts, were elected and choisen out of the saids three lytts to bear office as baillies of the said burgh for the year ensuing, who being present did accept of the said office as baillies in and upon them, and gave their oathes *de fidei administratione* therintill as use is.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to <sup>Toun coun-</sup> supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors sellouris. for the ensuing year.]

9 October 1689.

[William Napier, dean of guild; John Gilchrist, deacon convener; Thomas Dean of gild, Peter, treasurer; Simeon Tennent, bailie of Gorbals; John Aird, water bailie; <sup>etc.</sup> William Andersone, master of work; Patrick Tennent, visitor of gardeners; John Graham, procurator fiscal.]

There was ane lytt presented frae the maltmen calling, to the effect <sup>Visitor of</sup> the saids magistrates and toun counsell might make choise of ane of the <sup>maltmen.</sup> lytt to be visitor of the maltmen for the year ensuing, quhilk was continowed till it were advised whither or not it were in their power to choise

ane visitor, in respect of ane act of parliament dated 23 of December 1669 dischargeing maltmen to have a visitor or deacon or to keep any meetings.<sup>1</sup>

12 October 1689.

Bread, tallow, [The 12 d. loaf of wheat bread to weigh 12 oz. 7 drop; rough tallow to be  
candle. sold for 48 s. the stone, and candle for 56 s. the stone.]

22 October 1689.

Visitor of [From a leet of five John Mitchell was chosen visitor of maltmen for the  
maltmen. ensuing year.]

2 November 1689.

Imposition on [Agreement between the town council and maltmen, with the approval of the  
malt and ale. merchants and trades' houses, modifying the imposition on ale and beer, and  
regulating the mode of its collection.]

12 November 1689.

Buying indigo Anent the complaint given in be the procurator fiscall against John  
from a M'Gormont, merchand, makeing mention that wheras he haveing within  
stranger. these (*blank*) moneths past bought frae one Patrick Skerat ane considerable  
quantitie of indigo within the tounes bounds in the river of Clyd,  
without suffering the importer to make ane offer of the same to the toun,  
bot on the contrare he impeded and hindered the said Patrick Skerat to  
make ane offer of the samen, whilk the said John granted he bought  
without makeing ane offer, and being desired yet to offer the same to the  
toun, he refused, declareing that the indigo was sold and disposed on

<sup>1</sup> By the act of parliament of James VI., 1567, c. 37, it was ordained that "it salbe never lesun to ony of the maltmen of this realme to have dekinnis bot to be repute na craft" (A.P.S., III., p. 33), and this act was ratified by the act of Charles II., 23 December, 1669, c. 36 (A.P.S., VII., p. 574). The latter act had special reference to Edinburgh and Leith, but the application was general, and parliament ordained "the office of deacon, visitor, boxmaster, or any other pretending to the like power, and the pretendit calling or incorporation and society of

brewars or maltmen to cease at Leith and in all other burghs, towns and places in the kingdom." In Glasgow the appointment of a visitor of maltmen was authorised by the letter of guildry of 1605 (Glasg. Chart., part i., pp. deviii., dexvii.), which was confirmed by parliament in 1672 (c. 129). After the act of 1669 was passed the annual appointments of a visitor ceased, but were resumed after the confirmation of 1672. (See *Chronicles of the Maltmen Craft of Glasgow, 1605-79* (1895), pp. 25-32.)

allreadie; whilk being taken to the saids magistrats and counsell their consideration, they fyne and unlaw the said John M'Gormont in the soume of twentie pounds sterling, and ordaines him to pay the samen equally to the use of the poor of the merchands and crafts houses, and ordaines him to remaine in waird whill the samen be payed.

14 December 1689.

[Bailie Leckie and others reported that they had taken, for behoof of the town, the inland excise of the shires of "Lanerk, Air, Renfrew, Boot, Dumbartane, and Stirling," for two years, at a tack duty of £65,000 Scots, yearly.] Excyse of six several shyres.

Bailie Leckie made also report that the shyre of Stirling was set, dureing the tack, for payment of [£12,524], yearlie, whilk is ane thousand pundis Scots and three guinzees more nor the quota contained in the act of parliament; as likewise that the excyse of the shyres of Renfrew, Boot and Dumbartane were set to Thomas Crawford, younger of Carsburne, for payment of the quota contained in the act of parliament extending to [£9,218 8 s.] Scots, yearlie, payable in maner and conforme to the tack set to them be the lords of privie councill, and that the samen is for the behove of the said burgh, whilk was allowed and approvine, and appoints John Aird, elder, to repair to Air, and else where in the shyre he thinks fitt, and use his endeavouris to set the excyse of the shyre of Air at the best advantage he can, and to report to the counsell before any bargaine be fullie concluded, and allowes him to take what persone he shall think fitt alongst with him for his assistance. Setting of the excyse.

Appoints the master of wark to provide and furnishe the guards with coall and candle. Coall and candle to the guards.

11 January 1690.

It is concluded that there be ane book kept for filling up the hail acts and minuts of counsell frae tyme to tyme as they are past in counsell before they be put in ane publict register, and appoints the hail acts past since the election of the magistrats and counsell by poll to be filled up in the said minute book against the nixt counsell day.<sup>1</sup> All acts since the poll to be put in a minute book.

<sup>1</sup> Duplicate volumes of town council minutes are preserved from 29th April, 1690, to 25th January, 1762 (except a blank between 28th

September, 1693, and 21st September, 1695), and also from 31st December, 1833, to 6th December, 1838.

**Comittie for  
reviseing  
accompts,  
counsell book.** Appoints the committie appointed to revise the accompts to meet in the counsell house, frae tyme to tyme as they shall think fitt, for clearing the saids compts, and appoints the clerk to produce the counsell book to the said committie at ilk meeting; and if they shall have farder use for the said book, appoints baillie Peadie or John Corse to keep the samen in their custodie and returne the same when the clerk shall have to doe therewith.

**Warrands,  
thesaurer,  
churches, etc.** Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to George Nisbit, baillie, the soume of aue hundreth and eight pund sevin shilling 8 d., Scots money, for mending and putting in of glass windowes in the Tron Church, meeting house in the Wynd, Gramer Schooll and tolbooth, and for furnishing all necessaris therto conforme to the accompts therof given in and allowed. [Also] to pay to John Patersone, lait baillie, the soume of sevintie pund fyve shilling Scots money for wright work done at the Tron Church, tolbooth and other places in the toune, and furnishing daillis and naillis therto and other necessaris, conforme to the accompt therof given in and allowed.

18 *January* 1690.

**King William  
and Queen  
Maries gift.** John Andersone, proveist, produced ane letter of gift granted be their most sacreed majesties King William and Queen Marie, whilk their Majesties ordaine to be made and past under their great seall of this kingdome of Scotland, not onlie ratifieing, approveing and confirming the haill chartouris, priviledges, grants and concessiones from any of their Majesties royall predicesouris to and in favouris of the communitie and city of Glasgow, to the gildrie, trades and severall incorporaciones or deacones therof, as effectuellie as if everie severall erection, charter or grant were particularlie enumerated or therein repeated; and likewayes their Majesties, being come in place of the archbishop of Glasgow, for themselves and for any other right competent to them of new give, grant, and dispo to and in favouris of the said city of Glasgow and toune counsell therof full power, right and libertie to choise and elect their proveist, baillies and haill other magistrats in the ordinar maner and at the ordinar tyme, as freelie as any other royall burgh in the said kingdome doe or may choise their proveist, baillies and magistrats, begining the first election at Michaelmass nixt, and so to continow in all tyme comeing, and

their Majesties ordaines the said letter to be extended in the most ample and best forme, and to pass the great seall, and promise to ratifie the same in the nixt session of their Majesties parliament.

22 *January* 1690.

Richard Ronnald, couper, is nominat and appointed to be tounes <sup>Richard</sup> quartermaster, and to quarter the souldiouris in place of John Andersone, <sup>Ronnald</sup> who is become tender and seicklie, and to have the ordinarie cellarie <sup>appointed</sup> therfor, and that he continow onlie dureing the magistrats and counsell <sup>quarter-</sup> <sup>master.</sup> their will and pleasure.

It is concluded and agreed upon that there be ane inventar taken of <sup>Inventar of</sup> the haill paperis belonging to the toun, and that they be put all in ane <sup>the tounes</sup> box or chest whilk is to have two locks and two keyes, ane wherof is to <sup>paperis.</sup> be keeped be the dean of gild and the other be the deacon conveyener.

1 *February* 1690.

Be pluralitie of votts, the magistrats and toun counsell of Glasgow <sup>Mr. Patrick</sup> doe cordiallie approve of and concurr with the call given to the reverend <sup>Sympson</sup> Mr. Patrick Sympsone to be ane of the tounes ministers, and subscrivit <sup>his call ap-</sup> the samen with their hands. <sup>provine of.</sup>

Appoints the proveist to wryte to Mr. Neill Gilleis to desire him to <sup>Proveist to</sup> accept to be ane of the toun ministeris, conforme to the ordour of the <sup>wryte to Mr.</sup> synod satt last at Glasgow. <sup>Neill Gilleis</sup>

Nominats and appoints the proveist to repair to Edinburgh for getting <sup>Proveist to</sup> the letter of gift, granted be their Majesties to the toun, for electing of <sup>goe to Edin-</sup> their magistrats and confirming the other rights, past the great seall, and <sup>burgh for get-</sup> to take notice what other business the toun is concerned in there. <sup>ting the gift</sup> <sup>confirmed.</sup>

Nominats and appoints the persones following to goe through the <sup>List of the</sup> respective quarteris in the toun, with those whom the ministeris and <sup>poor.</sup> sessioneris shall appoint, and set doune ane list of the haill poor belonging to the toun, that some methods may be fallen on for getting them helped and supplied, viz. [one person for each of the south, the west, the east, the middle and the north quarters]. And that they take particular notice of the poor in the first place who are burgesses, and nixt of these who have bein long residentaris, and of these who are new entrants and incomeris to the toun.

Seats in the  
kirks; the  
poor.

As also nominats and appoints the saids persones to set doune ane list of the inhabitants in toune who are able to take seatts in the kirks and hes not taken any, seing what is gottine for the seatts is applyed for paying the ministeris stipends, and to report as to both to the counsell. And siclike that the forenamed persones, with such as shall be nominat be the ministeris and session, take accompt what of the inhabitants in toune may pay, conforme to their respective conditiones, and to enquire at them what they will willinglie give for supplieing the said poor weeklie or monethlie as the samen shall be agreed upon, and to report ane accompt of their haill dilligence to the saids magistrats and counsell.

Counsell  
bookes, John  
Spreull, late  
clerk.

Anent the petition given in be John Spreull anent the abuse done to his father be the former magistrats and counsell [anent] the toune clerkship, appoints the counsell bookes to be sighted and try what was done theranent be the magistrats and counsell for the tyme, and in the mean-tyme appoints the proveist, when he goes to Edinburgh, to consult what is to be done in the said affaire and to give him any assistance he can therintill.

Hutchisons  
hospitall.

Appoints baillie Peadie and Peter Corbet to take inspection of what old persones are in Hutchisones hospitall, and of the young boyes, and if the old men be burgesses, and the young boyes be burgesses sones or not, and to report.

Bellmen and  
toune  
officeris.

Nominats and appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveener, with Mathew Cuming and Stephan Crawford, to call before them the bellman, toune officeris, water serjants, and to try if they be burgesses or not, and to report; the water baillie to be present at the tyme when the water serjants are tryed.

Proveists  
accompt,  
expenses at  
London.

The saids proveist, baillies and counsell being conveened, John Anderson, proveist, gave in the accompt of his charges and expenses in rydeing post to London and rydeing post back from London, being employed be the magistrats and counsell to goe there for using his endeavours with their Majesties for getting ane letter of gift or signature to impoure the toune to elect their oune magistrats, and in waiteing on at London the space of ane hundreth fourtie fyve dayes till he gott the said letter of gift past his Majesties hand, except the space of ten dayes he was at in rydeing post to London



and home againe; the personall expence wherof is included in the (*blank*) articles of posting, and given to clerks at London for transcribing the said gift and wryteing petitiones for presenting the same to their Majesties, and consulting ane advocat anent the petition presented to the King, and anent King Charles the Firsts gift to the toun of the teithes of the barronie of Glasgow, and for the secretaries and his servants dewes, and what was given to persones of qualitie who were the touns freinds in dealling with his Majestie to procure the said letter of gift. Whilk haill debursements and expenses, with the said proveist his personall charges and expenses, both ordinar and extraordinar, the said haill tyme as is abovementioned, extends to, conforme to the said accompt in procureing the said letter of gift for the toun to choise their oun magistrats in all tyme comeing, to the soume of three thousand six hundreth sevintie three pund Scots money, and for fiftie sevin pund payed for the exchange of two hundreth and fyftein pound sterling of the said soume, whilk was unanimsly allowed and approven, and ordaines Thomas Peter, thesaurer, to pay the proveist the samen soume. . . . And the saids magistrats and counsell gave the proveist their most heartie thanks for the paines and dilligence in the said affaire.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, anent the petition Bell money. given in be Walter Colquhoun, elder, merchand, against William Campbell and James Lawrie, bellman, for their refuseing to pay him fourtie shilling weeklie out of the bell money whilk they are ordained to pay him be the former magistrats, and which being taken to the saids magistrats and counsell their consideration, they ordaine the saids William Campbell and James Lawrie to pay to the said Walter Colquhoun the said soume of fourtie shilling weeklie in tyme comeing, and that dureing the saids magistrats and counsell their will and pleasure.

The proveist produced ane address to be presented to their sacred Address to their Majesties. Majesties, whilk was read, allowed and approven, and subscrivit be the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, and delivered to the proveist to be sent to court and presented to their Majesties after the most decent and propper maner as he shall think fitt.

Ordaines ane proclamation to be sent through the toun prohibiting Proclamation against debaucherie, &c. and dischargeing the haill inhabitants and utheris reseiding within this

burgh that they nor nane of them drink in any taverne after ten o'clock at night on the week dayes, or in tyme of sermon or thereafter on the Sabbath dayes, under the paine of fourtie shilling Scots to be payed be the furnisher of the drink, and twentie shilling Scots be the drinker for ilk failzie *toties quoties*; whereof the one halfe to the informer and the other to be applyed to the use of the poor. As also prohibiting and dischargeing the saids inhabitants and utheris that nane of them sell or buy any kail pott-herbs or milk on the streets upon the Sabbath day, under the paine of twentie shilling Scots, to be payed be the seller, and the like soume to be payed be the buyer *toties quoties*. And likewise prohibiting and dischargeing the said inhabitants and utheris that nane of them bring water from wellis, or doe any other servile work on the Sabbath day under the paine of twentie shilling Scots of penaltie for ilk failzie *toties quoties*. And that nae person profane the name of God by cursing and swearing. And prohibiting all persones that nane of them set any houses to tennents or fie servants who are strangeris or vagrant persones who produces not ane testimoniall of their good behaviour frae these places from which they came, under the paine of ten pundis Scots money for ilk failzie *toties quoties*. And, lastlie, dischargeing any person or persones quhatsoever to suffer any of their bestiall to goe on the Old or New Greines, or to take away any of the stabbs belonging to any of the saids Greines, under all severe punishment at the will of the magistrat.

24 February 1690.

Confirmation  
under the  
great seall.

The proveist produced the confirmation under the great seall of the Letter of gift granted be their Majesties to this burgh for libertie to the tounie to elect and choise their oune magistrats in tyme comeing, whereby their other chartouris and rights are confirmed, and ordains ane double therof to be given to the dean of gild, and ane uther to the deacon conveneer; and appoints the same to be insert in the counsell book.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to William Baxter the soume of two hundreth fourtie two pundis four shilling eight pennies Scots money for whyte and blew teffities furnished be him for the tounes collouris, being ten pair of them, and for silk threed, ribbens and other furnishing thereto, and for the pryce of ane new hatt and ane hatt band, whilk was given be

the magistrats to ane of the officeris of the English dragounes, conforme to the accompt therof given in and allowed.

Nominats and commissionats the proveist to repair to Edinburgh to attend the particular convention of burrowes that is to sitt at Edinburgh on the threttein day of March nixt, and appoints the clerk to give him ane commission for that effect.

Nominats and appoints Peter Corbet to repair to Mr. Neill Gilleis, with one of the elderis that shall be appointed for the session, and desire him to comply with the synods act anent his transportation to Glasgow.

Ordaines Thomas Peter, thesaurer, to pay to the proveist the soume of six hundreth eightie ane pundis twelve shilling Scots money, whilk he debursed at Edinburgh to the Kings advocat and the solicitor and their servants, and to the clerks of exchequer for getting the letter of gift granted be their Majesties to the toun allowing them to choise their oune magistrats and confirming their other rights past in exchequer, and for the expenses at the signet and other charges and debursements in passing the same through the haill seallis; and for the tounes eque and eque of Provand for the year 1689; and for the saids proveists expenses and horse hyres at Edinburgh anent the saids affaires, and in goeing there and comeing home, and other debursements in the tounes business, conforme to the accompt therof given in, read and allowed.

8 March 1690.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the burgh being conveyened, John Aird made report of his dilligence at Edinburgh in representing to his Majesties privie councill that John Barnes, lait proveist of the said burgh, had sold and disposed of his reall and moveable estate and was going furth of the kingdome, he not having cleared accompts with the toun the tyme he was proveist, although he was diverse and often tymes desired to doe the samen; and their Majesties privie councill haveing ordained the said John Barnes to repair to Glasgow and present himselfe to the magistrats therof, and that he should not thereafter abscond himselfe nor remove from the said city of Glasgow for ane certane space untill his accompts be cleared, and discover what imbazlements have bein made of the tounes commone goods; and he not being able to find cawtion at

Edinburgh for performing the same according to the ordour of privie counsell, and being now here at Glasgow, the saids magistrats and toune counsell doe hereby ordaine the said John Barnes to find cawtion that he shall not leave this burgh, bot that he shall compear frae tyme to tyme before the committie appointed be the toun counsell till the saids compts be cleared, and make such discoveries of what imbazlements have bein made of the tounes commone goods, and allowes him to take such a convenient tyme for doeing of the samen as he shall think fitt, provideing he doe the same betuixt and the first day of Maij nixt, and that under the paine of ane thousand pounds sterling in caice of failzie; and if he shall not find the said cawtion to the saids magistrats and counsell, ordaines him to be put in prison and detained therin untill he clear the saids accompts.

Glass in wind-  
owes of the  
High Kirk.

The magistrats and counsell have agreed with George Nisbit, baillie, to mantaine and keep the glass windowes of the High Kirk sufficientlie in glass and other necessaris for the space of nyne yearis frae his entrie therto, whilk began at the first of March last, for which he is to have twentie pounds sterling payed him for the first year for to put the samen glass windowes in ane good condition, and thereafter to have two hundreth merks yearlie thereafter dureing the said space, he upholding and keeping the said glass windowes sufficientlie in tyme comeing, and takeing notice of the haille fabrick of the Kirk and leads therof, and that no abuse be done therin or in the church yaird, whilk the said George Nisbit, baillie, hereby undertakes to doe and performe for the said yearlie cellarie of two hundreth merks; and to see what other thing is necessar to the Kirk except the glass windowes, and what other work shall be found necessar to be done in upholding and repairing the said Kirk, the samen is to be payed be the toune; and appoints a tack to be drawn up betuixt the toune and the said baillie anent the said bargane.

Graves in the  
High Kirk  
yaird.

For preventing abuses done in the High Kirk-yaird by makeing of graves and buriall places within the samen, nominats and appoints Marcus Marshall, merchand, to have the overseeing of the making of the saids graves and buriall places, and to imploy what servants he pleases for doeing the samen, for which he is to have the ordinar allowance and cellarie payed him as otheris who made the samen gott formerlie:

and that no ground be broken in the said kirkyaird for digging of graves without the advyce of the said Marcus Marshall; and his entrie therto to be frae Munday nixt the tenth of this instant.

Nominats and commissionats the proveist [and six others] to meet New Grein. with these persones who offeris to take the New Grein, and to plow what is on the north side of the burne, and to agree and settle with any responsall person or persones who will take the samen on reasonable termes and conditiones for the tounes best advantage, and to report; and to use such methods as they shall judge most convenient for getting the samen set.

Anent the supplication given in to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell be Robert Howstoune, apothecarie, makeing mention that he hes ane yaird lyand at the back of the landmercat, whilk is made use of and possess be the flesheris in the landmercat; whilk yaird is utterlie ruined, destroyed and rendered useless in him, through the saids flesheris opening ane back door on the north syde of the said mercat, and suffering their doggs to goe out therat, and not onlie himself bot his neighbouris are likeways prejudged thereby; supplicating therefor that the said door may be closed up and kept fast, and the saids flesheris discharged in tyme comeing to open the samen, whereby he may be kept free of their skaith. Whilk being taken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they remit the same to the dean of gild and his breithren to sight and visite the samen, and to determine therin according to justice, and if they shall find any difficultie in the matter wherin they are not cleir to give their judgement, appoints them to report the same back to the counsell.

Nominats and appoints the proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener [and six others] to meet and consider on the billis given in be the severall poor in the toune seeking charitie for to help them in their necessitie, and to appoint them what they shall think expedient, conforme to their conditiones, and to give warrand to the thesaurer or master of wark for paying them what they shall allow.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Marshall, Richard Manwell and James Heriott, the three servants in the clerks chamber, the soume of fyftein pounds sterling, equallie amongst them, for their extraordinary writing and other paines in the tounes affaires this last year.

Petition by  
Robert  
Howston,  
abuse done to  
his yaird at  
landmercat.

Proveist and  
utheris to  
meet anent  
the pooris  
billis.

Servants in  
clerks  
chamber.

11 *March* 1690.

Lands of  
Provand.

Nominats and appoints the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyener, with [six others] to meet with any persones that hes a mynd to buy the lands of Provand, and to try if they can sell the samen at the best advantage for the toune, and to report to the counsell.

No Scotts  
school-  
masteris to  
have  
pensiones.  
Ringing the  
dead bell.

It is hereby inacted that no schooll master who teaches in the English schoollis get any pension in tyme comeing, and discharges any to be payed to these who had them.

Nominats and appoints the baillies, dean of gild, and deacon conveyener to name and condescend on what persones they shall think most fitt for keeping and ringing the bell for the deceast persones.

29 *March* 1690.

The proveists  
dilligence  
against pro-  
veist Barnes  
approveine.

The baillies and toune counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, they have allowed and approveine, and heirby allowes and approves of what dilligence is done be the proveist since his last going to Edinburgh before the secreet councill, or otherwayes, in geting John Barnes, late proveist, called to ane accompt of his intromissiones and imbazlements of the tounes commone goods and revenues the tyme he was proveist, and commissionats and appoints the said John Andersone, proveist, with James Sloss, merchand, to attend at Edinburgh and see the compts cleared betuixt the toune and the said John Barnes, and allowes them to give in such a charge of the tounes revenues and commone goods against the said proveist Barnes as they shall find ground for; and nominats and appoints the proveist to advert and take nottice to the tounes other affaires at Edinburgh, and to doe therin as shall be thought proper and expedient for the good and interest of the toune.

1 *April* 1690.

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines Thomas Peter, thesaurer, to pay to livetennent collonell Fullertoune, the soume of two hundreth pounds sterling for the use of the earle of Angus regiment, conforme to ane precept drawn be James Oswald upon the toune for the said soume, whilk is to be allowed to the said toune of their cess, which was payable at Whitsunday last, 1689.

8 *April* 1690.

The baillies and counsell allowes and approves of the two counsell <sup>Counsell</sup> bookes sent to Edinburgh, whilk are frae the tyme of the election in <sup>bookes sent to</sup> Junij last till the year 1674, and appoints the other two counsell bookes <sup>Edinburgh.</sup> immediatlie preceeding the other two, one wherof begins the last of December 1659 and ends the 26 of November 1667, and the other begins the 17 of December 1667 and ends the 6th of October 1674, to be sent east to the proveist.

21 *April* 1690.

The magistrats and counsell being conveened, they did unanimouslie <sup>Call sub-</sup> allow and approve of ane call to be given to Mr. Patrick Sympsone, <sup>scrivit for</sup> minister at Renfrew, to be ane of the tounes ministeris, whilk call was <sup>Mr. Patrick</sup> produced and read and subscrivit be the saids magistrats and counsell. <sup>Sympson.</sup>

Ordaines bailie Leckie to send east to the proveist the letter of gift <sup>Letter of gift</sup> or chartour under the Kings great seall, allowing the toun to choise their <sup>to be sent to</sup> oun magistrats, and confirming their other priviledges and chartouris, <sup>Edinburgh.</sup> and nominats and appoints the proveist to use his endeavours for getting the samen confirmed in parliament.

The baillies and toun counsell of the burgh being conveened anent <sup>Two shippes</sup> ane act of the lords commissioneris of their Majesties thesaurie, daited <sup>fraughted for</sup> at Edinburgh the second day of Apryll instant, whereby they recommend <sup>transporta-</sup> to the proveist of Glasgow, or such as he should intrust, to fraught two <sup>tioun of 600</sup> sufficient veshellis for two moneths space or longer, for the transport of <sup>souldiouris.</sup> six hundreth souldiouris with their provisiouns to such places as they shall receave ordour for; as also that such conveniencies of platformes and utheris as are necessar be provided for the souldiouris to lye upon dureing their aboad on shipboard, and doe thereby declare that what fraught shall be agreed upon per moneth, or other expenses for the souldiouris accomodation as above, shall be satisfied and allowed in the excyse dew and payable be the tackismen of the excyse of the toun of Glasgow and westerne shyres out of the quarteris tack dewtie payable be them for the termes of Whitsunday and Lambmass nixtcome; and in pursuance of the saids lords their act, the said John Andersone, proveist of Glasgow, haveing intrusted James Peadie of Roughhill to fraught the saids two ships as above, the said James Peadie did fraught from William

Walkinshaw, merchand in Glasgow, the good shipp called the Unitie belonging to the said William Walkinshaw and partineris, of the burdein of 150 tunnes, for twelve shillings sterling per tunn monethlie; as also he did fraught from Thomas Peter, merchand in the said burgh of Glasgow, the good ship called the James of Glasgow belonging to the said Thomas Peter and partineris, of the burdein of 110 tunnes, for the like pryce of twelve shillings sterling per tunn monethlie. Therefore the saids magistrats and counsell, as haveing right to the tack of the excyse of this burgh and westernne shyres, doe bind and obleidge ws and our successouris in office to make payment [of said sums till the ships return discharged]. Likeas wee obleidge ws and our successouris in office to make payment to the saids William Walkinshaw and Thomas Peter, ouneris of the shippis abovenamed, of what money they shall expend upon platformes, water cask or uther necessaris for the souldiouris accomodation not properlie belonging to the outreick of the said shippis.

2 June 1690.

Report anent  
the lait proveist  
Barnes.

The proveist made report of his dilligence at Edinburgh against John Barnes for imbazleing the tounes commone goods and revenues the tyme he was proveist, before the secreet councill, for whilk imbazlement he is imprisoned in the tolbooth of Edinburgh till he find cawtion, under the paine of ane thousand pounds sterling, till he clear himselfe of the samen; whilk dilligence done be the proveist was approvine, and it is hereby agreed and concluded be the saids magistrats and counsell that the said John Barnes be persewed, and these who were magistrats and tounne counsellouris with him the hailt tyme he was proveist, for the saids imbazlements, before the lords of thesaurie, exchequer, or lords of session, as shall be thought most propper be the advice of lawieris; and nominats and appoints the proveist to advise the samen, and to cause persew the saids persones before what judicatorie as he shall be advised; and recommends to the dean of gild and deacon couveener to convene their respective incorporationes of merchands and crafts for getting their consent and approbation heirof.

The double of  
ane act of  
parliament  
anent the  
Kings gift.

The proveist produced the double of ane act of parliament whilk the proveist is to try to get past in parliament, allowing the tounne to choise their ounne magistrats, tounne counsell and otheris in tyme comeing, and



ratifieing the gift and chartour granted be their Majesties to the toune for the said election, whilk is recomended to the said dean of gild and deacon conveener to take advice of their respective incorporationes if they be satisfied with the said scroll.

The proveist produced three bands for soumes awand be the late <sup>3 bands of the late Argylls.</sup> marques of Argyll and his cautioneris to Hutchisones hospitall, and for paying the ministeris stipend of the Blackfrier Kirk, whilk the clerk is to put and lay up amongst the rest of the tounes paperis.

Appoints the clerk to give to the proveist the gift the toune hes of the <sup>The tounes gift of the teinds.</sup> teinds of the barronie of Glasgow, Drimond and severall other teinds within the diocie, with the Kings confirmation therof in anno [1648<sup>1</sup>], with what other paperis he hes relateing to the saids teinds, that he may advise the samen at Edinburgh, and to try what methods they shall take for getting the toune put in possession of uplifting the samen, now when bishops are abolished.

Appoints the proveist to cause persew bishop Ross before the lords <sup>Bishop Ross to be per-sewed.</sup> for the three thousand merks of penaltie he exacted aff the toune, and for what else he shall think convenient to lay to his charge.

In respect bishops are now abolished, and that the bishop of Glasgow <sup>Overseeris of St. Nicholas hospital.</sup> was patron of St. Nicolas Hospitall, whilk may now be neglected and the poor therin frustrat of the casualities belonging to the same, recomends to the proveist to try if the parliament will grant libertie to the toune to be overseeris of the said hospitall, and to doe what else he shall think fitt theranent.

In answer to the supplication given in be Margaret Weir, daughter <sup>William Kerr to be admitted burges.</sup> lawfull to umquhill Archibald Weir, weiver, burges of Glasgow, makeand mention that William Kerr, tailyeour, her husband, is ane souldiour in Ireland, under the command of duke Shomeberg, and that he hes never admitted himselfe burges of the said burgh albeit he hes right therto as mariand the suppliant, by which neglect her children may be frustrat of the benefite of her burgesship if her husband should not returne; humblie supplicating the saids magistrats and counsell to admit him burges in his absense as if he were present, that their children may have the benefite therof; whilk being taken to their consideration they appoint the dean

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow Charters, pt. ii., 418.

of gild and his breithren to admit and receave the said William Kerr burges of the said burgh be right of his said wife, and the benefite therof to redound to their children.

7 June 1690.

Baillie Leckie  
and utheris to  
goe to Irwing  
and attend  
the synod.

The baillies and counsell of the burgh being conveyened, they hereby nominat and appoint John Leckie, baillie, William Napeir, dean of gild, Robert Brock and Stephan Crawford, hammermen, as commissioneris frae the saids magistrats and counsell, to goe to Irwing with those who are commissionat frae the kirk session, to attend the reverend synod of Glasgow, whilk is to sit at Irwing the tenth of this instant, and to continow and waite on the said synod swa lang as the samen shall sit, for presenting the callis that Glasgow hes given to the reverend Mr. Patrick Sympsone, present minister at Renfrew, and the reverend Mr. Thomas Forrester, minister at Killairne, whilk was referred [be] their respective presbytrees to the said synod, with power to them to concurr with the saids commissioneris for the session in all things needfull and usewall to be done for getting the saids callis discussed be the said reverend synod, and to use their endeavours to get the saids reverend ministeris transported from their respective paroches to Glasgow.

Calseys, key,  
bridges.

Nominats and appoints the baillies, dean of gild and deacon convenor to agree with some person they best can, for the tounes advantage, for raiseing, laying and repairing the calsey in Saltmercat, Gallowgate, and other places in toun as they shall find it necessar, and for to help and repair the key at the Broomilaw, and the Drygate and Sancteneuchs bridge.

23 June 1690.

Record of  
dead persones  
names.

Nominats and appoints Walter Colquhoun, merchand, to take up ane list and keep in record the haill persones names that shall happine to deceass in the toun, and to begin for this week, and to have threttie shilling Scots payed him weeklie be the maister of wark for his paines.

30 June 1690.

Lists of here-  
touris and  
their tennents  
maillis and  
dewties of  
lands.

The baillies and counsell being conveyened, appoints the persones following to take up ane list and accompt of the haill lands and tennements within the toun, and take up and set doune ane just rentall of what maillis and rents the saids lands payes yearlie frae the respective

heretouris and tennents therof, as likewayes ane accompt frae the heretouris of the value and rent of their lands whilkis are not set, and wherin they dwell themselves, viz. [two persons for each of the north, the middle, the east, the south, and the west quarters]; and to report their diligence to the magistrats.

Baillie Leckie [and three others] made report that they had met with James Stewart of Lumloch and cleared compts with him, anent what is resting for his fourtie merks of few dewtie or ground annwell he had belonging to him, payable out of some lands above the croce, framed now in ane lane called Bellis wynd; as also for the pryce of ane aiker of land in Mylnehill bought be the toune frae him, and whilk was joyned severall yearis since with the New Grein. They find the toune is yet resting to him the soume of four hundreth pundis Scots for the pryce of the saids aiker of land and ground annwell, by and attoure the soume of six hundreth pundis Scots whilk was payed him in pairt payment of the samen in the year 1679, [and the treasurer was authorised to pay the same].

Report,  
accompts with  
Lumloch.

7 August 1690.

The proveist produced a letter direct to the magistrats of this burgh frae the earle of Crawford, lord president of their Majesties privie coun- cill, giveing thanks to the magistrats and toune for their good service in drawing the inhabitants together and keeping them in armes for their Majesties service and defending the toune, and ordaines the samen to be insert in the counsell book; of the whilk letter the tennor followes:— Right honourable,—Their Majesties high commissioner and lords of privy counsell have thought fitt to signifie to yow that they do not onlie approve your meeting and keeping together in armes for the securitie and peace of your toune, and the encouragement of otheris to be foreward in their Majesties service, also weell as to be in readiness to goe against the rebellis in the Highlands that threatned the countries safety, bot also to tell yow how sensible wee are of this seasonable and readie expression of your affection and dewtie for their Majesties service, and the preservation of the peace of the kingdome, for which wee give yow heartie thanks, assuring yow that as the mantenance of the true protestant religion, now hapiely satled in this church, and of our lawes, rights and liberties, are and will

Letter of  
thankis frae  
the commis-  
sioner to the  
toune.

be their Majesties cheiff care, so your quiet and contented peace and prosperitie in mutuall love, sobrietie, and the solid practise of true pietie, will be ever their greatest satisfaction. Signed by warrand and in name of the councill by, Your most humble servant,—*Sic subscribitur*: Craford. I.P.D.S.<sup>ti</sup> Con. Daited thuss:—Edinburgh 2nd August 1690; and directed thus:—For the magistrats of Glasgow for their Majesties speciall service.

Ministeris  
stipends.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being convene'd, and taking to their consideration that be the lait act of parliament all ministeris that were put frae their churches and were not in the exercise of the ministrie in their respective churches the (*blank*) day of Apryll 1689, their said churches were declaired vacant, and that such of the presbyterian ministeris as were called be the paroshineris to the exercise of the ministrie in these or any other churches, it is declaired that they are to have the stipend for that year, 1689; and therefor the saids magistrats and counsell doe ordaine such of the presbyterian ministeris as were called and did serve the cure of the ministrie within the said burgh at or before the said moneth of Apryll, 1689, shall be payed of their stipend for the year 1689 as the former ministeris gott payed them, whilk is ane thousand punds to ilk minister, yearlie, of stipend, and four score punds to ilk ane of them for their house maill; and that the toune thesaurer and his successouris in office pay the samen to them for the year 1689, to commence frae Whitsounday the said year, and yearlie and termie in tyme comeing dureing their serving the cure of the ministrie within the samen burgh.

9 August 1690.

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines Thomas Peter, thesaurer, to pay to Mr. James Drummond the soume of four pounds sterling, and also to pay other four pounds sterling to Mr. Alexander King for their exerciseing the office of the ministrie within this burgh at severall tymes, in absence of the toune ministeris, and supplieing the places of the vacancies.

Robert  
Stevinstoune  
to keep the  
chimnes and  
hail cloakes  
in toune.

Be pluralitie of votts, Robert Stevinstoune is nominat and appointed to keep the chimnes in tolbooth, with the tolbooth clock and hail other clockis in the toune, for whilk he is to have ane hundreth punds Scots payed him yearlie dureing his serving and keeping the saids clockis and

chimnes, except for the first year, whilk he is to doe and performe for nothing, without payment of any cellarie, and ordaines the thesaureris of this burgh to pay the said cellarie yearlie to the said Robert Stevinstoune, to begin after the expiratioun of ane year frae the dait heirof, so long as he shall be allowed to keep the saids chimnes and cloakes.

11 *August* 1690.

Nominats and commissionats the proveist to repair to Edinburgh for <sup>Perseute,</sup> defending the toune in the persute persued be John Spreull <sup>John Spreull</sup> against the <sup>against the</sup> toune before the parliament and committie therof whilk is to sitt the <sup>toune.</sup> morrow, conforme to the summonds given to the magistrats and utheris for that effect, and appoints the proveist to consult what advocats he shall think fit therein and anent any otheris the tounes affaires.

The proveist made report of his dilligence at Hamiltone on Fryday <sup>Meeting of</sup> last, in the meeting of the commissioneris of excyse for modeling their <sup>commis-</sup> fencible men in the shyre with horse and armes, they did remitt the <sup>sioneris of</sup> same to some persones in the barronie paroch, to consider what men is <sup>excyse at</sup> fitt therin for that end, and to report to the meeting of the shyre the <sup>Hamiltone.</sup> morrow. Appoints baillie Peadie to meet with the saids persones anent the said affaire.

Appoints the proveist and baillies or any of them to put the con- <sup>Consultation</sup> sultation to execution gottine be the toune against these persones who <sup>anent the</sup> hes taken in severall parcellis of land aff the tounes comone, beyond what <sup>common.</sup> was sold them, conforme to the information given to baillie Leckie.

The proveist produced ane act of parliament for confirming ane act <sup>Act of parlia-</sup> of parliament daited at Edinburgh the fourtein of Junij last,<sup>1</sup> giveing <sup>ment anent</sup> power to this citie and toune counsell therof to choise their oune magis- <sup>the tounes</sup> trats, proveist, baillies and other officers within burgh als fullie and <sup>priviledges.</sup> frelie in all respects as the citie of Edinburgh or any other royall burgh within the kingdome enjoyes the same, beginning the first election at Michaelmass nixt and so furth yearlie in tyme comeing. And further ratifieing and confirming the chartour granted be their Majesties in favouris of the communitie and comone counsell of Glasgow in the hail heads, articles and clauses therof. As also the proveist produced and

<sup>1</sup> 1690, c. 18. A.P.S. IX., p. 153.

gave in the said chartour whereof the tennor followes:<sup>1</sup>—Gulielmus et Maria, Dei gratia Magnæ Britaniæ, Franciæ, et Hiberniæ, Rex et Regina, fideique defensores: Omnibus probis hominibus totius terræ suæ, clericis et laicis, salutem. Sciatis quia nos considerantes regiam nostram civitatem de Glasgow in antiquo hoc nostro Scotiæ regno unam esse ex amplissimis et maximi momenti societatibus in dicto nostro regno tum propter incolarum numerum, tum etiam propter eorum dispositionem, facultates et ad commercium applicationem, quodque itidem ingentes pecuniarum summæ a dicta civitate erogatæ et exantlatæ fuere, ex eo quod magistratuum suorum electionem non habuerunt. Nosque etiam considerantes firmam et constantem communitatis dictæ civitatis adhesionem religioni reformatæ summam etiam suam alacritatem et zelum erga servitium nostrum, in quibus sese notabiles insigniter reddidere, et hinc est quod dictæ civitati jus et potestatem, prepositum seu magistratus de Glasgow designandi (apud nos remanentem virtute acti episcopatum abrogantis) tanquam regii nostri gratiæ indicium concedere benigne statuimus; utque dicta civitas in eodem sit statu cum reliquis nostris burgis regiis quoad privilegium, prepositum reliquosque omnes magistratus suos nominandi et eligendi, nos igitur ex certa nostra scientia proprioque motu et ex potestate nostra regia, cum avisamento et consensu summi nostri thesaurarij et thesaurarij nostri deputati seu thesaurarij nostri commisionariorum pro tempore, ac reliquorum

<sup>1</sup> TRANSLATION OF CHARTER.—William and Mary, by the grace of God, King and Queen of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, and defenders of the faith: To all good men of their whole land, clerics and laics, greeting. Know ye that we, considering our royal city of Glasgow, in this our ancient kingdom of Scotland, to be one of the greatest and most considerable communities in our said kingdom, both on account of the number of inhabitants and also on account of their disposition, advantages, and application to trade, and that likewise large sums of money have been absorbed and drained from the said city by reason of their not having had the election of their magistrates. And we also, considering the firm and constant adherence of the com-

munity of the said city to the reformed religion, and their singular readiness and zeal towards our service, in which they rendered themselves specially notable; and hence it is that we have, as a token of our royal favour, graciously resolved to grant the right and power (remaining with us by virtue of the act abolishing episcopacy) to the said city to nominate the provost or magistrates of Glasgow; and that the said city may be in the same condition with our other royal burghs as regards the privilege of nominating and electing their provost and all other magistrates, we therefore, of our certain knowledge and by our own motive, and by virtue of our royal power, with advice and consent of our high treasurer and our treasurer depute, or

dominorum aliorumque scaccarij nostri ratificavimus, approbavimus et confirmavimus sicuti tenore presentis nostræ cartæ ratificamus approbamus et confirmamus omnes et quascunque cartas, privilegia, donationes et concessionem per quosvis nostros serenissimos antecessores dictæ communitati civitatis de Glasgow vel gildæ, mechanicis ac singulis societatibus et diaconis ejusdem concessas, tam plene ac cum eodem effectum quam si unaquæque particularis erectio in hac nostra carta speciatim enumeraretur. Atque itidem nos tanquam in vice archiepiscopi Glasguensis succedentes, pro nobismetipsis proque omni alio jure nobis competente, de novo damus, concedimus et disponimus dictæ civitati de Glasgow et consilio burgali ejusdem amplam potestatem, jus et facultatem, prepositum, balivos reliquosque omnes magistratos suos ordinario modo et tempore designandi eligendi, et adeo libere, ac quodvis aliud burgum regium in dicto nostro regno prepositum, balivos et magistratos suos eligunt seu eligere possunt; incipiendo primam electionem suam ad festum Michaelis proxime sequentis atque ita annuatim deinceps omni tempore futuro. Volumus porro actum avisamento et consensu predicto pro nobis nostrisque successoribus decernimus, declaramus et ordinamus hanc nostram ratificationem et concessionem, adeo fore efficacem dictæ civitati de Glasgow ac si unaquæque particularis erectio, carta, seu concessio in presenti hac nostra carta speciatim exprimeretur et enumeraretur. Quocirca cumque omnibus defectibus inde sequuturis, cumque omnibus aliis objectionibus et imperfectionibus contra validitatem

commissioners of our treasury for the time, and remanent lords and others of our exchequer, have ratified, approved, and confirmed, as by the tenor of our present charter we ratify, approve, and confirm all and whatsoever charters, privileges, donations, and gifts granted by our most serene predecessors whomsoever to the said community of the city of Glasgow, or to the guildry, craftsmen, and sundry societies and deacons thereof, as fully and with the same effect as if every particular erection were specially enumerated in this our charter. And likewise we, as succeeding in the place of the archbishop of Glasgow, for ourselves and for all other right competent to us, of new give, grant, and

dispone to the said city of Glasgow and to the town council thereof, full power, right, and faculty to nominate and elect a provost, bailies, and all their other magistrates in the usual manner and time, and as freely as any other royal burghs in our said kingdom elect or can elect their provost, bailies, and magistrates; beginning their first election at the feast of Michaelmas next following, and so yearly thereafter in all time coming. Moreover we will, and, with advice and consent foresaid, for us and our successors, decern, declare, and ordain this our ratification and grant to be as effective to the said city of Glasgow as if every particular erection, charter, or grant were specially described and

cartarum et securitatum per quosvis nostros regios antecessores dictæ civitati de Glasgow concessarum, aut hujus nostræ confirmationis et concessionis opponendis et allegandis, nos pro nobis nostrisque successoribus, cum avisamento et consensu predicto, dispensavimus et per presentem hanc nostram cartam in perpetuum dispensamus. Promittimus deinceps hanc nostram confirmationis cartam in proxima sessione parlamenti dicti regni nostri ratificare, pro cujus ratificatione presens hæc nostra carta sufficiens erit instructio commissionario nostro. In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti cartæ nostræ magnum sigillum nostrum appendi precipimus. Testibus: fidelibus et dilectis nostris consiliariis, Joanne domino Belhaven, Roberto magistro de Burleigh, et domino Thoma Burnet de Leyes ac fidelibus et dilectis nostris domino Duncano Campbell de Auchinbreck, milite, et Joanne Hay de Park, commissionariis pro munere et officio nostrorum rotulorum et registorum clerici; et domino Gulielmo Kerr, equite aurato, et domino Carolo Stewart de Pettindreich, milite baronetto, nostræ cancellariæ directoribus. Apud aulam nostram de Kensingtoun quarto die Januarij millesimo sexcentesimo nonagesimo et regni nostri anno primo. Followes what is writtin on the back of the foresaid chartour: Writtin to the great seall and registrat the fifeith day of Februar, 1690. Sic sub<sup>r</sup>: Dun. Ronald, depute. Sealled at Edinburgh the seventeinth off Februarij, 1690. Sic subscribitur: Al<sup>r</sup> Inglis.

Letter frae  
proveist  
Barnes.

There was produced a letter frae John Barnes, lait proveist, desireing that the magistrats and toun counsell would consent to set him at libertie

enumerated in this our present charter. Whereanent and with all other defects following therefrom, and with all other objections and imperfections to be opposed and alleged against the validity of the charters and securities granted by our royal predecessors whomsoever to the said city of Glasgow, or of this our confirmation and grant, we, for us and our successors, with advice and consent foresaid, have dispensed and by this our present charter for ever dispense. Moreover, we promise to ratify this our charter of confirmation in the next session of the parliament of our said kingdom, for which ratification this our present charter shall be a sufficient instruction to our commissioner.

In testimony whereof, to this our present charter we command our great seal to be appended. Witnesses: our faithful and beloved councillors, John lord Belhaven, Robert master of Burleigh, and Sir Thomas Burnet of Leyes; and our faithful and beloved Sir Duncan Campbell of Auchinbreck, knight, and John Hay of Park, commissioners for the duty and office of clerk of our rolls and registers; and Sir William Kerr, knight, and Sir Charles Stewart of Pettindreich, knight baronet, directors of our chancery. At our Court of Kensington on the 4th day of January, 1690, and of our reign the first year.

The original charter is preserved (MS. Inv. I., bundle 1., No. 42).



upon his oun band or parroll, whilk being put to ane vott, by pluralitie of votts it was refused to be granted him unlesse he would give ane ingenuous accompt how the tounes money that hes bein imbazled was disposed of, as also the money he gott for the fynes in the toun.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Robert Leitch, younger, calsier, <sup>Warrant,</sup> <sup>thesaurer,</sup> <sup>calseys.</sup> [£ 65 5 s.] Scots money for laying of nyne ruids, ane halfe ruid and fyve elnes of calsey beyond Sanctenewes burne, and furnishing stones, sand and other necessars therto at ten merks the ruid, and for mending severall holes in the bridge.

1 September 1690.

There was ane precept of clare constat of the two merk land of <sup>Precept of</sup> <sup>clare constat,</sup> <sup>Jermistoun.</sup> Jermistoun, subscrivit in favouris of James Donnaldsone, as air to umquhill John Donnaldsone, his father, confirming ane charter of the saids lands in favouris of the said umquhill John Donnaldson, granted to him be John Kirkland, be whilk the said James is to pay ten merks of few dewtie to the toun yearlie; and appoints the toun thesaurer to receave what bygaine few dewtie is resting for the saids lands.

Nominats and appoints the baillies, dean of gild, and deacon con-Gardineris, veener, and baillie Tennent to meet with the gardineris, and to consider the petition given in be them anent the libertie they are seeking to their trade, and to report the samen to the counsell.

4 September 1690.

Appoints the dean of gild [and four others] to call in for ane accompt <sup>Seats in the</sup> <sup>kirkis and</sup> <sup>meeting</sup> <sup>houses.</sup> of the haill moneyes receaved for the seats in the meeting houses and churches frae the collectouris therof, and to cause pay in the samen to the toun thesaurer, and that the saids persones set the seats in the churches and meeting house to such persones and for such pryces as they shall think most fitt and propper, and to report the samen to the magistrats and toun counsell.

The proveist, baillies and counsell takeing to their consideration that <sup>Anent the</sup> <sup>tounes people</sup> <sup>who went to</sup> <sup>Stirling.</sup> their Majesties high commissioner did grant ordour to the toun of Glasgow to send four hundreth of their tounes people to Stirling for defending of that place in absence of their Majesties forces frae that

place, and accordinglie the toune haveing sent ther about three hundreth men or therby, whilk coast the toune for their charges, expenses and intertainment ane considerable soume of money, for defraying wherof there was delivered to John Aird, who went to Stirling with them, the soume of ane hundreth and threttie pound sterling.

Porterfield,  
schooll-  
master,  
sallarie.

The magistrats and toune counsell have concluded that, for encouraging of James Porterfield to keep ane schooll in toune, he get his cellarie as formerlie payed him, whilk is fiftie two pund Scots yearlie for his house maill; and ordaines the toune thesaurer and these who shall succeed him to pay the said soume to him yearlie, and that dureing the saids magistrats and counsell their will and pleasure.

Schooll-  
master in  
Hutchisones  
hospitall.

The saids magistrats and toune counsell doe suspend Robert Forrest frae his office as schoollmaster in Hutchisones hospitall for some speeches spoken be him against the government, and that till the meeting in the said hospitall, and nominats and appoints (*blank*) Watt to supplie and exerce the said office in keeping of the said schooll till that tyme in the said hospitall, or swa lang as the saids magistrats and counsell shall think fitt.

Some leather  
to be offered  
by Mr. Robb.

It being represented that (*blank*) Robb is desireing to be admitted burges and gild brother of this burgh by right of his father, whose father hes lived and resided in Ireland these fourtie yearis past, as he hes done himselfe since he was borne, and hes brought some parcell of leather with him to be sold, and the end he seekes his freedome is (supposed to be) that he may have libertie to sell his said leather, therefore the saids magistrats and counsell doe appoint the said (*blank*) Robb to make offer of the said leather to the merchands and crafts houses, or to pay what the dean of gild and deacon conveener shall think fitt for the use of the poor of their respective incorporationes before he be admitted burges and gild brother.

5 September 1690.

Chamber-  
lands of  
Provand.

The proveist, baillies and counsell takeing to their consideration that by neglect of chamberlands of the tounes lands of Provand, there are about twentie thousand punds Scots or therby of non-payments resting be the tennents given up as resting be the saids chamberlands, yet notwithstanding they charge the toune with their cellarie although some

of them have not done dilligence against the tennents, therfor the saids magistrats and counsell have enacted and concluded, and hereby enact and conclude, that nae cellarie be allowed to any of the saids chamberlands of Provand who have not done exact dilligence against the tennents whose compts are not cleared; bot lykewayes, in these compts who are allowed and discharged and cellaries allowed to them there is no dilligence done against the saids tennents, altho they have given up considerable soumes resting be the tennents in their respective accompts, it is also hereby enacted that the saids chamberlands be persewed for repetition and paying back the cellaries swa receaved by them.

Nominats and appoints bailie Gibsone and George Buchanan, with Baillie any two that shall be appointed for the session, to repair to the reverends Gibsone and utheris to Mr. Patrick Sympsone, and Mr. Thomas Forrester to intreat them to meet with comply and accept of the callis given them to be ministeris of this burgh. two minis-teris.

6 September 1690.

Ordaines Thomas Peter, toune thesaurer, to pay to Hugh Blair the Warrand, soume of ten pounds sterling for his paines in carying letteris on the thesaurer. tounes accompt betuixt this and Edinburgh, and that in satisfaction to him of all bygain service as postmaster till the first of November nixt.

The magistrats and toune counsell takeing to their consideration Dean of gild that be the lait act of this current parliament,<sup>1</sup> the royall burrowes are and utheris restored to their ancient rights, liberties and priviledges, conforme to the to goe to Dumbrittane severall acts of parliament made in favouris of the royall burrowes, not anent free trade. withstanding wherof and contrare to the saids acts, the saids magistrats and counsell are informed that the inhabitants in Greinock and utheris on the coast syde are sending out veshellis and useing ane free trade, they neither being residenteris nor freemen burgesses of this burgh, nor any other burgh, therfor, for getting a more clear and better information in that affaire, they nominat and appoint William Napeir, dean of gild, and John Corse, late baillie, and any other they shall think fitt to take with them, to repair to the toune of Dumbartane, and to comon with the magistrats and counsell theranent, and to take their advyce and concurrence therin, and thereafter to repair to Greinock with what persones the burgh of Dumbartane shall please to send with them, and take exact

<sup>1</sup> 1690, c. 15. A.P.S. IX., p. 152.

tryall and information of the wholl matter, and to doe all other things requisite and necessar theranent, conforme to the said act of parliament, for impeding and hindering unfreemen to use any trade to the prejudice of this burgh or other royall burrowes, and in caice the toune of Dumbartane refuse to concur in the said affaire appoints the saids persones to doe dilligence therin themselves as they shall think fitt.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John How four rex dalleris for being assistant to John Anderson when quartermaster to help to quarter the Danishe horse that came here, and helping to take up ane list of the stables in toune for their better accomodation.

*9 September 1690.*

The kirk  
seats.

The dean of gild, deacon conveener, Simeon Tennent, John Aird, and James Sloss, who are appointed to set the seats in the churches and meeting house in toune, and to consider on the pryces thereof, and to report, by act of counsell daitted the fourth of this instant, made their report that they had met and considered anent the setting the samen seats and pryces therof, and that it was their oppinion that the haill seats in the Utter High Kirk and meeting house in the Wynd shall be set, in tyme comeing, to any who will take the samen, ane thrid pairt doune of the pryce of what was payed for them formerlie, the present possessouris allwayes getting the first offer if they will keep the same, and the comittee to continow in setting the seats of the Inner High Kirk and Laigh Kirk, conforme to the former act.

Persones ap-  
pointed to  
uplift the  
pryce of the  
seats.

The persones following are nominat and appointed to uplift and receave the money that the seats of the kirks and meeting house shall be set for frae the first of September instant, for the space of ane year, viz., Gavine Wood, merchand, to uplift for the seats in the High Church, John Watsons, tailzeor, for the Outter High Church, John Coats, merchand, for the Laigh Church, and Thomas Maxwell, merchand, to uplift for the seats in the meeting house in the Wynd. And what they receave for the saids seats appoints them to pay in the same to the toune thesaurer, for quhilk he is to give receipt to the respective collectouris that he shall hold compt to the toune for the samen.

27 September 1690.

George Muirhead and Stephan Crawford gave in ane accompt of the moneyes uplifted and received be them for the seats of the Tron Church for the space of ane year frae August 1689 till the last of August 1690 yearis. Charge extends to sixtein hundreth fourtie four pund; and be the discharge it is found that they have debursed the said hail soume on the tounes accompt, except two hundreth sixtein pund fyve shilling that is yet resting and nyntie pund for seats that are not set, and ane hundreth eightie four punds fyve shilling that were resting in the compters hands at clearing the said accompt, whilk they have payed in to Thomas Peter, thesaurer, and wherwith he is to be charged. Accompt of the seats.

James Sloss, merchand, gave in ane accompt of the money received be him for the seats in the meeting house in the Wynd frae August 1689 till September 1690, whilk extends to [£ 638 12 s.], with ane accompt of [£ 36 6 s.] that is yet resting therof the said year; as also of [£ 86 7 s. 10 d.] received frae bailie Gibsone, that was resting of the money collected for building the two meeting houses, and [£ 33 3 s. 4 d.] received frae Robert Bogle that was resting of the seats in the meeting house the tyme he was collector; wherof charge extends in hail to [£ 794 9 s. 2 d.] and the discharge conforme to the compt therof, with the soume of [£ 298 13 s. 10 d.] payed in be him to Thomas Peter, toun thesaurer, for whilk he is to hold compt to the toun, extends to the said [£ 794 9 s. 2 d.]. Swa charge and discharge being compared they find them both equall and alike. Accompt of the seats.

Ordaines Thomas Peter, toun thesaurer, to pay to John Baxter, Warrand, meilman, the soume of threescore ane pund 13 shilling four pennies Scots money for eight bollis of meill sent be the magistrats and utheris to the garison at Drumikill, in their streets, at desire of captaine Stewart who commanded the said garison, with twentie eight shilling for cariage of the said meill. Warrand, garison at Drumikill

Ordaines Thomas Peter, toun thesaurer, to pay to John Corse the soume of three score eight pund three shilling six pennies debursed be him to workmen for cutting the craig for takeing away the water through ane whin craig at the Light burne in Provand. Warrand, thesaurer, craig at Provand.

29 September 1690.

Compts of the Provand rents. It is concluded that in tyme comeing the compts of the tounes lands of Provand be booked and insert in the counsell bookes as the thesaureris accompts are.

Petition given in be the gardineris for a letter of deaconrie. The proveist, baillies and counsell doe allow and approve of the petition given in be the incorporation of the gardineris concerning the libertie and benefite they are seeking frae the toun in favouris of their trade, with the report of the samen, made, subscrivit and given in be the committie theranent, who was nominat and appointed be the saids magistrats and counsell to consider the same, and appoints and grants a letter of deaconrie of the liberties contained in the said petition to be drawn up formallie in wryte, that the samen may be subscrivit be the said proveist, baillies and counsell in their favouris.

To take down south meeting-house. The magistrats and toun counsell takeing to their consideration that there is no necessitie for keeping up the south meeting house for preaching, therefor they nominat and appoint baillie Nisbit and Mathew Cuming, elder, to cause take doune the samen, and to sell and dispose of the timber, ston pillaris therof, and otheris therto belonging, to the best avail they can, and to dispose of what shall be gottine therefor to the poor, be advyce of the magistrats and toun counsell, after the two barnes of which the said meeting house was composed and made up are put in the samen condition they were in before they were turned in the said meeting house.

Chapterhouse synod. And the chapter house where the synod sitts be repaired.

[Approval of acts; written on p. 111 of council record.] The preceeding acts of counsell, contained in the foregoing and hundreth and ten pages, begining the thrid day of Julij 1689, ar the acts made be the magistrats and toun counsell frae tyme to tyme, as they are particularlie narrated, were this day read in presence of the saids magistrats and counsell, and allowed and approvine by them. (Signed) John Anderson, provost, John Leckie, John Gibson, George Nisbitt, Will Napier, John Gilchrist.

30 September 1690.

Warrant, flowres. Ordaines the toun thesaurer to pay to Hugh Lochhead twelve pound Scots for furnishing flowres to the counsell seat in the high church and counsell table, this last year.

The said day being the first Tuesday after Michaelmass, and sua the Election of ordinary day for electing and choiseing the magistrats of the said city for the proveist and baillies. the year ensuing, and the saids proveist, baillies and counsell understanding that their sacreed Majesties be their letter of gift, dated at the court of Kensingtoun the fourth day of Januarij, 1689, hes given and granted full power, right and libertie to and in favouris of the said city of Glasgow, magistrats and counsell therof, to choise and elect their proveist, baillies, and haill other magistrats in the ordinary maner, and at the ordinary tyme, also freelie as any other royall burgh in the kingdome doe or may choise their magistrats; whilk letter of gift is past their Majesties great seall and confirmed in this current parliament be their act dated the fourtein day of Junij lastbypast. And therefor the saids proveist, baillies and counsell went on to the election of the saids magistrats; and the haill forenamed persones, counsellouris, being removed frae the counsell table, except the proveist and three baillies, the saids proveist and baillies, conforme to use and wont, did sett doune the lytts of the magistrats and haill merchand rank in counsell, to the effect ane of them might be choisen to bear office as proveist for the year ensuing, and the haill persones to be lytted being sevinteen in number they were divyded in three lytts, wherof two containing six persones and the other fyve; out of which by pluralitie of votts (after the counsellis returning to the table) the persones following were elected to the effect foresaid, viz., John Andersone, proveist, John Leckie and James Peadie. Whilk three persones being removed and the lytt put to ane vott which of them should bear office as proveist the said John Andersone was unanimouslie elected and continowed proveist of the said city for the year ensuing, who being present did accept of the said office and gave his oath *de fidei administratione* therintill as use is. Therafter the saids haill memberis of counsell, except the saids John Andersone, present proveist, and the three baillies, being again removed frae the table, they, to witt the saids proveist and baillies, did set doune the lytts of the memberis on counsell who are to bear office and be choisen baillies for the ensuing year; and the merchand rank who were to be lytted being twelve in number were divyded in four lytts, out of whilk four persones are to be choisen to be divyded in two lytts that out of them two persones might be elected to be merchand

baillies for the year to come, out of which the persones following were choisen, viz., William Napeir, Mathew Cuming, Thomas Peter and John Aird; and the saids four persones were divided in two lytts, viz., for the first William Napeir and Mathew Cuming, and for the second Thomas Peter and John Aird. And the crafts counsellouris who were to be lytted being elleven in number they were divyded in three lytts, wherof two four and ane three, out of whilk three persones were to be choisen to the effect ane of them might be made crafts baillie for the year to come. Whilk being votted be pluralitie of votts John Gillchreist, Robert Brock, and Thomas Pollock were elected to the effect foresaid. And the saids three lytts of merchands and crafts being severallie removed and put to the vott, by pluralitie of votts the saids William Napier and John Aird were elected and choisen baillies of the said burgh for the merchand rank, and the said Robert Brock was elected and choisen to bear office as baillie for the crafts rank for the year ensuing; who did all three accept of the said office in and upon them, and gave their oathes *de fidei administratione* therintill.

3 October 1690.

Counsellors. [The magistrates of this and the two previous years, with persons appointed to supply vacancies, chose thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the council for the ensuing year.]

4 October 1690.

Aot against  
magistrats  
keeping ane  
change or  
taverne.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, and takeing to their consideration the severall abuses hes bein committed these severall years past by electing and choiseing of magistrats and deacon conveyeneris in this burgh who kept change and publict taverns, which occasioned much debaushrie and drunkenness, and poor people to spend their money needleslie in the saids taverns, it is therefore hereby enacted, statute and ordained in all tyme comeing that nae person or persones be elected and choisen to bear office as proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, baillie of Gorballis, or as water baillie who keepes ane publict taverne or change house; and that in caice any such persones who doe presentlie keep ane publict change shall be elected and choisen to be in any of the saids offices before they be admitted to exerce the same, ordains them to find cawtion obleidgeing themselves that they shall not keep any change



dureing the tyme of his exerceing therof, under the paine of ane thousand merks Scots money. And, if any persone who keepes ane taverne or change be presented on lytt frae the merchands or crafts houses to be dean of gild or deacon conveener before the lytt be admitted, it is hereby enacted, statute and ordained that the saids persones find cawtion to desist therefrae under the like penaltie of ane thousand merks dureing the tyme of his exerceing therof; and that nae persone take up or keep ane change or taverne who shall be choisen to any of the saids offices dureing the tyme he exerces the same, under the said penaltie of ane thousand merks.

6 October 1690.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveened, and takeing to their consideration that the generall assemblie is to meet at Edinburgh the thrid Thursday of this instant, being the sixtein day of the said moneth, they have nominat and comissionat and hereby nominats and commissionats William Napeir, ane of the present baillies of the said burgh, James Stewart and Mathew Cuming, elder, merchands, two of their oune number, and all three elderis of the church, ilk ane of them *per vices* to repair to Edinburgh with such as are or shall be appointed be the presbytree, and there to wait and attend on the said generall assemblie dureing the haille tyme of the sitting therof, and to give their assistance and consent to all things that shall be proposed therin for the good and weill of the church.

The magistrats and counsell of the burgh being conveened, and takeing to their consideration that be act of parliament dated 10th of September lastbypast, the soume of fourtein shilling Scots for every hearth within the Kingdome is to be payed, and the lords of privie counsell, for the better ingathering of the said hearth money, have, be their act dated the 29 of the said moneth of September last, ordained the magistrats of the royall burghes to meet in their severall burghes at the tyme specifeit in the said act, and make a true and exact tryall and inquirie what number of houses, tenements, mylnes, smiddies, killis for drying of graine, ovens, furnaces for brewing, salt pannels, glass and soapworks are within their respective jurisdictiones and liberties, alsweill these inhabited as these which are waste, and who are the possessouris of the houses and

Baillie  
Napeir and  
uthers to  
attend the  
generall  
assemblie.

Lists of the  
hearths and  
uthers.

utheris foresaids inhabited, and who are the ouneris of such as are waste, (excepting allwayes hospitallis and the houses of poor people who are upon the charitie of the severall burghes), and what number of hearths are in each house, lodgeing or tenement and utheris foresaids, and what the totall number of these hearths does amount to, and transmitt ane duplicat therof, under their hands, to the clerks of their Majesties privie councill, conforme to the said act of parliament, betuixt and the dayes following, viz., the burrowes on this syde of the water of Tay betuixt and the first day of November nixt, and these beyond the samen betuixt and the tenth day of the said moneth, they therefor nominat and appoint [four persones for each of the north, the middle, the east, the south, and the west quarters] to take up the said list of the hearths of the houses, tenements and uthers foresaids.

Warrant,  
expenses to  
Edinburgh  
and Stirling.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Gibsone, late baillie, the soume of two hundreth threttie two pund ane shilling ten pennies Scots money, debursed be him to severall of the men that went with him to Edinburgh in attending on the convention of estates, and debursed be him to severall persones when they went to Stirling to bring here some armes and ammunition, and other debursements in the tounes affaires, conforme to the particular accompt therof given in, read and allowed.

John Craw-  
furd elected  
baillie of  
Newport-  
Glasgow.

The magistrats and toun counsell takeing to their consideration that there are severall abuses done and committed at Newport Glasgow, and the key and harbour therof spoiled through want of some fit person to oversee the samen as baillie ther; and being assured of the abilitie and qualification of John Crawford, late baillie of this burgh, to exerce the office of bailliarie, the saids proveist, baillies and counsell have elected and choisen and hereby elects and makes choise of the said John Crawford to be their baillie at Newport Glasgow, with power to him to doe all things requisite theranent as any other barron baillie may doe, he observeing such instructiones as shall be given him frae tyme to tyme be the magistrats and toun counsell of the said burgh; for exerceing of which office thir presents shall be to the said John Crawford ane sufficient commission, and the samen to continow durement the will and pleasure of the saids magistrats and toun counsell.

Proveist and  
uthers to  
meet anent  
Newport.

Nominats and appoints the proveist, with the dean of gild and deacon conveyener [and four others], and any three of them to be a quorum, to

meet and take the case and condition of Newport Glasgow and cellars ther to consideration, and to draw up such instructiones as is to be observed there in tyme comeing for the better manadgement of the tounes affaires ther, and to call before them what persones possest any of the tounes cellars at Newport, and to cause them pay what they are resting therefor, and to call for the tounes firlots, and to ordour the disposeing therof in tyme comeing, and to report their dilligence to the toun counsell, and appoints their first meeting to be on Friday nixt.

8 October 1690.

[James Peadie, dean of guild; John Gilchrist, deacon convener;<sup>1</sup> George Dean of gild, Buchanan, treasurer; James Sloss, bailie of Gorbals; Stephen Crawford, water<sup>etc.</sup> bailie; William Barclay, master of work; Peter Corbet, visitor of maltmen; Robert Tennent, visitor of gardeners; John Graham, procurator fiscal.]

11 October 1690.

The magistrats and toun counsell being conveyened, and takeing to their consideration that the synod had nominat and appointed ane committie to meet and consider of some fit persones to supplie the vacancie of the ministrie of this burgh, and the ministeris and kirk session haveing met and conveyened to give their oppinion therin, they have given their oppinion of three persones following, to witt, Mr. George Meldrum, minister at Killwinning, Mr. Gabriell Cunninghame, minister at Dunlop, and Mr. Patrick Verner, minister of Irwing, to be offered to the said committie for procureing their advyce and direction in ordour to obtaine any one of them to be minister of this burgh. Whilk resolution of the saids ministeris and session being considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they doe give their consent and concurrence in the said resolution; and appoints the proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, [and three others] to meet and set doune what instructiones they shall think fitt in ordour therto, and for planting the universitie of Glasgow with able masters; whilks are to be given to baillie Napeir and John

<sup>1</sup> All the three persons on the leet presented by the crafts house "keept taverns and change houses," and, as they declined to comply with the regulations in the act of 4th

October, the town council did not choose from the leet, but continued the former deacon convener in office.

Robiesone and otheris who are appointed be the saids magistrats and counsell and presbytree to wait upon the generall assemblie at Edinburgh.

Warrant,  
Cunshlie bog  
in Provand.

Ordaines George Buchannan, present thesaurer, to pay to John Gibsone, late baillie, the soume of twentie nyne pund six shilling Scots money payed be him to workmen that helped to cutt throw the cast of the Cunshlie booge in Provand, and seeking to get ane lyme craig ther for the behove of the toune, conforme to the accompt therof given in and allowed.

21 October 1690.

Bread, tallow,  
candle.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 12 oz. 7 drop 4 grains; tallow to be sold for 48s. the stone; and candle for 56s. the stone.]

28 October 1690.

Call to Mr.  
George  
Meldrum  
subscrivit.

There was ane call presented be Mathew Cuming, elder, in name of the ministers and kirk session of this burgh, for calling of the reverend Mr. George Meldrum, minister of the gospell for present at Killwining, to be ane of the ordinar ministeris of the said burgh; whilk call was unanimouslie approvine and consented to be the saids magistrats and toune counsell, and subscrivit be them. And appoints the samen to be presented to the presbytree the morrow for getting their approbation therto.

Thomas  
Peter to agree  
with persones  
awand teinds.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, takeing to their consideration that there are severall bygane teinds resting to the toune by some of the heretoris of the toune and barronie preceeding the year 1685, they hereby grant full power and commission to Thomas Peter, merchand, to transact and agree the best way he shall think fitt with these persones who are resting any of the saids teinds, and to uplift and receive the samen and give discharges therefor, wherat they obleidge them and their successouris in office to abyde firme and stable, the said Thomas Peter allwayes making just compt, reckoning and payment of his intromission therwith.

11 November 1690.

Act anent ane  
stent.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being convened, takeing to consideration that there is ane cess imposed on this kingdome by the current parliament, of which there was eleven moneths of the said cess payable this present year, wherof four moneths at Whitsunday last, two moneths at Lambmass last, and fyve moneths of the said cess

falls due to be payed at this present terme of Martimass, whilk ellevin moneths cess payable at the saids three termes this burghes proportion is sixtein hundreth and fiftie pounds sterling; and also considering that the toune is resting to the agents of the burrowes for their pairt of bygane burrow dewes the soume of (*blank*); and that the saids magistrats and counsell have this tyme past used their outmost endeavouris, by dealing with the maltmen and brewaris and other inhabitants within the burgh for condescending on some fit methods for getting the said cess and burrow dewes payed some other way than by stenting the inhabitants, (and publict stent in this place being knowne to be very griveous and obnoxious) which meanes and paines hes provine ineffectuall; and therefore the saids proveist, baillies and counsell finds that, of a necessitie, there must be ane stent laid on upon the inhabitants of the said burgh for paying the said soume of sixtein hundreth and fiftie pounds sterling of cess and the said soume of (*blank*) resting of bygane burrow dewes; whilk, with the expenses to pay the clerk to the said stent, and the collector for ingathering therof, the stent to be imposed and laid on will extend to the soume of twentie four thousand pundis Scots money; and considering that by act of parliament they are impoured to stent the inhabitants to the effect foresaid, and choise stentmasters for laying on the same, they doe nominat and appoint [ten persons] to be stentmasteris, hereby impouring them to impose and lay on the said soume of twentie four thousand pundis Scots for paying this burghs proportion of the cess, burrow dewes and utheris abovemention, for the terme of Martimass instant and preceedings as is abovemention; and that upon the heretouris, merchands, craftismen, victualleris, vintineris, and uther inhabitants of the said burgh subject and lyable in payment of stent. And the saids magistrats and counsell hereby earnestlie recommends to the saids stentmasteris to lay on the foresaid stent with all convenient diligence, wher-anent thir presents shall be their warrand; and appoints the magistrats to call for the saids stentmasteris and to take their oathes *de fidei administratione*.

21 November 1690.

The magistrats and toune counsell takeing to consideration that upon the threttein day of October last John Reid, wright, being killed in the

Persones who  
killed John  
Reid, wright,  
to be persued.

execution of his office, being corporall of the tounes guard, by hindering some abuse was committed in the toun that night, they have enacted and concluded that the persones who were present and committed the said deed be persewed therefor on the tounes expenses and charges, and appoints James Hamiltone, their agent, to imploy advocats and utheris for that effect, and to pay out what money is necessar theranent, whilk the saids magistrats and counsell obleidges them to repay, and allowes and approves what is done in prosecution of the said affaire already.

Govane and  
Alstoun re-  
fuseing to be  
stent masters.

Ordaines John Govane, merchand, and Thomas Alstoune, cordonier, to be put in prison for refuseing to accept to be stentmasteris, and to remaine ther till the magistrats and counsell take the affaire to their farder consideration.

22 November 1690.

Localitie,  
several per-  
sones nominat  
to oversee the  
samen.

The magistrats and counsell convened, considering the abuses hes bein done and committed these severall yearis bygane by quartering of the souldiouris, and how the poor for most pairt hes borne the burdine therof, severallis in toun who were more able to quarter them being kept free of that burdein, it is concluded that there be ane localitie payed in to these persones who shall quarter the soldiouris in tyme coming by these who shall be free of quartering; therefore they nominat and appoint the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyener to call before them the persones following, who are hereby nominat and appointed to lay on ane moderat localitie to be payed to these who shall quarter the souldiouris, and to see that the samen be made effectuell for the end to whilk it is designed, viz., [two persons for each of the five "quarters"]. Whilk localitie to be laid on to be paid be the inhabitants and burgesses to these on whom the soldiouris shall be quartered is at the rates following, to witt, for ilk collonell, livetennent collonell or major, weeklie, threttie six shilling Scots, and for ilk capitane twentie four shilling, for ilk livetennent eighteen shilling, for ilk ensigne twelve shilling, for ilk serjant six shilling, for ilk corporall four shilling, and for ilk souldior three shilling; and whilk localitie swa to be laid on upon the inhabitants and payed is to be insert in the billgets on whom the souldiours shall be quartered, and the names of the persones with the quantitie of what localitie they are to receave weeklie or monethlie, the saids persones on

whom there shall be any quartering, deducing and allowing in the first end what localitie shall be laid on them upon that accompt.

The magistrats and counsell takeing to consideration that the toun<sup>Anent idle</sup> is heavilly opprest and abused by idle persones and vagabound beggaris<sup>persones and</sup> haunting and frequenting within the samen, and the tounes poor thereby<sup>vagabound</sup> prejudged, and that severall persones setts houses to strangeris not haveing any interest or freedome in the toun<sup>beggaris.</sup>, and brings in haill families of bairnes who turne beggaris, therefor, and for remeid wherof, it is statute and ordained that nae persone in toun<sup>set</sup> any of their houses to strangeris except they bring testimoniallis with them and be allowed be the magistrats, and that they doe not take in any vagrant poor persones in their houses, under the paine of twentie punds Scots to be payed be the contra-veeneris, by and attoure farder punishment at the will of the magistrats. And ordaines a proclamation to be sent through the toun<sup>by touke</sup> of drum to intimat the samen.

The proveist made report that he had severall tymes discharged Mr. George Glen for keeping ane schooll, or to teach any schollaris within the toun<sup>Mr. George Glen dis-</sup>, whilk is found to be to the detriment of the publick Gramer Schooll,<sup>charged to</sup> and that he had only ane tollerance for teaching till Martimass last, yet<sup>keep any</sup> the said Mr. George continows to doe the same, therefore the saids magis-<sup>schooll in</sup> trats and counsell, takeing the premissis to consideration, they nominat<sup>toun.</sup> and appoint the proveist and baillies to send for the said Mr. George Glen and cause him find cawtion immediatlie to forbear the keeping any schooll in toun<sup>or to teach</sup>, or to teach any bairnes therin. And if he refuses to find cawtion that he be imprisoned till he doe the same.

John Stirling, merchand, his compt of his intromission with what he receaved for the seats in the Inner High Kirk, frae August 1689 to August 1690, was produced, wherof the charge extends to the soume of nyne hundreth sixtie four punds Scots, and the discharge to three hundreth twentie nyne pund yet resting be severall persones, the list whereof is given in to the subsequent collector, extending to the like soume of nyne hundreth sixtie four punds, sua charge and discharge being compared, they are both equall and alike, and therefor they exoner and discharge the said John Stirling of his intromission with the said seatts.

Accompt of  
the corne,  
hay and straw  
furnished to  
the Danish  
forces.

John Aird, younger, his compt of his intromission with what he receaved of the corne, hay and straw, furnished to the Danish forces, extending to the soume of fourtein hundreth eightie nyne pund two shilling six pennies, and conforme to the discharge he hes payed in to Thomas Peter, thesaurer, the soume of ellevin hundreth threttie fyve pund fyve shilling, wherewith the said thesaurer is to be charged, and the rest he payed to severall persones on the tounes accompt, conforme to the articles contained in the said discharge, makes charge and discharge both equall and alike, and therefor the saids magistrats and counsell exoner and discharge the said John Aird of his intromission conforme to the said accompt.

A letter of  
deaconrie  
subscrivit in  
favouris of the  
gardineris.

There was ane letter of deaconrie subscrivit in favouris of the incorporation of gardineris, containing the severall articles following, of the which letter of deaconrie the tennor followes:—Be it knowne to all men be thir present letteres, wee, John Anderson of Dowhill, present proveist of Glasgow, William Napeir, John Aird and Robert Brock, baillies therof, James Peadie, dean of gild, John Gilchreist, deacon conveener, George Buchannan, thesaurer, and remanent persones of the toune counsell of the said burgh undersubscryveing. Forsameikle as Patrick Tennent, deacon of the gardineris of Glasgow, be ane petition given in be him to ws and our predicessouris for himselfe, in name and with advyce and concurrence of the haill freemen gardineris of the samen burgh, mentioning that where the gardineris of the said good toune have, neer these hundreth yearis bygane, bein incorporat as ane of the trades of the burgh, and were formerlie in use to elect their oune deacon, and did enjoy also many and as free priviledges as any of the rest of the crafts enjoyed or possest frae the tyme of their first erection in a craft till the year of God j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>c</sup> fourtie six, at which tyme the plague began in this burgh, John Woddrow, gardiner, then their deacon, was infected with the plague and sent to the Foull Muir where he was cleansed, and, amongst other of his goods that were caried out there and lost, the petitioneris letter of deaconrie and priviledges was also lost, since which tyme the petitioneris have had no right to authorize them in the execution of their priviledges bot the tollerance of ws and our predicessouris magistrats and counsell of the said burgh; through the want of which letter of deaconrie and priviledges,



the petitioneris and their priviledges have not onlie bein abused and invaded by outtintounesmen and unfreemen, bot evin by memberis of their oune incorporation, who are contumacious and disobedient to all statutes made be the deacones and masteris of craft for keeping good concord amongst themselves, and for provideing the supplie of the necessities of their poor; notwithstanding of which discouragements, the petitioneris have ever, and at all tymes and ocasioness, concurred, and, to their abilitie, contribute to the support and defence of the publict good of the toun and trades and priviledges therof; and since no incorporation or societie can be right governed without rules and statutes to walk by, and the petitioneris being desirous that for the good of their incorporation and remanent crafts of Glasgow, wherof they are incorporat as a member, they may be authorized with such priviledges and such rules laid doune for their government as may contribute to keep peace, concord and unity among them, and may tend to the good of the poor, which they humblie presented to ws in the termes following, viz.:—In the first, that the petitioneris may be authorized to elect yearlie, at the ordinary tyme, two of their number and present them to the toun counsell of the said burgh, to the effect ane of them may be appointed deacon for the ensuing year. That there be four or more boxmasteris yearlie choisen be the craft, wherof the deacon to choise two, and the trade the other two. That non be allowed to set up or exerce a freemans trade till he be first burges and freeman, and beis found a qualified tradisman (be the deacon and such masteris as shall be appointed by him), and able and fitt to serve the Kings leidges. That each freeman at his entrie shall pay the soumes following for their freedom and upset, viz., a prenteis of a freemans sone the soume of ten merks Scots money; item, each prenteis of ane unfreemans sone the soume of eight pundis Scots money, and each outtintounesman not a prenteis, the soume of fourtie merks Scots money. That each freeman pay quarterlie to the box the soume of three shilling. And that all geir presented to the mercat, aither by free or unfreemen, that shall be found unsufficient shall be escheat, and the presenteris therof fyned at the will of the magistrats, not exceeding the value, the ane halfe to the poor of the trade and the other halfe to the baillie, the said insufficiencie being allwayes cognosced and approvine of be the baillie and his authoritie

interponed for the samen; and that no unfreeman have libertie to present geir to the mercat above the value of four shilling Scots bot in fair dayes and mercat dayes, under the lyke paine. That the deacon and craft be authorized to make such acts in their courts as shall tend to the good of the trade and poor therof, and for keeping good concord among the memberis of craft, and as shall be for the good of the craft and toune; and that the deacon and craft be maintained in the execution of their priviledges be ws and our successouris, and have our concurrence for putting them in execution, the saids acts being allwayes approve be ws and our successouris in office, proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh. Provideing allwayes that if any burges or tounesman have any work to work, wherin they cannot be alseweel served and at alse easie rates by freemen gardineris, it may be leisom to them to serve themselves with any whom they please to imploy, whither freeman or unfreeman. Whilks priviledges abovewrittin the petitioneris humblie presumed to be just and reasonable, and that wee would authorize them in the samen, for, as they are burgesses and freeman of the toune and trade, and bear burdine as such, it is not reasonable that people that are neither burgesses nor freemen, nor have contribute any thing for the support aither of the toune or trade, should enjoy alse much freedome as the petitioneris who have contribute as said is to both. And therefor expecting our favourable answer and compliyanse with their so just a request; as the said petition bearis. Whilk petition being by ws and our predicesouris sein and read, the samen was recomended to be more seriouslie sein and considered be baillies John Gibsone and George Nisbit, William Napeir, dean of gild, John Gilchreist, deacon conveener, and Simeon Tennent, then baillie of Gorballis, by act dated the first day of September lastbypast; and whilk petition being accordinglie sein and considered be the foressaids persones appointed for that effect, they, be their report dated the nyntein day of September also last, declared that they thought the said petition reasonable and just, and that there was nothing therby requyred bot what the said incorporation had bein in use and possession of, since the year j<sup>m</sup>. vj<sup>a</sup> twentie eight, which was sufficientlie instructed to them by production of the records of the said incorporation since that tyme and downwards, as the said report also bearis. And wee having of new considered

the said petition, with the foresaid report, by our act of counsell dated the twentie nyynth day of September last, find the samen just and equitable; and therefore wee the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, for ws and our successouris in office, doe of new ratifie, allow and approve, and be thir presents of new ratifies, allowes and approves of the said haill articles and particulars abovewritten; with power to the said incorporation of gardineris and their successouris in office to use, exerce, enjoy and make use of the haill liberties and priviledges abovewrittin in all tyme comeing, in maner and conforme as is abovementioned. In witnes wherof, wee have subscriyved thir presents, at Glasgow, the twenty two. day of November j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie yearis, before thir witnesses: George Andersone, toune clerk of Glasgow, and James Heriott, his servitor, and wryter heirop.

There was ane factorie or commission subscriyved in favouris of Commission Grissell and Margaret Campbellis, lawfull daughteris to Robert Campbell to Silvercraigs daughteris of Silvercraigs and to Thomas Weir, husband to the said Grissell, for his subscrivit. interest, for uplifting the rent of the lands of Silvercraigs, conforme to ane oblesiment granted be their predicessouris for that effect in favouris of Silvercraiges.

29 November 1690.

Ordaines George Buchannan, thesaurer, to pay to James Coallier, Warrant, smith, the soume of ten rex dalleris for his supplie and helping to mend thesaurer, his hand whilk he almost lost by serveing the toune as ane of their guard. guard.

Ordaines the thesaurer, George Buchannan, to pay to Mr. John Warrant, Pujolas, ane French protestant minister, the soume of fyve pounds sterling thesaurer, for helping to pay the printing of ane French gramer he hes set out; and school. also ordaines the thesaurer of this burgh and his successouris in office to pay him ane hundreth pund yearlie in tyme comeing for his encouragement to keep ane schooll in toune for learning of French, to be payed him quarterlie, begining the first quarteris payment at Candlemass nixt.

The magistrats and toune counsell of the said burgh of Glasgow con- Anent the sidering the extream aversion of the inhabitants therof from payment of cess, and elec- cess and other publict burdens by way of a particular stent, which has tion of the not bein in use of a long tyme amongst them, and that the difficulties and deacon con- veener. insupportable burdens in which the common stock of the burgh is

engadged can allow them no releiffe therof, they remitted the samen to the consideration of the dean of gild and incorporation of merchants for that rank, and to the deacon conveener, with his deacones, assessouris and haill incorporatione of trades for that rank, and particularlie to the visitor and incorporation of maltmen, to consider the best and readiest course and method for raiseing the said cess, who all unanimouslie, with one consent, returned their advyce and offer to the magistrats and tounne counsell that they were content to stent themselves upon the malt to be broune within this burgh, alseweill in comone ale houses as in privat families, in maner following, as the onlie readiest and most easie method for raiseing and paying the ellevinth moneths cess imposed be act of parliament frae Whitsonday last to Martimass last, inclusive of both, and in tyme comeing dureing the current cess imposed as said is. Toward which imposition swa to be raised they, for themselves and in name of the haill inhabitants of the said burgh, gave in the propositiones following:— That each publict brewer should pay two merks by and attoure the Kings excyse, and each privat brewer three pund for each mask of malt that they shall happine to brew, to such persones as shall be appointed be the merchands and trades houses for collecting therof frae the first day of Januarij, 1691, to the first day of Januarij, 1692; and after the first of Januarij, 1692, continuallie indureing the course of the said current cess, each publict brewer to pay threttein shilling four pennies by and attoure the Kings excyse, and each privat brewer fourtie shilling for everie boll of malt to be broune within the burgh within the space foresaid. Item, that the imposition of threttie punds Scots on ilk tun of wyne to be vented within this burgh formerlie agreed upon should be raised and made effectuell for the better releife of the present burdein the tounne lyes under. And that there may be no fraud in the payment of the said imposition upon malt, each maltman within this burgh shall, weeklie on Satturday afternoon, give in to the receaveris of the said imposition a particular accompt of all the malt they have sold that current week, and to whom it was sold and given in, that the said accompt, compared with the collectouris rolls at the mylne, may evidence the extent of the consumption and discover any consealling or imbazleing therof. And wheras there hes bein some contest betuixt the magistrats and counsell and some of the trades anent

the election of the deacon conveener at Michaelmass last, for shuning of all farder debate and expenses theranent, and that there may remaine no discord nor animositie in this burgh, the magistrats and counsell, and the tradismen, complenaris of the illegalitie of that election, hes mutuallie agreed that two or four gentlemen, wherof one halfe to be choisen be the magistrats and counsell, and the other halfe be the saids tradismen, and whatever the saids gentlemen swa to be choisen shall determine in reference to the said election the saids parties shall be obleist *hinc inde* to acquiesce therintill and abyde therat, and to doe their outmost dilligence that the same may be determined betuixt and the (*blank*) day of (*blank*). And farder the saids magistrats and counsell hes agreed and hereby obleidge themselves and their successouris in office that they shall not quarrell the maltmen at any tyme hereafter in the election of their visitor, or in exerceing any other liberties and priviledges belonging to them now or of before, according to use and wont, bot that they shall continow in the peaceable possession therof without interruption or impediment; and the maltmen are to be obleist to behave themselves duetifully to the magistrats and commone weill of this burgh, alseweill in reference to makeing the foresaid imposition effectuell to their outmost power as in all other things whatsoever, according to equitie and justice. Whilks premissis being at lenth sein and considered be the saids magistrats and counsell, and they rypelie advised thereon, they have ratified and approvine, and hereby ratifies and approves the propositiones abovewrittin made for imposing of the stent in maner foresaid upon the said malt and wyne, and consents that the dean of gild and deacon conveeneris houses nominat and appoint collectouris, swa many as shall be thought fit be them, from tyme to tyme for uplifting therof; and obleidge themselves to concurr in the said arbitration anent the deacon conveeneris election, and that the maltmen shall nowayes be troubled in the exerceing their priviledges in maner foresaid, it being allwayes hereby declaired that in caice the said imposition shall be obstructed in hail or in pairt from being gathered and collected to satisfie the cess abovewrittin, that the magistrats and counsell shall have libertie to stent for payment therof in hail or in pairt as the imposition shall fall short as accords of law.

3 *December* 1690.

Libertie to  
John Aird to  
build ane  
toofall.

The magistrats and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, in answer to ane supplication given in to them be John Aird, ane of the present baillies of the said burgh, desireing he may have libertie to build, of the tounes ground, ten foot or thereby in length, eastward from the east gavell of his new house in Bridgegate, for building ane toofall to his said new house, the breadth of the east gavell of the samen, and whilk he is to build in sufficient ston work and to sklait the roofe therof for the better decoreing of the street ther, they have given and granted, and hereby gives and grants licence and libertie to the said John Aird to build the foresaid toofall, he allwayes building and sklaiting the samen in maner foresaid, for whilk he is to pay to the said burgh, or to their thesaureris or collectouris in their names, the soume of three shilling four pennies Scots money yearlie in name of few dewtie or ground annwell; and (if need beis) the toune is to grant to him a few right of the samen peice of ground.

**EXTRACTS**  
**FROM**  
**THE ACCOUNTS OF**  
**THE BURGH OF GLASGOW.**

**1662—1690.**





# EXTRACTS FROM THE ACCOUNTS OF THE BURGH OF • GLASGOW.

*From Michaelmas, 1662, to Michaelmas, 1663.<sup>1</sup>*

21 November 1663.

Report being made be thes wha had red, compaired, and calculated the compt of Niniane Andersoune, lait thesaurer, anent his intromissioun with the tounes rents frae Michaelmes 1662 to Michaelmes last, that the samyne was very honest and right, the saids magistratis and counsell did ratifie, allow, and approve the samyn, and ordaines both chairge and discharge to be heir bookit, quhilk is as fallowis: and first the

## CHAIRGE.

Scotis money.

In the first, he is to be chairgit with the sowme fallowing receavit be him frae Hugh Nisbet, wha was thesaurer befor him, and was restand in his hands at the maiking of his last compt, . . .	£589	7	10
Item, he is to be chairgit with what he hes receivit for the dewtie of the mylnes at the terme of Mertimes 1662, . . .	2900	0	0
Item, he is to be chairgit with that which he receavit from the taksmen of the laidlles for the forsaid terme of Mertimes 1662, . . .	973	6	8
Item, with quhat he hes receavit from the takismen of the meilmercat and peckis for the said terme, . . .	340	0	0
Item, with the sowme fallowing, receivit be him from taksmen of the troane for the said terme, . . .	296	13	4
Item, receivit be him from the taksmen of the brig for the said terme of Mertimes 1662, . . .	486	13	4
Item, receivit be him from Mr. Robert Goveane quhilk was fund restand in his handis at the making of his first compt, . . .	297	0	4

<sup>1</sup> This account is given in full.

Item, receivit from John Purveyance that was awand be him conforme to his band, . . . . .	£600 0 0
Item, receivit be him from Simeone Pittersgill that was awand be him conforme to his band, being the stock of the manufactorie, viz., fyftie pund sterling and thrie pund sterling for the annuel-rent therof at Witsunday 1663, . . . . .	636 0 0
Item, receivit be him from the said Simeone for the maill of that hous called the manufactorie, twellis and yaird belonging therto, fra Witsunday 1662 to Witsunday 1663, . . . . .	108 0 0
Item, the mylnes, laidlles, meilmercat and pecks, and uther commounes guidis of the toun, being roupit wpon the second day of Junij last for ane year thereafter. The compt is to be chairgit with the half of the dewtie therof he receivit in hand at the setting of the samyne; and first the mylnes . . . the equal half, . . . . .	2550 0 0
Item, the laidlles do., . . . . .	783 6 8
Item, receavit be him from the taksmen of the meilmercat at the setting therof, . . . . .	326 13 4
Item, receivit from the taksman of the troane at the setting therof, . . . . .	326 13 4
Item, receavit be him from the taksman of the brig and casualities therof at the setting of the samyn, . . . . .	556 13 4
Item, receavit be him for the gras of the Grein at the last rouping therof, . . . . .	80 0 0
Item, the maill of the fleshmercat the termes of Mertimes 1662 and Witsunday 1663, . . . . .	200 0 0
Item, receivit be him frae John Lindsay and Thomas Lwning for the maill of the walkmylne set to them frae Witsunday 1662 to Witsunday 1663, . . . . .	102 0 0
Item, receavit be him frae Mathew Fausyd for the tounes fourt pairt of the tyndis of the landis of Gorballis the crope 1662, . . . . .	131 6 8
Item, receivit be him for the burges and gild brethir fynes and collectit be him frae Michaelmes 1662 to Michaelmes 1663, . . . . .	315 10 2
Item, receivit be him frae John Donnald quhilk he and James Muidie wer awand to the toun be compt as restand of the tyndis of Drymen, . . . . .	200 0 0
Item, receivit frae Mathew Fawsyd for the tounes fourt pairt of the tyndis of Gorballis the cropt 1663, . . . . .	118 6 8
Summa of the haill charge, . . . . .	£12,917 11 6

## DISCHARGE.

In the first, deburst to the maister of wark be warrand daitit 11 October 1662, . . . . .	£105 13 10
Item, deburst to the burrowis agent as the tounes pairt of the twa thousand merks was deburst in opposing Burroustounness, be warrand 18 October 1662, . . . . .	154 16 8
Item, to John Donnald as a pairt of his payment for goeing and taking sessing of Silvercraigs, be warrand 14 November 1662, . .	31 0 0
Item, to the maister of wark be warrand of the same dait, . . . .	670 4 2
Mair to him, be warrand 29 November, . . . . .	239 8 8
Item, to baillie Campbell and Dowhill for ther chairges in ryding to give a chairge to Mr. Richerd Waddell and Mr. John Anderson be warrand 6 December 1662, . . . . .	168 5 8
Item, deburst for bigging the well without the West Port be warrand of the same dait, . . . . .	60 15 8
Item, for defraying a part of the commissioneris chairges, . . . .	147 1 9
Item, to divers poor peopell for ther supplie, . . . . .	82 12 0
Item, to the maister of wark, be warrand 17 January 1663, . . . .	173 9 10
Item, deburst to James Philp to help to buy a horse, . . . . .	40 0 0
Item, to divers persones for their supplie, . . . . .	115 0 0
Item, to some distrest persones, be warrand 26 January 1663, . . .	23 4 0
Item, to divers distrest peopell, be warrand 7 February, . . . .	42 0 0
Item, to Mr. James Crechtoun and Mr. Robert Young, . . . . .	120 0 0
Item, to the maister of wark be warrand 21 February, . . . . .	507 12 0
Item, to divers poor peopell, . . . . .	49 6 0
Item, to John Young, the tounes agent, be warrand 14 March, . . .	61 10 0
Item, to the maister of wark, . . . . .	260 16 10
Item, to the maister of wark, be warrand 4 April, . . . . .	320 7 2
Item, to him, be warrand 9 May, . . . . .	452 5 8
Item, to John Clerk, mailessoune, in pairt payment of the bigging of the new key at the Broomelaw, conforme to warrand 23 May, . . .	240 0 0
Item, to the maister of wark, . . . . .	267 10 0
Item, to the aires of wmqhill John Stewart, for the caus contained in warrand, 6 Junij, . . . . .	80 0 0
Item, to the maister of wark, . . . . .	375 3 10
Item, to Mr. Spens, be warrand 13 Junij, . . . . .	43 13 0

Item, to the drummers, . . . . .	£66 13 4
Item, deburst to the colledge for the tounes pairt of the tyndis of Gorballis the cropt 1662, . . . . .	101 6 8
Item, to the maister of wark, be warrand 4 July, . . . . .	423 19 10
Item, to Dowhill, John Walkinshaw and utheris, anent Cheislies ply, be warrand 25 July, . . . . .	60 0 0
Item, to James Frank for caus in warrand, . . . . .	38 0 0
Item, to Andrew Thomesoune, beddell in the Laigh Kirk, . . . . .	10 0 0
Item, to the maister of wark, . . . . .	327 9 8
Item, to him be warrand 21 August, . . . . .	513 6 2
Item, mair to him be warrand 28 September, . . . . .	490 2 0
Item, to bailie Colhoune and the deane of gild for ther chairges in Edinburgh, be warrand 15 October, . . . . .	65 6 0
Item to the maister of wark, be warrand, 17 October, . . . . .	267 1 0
Item, to the provest in Edinburgh as a pairt of his chairges there, . . . . .	60 0 0
Item, sent to Edinburgh to Robert Mein for diurnallis, . . . . .	32 8 0
Fallowes the compt of the soumes of monye deburst upon discharges be the compt—	
In the first, deburst to umquhill Mr. Hugh Blair for his stipend for the term of Mertimes 1662, conforme to his discharge in the buik, . . . . .	500 0 0
Item, to Mr. Donnald Catgill, conforme to his warrand and discharge, . . . . .	433 6 8
Item, to the maister of the Grammer Schooll, conforme to his tua discharges in the buik, . . . . .	306 13 4
Item, to Mr. John Andersoune, conforme to his tua dischergis in the buk, . . . . .	133 6 8
Item, to Mr. John Winzet, conforme to his tua discharges, . . . . .	100 0 0
Item, to Mr. Ralph Rodger for compleiting his stipend the Mertimes terme 1662 and preceeding, conforme to the warrand and his discharge, . . . . .	580 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Carstairis, conforme to his warrand and discharge for the lyk, . . . . .	150 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Bowie, minister, conforme to his receipt, . . . . .	400 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Claudie, conforme to his note of receipt, . . . . .	400 0 0
Item, to John Clerk, measoune, for the annuelrent of 2600 merks frae Mertimes 1661 to Mertimes 1662, . . . . .	104 0 0
Item, to Mathew Colhoune for a yeiris fiall, conform to his tua discharges, . . . . .	120 0 0

Item, to Andrew Purdoune for a yeiris fiall, conforme to his tua discharges, . . . . .	£124	0	0
Item, to John Craig in Newtoun for a yeiris few dewtie of a peice land at the Walk mylne, . . . . .	4	0	0
Item, to umquhile Mr. Robert Scots sone for ane yeiris annuelrent of tua thousand sex hundreth merks awand out of the land of Gorballis, . . . . .	104	0	0
Item, to James Frank for a yeiris fiall conforme to his tua discharges, . . . . .	66	13	4
Item, to Ever M'Neill for a yeiris fiall conforme to his tua discharges, . . . . .	66	13	4
Item, to Robert Sanders, the tounes printer, for a yeiris fiall conforme to his tua discharges, . . . . .	40	0	0
Item, to the deane of gild to be given to John Clerk in compleit payment of the building the new peir at the Broomelaw and his discharge, . . . . .	1292	0	0
Item, deburst to Albert Nisbet in name of the duik of Lennox and bischop of Glasgow for the few dewtie of the new mylne of Partick, the cropes and yeiris of God 1660 and 1661, conforme to his discharge, . . . . .	5	8	8
Item, deburst to Mr. John Herbertsoun for the few dewtie of the troane and utheris contained in the discharge, . . . . .	71	0	0
Item, to Charles M'Claine for his fiall in attending the tolbuith and furnishing coall and candle, . . . . .	26	13	4
Item, to the executoures of umquhile Mr. Hugh Blair for his steipain the Witsonday terme 1663, conforme to the lait act of counsell and ther discharge, . . . . .	220	12	0

Fallowes the sowmes deburst be the comptur for the tounes felles—

In the first to the provest, . . . . .	£40	0	0
Item, to the thrie baillies, . . . . .	60	0	0
Item, to the water baillie, . . . . .	10	0	0
To the comptur himself, . . . . .	15	0	0
To the maister of wark, . . . . .	15	0	0
To the clerk, . . . . .	15	0	0
To the procuratour fiscal, . . . . .	10	0	0
To the drummers, . . . . .	26	13	4

Summa of the haill discharge is . . . . . £12,727 9 6

8 April 1663.

Report being made be some of theis who were appoyntit to heir Mr. Robert Goveane's compt that they had done and performed the same, conforme to the counselles ordour, it is therfor ordained that the said compt, both charge and discharge, should be heir booked, quhilk is as fallowes;<sup>1</sup> and first the

## CHARGE.

In the first, comptur charges himself with the ground annualles and others contained in the rentall, <sup>2</sup> extending to . . . .	£713 12 1
Item, with the moneys gotten for so meikle of the rentall as is bought in befor this tyme at seavintin yeares purches, <sup>3</sup> conforme to the particular compt, extending to . . . .	649 3 0
Item, with the tounes fourt pairt of the fermes, maillis and hail few dewties of the Gorballis, the cropt 1661, including James Belles and Alexander Pollokes mailles extending to . . .	913 15 11
Item, with quhat he receavet fra Allane Gairner for the maill of the smiddie in Briggait fra Witsonday 1661 to Witsonday 1662, .	20 0 0
Item, with the maill of the yaird at the bak of the meilmercat, .	3 0 0
Item, with the maill of the two buithes beneth the tolbuith, fra Witsonday 1661 to Witsonday 1662, . . . .	69 6 8
Item, with the poffilles in Easter and Waster Commounes and tounemyne land, the cropt 1661, . . . .	495 6 8
Item, with the tynd tak dewtie of certain landis in Borrowfeild, Flemyngtoun and persone landis, the said cropt 1661, . . .	51 9 2
Item, with the rent of the lipper hospitall, attour the victuall, .	5 3 0
Item, the small tynd tak dewties awand be commissar Flemyng, yearlie, of thrie shilling Scotis the cropt 1647 and since to the 1661 inclusive, for Over Possill, Cowstoun and thrie aikers in Old Gallowmuir, being fyftene yeares, is . . . .	2 5 0
Item, with eight markis, yearlie, the yeares 1659, 1660, and 1661, dew be Mr. Niniane Hill for the landis of Garroch, . . .	16 0 0
Item, with Marion Stewart her small tynd tak dewtie of twa shilling Scotis yearlie for the space of fyftene yeares, . . . .	1 10 0
Item, with James Colhoun his six penneis the said space, . . .	0 7 6

<sup>1</sup> This account is given in full.

time, will be found in Appendix II.

<sup>2</sup> A detailed rental, made up about this<sup>3</sup> See Glasgow Rec., II., pp. 483, 485.

Item, with the tynds that wer allowit to umquhill Mr. George Young as a pairt of his stipand the said cropt, conforme to ane particular compt therof instructit, . . . . .	£44	6	6
Item, with the lait barrone of Auchyll his band of . . . . .	266	13	4
Item, with the barron of Auchintrokis band of . . . . .	50	14	10
Item, that is dew be the Laird of Lockerby, . . . . .	119	10	0
Item, be the earle of Hartfeild fyfty pundis x s. yearlie, the yeares 1657, 1658, 1659, 1660, <i>inde</i> , . . . . .	202	0	0
Summa of the whoill charge is . . . . .	£4004	3	8

## DISCHARGE.

Imprimis, the comptur discharges himselfe by debursmentis of the sowmes fallowing wpon warrand, the not paymentis, expenssis impendit, his awine fiell, and utheris after specifeit. And, first, by making payment to Hugh Neisbit, lait thesaurer, conforme to his two receptis, ane in Junij and the uther in August 1662, before the comptur got any intromissiounne considerable of his charge, and quherwith Hugh chargit himselfe at his compt futing, <i>inde</i> , . . . . .	1,466	13	4
Item, for denouncing of Auchintrock to the horne registrating him therat and raising captiounne therwpon, <i>inde</i> , . . . . .	3	18	0
Item, deburst be Williame Andersounne by warrand and reteiring bak the tounes band quhilk the comptur hes presentlie delyvered up, <i>inde</i> , . . . . .	666	13	4
Item, to Mr. Johne Bowie, be warrand daitit 17 November 1662, . . . . .	84	0	0
Item, be warrand on the first of November 1662 to Mr. Ralph Rodger, . . . . .	240	0	0
Item, be warrand on the 7th February 1663 to Mr. John Bowie and Mr. John Claudie, . . . . .	240	0	0
Item, by not payment of the particular small grund annualles the said year, 1661, by the particular persones contained in ane compt, apairt be itselfe containing the reasones of not payment heirwith producit to be ane article of charge to the nixt comptur extending to . . . . .	104	16	6
Item, by not payment of the barron of Auchyles band, quhilk the comptur never receavit, <i>inde</i> , . . . . .	266	13	4
Item, by not payment of Auchintrockis band against quhom there is captiounne in James Moodies hand, . . . . .	50	14	10

Item, by not payment of Lockerbies monye contained in the charge,  
it being alledgit to be payit to John Moodie, lait thesaurer, . £119 10 0  
Item, by not payment from the earle of Hartfeild of . . . . . 202 0 0

Summa of the discharge is . . . . . £3,444 19 4

Scots money; sua charge and discharge being compared, their restis in the compters handis the sowme of £559 4s. 4d. Whilk compt befor wryttin, charge and discharge therin contained being at lenth red and considered, the samyne was allowed and approvine. And aff the forsaid £559 4s. 4d., monye restand in the compters hands, there was rebaited the sowme fallowing, viz., allowed to the compt for the annuel-rent of 2200 markis he advanced to Hugh Neisbit, lait thesaurer, ane reasonable space befor he got any considerable monyes of his charge in, and for wrytting of thrie scoir twa actis to theis who bought in their small annualles at seavintine yearis purches, £50 Scots. Mair, allowed to the compt for his fiell at fyve pundis per cent., conforme to his agriement with the toune, £200 4s.; and £12 allowed to be distribut be the compt to the officiares that helped him to collect the said small dewties; all extending to £262 12s.; so there being now restand in the compt Mr. Robert Goveanes hand £297 0s. 4d., quhilk he hes delyvered be the counselles ordour to Niniane Andersoune, present thesaurer, who is to be chargit therewith. The said Mr. Robert Goveane, therfor, is heirby dischargit of his said compt accordinglie.

*From Michaelmas, 1663, to Michaelmas, 1664.<sup>1</sup>*

CHARGE.

Item, with the sowme fallowing receavit be him fra Mathow Fausyd for the touns fourt pairt of the tyndes of the lands of Gorballes the cropt 1663, . . . . . 118 6 8  
Item, the tynds of the lands of Gorballes being roupit in August 1664 the sowme for quhilk the same was sett did extend to fourtine hundreth marks, the compt is to be [charged] with the tounes fourt pairt of the equall halfe therof receavit in hand, extending to . . . . . 116 13 4

<sup>1</sup> From this and the subsequent accounts extracts only are given.



## DISCHARGE.

Item, deburst to William Andersoune for his service in the Blackfreir Kirk be warrand daitit 24 Januarij 1664, . . . . .	£40	0	0
Item, to James Frank for furnishing medicines to poor folk be warrant daitit 9 April 1664, . . . . .	26	12	0
Item, deburst to Mr. Johne Bowie, minister, in compleit payment of his steipand for the Mertimes terme 1663, with four scoir punds he receavit from Mr. Robert Goveane for his hous mail conforme to his discharge, . . . . .	500	0	0
Mair, deburst to him for his steipand the Witsunday terme 1664, . . . . .	400	0	0
Item, deburst to Mr. John Claudie, conforme to his discharge for his Mertimes terme 1663, . . . . .	380	0	0
Item, deburst to Albert Nisbit, as the college collectour, for the tounes foirt pairt of the tynds of Gorballes the croopt 1663, and the discharge of the hail is in the tounes handes, . . . . .	74	13	4

Follows the compt of the sowmes of money intrometted with be Mr. Robert Goveane, conforme to the trust committed to him be the provest, baillies, and counsell of this burgh, and ar contained in the rentalles committed to his charge for that effect, and that for the cropes and yeires of God 1662 and 1663 . . . [Extracts :—]

## CHARGE.

Imprimis, the comptur charges himself with £674 17s. 1d. as the totall of the ground and teynd dewties conteinit in the rental, thes sold the year 1661 being rebaitit for the year 1662; and with £660 15s. 1d., the totall of the rental for the year 1663, thes dewties sold thereafter being rebaitit as the clerkes bookes doe bear, . . . . .	£1339	12	2
Item, with the totall sowme of thes annwalles sold at seavintine yeires purches since the last compt futting as the clerkes bookes beares, . . . . .	169	3	0
Item, with £696 1s. 3d. being the rent of the townes fourt pairt of the Gorballis, the year 1662; and with £652 6s. 6d. as for the year 1663 according to the feares and the particular compt therof, . . . . .	1348	7	9
Item, with 51 li. 9 s. 2 d. yeirlie, the saides twa yeires, for the teynd			

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tack dewtie of Borrowfeild. Fleimyngtone, persone land and utheres in that article of rentall, . . . . .	£102 18 4
Item, with thrie shilling yeirlie of small teynd dewtie dew be commissar Flemyng, . . . . .	0 6 0
Item, saxtine merkes dew the said twa yeires be Mr. Niniane Hill, . . . . .	10 13 4
Item, with twa shillinges be Marion Stewart and 6 d. fra James Colquhoun of small teynd dewtie, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, with £276 17 s. upliftit be the compt for the teyndes that war allocat to Mr. Georg Young for the year 1662, and £548 11 s. 6 d. as for the saides teyndes allocat to the said umquhill Mr. Georg and umquhill Mr. Hew Blair for the year 1663, . . . . .	825 8 6
Item, for the teyndes that war allocat to Mr. Robert M'Quair, both the saides yeires, conforme to ane particullar compt <i>inde</i> , . . . . .	546 3 0
Item, for the teyndes that were allocat to Mr. Johne Carstaires for 1663, being the first year efter his removeall, . . . . .	279 13 4
Item, with £170 for threttie bolles of beir upliftit be him for the landes of Lunningshaughe, according to the commissaris fear, fra Johne Biggart the crope 1662, and £140 for the crope 1663, <i>inde</i> , . . . . .	310 0 0
Item, with £2103 18 s. dew be Silvertounehill for his teyndes for the cropt and year 1664 and preceiding, conforme to ane band in the clerkes hand and ane decreit in the compteres awne hand obtainit against him, conforme to the particullar compt thair of, <i>inde</i> , . . . . .	2103 18 0

## DISCHARGE.

And, first, by payment making to Robert Scot, as ane pairt of the pryce of the land of Gorballes, and to maisteris John Bowie and John Glendie, conforme to ane warrand daitit the nyntine day of December 1663, . . . . .	2065 6 8
Item, for raising ane sumondes of reductione against the fewares of the Gorballes and giveing in ane bill for captione against Silvertounehill quhilk was refuissed, and for renewing the letteres againe in the present magistrates names, being ordoured to doe the same and to proceed to ane comprysing, . . . . .	6 12 0
Item, deburst, by warrand daitit 27 August 1664, to the relict and executoures of umquhill Mr. Hew Blair, . . . . .	439 8 0

*From Michaelmas, 1664, to Michaelmas, 1665.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, debursit to James M'Naght for supplie of Margaret Semple and Hugh Margoriebanks, her sone, in consideratione of the los they sustained by sea and fyre, conforme to the warrand daitit the 22 of October 1664, . . . . .	£28	0	0
Item, debursit to James Campbell and Robert Rae for thair charges in ryding downe to the cost syd in the townes affaires, be warrand daitit the 17 of December 1664, . . . . .	43	4	0
Item, debursit to Robert Meine for diurnallis and news letters quhilk compleitis him to the 22 of Junij instant, be warrand daitit the 24 therof, . . . . .	51	12	0
Item, debursit to Mr. Johne Bowie, minister, conforme to his twa discharges contained in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Milne, minister, conforme to his discharge conteined in the book, . . . . .	540	0	0

*From Michaelmas, 1665, to Michaelmas, 1666.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, deburst be warrand daitit 14 October 1665 for the expenssis in puting up the new wather-cock in the steiple of the New Kirk, . .	78	18	0
Item, be warrand daitit the xxviiij. of October the said yeir for building a new brig over Cumlachie burne, . . . . .	200	0	0
Item, be warrand daitit 9 December 1665 to John Clark for som wark to the subdeans mylnes, . . . . .	20	0	0
Item, be warrand daitit 19 May 1666 for the provest charges in goeing to St. Andrews to speik to the bishope anent Argyles money, . . . . .	96	0	0
Item, deburst be warrand daitit the 9th of Junij to Jonet Reid for the townes denner at Witsunday last, . . . . .	201	10	0
Item, to William Boyd, in pairt payment of rebuilding the brig at the Barras yett, be warrand daitit the first of September, . .	200	0	0
Item, to Mr. John Bowie, minister, for his stipend and hows maill the Mertimes terme 1665 and Witsunday 1666, conforme to his twa discharges contained in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. William Stirling for his stipend and hows maill the saides twa termes, conforme to his twa discharges in the book, .	1080	0	0

Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hows mail the said twa termes, conforme to his twa discharges contained in the book, . . . . .	£1080	0	0
Item, to Robert Inglishe, the tounes musitiane, for his fiel, . . . . .	80	0	0
Item, to Robert Sandres, as the townes printer, conforme to his twa discharges, . . . . .	40	0	0

*From Michaelmas, 1666, to Michaelmas, 1667.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, deburst for four new silwer cupis for serving the communioune tables be warrand daitit the 3rd day of September 1667, . . . . .	262	11	0
Item, deburst be warrand the same date to John Mein in Edinburgh for the newes letteres and gazetes to this day, . . . . .	36	8	0
Item, to Mr. John Bowie for his stipend and hows mail the terme of Mertimes 1666 and Witsonday 1667, conforme to his two discharges contained in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, deburst to Mr. William Stirling for his stipend and hows mail the said twa termes, conforme to his twa discharges contained in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, deburst to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hows mail the samyne twa termes, conforme to his twa discharges contained in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0

*From Michaelmas, 1667, to Michaelmas, 1668.*

## CHARGE.

Item, the said comptur is to be chargit with quhat he receavit from Robert Campbell, elder, quhilk he was owand to the towne be band as being the money was dew be Silvercraigs, fourtine thousand markes, inde, . . . . .	9333	6	8
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## DISCHARGE.

Item, deburst . . . to the relict of umquhill William Boyd for his last half yeiris fiail in attending the fabrick of the Hie Kirk be warrand daitit the secound of November, 1667, . . . . .	60	0	0
Item, deburst to Robert Mundie for dressing of the New Greine, . . . . .	20	0	0
Item, deburst be him to John Bell and to Mr. John Wilkie as ane pairt of Silvertounehillis debts be warrand the 4 of April, 1668, . . . . .	40	0	0

Item, deburst be him to the laird of Silvertounehill for severall particullares was standing in the mantioune hows of Pravane be the same warrand, . . . . .	£66	13	4
Item, deburst for sklates to Newport Glasgow be warrand the 8 August, 1668, . . . . .	240	0	0
Item, deburst to Alexander Hoome for his heretable right of ane righe of land he had laying in Kinklaithe, quherof the dispositioun is in the clarks handis, . . . . .	74	13	4
Item, deburst to Mr. John Bowie for his stipend and hows maill for the terme of Mertimes 1667 and Witsonday 1668, conforme to his two discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, deburst to Mr. William Stirling for his stipend and hows maill the saids twa termes, conforme to his two discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, deburst to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hows maill the sammin two termes, conforme to his two discharges contained in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, deburst to Robert Mudie for keeping of the Greine at their command, in name of fiall, . . . . .	20	0	0

*From Michaelmas, 1668, to Michaelmas, 1669.*

## CHARGE.

Item, with quhat he receavit fra Robert Rae as a pairt of the monye collectit for the takis of the tyndis of the aikers about the toune payit in name of garsum entres, extending to . . . . .	3333	6	8
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## DISCHARGE.

In primis, deburst to George Andersoune, wrytter in Edinburgh, pairtly for his debursmentis in the tounes affaires and pairtly for his paines and wrytting of above fyftie sheit of paper, be warrand daitit the last of October, 1668, . . . . .	80	0	0
Item, be warrand daitit 13 February 1669 for transporting off Mathow Donald to Jamaica, . . . . .	80	0	0
Item, to John Hall for furnishing sundrie poor people with medicamentis be ordour of the magistratis be warrand daitit the 10 August, . . . . .	37	18	0

Item, deburst to Mr. John Bowie for his last yeares stipend and hows maill, conforme to his discharges in the book, . . . . .	£1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. William Stirling for his last yeares stipend and hows maill be his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his last yeares stipend and hows maill, conforme to his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. David Liddell, minister of the Barrony, conforme to his discharge in the book for ane yeares stipend, . . . . .	900	0	0
Item, to the bishops chamberland for the tynd tak dwtie of the Barrony paroch, few dewtie of Linninghaugh and utheris, contained in the discharge in the clarkis handis the cropt 1667, . . . . .	240	14	6
Item, to John Hall, the tounes chyrurgian, conforme to the discharge of fiell, . . . . .	66	13	4

*From Michaelmas, 1669, to Michaelmas, 1670.*

CHARGE.

Item, with quhat he receavit fra Robert Rae as a pairt of the monye receavit for the takis of the tyndis of Garngad and utheris, extending to . . . . .	449	0	0
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DISCHARGE.

Item, be warrand daitit the 14 of Maij to Robert Mein for post letters, . . . . .	104	10	0
Item, to Walter Grahame, messenger, for apprehending of Daldowie after he made his escaip be warrand daitit the 4 <sup>th</sup> of Junij, . . . . .	29	0	0
Item, to John Bell for the parsones hous maill the Witsonday terme last, . . . . .	66	13	4
Item, to Jonet Reid for quhat was furnished to the duk of Lennox west comming, . . . . .	210	0	0
Item, to Thomas Moncuir for silver boxes he made to burges tikitis quhen the deuk should have come west, . . . . .	32	14	6
Item, be warrand daitit the first of Octobour for transporting and home-bringing the Blakfrier Kirk bell and casting therof in Holland, . . . . .	232	8	0
Item, to John Hall be warrand of the same dait for drogs to poor folkis, . . . . .	60	8	0

Item, to Mr. John Bowie for his last yeares stipend and hous maill as be his discharges in the book, . . . . .	£1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. William Stirling for his last yeares stipend and hous maill be his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his last yeares stipend and hous maill be his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to the College collectour for the tounes pairt of the Gorbail tyndis the cropt of 1669, . . . . .	74	6	8

*From Michaelmas, 1670, to Michaelmas, 1671.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, to John Hall for drops to poor people, be warrand, . . . . .	54	12	0
Item, to Mr. William Abercumbie for preatching in the Utter Kirk, be warrand, . . . . .	66	13	0
Item, to the tradis for the expenssis they wer at in sending their commissioner to London and utheris to Edinburgh, be warrand, . . . . .	1866	13	4
Item, to Jonet Reid for the tounes denner at Witsonday last and wther expenssis with noblemen, be warrand, . . . . .	276	18	6
Item, Mr. John Bowie, conforme to his discharge in the book, . . . . .	540	0	0
Item, to Mr. William Stirling for his last yeares stipend and hous maill, by his discharge in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hous maill, by his discharge in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, deburssed to Robert Boyd, measoune, for building the dyk about the grein, eight pund starling, by his warrand, . . . . .	96	0	0

*From Michaelmas, 1671, to Michaelmas, 1672.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, to John Jonstoune for his expenssis, and the expenssis of theis that went with him to give a call to Mr. Hoome, be warrand daitit the 6 December, . . . . .	43	3	4
Item, deburst for transportatioune of Mr. John Gray, minister, fra Tillieallane to this burgh, fyftine pundis starling, and twa hundreth markis deburst to Mr. William Abercumbie for his bygane preaching in the Uter Kirk, be warrand daitit 11 May 1672, both extending to . . . . .	313	6	8

Item, to John Hall for drogs to poor people, be warrand daitit 1 June, £45 14 0	
Item, deburst to Mr. William Stirling, minister, for his stipend and hous maill the year 1672, by discharges in the book, . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hous maill, be discharges in the book, . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Gray for his first halfe yeares stipend and hous maill, by discharges in the clarkis handis, . . .	540 0 0
Item, to Mr. David Liddell in pairt payment of his stipend as minister of the Barrony Kirk for the year 1672, by his discharge is	300 0 0
Item, to Mr. Archibald Dennestoune for his service as precenter in the Uter Hie Kirk fra Candlemas 1671 to Candlemas 1672, by discharges, . . .	40 0 0

*From Michaelmas, 1672, to Michaelmas, 1673.*

CHARGE.

Item, the comptur charges himselfe with 400 li. starling borrowit be the toune fra the archbishop of Glasgow, and receavit be the thesaurer, . . .	4800 0 0
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DISCHARGE.

Item to Johne Hall, chyrurgian, be warrand on the 2 of Maij for drogs and medicamentis to poor people sen the 2 of Octobour last, . . .	61 16 0
Item, to Mr. William Stirling, minister, for his stipend and hous maill the year 1673, by discharges in the book, . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hous maill, be discharges in the book, . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Gray for his stipend and hous maill, by discharges in the book, . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr David Liddle in compleit payment of his bygane stipend as minister of the Barrony for the year 1672, the rest being payit be John Braidie, conforme to his discharge in the book, . . .	600 0 0
Item, to the craftis hospitall for the grund annuale of the Fleshmercat for the year 1672 as be discharge, . . .	0 8 0



*From Michaelmas, 1673, to Michaelmas, 1674.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, deburst to twa bursars and twa poor men be ordour of the lait archbishop in the first end of the annuelrent the toune owes him be band, eight pundis starling, and to John M'Kewne and John Park fyftie markis for ane yeares annuelrent of ane thousand markis quhilk the toune was awand be band to umquhill James Duncane, and quherto they have now right be assignatioune fra Mertimes 1672 to Mertimes 1673, conforme to the warrand of counsell daitit the tenth of January 1674, both extending to	£129	6	8
Item, to the said poor men and boyes, conforme to the said bischops ordour and their discharge, . . . . .	96	0	0
Item, to George Waird for his incurragment to keep a school for learning the young childern to wryt, be warrand daitit 24 September last, . . . . .	29	0	0
Item, be warrand daitit 1 October, for paying the fyne the toune was fyned in for conventickles that wer kept within the toune,	1200	0	0
Item, to Mr. William Stirling for his stipend and hous maill, conforme to his twa discharges in the book for the year 1674, . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hous maill, be his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Johne Gray for his stipend and hous maill, by his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0

*From Michaelmas, 1674, to Michaelmas, 1675.*

## DISCHARGE. .

Item, with quhat he deburst to Sir George Maxwell of Newark quhilk he deburst on the tounes accompt for thretty moneths cess for the landis of Newport Glasgow, and for the few dewtie therof, being four markis be year since the tounes buying therof, and for their proportioun of the mentenance of the militia hors, be warraud daitit 15 December 1674, . . . . .	40	13	4
Item, to Mr. David Liddell, be warrand daitit 29 December, that was restand to him of his stipend as minister of the Barrony Kirk, . .	540	0	0
Item, be warrand daitit 5 March 1675, to the relict of umquhill John Heriot for her supplie, . . . . .	20	0	0

Item, to Walter Whyt to pay his passage to the Western Islandis, be warrand daitit the 16 March 1675, . . . . .	£72 0 0
Item, to John Bryssoune for himselfe and partiners 168 li., and to the proveist 168 li. for the pryce of four hodgisheidis French wyne, and also to the proveist thrie pundis starling for a terce of Ranish wyne, and to baillie Johnstoune 168 li. for uther twa hodgisheidis French wyne, all furnished be the toune to noble-men and utheris and spent in the tounes affaires this last year, be warrand daitit the 27 September 1675, all extending to . . . . .	540 0 0
Item, be the warrand daitit 2 October to the clarkis servantis for extraourdinarie wrytting ane hundreth markis, and to Robert Boyd for measone wark £97 17 s. 2 d., and £724 0 s. 6 d. payit to severall persones, being spent quhen the burrowes sat last here in July last, all extending to . . . . .	888 10 0
Item, deburst to Mr. William Stirling, minister, for his last yeares stipend by his discharges in the book and his hous mail 1675 . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hous mail the said year by his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Gray for his stipend and hous mail as by his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. David Liddell for halfe ane yeares stipend as minister of the Barrony Kirk fra Mertimes 1674 to Witsonday 1675, as be discharge, . . . . .	450 0 0
Item, deburst for nine moneths supplie for the poor of the toune preceeding the first of August last, at 192 li. for sex of the said moneths and 265 li. 14 s. for ilk moneth of the uther thrie, conforme to the kirk sessioun clark his recept, . . . . .	1949 2 0
Item, deburst for repairing the castell, quhilk the bishop is to allow at their accomodatioun anent the tyndis or utherwayes, . . . . .	651 0 0

*From Michaelmas, 1675, to Michaelmas, 1676.*

CHARGE.

Item, with quhat he receavit fra James Fairie restand of the pryce of Cowlares and Seggieholme, extending to . . . . .	1400 0 0
Item, with quhat he receavit from Towcors for the tak of the tyndis of his haill landis and for the byrunes preceeding this tyme, extending to . . . . .	733 6 8

## DISCHARGE.

In primis, deburst be the compter to Robert Mein for furnishing of newes letters to the toune fra September 1674 to September 1675, be warrand of counsell daitit the 23 of Octobour 1675, . . .	£60	0	0
Item, to James Birsat quhilk he payit in Holland for getting the meikle bell in Briggait castin over againe, and for charges ther- anent, be warrand daitit the 30 Octobour 1675, . . .	463	4	0
Item, to Mr. William Conynghame for paying of persones that castis the grund at Newport for the breist work to ane accompt, be warrand daitit 22 February, 1676, . . .	96	0	0
Item, be the same warrand to bailie Andersone and utheris that went doune to Newport to measour the grund, for their expenssis, . . .	80	0	0
Item, to John Nisbit for the halfe of the few dewty payable to the archbishop for the Gorballis and utheris the cropt 1674, . . .	118	8	2
Item, to bailie Campbell for his expenssis and charges in attending the counsell at Edinburgh anent the Irish victuall, be warrand daitit the 9 <sup>th</sup> September 1676, . . .	60	0	0
Item, to Mr. Samuell Heslett for his incurradgement to keep a wrytting school, be warrand daitit 30 September, . . .	29	0	0
Item, to John Nisbet, the bishops chamberland, for the few dewtie payable to the archbishop out of the landis of Gorballis and the toune, the year 1675, . . .	238	15	8
Item, deburst be the compter to Mr. William Stirling, minister, for his stipend and hous maill the last year 1676, by his twa dis- charges in the book, . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his said last yeares stipend and hous maill, by his discharges in the book, . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. John Gray for his stipend and hous maill the said year, by his discharges in the book, . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander George, minister of the Barrony Kirk, for his stipend fra Witsonday 1675 to Witsonday 1676, and com- munion elementis, conforme to his discharge, . . .	950	0	0
Item, lent to the partiners of the soaparie, for quhilk Sir George Maxwell of Pollok is to allow to the toune in the first end of his band of 6000 li. dew be the toune to him, or then give his band for payment thereof, quhilk is . . .	1680	0	0

*From Michaelmas. 1676, to Michaelmas, 1677.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, be warrand daitit 16 Junij to Thomas Findlay to buy him new clothes to his lauriatioune, . . . . .	£40 0 0
Item, be warrand daitit the 8 of September 1677, to Thomas Comlie for halfe a yeares furnishing of newes letters and gazetis to the toune, . . . . .	30 0 0
Item, to Mr. Niniane Patersoune, be warrand daitit 29 September 1677, to helpe to print a book that he hes dedicat to the toune, . . . . .	120 0 0
Item, be warrand of the same dait, to James Thomesone sex pundis starling in pairt payment of quhat he is to have for cutting the Kings armes, and to John Hendrie fyve pundis starling in pairt payment of quhat he is to have for drawing the Kings portrat, inde, . . . . .	132 0 0
Item, be warrand of the same dait, to James Cleland, for making up the excyse of the shyre for the landis of Gorballis, twentie seavine pundis x s. and to James Williamsone twelfe pundis Scotis to helpe to big a bridge betwixt Hammiltoune and Lanerk, . . . . .	39 10 0
Item, deburst be the comptur to Mr. William Stirling for his stipend and hous maill this last year, 1677, till Witsonday, conforme to his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for the said yeares stipend and maill, by his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Gray for the said yeares stipend and maill, by his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander George of stipend for the Barrony Kirk and communion elementis, by his discharges in the book, fra Witsonday 1676 to Witsonday 1677, . . . . .	950 0 0
Item, to John Robeson, chyrurgian, for his fiell, . . . . .	66 13 4
Item, to Ewir M <sup>c</sup> Neill for cuting of theis of the stone that ar trubled with the gravell, of fiell, . . . . .	66 13 4
Item, to Mistres Cumyng to pay her hous maill fra Witsonday 1676 to Witsonday 1677, . . . . .	66 13 4

*From Michaelmas, 1677, to Michaelmas, 1678.*

## CHARGE.

Item, with quhat he receavit fra James Andersoune restand of the thrie hundreth pundis starling mortified be bischop Lightoune and put in the tounes hands, for mentinance of a bursary of philosophie in the colledge and twa poor men in the bischop's hospitall, extending to . . . . . £706 13 4

## DISCHARGE.

Item, to Johne Nisbit for a terce of wine furnished be him to the archbischoep the last year, be warrand the 16 Februarij 1678, . . . . . 56 0 0  
 Deburst be the comptor to Mr. William Stirling for his stipend and hous maill for this last year, as be his twa discharges in the book, . . . . . 1080 0 0  
 Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hous maill the said last year befor Witsounday 1678, be his twa discharges in the book, . . . . . 1080 0 0  
 Item, to Mr. Johne Gray for his stipend and hous maill the said year, be his twa discharges in the book, . . . . . 1080 0 0  
 Item, to Mr. Alexander George for his yeares stipend as minister in the Barronye, and for the communion elementis, as be his discharge in the book for the said year, . . . . . 950 0 0  
 Item, to doctour Birsban for his yeares feill as phisitian to the toun, . . . . . 66 13 4  
 Item, to Evir M'Neill for his yeares fiell for cutting poor people of the stone, . . . . . 66 13 4  
 Item, to Patrick Bell for keeping him in the colledge as ane bursar, the haill bursaries at the tounes presentatioune being supplied for the tyme, . . . . . 60 0 0  
 Item, to Walter Watsoune for a yeares cellary in keeping him in the colledge, conforme to bischop Lightounes mortificatioune, fra Mertimes 1677 to Mertimes 1678, . . . . . 108 0 0  
 Item, to John Scot for a yeares pension as ane of the poor placed in the bischops hospitall be bischop Lightounes mortificatioune, fra Mertimes 1677 to Mertimes 1678, . . . . . 54 0 0

*From Michaelmas, 1678, to Michaelmas, 1679.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, payit to these who convoyed the archbischoep quhen he was goeing to Edinburgh, be warrand daitit the nynth of August 1679, . . . . . 60 0 0

Item, to George Johnstoune, baillie, for his debursmentis in the toune the tyme of the late rebellion, be warrand daitit the 23 August 1679, . . . . .	£131 11 0
Item, to John Raltoune, quartermaister, for his paines in quartering the sojouris the last year, be warrand of the same dait, . . . .	120 0 0
Item, deburst for a gold box and sundrie silver boxes for burgessis tikitis quhen the duk of Baclough and sundry uther gentlemen wer made burgessis, as the same was agried be the deane of gild, conforme to the compt given in be Robert Brok, goldsmith, all extending to . . . . .	158 18 0
Item, for drogs and medicamentis, and to the doctor that waited on Mr. John Lies <sup>1</sup> quhen he was seik the last year, be warrand datit the 18 October 1679, . . . . .	52 9 0
Item, deburst be the comptor to Mr. William Stirling for his stipend and hous maill, by his discharges in the book for the last year, -	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne, minister, for the said yeares stipend and hous maill, by his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Gray for the said yeares stipend and hous mail, be his 2 discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander George for his stipend as minister at the Barrony Kirk, conforme to his discharges and for the communion elementis the last year, . . . . .	950 0 0
Item, to Mr. George Adame, precentour of the Inner Hie Church, of fiell, be his discharge, . . . . .	200 0 0
Item, to Walter Watson, precentour of the Laigh Kirk, of fiell, fra Witsonday 1678 to Witsonday 1679, . . . . .	40 0 0
Item, to Robert Forrest, precentour of the Uter Hie Kirk, of fiell, fra March 1678 to March 1679, be his discharges, . . . . .	40 0 0
Item, to Coline Hammill, jylour, of fiell, and for furnishing coall and candle to the counsel-hous and deane of gildis hous, . . . .	26 13 4
Item, to Mr. Alexander George for his mans and gleib, of the landis of Linings Haugh, . . . . .	1 9 4

<sup>1</sup> Lies or Lees was injured while trying to suppress a conventicle. See footnote, *antea*, pp. 257-8.

*From Michaelmas, 1679, to Michaelmas, 1680.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, deburst to Arthur Takitis for his litle yaird and entrie at the new vennell, be warrand daitit 26 February 1680, . . . . .	£66	13	4
Item, be warrand daitit 7 June 1680, to John Louk in pairt payment of quhat he is to have in the first end of the pryce of the land bought from him and joyned to the Grein, quhilk is, . . . . .	480	0	0
Item, payit for the pryce of the landis in Saltmercat quhilk belonged to umquhill Edward Robesoune, be warrand daitit the 2nd July 1680, . . . . .	2800	0	0
Item, be warrand daitit 7 August, to the executores of umquhill Doctor Strang in satisfactioun of ane thousand markis and utheris they wer persewing the toun for, . . . . .	566	13	4
Item, to Patrick Bryce for his incurradgment to sett doune new coall pitis in Gorballis, be warrand daitit the 2nd October last, . . . . .	333	6	8
Item, to Thomas Craufurd for incuradgment to build his hous in Saltmercat, be warrand of the same dait, . . . . .	1000	0	0
Item, be that same warrand to Androw Wallace for the los of ane hors, . . . . .	24	0	0
Item, to John Robesoune for drogs to poor people, be the same warrand, . . . . .	100	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his stipend and hous maill fra Witsounday 1679 to Witsounday 1680, by his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Johnne Gray for the same yeares stipend and hous maill, as by discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. William Stirling, then ane of the ministers, for the last halfe year he servit fra Witsounday 1679 to Mertimes 1679, conforme to his discharge in the book, . . . . .	540	0	0
Item, mair to him for halfe ane yeares hous maill fra Mertimes 1679 to Witsounday 1680, he being then transported and did quyt to Mr. Adame Gordoune any stipend was then owing to him, the said Mr. Adame having succeeded in his place, . . . . .	40	0	0
Item, to the said Mr. Adame Gordoune, ane of the tounes ministers, the said halfe yeares stipend, viz. fra Mertimes 1679 to Witsounday 1680, by his discharge in the book, . . . . .	500	0	0

Item, to Mr. Alexander George, minister of the Barrony, for his stipend and communion elementis, by his discharge in the book, fra Witsonday 1679 to Witsonday 1680, inde, . . . . .	£950 0 0
Item, to the minister of the Barrony Kirk, dew out of the landis of Provand, for his mans and glyb [and] of Linnings Haugh, fra Witsonday 1679 to Witsonday last, . . . . .	21 4 2
Item, to James Lies and John Androw, curatouris to William Kirk, for the pryce of alevine ruid land bought in fra him and joyned to the new grein, . . . . .	620 0 0
Item, to Robert M'Cuir for the pryce of twa aiker land in Mylnhill joyned to the new grein, . . . . .	666 13 4

*From Michaelmas, 1680, to Michaelmas, 1681.*

CHARGE.

Item, the teyndis of the aikeris about the toun formerly drawn be the archbishop of Glasgow, being sett to John Mitchell, cropt 1681, for fourtein hundreth and twenty merkis, the comptur charges with the half therof received in hand and extending to	473 6 8
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DISCHARGE.

Item, to Duncan Campbell, baillie, for furnishing the grein cloath that covers the counsell table, be warrand daitted the 27th September, 1681, . . . . .	52 4 0
Item, to the clerks servantis for extraordinary wrytting this last year, be warrand daitted the 8th October 1681, . . . . .	72 0 0
Item, to the post be warrand of that dait for bringing newes extraordinary the tyme of the parliament, . . . . .	35 6 8
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne, minister, for his years stipend and hous maill for serving the cure as ane of the ministers of the toun, by his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Gray of stipend and hows maill, as be his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Adam Gordoun of stipend and hows maill, as by his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander George, minister of the Barrony Kirk for his stipend and communion elements, by his discharges in the book, from Whitsonday 1680 to Whitsonday 1681, . . . . .	950 0 0



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Item, to John Macklain, the touns pypper, of fiall this last yeir, as by discharge, . . . . .	£66	13	4
Item, to John Boyd, maisson, in name of Walter Gibsone, for incowradgment and in pairt payment for building of his hows, .	440	0	0
Item, mair to him for building the north gavill of Robert Cors his land and putting and hanging heidis and braces on John Spreulls syde, as by his discharges, . . . . .	200	0	0

*From Michaelmas, 1681, to Michaelmas, 1682.*

## CHARGE.

Item, the drawn teyndis of the aikers about the toun, formerly drawn be the archbishop, being sett, the said cropt, to John Lilburn for payment of 1550 merkis, the comptur charges himself with the half therof as the first termes payment, extending to .	516	13	4
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## DISCHARGE.

Item, payed to Hugh Saffley for incowradging him to stay and teach the art of navigatioune within the toun, quhilk is allowed him yearly four pounds sterling for the first yeir, with ten dallouris given him by and attour the said pension for the first yeir, be warrand daited 20 December 1681, . . . . .	77	0	0
Item, for helping to bigg a stane bridge at Innerness over the river of Ness, be warrand daited 4 May 1682, . . . . .	400	0	0
Item, debursed to George Grahame, for his expenssis in ryding with the primat and the archbishop of Glasgow, and utheris, be warrand daited 26 August 1682, . . . . .	195	0	0
Item, be warrand dated 16 September 1682, to James Galt and his wyfe for quartering the ordinance of rutteris and dragoons, .	40	0	0
Item, to Walter Colquhoun be warrand of that same dait (30 September 1682) for taking account of these who come into the toun without testimoniallis, . . . . .	29	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne. minister, for his last yeirs stipend and hows maill serving the cure as one of the touns ministers, .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. John Gray, another of the saids ministeris, his said yeirs stipend and hows maill, .. . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Adam Gordoun for his yeirs stipend and hows maill, .	1080	0	0

Item, to Mr. Alexander Kinneir, minister, for his yearis stipend, by and attour the 500 merkis allowed him be warrand of counsell,	£653 6 8
Item, to Mr. Alexander George for his stipend as minister of the Barrony Kirk, and communion elementis, fra Whitsonday 1681 to Whitsonday 1682,	950 0 0
Item, to the archbishop of Glasgow for a yeirs teynd tack duty of the ackeris abowt the toun for the cropt and yeir 1682,	1333 6 8
Item, to Alexander Thom to ane account for cutting the Kings armes, conform to his receipt and proveist Bellis ordour,	120 0 0

*From Michaelmas, 1682, to Michaelmas, 1683.*

CHARGE.

Item, with what he received fra Alexander Ross for the second termes payment of the touns fourth part of the Gorbail teyndis cropt 1682,	137 10 0
Item, with what he received from John Lilburn for the teyndis of the aikers about the toun, formerly drawen be the archbishop, the said cropt 1682,	516 13 4
Item, the Gorbail teyndis being sett to Alexander Ross for cropt 1683 for 1260 merkis, the comptur charges himself with the first termes payment of the touns fourth part thereof, extending to .	105 0 0
Item, the drawen teyndis of the aikeris about the toun formerly drawen be the archbishop being sett, the said cropt, to John Raltoun for payment of 1260 merkis, the comptur charges himself with the half thereof,	420 0 0
Item, with what was restand be baillie Ross of the first termes payment of the fourth pairt of the Gorbail teyndis cropt 1682,	137 10 0
Item, with what was restand be Alexander Knox of the second termes payment of the touns fourth part of the Gorbail teyndis, cropt 1681,	133 6 8
Item, with what he received fra Allan Hamilton for the rent of the gleib land, formerly payed to the parson of Glasgow, for the cropt 1682, now sett in tack to the toun be the archbishop,	76 0 0

DISCHARGE.

Item, to Thomas Young for the touns part of the Gorballis for helping of Govean Kirk bell, be warrand daitit 20 Junij 1683,	13 4 0
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Item, debursed to James Colquhoun for putting up and gilding the new horologes in the steeple of Hutchesouns hospitall, be warrand daited the 28 September 1683, . . . . .	£300	0	0
Item, to James Duncan, be warrand daited the 29 September 1683, for dressing the yaird in the merchandis hospitall and furnishing floweris, . . . . .	24	0	0
Item, be warrand daitit the first of October 1683, for cloath, lace and furnishing and making of ane coat to the trumpeter of the militia trowp, . . . . .	101	18	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Mylne for his last yeirs stipend and hows maill serving the cure as ane of the touns ministers, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. John Gray, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Adam Gordoun, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Kinneir, . . . . .	1000	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander George, . . . . .	950	0	0
Item, to the said Mr. Alexander for the touns proportion of his mans and gleib dew out of the landis of Provand, . . . . .	19	14	10
Item, to Hugh Saffley quhich is allowed to him as ane yeirly pension for teaching the art of navigation fra Martimes 1681 to Martimes 1682, . . . . .	48	0	0
Item, to William Bryce, in name of St. Nicholas hospitall, for severall yeirs few duty of some lands taken in to the New Green, conform to the provestis ordour and his discharge, . . . . .	50	13	4
Item, to the trumpeteris that waited upon the lordis the tyme of the circuit court, be the magistratis ordour, . . . . .	17	10	0
Item, debursed for cloath and making to hang befor the Kings portraitures in the counsell hows, . . . . .	15	16	0
Item, for a cloak to James Hepburn, and a suit of cloathes to John Hepburn, and another suit of cloathes to the touns Scourge the poor and for furnishing and making, conform to the compt therof, . . . . .	35	4	2
Item, to Robert Bartoun, ane of the clerkis servantis, for wryting and taking up ane list of the strangeris names for a considerable tyme, . . . . .	24	0	0

*From Michaelmas, 1683, to Michaelmas, 1684.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, to Mr. William Geddes by warrand of [17 May 1684] for his encouragment to print two bookes, . . . . .	£23 4 0
Item, debursed for silver and gold ribbens for burgess ticketts since Maij 1683, by warrand of [27 September 1684], . . . . .	240 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Milne, for his yearis stipend and house maill as ane of the tounes ministeris, frae Whitsonday 1683 to Whitsonday 1684, conforme to his discharges in the book, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. John Gray, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Adam Gordone, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Kinneir, . . . . .	1000 0 0
Item, to Mr. Alexander George, minister of the Barrony, . . . . .	950 0 0
Item, to doctor Wallace for a yearis sallary, as tounes phisitian, . . . . .	66 13 4
Item, to John Robisone for a yearis sallary, as tounes chirurgian, conforme to his discharges, . . . . .	66 13 4
Item, to Ewir M'Neill, as his yearis sallary, for cutting poor people of the stone, . . . . .	66 13 4
Item, to Colin Hamill, for ane yearis sallary, and puting on fyres at the meetings of the tounne counsell the year before he went off from his office, . . . . .	26 13 4
Item, to Robert Burnes younger, for ribbens to the tounes use. . . . .	18 18 0
Item, to John Purdounne, barron officer, for the tounes part of the partizanes for rydeing the fair of Glasgow, for the lands of Linningshauch, . . . . .	0 14 0
Item, given to the twelve officeris for their supplie by proveist Johnstounes command, sex rex dallers for their attendance the tyme of the lords justiciaries being here, . . . . .	17 8 0

*From Michaelmas, 1684, to Michaelmas, 1685.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, payed to John Raltounne, maltman, for ane yearis sallary as the tounes quartermaister, ane hundreth and twentie pund, with sextie pund farder allowed to him for his extraordinary paines the tyme of the lait rebellion, by warrand daited 10 of August 1685, . . . . .	180 0 0
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Item, payed for the tounes militia horse the tyme of the lait rebellion, and for the Gorballis, . . . . .	£472	8	0
Item, payed to Robert Brock, goldsmith, by warrand of [19 September 1685] for ane gold box and two silver boxes, and ane stampt for the tounes use, . . . . .	84	14	0
Item, payed to Hugh Safeley for ane yearis sallary, for teaching the airt of navigation frae Martimas 1684 to Martimas 1685, . . . . .	48	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Archibald Inglis, parson, for transporting him frae Erskkirk to this toun, . . . . .	240	0	0
Item, payed to Ewir M'Neill, for ane yearis sallary, for cutting poor people of the gravell, which yearis sallary is frae Martimas 1684 to Martimas 1685, extending to . . . . .	66	13	4
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander Milne, for his years stipend and house maill, as ane of the tounes ministers, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to the deceast Mr. Adam Gordone, for his yearis stipend and house maill, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander Kinneir, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. John Sage, for halfe ane yearis stipend, and halfe yearis house maill, frae Martimas 1684 to Whitsonday 1685, . . . . .	540	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander George, minister of the barronie, for halfe ane yearis stipend, and furnishing the communion elementis, frae Whitsonday 1684 to Martimas 1684, . . . . .	500	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Archibald Inglis, parson, in name and behalfe of the archbishop of Glasgow, for his yearis stipend as parson, frae Martimas 1684 to Martimas 1685, . . . . .	1200	0	0

*From Michaelmas, 1685, to Michaelmas, 1686.*

## DISCHARGE.

Item, debursed to Mr. Alexander Milne, ane of the toun ministeris, for halfe ane yearis stipend and house maill frae Whitsonday 1685 to Martimas thereafter, . . . . .	540	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander Kinneir, . . . . .	540	0	0
Item, to Mr. John Sage, . . . . .	540	0	0
Item, to Mr. Alexander George for his yearis stipend, as minister of the Barronie Kirk, frae Martimas 1684 to Martimas 1685, and for furnishing the communion elements frae Whitsonday 1685 to Whitsonday 1686, . . . . .	950	0	0

Item, payed to Walter Corbet for keeping of the tolbooth cloake and chimnes. frae Lambmass 1685 to Lambmass 1686, . . . . .	£120 0 0
Item, payed to Thomas Pettigrew, for laying of two hearth stones in the house belonging to the townes walk mylne in Partick, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, the compter detaines in his oune hand for his charges and horse hyre in going to Edinburgh and staying there the space of eightein dayes in waiteing upon the archbishop of Glasgow, by command of the magistrats in Apryll 1686, . . . . .	54 0 0
Item, payed to Robert Boyd, maltman, as the pryce of nine firlots beir for ane peice land in Dowhill, for a place for the townes people to wash upon, the cropt 1685, . . . . .	11 12 6
Item, payed to James Colquhoun, for repairing the High Kirk, and mending the glass windowes, . . . . .	66 9 4
Item, debursed to Patrick Park and severall workmen for weighting and delyvering the meill that was brought from Stirling be proveist Barnes ordour, . . . . .	21 16 0
Item, payed to Elizabeth Muirhead, for keeping of ane foundline for ane quarter of a year, from Whitsonday 1686 to Lambmass thereafter, be proveist Barnes ordour, . . . . .	9 0 0
Item, for fyve nights keeping of ane boy, dying upon the calsey, and burying of him, . . . . .	4 4 0
Item, to the fideris and drummeris on the Kings birthday, four rex dalleris, . . . . .	11 12 0
Item, for sevin horse hyres to cary the generallis baggage to Killisyth at 30 s. the peice, . . . . .	10 10 0

*From Michaelmas, 1686, to Michaelmas, 1687.*

DISCHARGE.

Item, payed for herrings whilk the proveist sent to London the last year, be act dated 12 March 1687, . . . . .	72 0 0
Item, payed to Mr. John Sage, minister, for his transportation, be act of counsell dated 23rd Apryll 1687, . . . . .	240 0 0
Item, payed to the proveist 17 li. 10 s. sterling whilk he debursed for procureing the Kings letter, with the secreet counsellis warrand for choiseing the magistrats and counsell at the last election, . . . . .	210 0 0

Item, payed to James Colquhoun for mending the windowes of the High Church, and the leads of the tolbooth be act dated 2nd Julij 1687, . . . . .	£72	13	0
Item, payed to the proveist, whilk he debursed for carying and transporting the archbishop of Glasgoves pleneshing and goods from Edinburgh to this place, be act dated 13 September 1687, . . . . .	338	0	0
Item, payed to James Boyd, maisson, quhilk was resting him for repairing the great bridge, and whilk was ordained to have bein payed to him be ane former act of counsell, and also be act dated 9 August 1687, . . . . .	433	6	8
Item, payed to Robert Stirling, for the great loss he sustained in keeping the subdeans mylne, and the charges he was at in conveying the then archbishope to Dumfreis and home againe be Air; whilk was ordained to have bein payed him be ane former act of counsell, and also be act of the said date, . . . . .	100	0	0
Item, payed to Dorothea Barnes, for the expenses George McCalla, her husband, was at severall tymes in Edinburgh anent the royall companie, and whilk was ordained to have bein payed him be ane former act of counsell, and also be act of the said date, . . . . .	200	0	0
Item, the compter discharges himselfe with what he debursed, at command of the magistrats since the 29 of November 1686, to severall persones for furnishing baggage horses, and whilk was spent be them in severall houses in the toune for entertaining persones, and for repairing the leads of the High Kirk, and given to poor persones be act of [28 September 1687], . . . . .	612	18	0
Item, payed to James Boyd, maisson, to ane accompt for kapeing the Grein dyck, . . . . .	533	6	8
Item, payed to Walter Corbet, smith, for iron wark wrought and furnished be him to the key at the Broomilaw, Partick bridge, and other places in the toune. . . . .	60	5	6
Item, payed to James Smith, merchand, for trees and caberis that was tacken frae him be the duke of Gordone's men that were here the tyme of Argyllis rebellion, and whilk they brunt on the grein for their eldine, be act of the [17 December 1687], . . . . .	100	0	0
Item, payed to the proveist for his expenses and charges, and severallis that went with him to St. Andrews, to wate on the bishope at the translation, be his receipt and act of counsell dated 14 May 1687, . . . . .	415	0	0

Item, payed to Mr. Archibald Inglis, parson, by ordour of the late archbishop, to ane accompt of what the toune was awand him out of the teinds of the aikeris about the toune set to them, ane yearis stipend frae Martimas 1686 to Martinmas 1687, . . .	£1166	13	4
Item, payed to him for two yearis house maill, . . . . .	200	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander Mylne, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. John Sage, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Robert Knox, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander Kinneir, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander George, minister of the Barronie, . . .	950	0	0
Item, payed to [Robert Boyd] for the tounes pairt in repairing the teind barne in Gorballis, . . . . .	9	15	8
Item, to Andrew Purdoun, for ringing of the Bridgegate bell and Hutchesons hospital bell on the Kings birthday, . . . . .	4	18	0
Item, payed to Patrick Wilsone and Robert Fleiming ane rex daller for ringing of the High Kirk bellis upon the Kings birthday, conforme to their receipt, . . . . .	5	16	0
Item to James Dick, for ringing of the Laigh Kirk bell on the Kings birthday, . . . . .	2	18	0

*From Michaelmas, 1687, to Michaelmas, 1688.*

DISCHARGE.

Item, payed to James Hamiltone for sack, French wyne and bottle glasses, furnished be him to severall persons on the tounes accompt, be act of [2 Junij 1688,] . . . . .	372	12	2
Item, payed to Mr. Archibald Inglis, parson of Glasgow 700 merks being the remander of his stipend for the year 1687, . . . . .	466	13	4
Item, payed to the said Mr. Archibald Inglis, his halfe yearis stipend frae Martimas 1687 to Whitsounday 1688, . . . . .	600	0	0
Item, payed to the said Mr. Archibald Inglis, his halfe yearis stipend from Whitsounday 1688 to Martimas thereafter, . . . . .	600	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander Mylne, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. John Sage, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Robert Knox, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander Kinneir, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander George, minister of the Barronie, . . .	950	0	0



Item, payed to James Boyd. maisson, in pairt payment for kapeing  
the New Grein dyck, . . . . . £507 6 0

Followes umquhill John Boyd his accompt of the tounes  
commone goods and utheris belonging to the tounes,  
and intrometted with be him the tyme he was tounes  
thesaurer, made and cleared be the magistrats and  
tounes counsell the 23 Maij 1691.

## DISCHARGE.

Item, to Christian Reid for ane quarters maintenance of ane foundline, . . . . .	9 0 0
Item, to Mistres Crawford for drink and other necessaris at the election 1688, . . . . .	20 2 0
Item, to James Wilkie for rubberis to the tounes use, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, for horse hyres and foundlines quarter wages be the proveists ordour, not subscrivit but in a nacked accompt, . . . . .	104 4 0
Item, to Hieland Donald, by baillie Patersones ordour, . . . . .	4 0 0
Item, to John Bryssone for ane fundline be the said ordour, . . . . .	3 0 0
Item, to John Bogle, merchand, for tarr towes, be ordour of the dean of gild, . . . . .	3 10 0
Item, for cariage of daillis from the sopp house and the Grein to the back gallrie, . . . . .	0 18 0
Item, to Margaret Smith for ane fundline, be James Gibsones ordour, . . . . .	3 0 0
Item, for claingeing the Barras-yet well, . . . . .	4 0 0
Item, to James Cumings wife for wyne and utheris on Yuill day 1688, be the dean of gilds ordour, . . . . .	40 5 0
Item, to Margaret Sinclare for ane fundline, be Bailie Patersones ordour, . . . . .	1 4 0
Item, to Issobell Muirhead for maintenance of ane fundline, be baillie Patersones ordour, . . . . .	9 0 0
Item, to the 12 officeris and Hieland Donald, by ordour of baillies Gibsones and Patersone, . . . . .	9 16 0
Item, for burying of ane fundline, be bailie Patersones ordour, . . . . .	2 16 0
Item, for mending the Tron steeple door with locks and bands, . . . . .	2 8 0
Item, to Elspeth Gemmill for ane fundline, be ordour of baillie Patersone, . . . . .	8 0 0

Item, to Thomas Woodhouse for clainseing the Green, . . . . .	£2 2 0
Item, to Andrew Bell, trumpeter, . . . . .	1 14 0
Item, for the trumpetouris horse hyre 4 dayes, . . . . .	3 0 0
Item, to George Young, officer, for rydeing to Edinburgh, . . . .	1 16 0
Item, to Robert Moriesone and other workmen for clainseing the Tron Church spouts, . . . . .	1 10 0
Item, spent in baillie Ross house, when my lord Ross came throw the toune, . . . . .	2 2 0
Item, to John Gillespie for ane express of man and horse to Edinburgh,	8 0 0
Item, for ane peice of roap and naillis to the Tron steeple, . . . .	0 16 0
Item, for ane tarr barrell to the cross bonfyre. . . . .	0 16 0
Item, to the officeris for persewing Wallace and utheris and for ane express to Edinburgh and to ane poor man, by ordour, . . . .	4 10 0
Item, to Walter Brock for coallis to the cross bonfyre, be dean of gild Napieris ordour, . . . . .	7 15 0
Item, to Jean Euing for ane fundline, be proveist Gibsones ordour, .	9 0 0
Item, to John Barr for ringing of the Tron Church bell at proclame- ing of King William and Queen Marie, . . . . .	2 16 0
Item, to Robert Broune for going twyce express to Edinburgh by ordour of Walter Gibsone, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, for mending the tow of the little bell in the Tron steeple, . .	0 8 0
Item, to John Hepburne. dempster, . . . . .	2 18 0
Item, to Hieland Donnalds wife, . . . . .	2 18 0
Item, for ane express to Hamiltone be baillie Gibsones order, . . .	4 0 0
Item, spent in receaveing the mutereris money, . . . . .	2 14 0
Item, for daillis to the salmond stockis, . . . . .	1 4 0
Item, spent when Capitane Young came from the Hielands, . . . .	1 1 6
Item, to Christian Reid for ane fundline, . . . . .	4 10 0
Item, payed to workmen and karteris for transporting ammunition, .	1 10 0
Item, to Alexander Leckie be baillie Patersones ordour for carying Marrs regiments ammunition to Kilmarnock, . . . . .	28 0 0
Item, spent in proclameing of King William and Queen Mary. per accompt, . . . . .	59 18 6
Item, to the two tounes drummeris at the land meithing, . . . .	5 16 0
Item, for carying a dead fundline from the Cow Loan to the Laigh Kirk, . . . . .	0 5 0

Item for [Robert Boyd] paines and attendance in giveing out and tackeing in the armes and amunition and distributing the same to respective shyres and to the tounes folk and serveing the tounes guards, . . . . . £60 0 0

Followes Peter Corbet his accompt of the tounes commone goods and utheris belonging to the toune, and intrومتted with be him the tyme he was toune thesaurer, as he who succeeded to umquhill John Boyd, made and cleared be the magistrats and toune counsell, tenth day of September 1690.

## CHARGE.

Item, frae George Muirhead and Stephan Crawford of the money receaved be them for the seats in the kirks frae 31 August 1689 to 7 August 1690, as per receipt, . . . . . 673 0 0  
 Item, frae John Gray for the seats in the Outer High Kirk, . . . . . 222 0 0  
 Item, frae James Sloss of the money receaved be him for the seats in the meeting house in the New Wynd, . . . . . 254 12 4

## DISCHARGE.

Item, payed to William Campbell for takeing prisoneris to Edinburgh, 148 0 0  
 Item, precept be the magistrats for baggage horses and expenses, . . . . . 111 12 0  
 Item to John Gilchrist, conveyer, to give to ministeris, per warrand, maisteris Craighead and Kennedy, . . . . . 116 0 0  
 Item, to John Dobbie for a double kairt to Kilsyth and Kirkin-tilloch, . . . . . 1 12 0  
 Item, to Robert Dobbie, a double kairt to Campsie, Eglintoune baggage, . . . . . 4 0 0  
 Item, sevin double kairts and a single one with Clellands baggage to Stirling, . . . . . 38 0 0  
 Item, for four horse to Edinburgh and expenses with governour Walker, . . . . . 24 0 0  
 Item, to Mr. Livingstone, minister, when he went away, . . . . . 14 10 0  
 Item, to Hieland Donnald, for dighting the sinck at the back of the tolbooth, . . . . . 1 0 0  
 Item, for 5 double kairts to Stirling with Argyllis baggage, . . . . . 23 4 0

Item, to Christian Reid for keeping ane fundline betwixt Lambmass and Hallowday, . . . . .	£8 0 0
Item, to bury a poor man, and to give another poor man, be baillie Tennents ordour, . . . . .	3 10 0
Item, to David Pollock for two double kairts to Stirling with baggage, . . . . .	10 0 0
Item, to Thomas Younger for two guns he had in the maggazine, by warrand, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, to Issobell Muirhead for keeping a fundline betwixt Lambmass and Hallowday, . . . . .	8 0 0
Item, paid to the ministeris as a pairt of their stipends, . . . . .	1084 0 0

Followes Thomas Peter, his thesaurer accompt of his intromissiones with the tounes comone goods and utheris intrometted with be him, frae the nynth day of October 1689 to the 10th of October 1690.

## CHARGE.

Receaved from John Stirling, collectour for the seats of the Inner High Kirk, and that in part payment of the rent payed for the seats for the first halfe year, . . . . .	149 0 0
Receaved from Stephan Crawford, coppersmith, collector for the rent of the seats of the Tron Church, and that in part payment of the first halfe yearis rent, . . . . .	42 10 0
Receaved from John Stirling, merchand, in part payment of the seats the tyme of his intromission, for the Inner High Church, . . . . .	120 0 0
Receaved from James Sloss, merchand, being collected by him out of the seats of the meeting house in the Wynd, and that from the last day of August 1690. In the which money there is four light cobbs, ane goodline steick for ane rex daller, and ane bad halfe millryne daller, . . . . .	298 13 10
Receaved from Stephan Crawford, coppersmith, in part payment of his collection of the money of the seats in the Tron Church preceeding the first day of September, 1690, . . . . .	240 0 0
Receaved from John Gray, cordoner, in part payment of his collection of the seats in the Utter High Church, preceeding the tyme foresaid, . . . . .	65 0 0

Receaved from John Stirling, merchand, being the ballance of his accompt collected be him out of the seats of the Inner High Church, preceeding the first day of September, 1690, . . .	£64 18 2
Receaved from John Paterson, glover, preceptor of St. Nicolas hospitall, which he charged the comptur with, more then was due him, viz, one merk each boll of four bollis payable out of Liningshaugh to the said hospitall yearlie, quhich is for the year 1689, . . .	2 13 4
Receaved from Stephan Crawford. coppersmith, as the ballance of his accompt of his intromission with the money of the seats of the Tron Church, from the first of September 1689 to the first of September 1690, . . .	184 5 0
Receaved from John Gray, cordoner, collected by him out of the seats of the Utter High Church preceeding the first of September lastbypast, . . .	56 0 0

## DISCHARGE.

Payed to Mr. John Sage in part payment of his stipend, as ane of the tounes ministeris, and that frae Martimas 1687 to Whitsunday 1688, . . .	333 6 8
Payed to John Patersone, late baillie, for puting up seats in the churches, and other wright work furnished be him, be act of counsell dated 23 of September 1689, . . .	122 2 8
Payed to Stephan Crawford, coppersmith, for ane copper spout made and furnished be him to the Tron Church, be act of counsell dated 7th Januarij 1690, . . .	93 4 4
Payed to Mr. Robert Craighead and Mr. Thomas Kennedie, ministeris, in part payment of their stipends, per ordour of baillie Leckie, . . .	300 0 0
Payed to John Andersone, proveist, by act of counsell, dated the first of February 1690, which is for his expenses at London and in rydeing post up and doune. and otherwayes expendit be him for getting of ane gift from the King for ane free election of the magistrats of Glasgow in all tyme comeing, as said act of counsell bearis, . . .	3729 0 0
Payed to James Hamiltone of Aikenhead, per ordour of Mr. John Sage, in part of his stipend from Martimas 1687 to Martimas 1688, . . .	70 0 0

Lent to the livetennent collonell of the Danish cavalrie of horse, be ordour of the magistrats, . . . . .	£2400 0 0
Payed to John Paull and James Thomsone, be ordour of the magistrats, for buying of hay for furnishing the Danish horse, -	220 0 0
Payed to John Andersone, present proveist, by act of counsell dated 24th of Februarij 1690, debursed be him to the Kings advocat and utheris, for getting the letter of gift granted be their Majesties to the toune, allowing them to choise their oune magistrats, and confirming their oune rights, past in exchequer, and for the expenses at the signet, and other charges and debursments in passing the same through the wholl seallis, and for the tounes eque and eque of Provand for the year 1689, and for his expenses at Edinburgh and horse hyres anent the said affaire, and charges going and comeing. as said act of counsell bearis, . . . . .	681 12 0
Payed to Mr. Alexander Mill, as ane yearis stipend and house mail as being ane of the ministeris of Glasgow, and that from Martimas 1687 to Martimas 1688, . . . . .	1080 0 0
Payed for the carying doune of the wheat out of the hospitall last, which wheat was sent for Ireland be the publick, and twelve pund 12 s. payed for the cartage and gabertadge of ditto wheat to Port Glasgow, . . . . .	14 8 0
Payed to Mr. Thomas Kennedie, ane of the tounes ministeris, restand due to him for his service in the ministrie ther pre- ceeding Whitsounday, and for his house rent, . . . . .	630 0 0
Payed to Mr. James Woddrow, in part of his stipend, as being one of the ministeris aforesaid, which is in part payment of the year 1689, . . . . .	300 0 0
Payed to Mr. Robert Landes, minister, in part payment of what is dew to him as minister, preceeding Whitsounday 1690, . . . .	300 0 0
Payed to Mr. James Drummond and Mr. Alexander King, ministeris, for exerceing the office of the ministrie severall tymes in absence of the tounes ministeris, per act of counsell dated the 9th of August 1690, . . . . .	96 0 0
Payed to Mr. James Broune, as one of the ministeris of the toune, in part payment of his stipend for the year 1689, . . . . .	300 0 0
Payed to Mr. Neill Gilleis, as ane of the tounes ministeris, in part payment of his stipend frae his entrie to the ministrie, . . . .	300 0 0

Lent to major Rollo, major to Argylls regiment, by ordour of the magistrats upon band, . . . . .	£720	0	0
Lent to the officeris of my lord Argylls regiment, by ordour of the magistrats upon their band dated the 17th of Februarij 1690, .	720	0	0
Payed to the laird of Greenock, of the ground dewtie of the royall house for the yearis 1687, 1688 and 1689, . . . . .	300	0	0
Payed to John Peadie, merchand, factor for uplifting of the rents and other casualities which formerlie belonged to the arch-bishoppe of Glasgow, which factorie he hath from the lords of their Majesties privie counsell, which money foresaid being dew be the toune as a part of the said bishoprick, and that for the year 1689, . . . . .	10	13	4
Payed to William Dickie, stationer, for paper which the proveist got from him, and for bound bookes for the use of the toune, which bookes are in the hands of the proveist, . . . . .	15	4	0
Payed to Robert Hall, gardiner of the Gorbail yeard belonging to the toune, set to him be tack, for buying of stobbs to stobb the said yeard for planting ane quickset hedge about the said yeard, which he is obleidged to doe by his tack, - . . . .	6	13	4
Payed to Hugh Lochhead, be act of counsell dated the 30th of September 1690, for floweris furnished be him to the counsell lofts in the churches and counsell table said year, - - .	12	0	0
Payed to Robert Brock, present baillie, for hay furnished be him to the toune for furnishing the English horse and dragounes in the year 1689, per ordour of the dean of gild and deacon conveener, . . . . .	70	0	0
Allowed to William Allason, merchand, be act of counsell, for loss sustained be him be the tron, he wanting the same for some tyme, it being tacken up with ammunition be the Kings forces; which soume the comptur was appointed to allow him by act of counsell, in part payment of the last termes payment of the casualitie of the tron set to him by publick roupe in Junij 1685, . . . . .	20	0	0
Payed to Mr. John Sage, late minister in Glasgow, whereof there is sevin pund allowed to him of expenses in persewing the magistrats for the foresaid money, which was the remainder of his stipend for serveing the cure, and that from Martimas 1687 to Martimas 1688, as per his discharge dated 14 January 1691, with three pund 10 s. payed for the exchange of the foresaid money betwixt Edinburgh and Glasgow, . . . . .	687	3	4

Payed to Jean Armour, relict of umquhill James Stirling, for gunpowder furnished be her to the toune, in the year 1688, be act of counsell dated the 5th September, 1691, . . . . .	£51 2 4
Payed to Thomas Watt, for hay furnished be him to the toune for the use of the English horse and dragounes, . . . . .	18 0 0

Followes George Buchannan his accompt of his intronissiones  
 . with the rents, comone goods, and utheris belonging to  
 the toune of Glasgow, the tyme he was thesaurer therof,  
 whilk was for the year 1690.

## CHARGE.

Item, frae John Coats, merchand, in part payment of the seats in . the Laigh Kirk, the tyme he was collector therof, . . . . .	1142 0 0
Item, frae Thomas Maxwell, merchand, in part payment of the seats in the meeting house in the Wynd the tyme he was collector therof, . . . . .	410 0 0
Item, frae Gavine Wood, merchand, in part payment of the seats in the Inner High Kirk, the tyme he was collector therof, . . . . .	596 11 0
Item, frae John Watson, tailzeor, in part payment of the seats in the Outter High Kirk, the tyme he was collector therof, - - -	172 0 0
Item, receaved frae John Gibsone, as the ballance of his accompt of the rent of the seats in Merk Daylies meeting house the tyme he was collector therof, . . . . .	51 6 0

## DISCHARGE.

Item, payed to Mr John Pujolas, ane French protestant minister, be act of counsell of [29 November 1690] viz. sixtie pund, for helping him to print his French grameris, and ane hundreth pund for a yeares pension, according to the act dated 26 Junij 1691, . . . . .	160 0 0
Item, payed to Stephan Crawford, for ane boats fraught he payed to John Burnet, skipper in Greinock, that caried a partie of souldiouris and two persones of the name of M <sup>c</sup> Claine, prisoneris to Inverarray, be act of counsell dated 28 Januarij 1691, . . . . .	20 0 0
Item, payed to James Brounlie for his paines in keeping the counsell seat in the Laigh Kirk, be act of counsell dated 9th February 1691, . . . . .	8 0 0



Item, payed to George Nisbit the first yeares cellarie for mending the glass windowes of the High Kirk and queer, frae the first of March 1690 to the first of March 1691, be act of counsell dated 8th March 1690, and his receipt, being for the first year only for putting the church in repair, the other of the yeares following being 200 merks, . . . . .	£240	0	0
Item, payed to George Nisbit, to ane accompt for furnishing lead to the High Kirk, and workmanship, be act of counsell dated 28 Januarij 1691, . . . . .	200	0	0
Item, payed to John Spreull, wryter, for paying these persones that hes riden to severall places in calling some ministeris for the toune, be act of counsell dated 25 Apryll 1691, . . . . .	34	5	0
Item, payed to Helen Bryce, relict of umquhill David Crawford, that was spent in her house be the magistrats with persones of qualitie, be act of counsell dated 15 Maij 1691, . . . . .	42	1	0
Item, payed to John Aird, younger, merchand, for his and these that went with him, their charges and expenses in going to Linlithgow and Torphican anent the call given to Mr. Alexander Haistie, to be ane of the toune ministeris, be act of counsell dated 25 Apryll 1691, . . . . .	53	7	0
Item, payed to Robert Fairlie, cordoner, for helping him to build the gavell of his house on the north side of the Old Vennell, whilk latelie fell by occasion of the springs that runes to the tounes well, be act of counsell of the said date [15 May 1691], .	160	0	0
Item, payed to John Mitchell, maltman, for his charges and expenses, and these who went with him to Edinburgh at two severall tymes, anent the debate betwixt the toune and trades about the election of the deacon conveener, be act of counsell dated 15 May 1691, . . . . .	344	15	0
Item, payed to Charles Chartouris, baillie in Edinburgh, that was resting to Mr. Ralph Rodger of his stipend the tyme of his deceass, as being ane of the tounes ministeris, be act of counsell dated 26 Junij 1691, . . . . .	166	13	4
Item, payed to John Gibsone, late baillie, whilk he debursed to workmen that helped to cast throw the cast of the Counshlie boig in Provand, and seeking to get ane lyme craig ther, be act of counsell dated 11 October 1690, . . . . .	29	6	0

Item, payed to Mr. James Drummond, minister, in satisfaction to him of all he can crave frae the toun the tyme he exerceed the ministrie here, be two acts of counsell, the first wherof dated 26 Junij, and the other the 26 August 1691, . . . .	£400	0	0
Item, payed to John Herman Dalhousies, ane German minister, out of charitie, be act of counsell dated 27 August 1691, . . . .	72	0	0
Item, payed to John Wallace and John Robieson, for their charges and expenses and horse hyres in going to Edinburgh in December 1690, anent the controversie in electing the deacon conveener, be act of counsell dated the 5 of September 1691, . .	46	12	0
Item, payed to Walter Whyte for furnishing floweris and strawing to the counsell seats in the kirks and counsell house this last year, be act of counsell dated 4 October 1691, . . . .	12	0	0
Item, payed to William Allasone, to help to make up the loss of ane horse that was prest frae him be ane of the Danish officeris to ryde to England, be act of counsell dated 5 of September 1691, . . . .	24	0	0
Item, payed to George Nisbit for repairing the roofe of the High Kirk and pointing the samen since November, and furnishing necessaris therto, and for repairing the glass windowes in the Laigh Kirk, meeting house in the Wynd and Gramer School, be act of counsell dated 4 of October, 1691, . . . .	263	2	10
Item, payed to John Corse, merchand, whilk he gave to severall of the tounes people that went to Edinburgh in March 1689, at the meeting of the estates, and when the armes were brought from Stirling, and other debursements anent the tounes affaires, be act of counsell dated 24 of September 1691, . . . .	372	7	4
Item, payed to Mr. Robert Knox, allowed to him of transportation money for bringing him and his familie here when he came to be ane of the tounes ministeris, be act of counsell dated 23 Apryll 1687, . . . .	240	0	0
Item, payed to livetennent Duff, for the use of ane companie he had here for preventing their takeing free quarteris, be act of counsell dated 6th Apryll 1691, . . . .	150	0	0
Item, to Mr. Neill Gilleis, ane of the tounes ministeris, whilk was resting to him preceeding Whitsonday 1690, . . . .	200	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. James Broune, another of the tounes ministeris whilk was resting to him preceeding the said terme, . . . .	630	0	0

Item, to Mr. James Woddrow, another of the tounes ministeris, whilk was resting to him preceeding the said terme, . . . . .	£630	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Thomas Kennedie, another of the tounes ministeris, his yeares stipend and house maill frae Whitsounday 1690 to Whitsounday 1691, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to the said Mr. Neill Gilleis, the said yeares stipend and house maill, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to the said Mr. James Woddrow his said years stipend and house maill, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to the said Mr. James Broune, his said yeares stipend and house maill, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander Haistie, another of the toune ministeris, for halfe ane yeares stipend preceeding Whitsounday 1691 . . . . .	333	6	8
Item, payed to Mr. George Skirvine, master of the Gramer Schooll, ane year and halfe ane yearis cellarie and house maill, fra 1st May 1690 to 1st November 1691, . . . . .	460	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Mungo Lindsay and Mr. John M'Cleran ane year and halfe ane yeares cellarie as doctoures in the Gramer Schooll, to witt, to the said Mr. Mungo as eldest doctor £76 13s. 4d., termlic, and Mr. John £66 13s. 4d., termlic, . . . . .	430	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander George, late minister of the Barronie, £900 for his stipend as minister, the crop and year of God 1688; more paid to him £50 for the communion elements the said year, for whilk he obtained ane decreit against the toune before the lords of session, dated 25 July 1691, . . . . .	950	0	0
Item, to the said Mr. Alexander George for his stipend for cropt and year 1689, conforme to ane act of the lords of privie counsell granted in his favoures, . . . . .	900	0	0
Item, payed to Mr. Alexander Kinneir in part payment of his stipend for the year 1688, . . . . .	333	6	8
Item, payed to Mr. Robert Knox, late minister, his yeares stipend and house maill, the year 1688, . . . . .	1080	0	0
Item, payed to John Walter ane yeares pension frae Candlemas 1690 to Candlemas 1691 as ane of the poor men in St. Nicolas Hospitall, conforme to bishop Lightounes mortificatioun, . . . . .	54	0	0
Item, payed to John Andersone ane yeares pension frae 1st May 1689 to 1st May 1690 as ane of the poor men in the said hospitall, . . . . .	54	0	0

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Item, payed to John Patersone ane yeares pension frae Lambmass 1690 to Lambmass 1691 as ane of the poor men in the said hospitall, .	£54   0   0
Item, payed to Malcolme Fleming, indwellar, ane year's pension frae Whitsunday 1688 to Whitsunday 1689 as ane of the poor in the said hospitall, . . . . .	54   0   0
Item, payed to Walter Brock, jayllor, for two yeares fiall and cellarie allowed to him be the toune for furnishing coal and candle to the counsell house, Kings hall, and dean of gilds hall, frae 1st November 1688 to 1st November 1690, . . . . .	53   6   8
Item, payed to William Thomsone, chirurgion, whilk he debursed for Charles Thomsone, skipper in Dunnottar, and robbed ther and his shipp tacken fra him, be act of counsell dated ( <i>blank</i> ) 1691, .	11   12   0
Item, payed to some dragounes for the tounes part of localitie for Liningshaugh, for the moneths of October, November and December 1690 and Apryll 1691, . . . . .	4   14   0
Item, to John Hamiltone, as factor ordained be the lords of privie councill, as the stipend and communion elements of the Barronie Kirk the year 1690, whilk is to be applyed for building ane manse to the minister of the said kirk, . . . . .	950   0   0

## APPENDIX.



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### I.

THE RENTALL of the Burgh and citie of Glasgow, of the Town Myln and myln landis thair of, and all uther dewties portenyng to their commoun purs, directit to Johnne Finlay, thesaurar, to be tane up as efter followis, off the crope and yeir of God j<sup>m</sup>. v<sup>c</sup>. four scoir ten yeiris.<sup>1</sup>

TERMLIE.	Scots money.
Item, Williame Wattis land at the brig end, now John Hammiltounes,	£0 5 0
Item, Johnne Blakwodis land and hous, now John Mitchellis,	0 7 6
Item, Johnne Russellis land and Williame Gardineris land,	0 5 6
Item, Archibald Hommyllis land,	0 16 0
Item, Patersonis land on the eist syd of the gait, now Patrik M'Quhirris airis land,	0 3 4
Item, Patersonis land on the west syd of the gait,	0 3 6
Item, Woddrowis land,	0 5 0
Item, Archibald Wilsonis land next Woddrowis land,	0 10 0
Item, Niniane M'Litstaris land, now Archibald Herbesonis,	0 6 8
Item, Colleyn Campbellis land that was Ewin Gaynis,	0 5 0
Item, Niniane Schyris land and John Herbesonis land,	0 3 4
Item, Johnne Schyris land,	0 1 8
Item, Johnne Androis land,	0 1 6
Item, Allane Hegaitis land,	0 1 6
Summa termlic,	<u>£3 15 6</u>
Extending yeirlie to	<u>£7 11 0</u>

<sup>1</sup> This rental is engrossed in the volume of Council Records 1588-90.

## The north syd of the gait—

	TERMLIE.	
Item, Johnne Clwnis land, . . . . .		£0 3 4
Item, David Hogis yaird land, . . . . .		0 5 0
Item, Matheis land, . . . . .		0 5 0
Item, Johnne Chalmeris land, . . . . .		0 1 6
Item, Johnne Winzettis land, . . . . .		0 4 8
Item, Johnne Hegaitis land, with the vennell, . . . . .		9 3 9
Item, Johnne Arbuculis land, . . . . .		0 2 6
Item, Phillane Snypis land, . . . . .		0 2 0
Item, Peter Downeis land, . . . . .		0 8 0
Item, James Maynis land, . . . . .		0 3 0
Item, Niniane Syris landis callit Crunnokis, . . . . .		0 1 0
Summa termelie, . . . . .		£1 19 9
Extending yeirlie to . . . . .		£3 19 6

## The eist syd of the toun beyont the Gallowgait burn—

	TERMLIE.	
Item, Lowthianis barne, now George Lyonis, . . . . .		£0 0 6
Item, Archibald Lyonis borne, . . . . .		0 0 6
Item, Thomas Spangis barne, . . . . .		0 0 9
Item, Thomas Cliddisdail barne, . . . . .		0 0 9
Item, Thomas Normountis kill and barne, . . . . .		0 1 6
Item, Patrick Patersonis alias Scheillis barne, . . . . .		0 0 9
Item, David Wylleis yaird, . . . . .		0 0 6
Item, Robert Baxteris barne, . . . . .		0 1 4
Item, Gillhagies barne, . . . . .		0 2 6
Item, James Wilsonis, Mr. David Rollokis barne, . . . . .		0 2 0
Item, Sibbell Liddellis land in Drygait, . . . . .		0 15 0
Item, Archibald Woddropis land, now William Lychtbodeis, . . . . .		0 2 0
Item, Thomas Forrettis barne, . . . . .		0 2 6
Item, Mr. John Hallis barnested on the mure, . . . . .		0 2 6
Item, John Wilsonis barnested on the mure, . . . . .		0 2 6
Item, Robert Hereotis barnested on the mure, now Gabriell Sempillis, . . . . .		0 2 6
Item, the doucat on the Litill Grene, . . . . .		0 3 4
Item, Thomas Cameronis buith under the tolbuith, . . . . .		1 0 0



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Item, Allane Merschellis buith, . . . . .	£1 0 0
Item, James Clerkis buith, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, Nicol Androis buith, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, Mungo Wilsonis buith, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, Johnne Moris buith, . . . . .	0 16 0
Item, Archibald Hegaitis bog, . . . . .	0 8 0
Item, James Flemyngis land, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Duncan Finlayis kill, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, James Andersonis chop rowme on the west syd of the port, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Archibald Hommyllis chop rowme on the eist syd of the port, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, James Rankene for ane commoun vennell in the Rattounraw, . . . . .	0 1 8
Item, David Spreullis barne in St. Tenois gait, . . . . .	0 1 0
Item, George Robesonis barne, . . . . .	0 1 0
Item, Mr. Henry Gibsoun for the vennell, . . . . .	0 5 0
Summa termelie, . . . . .	£9 14 1
Extending yeirlie to . . . . .	£19 8 2

The rentall of the auld propertie of the brig of Glasgow—

## YEIRLIE.

Item, Michaell Bairdis land in Gallowgait, sometyme Leichis land, yeirlie. £1 0 0	£1 0 0
Item, Margarete Hallis barne, yeirlie, . . . . .	0 4 0
Item, Johnne Gaynis land at the West Port, now Colein Campbellis, yeirlie, 0 8 0	0 8 0
Summa yeirlie, . . . . .	£1 12 0

Item, the maillis of the new revin furth landis of Gallowmuir, Garnegad and utheris, conforme to the particular rentallis, extending yeirlie for Witsunday and Mertimes to the sowme of . . . . .	£57 0 0
Item, Patie Armouris tenement in Stable Grene, to St. Johnes licht yeirlie ane pund walx price, . . . . .	0 6 8
Summa, . . . . .	£57 6 8

The rental of Sir Robert Watsonis chaplainrie, viz.—St. Androis prebendrie foundit be umquhile Mr. James Houstoun, and St. Mairtenis prebendrie foundit be umquhile Sir Mairtine Reid, et Trium Puerorum—

The prebendrie of St. Mairtene foundit be umquhile Sir Mairtine Reid—

## YEIRLIE.

Item, Thomas Mure, now Johnne Craufurd, for twa aikeris of land in Mylnhill, . . . . .	£2 13 4
Item, Sibbell Liddell, for twa aikeris of land in Gallowmure, yeirlie, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, Margaret Dunlop and Jonet Dunlop, airis to umquhill Andro Dunlop, for twa aikeris of land in the mure, yeirlie, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, Jonete Campbell, for ane aiker in Provansyd, . . . . .	1 6 0
Item, James Wilsoun for ane pairt of Clemeis hous, . . . . .	3 0 0
Item, umquhile Katherine Armouris land in the Saltmarcat, . . . . .	0 12 0
Item, Catherine Allansoun, relict of umquhill John Wys, for ane aiker of land in the Gallowmure, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, George Herbertsoun for ane heich and laich buith occupiit be John Burrell and Robert Johnstoun on the north syd of the tolbuith, . . . . .	3 0 0
Item, Allane Wrichtis buith, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, John Sellaris hous annuell, . . . . .	1 6 0
Item, Margaret Sellar, now John Herbesoun, for thrie rigis in Crapnestok, . . . . .	0 12 0
Item, Margaret Glen for ane aiker in Kinclayth, . . . . .	1 16 0
Item, John Cammeroun for ane aiker in Provandsyd, . . . . .	1 6 0
Item, Bessie Dwnis tenement, now James Rankenes, in Balmulzear, . . . . .	1 6 8
Summa yeirlie, . . . . .	<u>£20 14 8</u>

The prebendrie of St. Andro foundit be umquhill Mr. James Houstoun—

## YEIRLIE.

Item, John Loukis land beyond the Gallowgait burne, . . . . .	£0 6 0
Item, Johnne Stevinis place in Gallowgait, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Gilbert Craigis place, . . . . .	0 15 0

Item, James Hutchesoun, baxteris hous, . . . . .	£0 10 0
Item, Mathow Campbellis place, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, John Syris hous, now Patrik Briscatis, . . . . .	0 14 0
Item, George Herbesoun for ane rig land in Browmelaw, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Umphra M'Nair for ane rig land thair, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Thomas Hutchesoun for ane hous in Gallowgait with ane bak seller, . . . . .	4 0 0
Item, James Reidis bak tenement that wes Williame Gardneris, . . . . .	1 16 0
Item, James Reid for ane barne and twa riggis in Langcroft, . . . . .	1 10 0
Item, Patrik Scott, smyth, his place, . . . . .	0 6 0
Item, James Reid, for ane yaird in New Kirk, . . . . .	0 15 0
Summa yeirlie, . . . . .	<u>£12 13 0</u>

## The prebendrie of Trium Puerorum—

## YEIRLIE.

Item, the tenement of James Wilsoun that wes Clemeis, . . . . .	£3 0 0
Item, half aiker of land in Lang Croft pertaining to the airis of umquhill Mr. Johnne Hall, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, ane mekill aikir of land in Brwmelaw occupiit be Jonet Campbell, . . . . .	0 15 0
Item, David Lindsay, elder, for thrie ruidis in Brumelaw, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, St. Rokis place besyd the laird of Balgray, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, James Braidwod for thrie rigis in Brumelaw, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, the landis of Ovir Gallowmure, pertenyng to Mr. David Cwnynghame extending to twa aikeris half aiker, . . . . .	1 13 4
Item, twa bornis in St. Tenois gait that Sir William Herbesoun takis up, . . . . .	0 16 0
Summa yeirlie, . . . . .	<u>£9 1 0</u>

The rentall of certane dewties of the New Kirk<sup>1</sup>—

## TERMLIE.

Item, ane aiker of land in Gallowmure occupiit be George Herbesoun, . . . . .	£0 6 8
Item, twa aikeris and ane half in Over Gallowmure occupiit be umquhill Thomas Spang, . . . . .	0 16 8

<sup>1</sup> The New Kirk was the Collegiate Church of St. Mary and St. Anne, founded by James Houston, subdean of Glasgow, about the year 1528. The endowments are fully detailed in

“Liber Collegii Nostre Domine,” printed for the Maitland Club in 1846, and notwithstanding the changes of ownership and occupancy which had occurred before the date of this

Item, ane aiker of land in Auld Gallowmure occupiit be Patrik Bogyll,	£0 6 8
Item, John Stark for ane aiker in Densyd,	0 10 10
Item, William Reid, now Mr. David Cwnynghame, for half ane aiker,	0 3 4
Item, James Law, now George Young, for his tenement,	3 12 0
Item, William Gardneris tenement in Briggait,	0 12 0
Item, Margaret Wilsoun, relict of umquhile Robert Forthik, for hir tenement in Briggait,	0 3 6
Item, Robert Wilsounes tenement in Briggait,	0 3 6
Item, Margaret Rankene for David Knox tenement,	0 5 0
Item, Johnne Johnesounes tenement in Stokwall,	0 9 0
Item, Niniane Darroch for his barn beyond the Gallowgait burne,	0 3 9
Item, for the borne pertenyng to umquhill William Trumbill,	0 5 0
Item, Gilbert Craig for his barne,	0 4 0
Item, Walter Knox barne at St. Tenois gait,	0 6 0
Item, Stevin Glasgwis tenement occupiit be Johnne Scott,	0 2 0
Item, the kill and barne pertenyng to Margarete Rankene that was Pacokis,	0 3 0
Item, the tenement and borne of umquhill George Robesoun,	0 7 0
Item, for ane yaird in the New Kirk yairdis pertenyng to James Braidwod,	0 5 0
Summa termelie,	£9 4 11
Summa yeirlie,	£18 9 10

Sir Peter Lawis prebendrie callit Nomine Jesu—

YEIRLIE.

Item, ane tenement of land in Gallowgait biggit be Sir Mairtyne Reid, now Archibald Lyonis, betuix the landis of James Mayn on the west and the landis of umquhile Williame Salmount on the eist pairt,	£4 13 4
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rental, many of the properties can be identified with the original endowments. When the magistrates and council, in 1572-3, conveyed to the college the church property contained in Queen Mary's gift, the revenues specified in this rental as belonging to the New Kirk and its prebends of St. Andrew, St. Martin, the

Three Choristers, Nomine Jesu and St. Roche, were excepted as coming within the category of chaplainries and prebends of which they (the magistrates and council) had the right of patronage. (See Glasgow Charters, part ii., pp. 160-1.)

Item, ane uther bak tenement in Gallowgait with yaird now occupiit be Besse Law, . . . . .	£6 0 0
Summa yeirlie, . . . . .	£10 13 4
The mail of the Auld Myln land yeirlie, . . . . .	£14 13 4

Kill steddiss and uther new dewties and annuelles pertenyng  
to the toun—

## YEIRLIE.

Item, David Andersonis kill, . . . . .	£0 4 0
Item, Alexander Scottis kill, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Johnne Gordoun for the auld toun kill, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Alexander and ( <i>blank</i> ) Blakwodis for thair kill and yaird standand on the commoun, . . . . .	2 0 0
Summa yeirlie, . . . . .	£4 6 0

The rentall of the new revin out landis of Mylndamheid,  
Peitbog and Dassiegrene, Cruikis of the Mylndame, the  
ruidis of the eist and west sydis of the Greneheid and  
ruidis of the West Port—

## YEIRLIE.

Item, the Mylnedameheid occupiit be Thomas Myln, chirurgen, . . . . .	£0 13 4
Item, the Peitbog and Dassie Grene occupiit be the said Thomas, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, the cruikis of the Mylndame, occupiit be David Donald, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, Johnne Hammiltoun, steill bonnatmaker, for twa ruidis on the eist syd of the Greneheid now pertenyng to David Gray, maltman, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Williame Cwynnghame for twa ruidis on the same syd, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Robert Rowat for uther twa ruidis on the same syd, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, James Flemyng for uther twa ruidis on the same syd, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, William Glen for twa ruidis on the west syd of the said Greinheid, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, George Esdail for uther twa ruidis on the said west syd, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Mathow Watsoun, flescheour, for uther twa ruidis on the said west syd, . . . . .	0 3 4

Item, George Lyoun for aucht ruidis on the said west syd, . . .	£0 13 4
Item, Archibald Maxuell, for uther twa ruidis on the same syd, . . .	0 3 4
Item, Robert Chirnesyd for thrie ruidis of the West Port, . . .	0 5 0
Item, Johnne Dalrumpill, tailyeour, for ane aiker of land liand on the north syd of Garngadhill besyd the Allarbog, . . .	0 4 0
Summa yeirlie, . . . . .	<u>£3 15 8</u>

21 *May* 1589.

The Eister and Wester commoun mylnes ar ropit and set to William Spang for the space of thrie yeiris next to cum for payment yeirlie of the sowme of . . . . .	£568 0 0
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9 *June* 1590.

The quhilk day in the court haldin at the buttis of the Greneheid on Witsountwysday the customes and casualities of the brig ar ropit and sett to John Clerk, fischear, for ane yeir to cum for payment of the sowme of iiij <sup>xx</sup> markis, . . . . .	= £53 6 8
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The prebendrie of St. Roche foundit be umquhile Mr. James  
Houstoun—

TERMELIE.

Item, William Spangis land, now pertenyng to Andro Spang, . . .	£0 6 8
Item, James Andersonis lyand hous, . . . . .	3 16 8
Item, Nicol Snodgers land, now Greneleis, . . . . .	4 13 4
Item, Robert Glasgwis tenement, sumtyme Walter Luifis land, . . .	0 4 0
Item, Patrik Patersonis tenement, . . . . .	4 13 4
Item, Johnne Youngis tenement in Tronegait, . . . . .	0 0 6
Item, ane barne and twa end riggis in Ratounrawheid in Provand- syd, umquhile Williame Pettigrew and now David Coittis, . . .	0 2 6
Summa termelie, . . . . .	<u>£13 16 0</u>
Extending yeirlie to . . . . .	<u>£27 12 0</u>

## II.

FALLOUES THE RENTALL of the Few Deuties and Annuellrentis payit out yearly out of the Houssis, Yeardis, Arable Landis and utheris mentionat thairintill, to the Thesaurer of the Burgh of Glesgow, wherunto ther ar some new particulars addit.<sup>1</sup>

Briggait, on the south syd—

Imprimis, Andrew Nobbles land, . . . . .	£2 10 0
Item, Henerie Robesounes tenement, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, William Mitchell in Winlaw, his tenement, . . . . .	0 15 0
Item, wmquhill Johne Padies tenement, . . . . .	0 11 0
Item, wmquhill David Hogisyeardis tenement thairefter Duncane Robesounes, . . . . .	1 4 0
Item, wmquhill George Muirens tenement now John Thomsounes, . . . . .	1 6 0
Item, Robert Woddrowes tenement ther, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, wmquhill John Bairdes tenement now belonging to Mr. Archibald Lorne and ( <i>blank</i> ), . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, Coline Campbellis land ther, . . . . .	2 12 8
Item, Robert and wmquhill Androw Snyps tenement, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Androw Loves tenement, . . . . .	0 14 0
Item, wmquhill Heugh Wattis tenement, . . . . .	0 3 0
Item, wmquhill James Ore his tenement, now Thomas M'Clayes, . . . . .	0 7 0
Item, Mathow Allanes tenement, . . . . .	0 3 0
Item, Johne Bares tenement, . . . . .	0 12 0
Item, wmquhill Adame Wilsounes tenement now belonging to Mathow Wilsoune, . . . . .	1 0 0

Briggait on the north syd—

Item, be James Young for libertie grantit to him for onputting ane stair in the foot of the Stockwallgait, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, wmquhill Niniane Hilles tenement now Michall M'Callumes, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, Johne Herbertsounes, youngars, tenement ther, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, James Ingrahmes tenement, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, wmquhill William Howies tenement, . . . . .	0 3 0

<sup>1</sup> This rental is not dated, but as it is engrossed in the Diet Book of the Burgh Court for 1657-9, it may be regarded as belonging to

that period. As shown by the marginal note quoted on p. 536, the rental must have been made up before 5th October, 1661.

Item, ane wther laigh buith beneth the said tenement, now belonging to the aires of wmquhill Thomas Smith, . . . . .	£1 0 0
Item, thes heigh buithes beneth the same tenement quhilk of old perteinait to Hendrie Glen James Hepburne and now to the said Johnne Andersoune, . . . . .	3 0 0
Item, ane wther heigh buith ther now pertaining to Robert Caruthers	1 0 0
Item, wmquhill Mr. Archibald Glens heigh booth thair now Robert Boydis, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, thes landis within the closs quhilk of old pertained to wmquhill Johnne Watsoune, thereafter to wmquhill Androw Martine and now to the said John Andersoune, . . . . .	0 14 0

Trongait on the north syd—

Item, wmquhill George Hutchesounes tenement now Johnne Herbertsounes, . . . . .	7 6 8
Item, the tenement now belonging to the aires of wmquhill Johnne Maxwell, . . . . .	1 12 8
Item, the tuo laigh buithes beneath the said heigh tenement now belonging to Gavine Listoune, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, Capitane Nobbles land of old pertaining to Mr. Robert Allasoune, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, wmquhill Robert Cochranes back landis now pertaining to Lowrance Langrigs, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, wmquhill James Faulles tenement, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, wmquhill William Waddropes tenement, . . . . .	0 6 0
Item, wmquhill Johnne Dinings tenement now Charles Grayes, . . . . .	0 12 0
Item, Johnne Flymings tenement, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, Robert Mairshellis tenement, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, wmquhill Robert Watsounes tenement now Patrick Adames, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, for his land in Langcroft, . . . . .	2 13 4
Item, Thomas Padies and David Scotis landis, . . . . .	2 13 4
Item, Hendrie Glens tenement and land in Langcroft, . . . . .	2 19 0
Item, Johnne Andersounes landis, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, wmquhill Patrick Bell his tenement, . . . . .	0 8 0
Item, Johnne Gilhagies tenement, . . . . .	0 4 0
Item, his landis in Langcroft, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Thomas Scotis borne, . . . . .	0 9 0



## Trongait on the south side—

Item, Johne Falconers tenement, . . . . .	£0 2 0
Item, wmquhill William Hindshaues laigh buith, beneath the same tenement, . . . . .	0 0 6
Item, James Dickis tenement, . . . . .	0 0 6
Item, ane laigh buith now Auchingrayes, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Johne Homes tenement, . . . . .	2 6 8
Item, Mathow Hamiltounes tenement of land and yeard of old James Talyeouris, . . . . .	3 10 0
Item, James Armour for his yaird, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, wmquhill Johne Craiges yeard at the bak of the Laigh Kirk now Thomas Louries, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, wmquhill James Steuartis yeard ther, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, wmquhill Mr. Patrick Maxwellis yeard ther, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, Johne Birscait yeard ther, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, the tenement of wmquhill Johne Tassie now pertaining to the aires of wmquhill John Herbertsone, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, wmquhill Patrick Brockis bak tenement, . . . . .	0 1 0
Item, the aires of wmquhill William Bochlays tenement, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, William Sheilles tenement of old William Langs, . . . . .	0 1 0

## Falloues the landis outwith the Wast Port, Stockwall and Wyndis, that payes anuellis to the toune—

Item, Thomas Winnings steep, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, wmquhill Robert Craufurd's steep, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, wmquhill Thomas Scotis kill and steep, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, the said deceist Thomas for his cut rig in Langercroft, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Johne Wilsone for his cut rig thair, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Johne Sympsone's kill and borne, . . . . .	0 8 0
Item, Thomas Pollok's borne and aiker of land in Langercroft, . . . . .	1 12 0
Item, wmquhill Robert Watsone's steip now ( <i>blank</i> ), . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Johne Dougald, for his thrie rigs of land in Langercroft, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, David Scotis new borne, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Mr. Johne Smith his kill and land thair, now Andrew Spreullis, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, William Scot for his kill, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, wmquhill Robert Samountis kill, rowinous, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Arthour Watsone's steip, . . . . .	0 3 4

Item, Patrick Parks steip, . . . . .	£0 2 0
Item, John Parks steip, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Mathow Colquhounes steip, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Archibald Maxuellis steip, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, John Symers steip, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Niniane Gilhagies steep, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, John Gilhagies kill and steep, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, the aires of wmqhill James Padie for the lytle croft, . . . . .	0 8 0
Item, Androw Thomsounes steep, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, James Rankeins steip, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, wmqhill Walter Douglas steep now ( <i>blank</i> ), . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, wmqhill Archibald Semples steep, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Androw Muirdies steep, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, James Andersoune in Gorballes for his land in Stockwallgait, . . . . .	0 18 0
Item, Cloberhilles land thair, . . . . .	0 1 0
Item, wmqhill William Borclayes tenement thair, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, John M'Keuns land, . . . . .	0 14 0
Item, Alexander Grahmes tenement, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, George Campbells tenement, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, the aires of wmqhill William Glen, baxter, for the litt hous ther, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Coline Campbell for the priviledge of the stance of the dougat on the Lytle Grein, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, John Dennies tenement, . . . . .	6 13 4
Item, Coline M'Loucas his tenement, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, William Allanes tenement in Stockwallgait, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Patrick Pattersounes tenement thair, . . . . .	0 12 0
Item, William Loganes tenement thair, . . . . .	1 9 0
Item, David Wilsoune for his tenement in Waster Wynd, . . . . .	0 10 0
Mair for his borne in Sanct Tenuis gait, . . . . .	0 9 0
Item, the aires of wmqhill John Auldcorne, skinner, for his tenement in Waster Wynd, . . . . .	0 10 4
Item, John Buchannane for his land thair, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, John Bryssones land thair, . . . . .	1 4 0
Item, John Grayes land thair, . . . . .	0 10 0

Gallougait on the south syd—

Item, John Flyming, merchant, for his landis back and foir thair, . . . . .	6 2 4
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Item, Robert Marshallis tenement, . . . . .	£0 7 0
Item, James Harvies tenement, . . . . .	0 4 0
Item, Mr. Patrick Belles tenement, . . . . .	4 16 8
Item, William Muirheidis tenement, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, Johne Bryssounes tenement, . . . . .	0 3 6
Item, James Wadropes tenement, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, Johne Neisbit, travellour, his tenement, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, James Hepburnes borne, . . . . .	0 7 6
Item, George Loukis tenement, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, James Harvies kill and borne, . . . . .	0 1 0

## Gallougait on the north syd—

Item, Walter Wadropes borne, . . . . .	0 3 0
Item, George Bogillis borne, . . . . .	0 1 6
Item, Androw Gollowayes kill and borne, . . . . .	0 1 6
Item, George Loukis borne, . . . . .	0 1 6
Item, Robert Hogisyeard tenement, . . . . .	0 1 6
Item, John Neisbitis borne, . . . . .	0 4 0
Item, Alexander Wadropes tenement, . . . . .	0 3 0
Item, Thomas Millars tenement, . . . . .	0 1 3
Item, Johne Bryssounes tenement, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Johne Flymings tenement, . . . . .	0 1 3
Item, Archibald Loukis tenement, . . . . .	0 16 0
Item, Androw Gallowayes and Robert Bogillis tenement, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Johne Marshallis tenement, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Thom Pollok for his foir and bak land, . . . . .	10 0 0
Item, Mr. William Wilkie for his tenement quhairof Mareon Dorroch is lyfreuter, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, wmqhill Johne Gilhagies tenement, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, Mathow Rowanes tenement, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, James Maissounes tenement, . . . . .	0 5 0

## Above the Croce to the Wyndhead on the wast syd—

Item, Johne Rowatis land thair, . . . . .	2 13 4
Item, Johne Clark for his tenement thair, . . . . .	8 13 4
Item, James Grayes tua buithes, . . . . .	4 0 0
Item, Robert Pollok of Mylneburne his tenement, . . . . .	4 13 4

Item, Niniane Gilhagies back tenement, . . . . .	£0 8 0
Item, William Norvalles back tenement thair, . . . . .	0 8 0
Item, Hendrie Craufuirdis tenement, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Thomas Allanes tenement, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, James Findlayes tenement, . . . . .	0 13 0
Item, Walter M'Allasters tenement, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, William Dreues back tenement, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Robert Andersounes tenement, . . . . .	0 11 6
Item, Thomas Norvalles tenement, . . . . .	0 4 0
Item, Robert Broune for his land in Langcroft quhilk perteines olim to Thomas Norvell, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Johne Drewes tenement, . . . . .	0 3 0
Item, Arthour Luggies tenement, . . . . .	1 7 8
Item, wmquhill Robert Belles tenement, . . . . .	0 1 4
Item, Thomas Maynes tenement, . . . . .	0 1 4
Item, Johne Wrie for his kill at the foot of the Gramer Scholl wynd,	0 10 0
Item, Robert Grayis laigh foir hous, . . . . .	0 2 8
Item, ( <i>blank</i> ) Greinlawes foir hous, . . . . .	0 4 0
Item, Robert Fergusounes tenement, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, the aires of wmquhill James Steuart callit of Largs thair tenement, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, James Falconers laigh buith, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Johne Bares back land, . . . . .	0 6 0
Item, Johne Reidis foir land, . . . . .	1 4 0
Item, Mr. Heugh Blaires land thair, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, be Williame Dobbie for libertie grantit to him for extending his dyck towardis the hie streit, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, to Johne Corss, wrycht, for ane peice of land sett in few to him at the foot of the Gray Frier wynd, . . . . .	3 0 0

## Rattounraw—

Item, Johne Allasounes tenement, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Johne Killpatrick his borne thair, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, the aires of wmquhill James Tran for the land Doughhill, .	0 10 0
Item, Thomas Watterstoune for his borne, . . . . .	0 1 6
Item, Androw Conynghames tenement, . . . . .	1 0 0

The Rentall of the Tenandrie of Rattounraw quhilk of old  
pertined to the Subdeane—

Item, wmqhill Thomas Calders land, . . . . .	£0 6 8
Item, William Mauchanes land thair, . . . . .	0 4 8
Item, Johne Gibsoun and ( <i>blank</i> ) Aikinheid thair land thair, . . . . .	0 0 5
Item, James Hariottis land thair, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Johne Killpatrick for his land thair, . . . . .	0 0 8
Item, Mr. Robert Herbertsounes tenement thair, . . . . .	0 2 4
Item, Gilbert Marshellis borne, . . . . .	0 0 8
Item, James Watsoun for ane aiker of land Deansyd, . . . . .	0 1 0
Item, Johne and George Ralstounes for ther land and borne thair, . . . . .	0 7 4

Stabilgrein—

Item, William Dobbie, elder, for his tenement on the north syd of the Vennell, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Johne Thomsounes tenement thair, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, James Lochheid and James Ballantyn for thair borne betwix them equallie, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, Androw Parkis borne thair, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, Walter Neilsoun for thrie bornes thair, . . . . .	0 7 0
Item, William Neilsounes borne and ane peice land at the end thairof, . . . . .	0 8 4
Item, Thomas Raltounes kilne in the common, . . . . .	0 10 0

Vickar Aylays—

Item, Mr. Frances Kinhead for the libertie of tua doores on the commoun to his yeard, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, Mr. Robert Govane for ane peice ground at the heid of his yeard, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, the aires of wmqhill Robert Gray thair yeard thair, . . . . .	0 6 8

Above the croce on the eist syd of the Hie Streit—

Item, William Selkriges tenement, . . . . .	8 0 0
Item, Johne Semples tenement, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, William Steuartis land, . . . . .	5 6 8
Item, Thomas Norvalles, foir and back, thair land ther, . . . . .	5 0 0 <sup>1</sup>
Item, Johne Huntars Hous in Stinkan Vennal, . . . . .	0 6 0
Item, Robert Houstounes hous in Blackfrier wynd, . . . . .	0 5 0

<sup>1</sup> "This deleit out of the rentall becaus satisfait at 17 yeares purchas."

Item, Androw Manzie for his land ther, . . . . .	£0 10 0
Item, Heugh Allasounes land ther, . . . . .	0 7 0
Item, Thomas Winings fair tenement, . . . . .	1 3 4
Item, the aires of wmquhill James Steuart, sometyme provest, his landis above the Colledge, . . . . .	1 13 4
Item, the aires of wmquhill Robert Maxuellis for his buith ther, . . . . .	0 2 0
Item, Johne Johnstons land quhilk formerly was ....., . . . .	0 4 0

## Beyond the Drygait burne—

Item, William Lightbodies land ther, . . . . .	1 10 0
Item, Thomas Norvallis borne and wast at the end of it, . . . . .	0 11 8
Item, Johne Flymings borne ther, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, James Campbelles borne ther now belonging to ( <i>blank</i> ) Maxuell, massone, . . . . .	0 15 0
Item, Jonet Lightbodies land ther, . . . . .	0 6 0
Item, William Neilsounes kill ther, . . . . .	0 10 0

Fallowes the few deutes of the killes boght frae the Laird  
of Mynto—

Item, Walter Neilsounes kilne, . . . . .	8 0 0
Item, Johne Findlayes kill, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, James Lochheidis kill and yeard, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, Thomas Campbellis kill ther, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, Gabriell Faries kill ther, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, Walter Bryces kill and yeard, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, Androw Ralstounes kill and yeard, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, Gawine Wilsounes kill and yeard, . . . . .	6 0 0
Item, John Dobbie and ( <i>blank</i> ) Thomsounes for ther kill ther, . . . . .	8 0 0
Item, James Andersounes kill ther, . . . . .	8 0 0
Item, William Harvies kill ther, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Johne Neilsounes kill, . . . . .	2 0 0
Mair for his wther kill ther, . . . . .	6 13 4
Item, Johne Dougallis kill and yeard, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, wmquhill Johne Bryces kilne and yeard, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Walter M'Allasters kill and yeard, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, James Cuthbertis kill, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Robert Raltounes kill, . . . . .	6 13 4

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Item, John Hawes kill, . . . . .	£2 6 8
Item, James Calders kill, . . . . .	3 0 0
Item, John Weires kill, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, James Gilhagies kill, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Walter Alexanderis kill, . . . . .	2 0 0

Flymingtoun—

Item, Adame Watsoune for thair landis ther, . . . . .	25 6 8
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Lymhous—

Item, John Liddell for his hous and yeard ther, . . . . .	6 13 4
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Falloues the landis of Brwmelaw that payes yeirlie to the  
toun—

Item, Thomas Pollok for ane rig of land ther, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Issabell Rankin, weidow, for ane wther aiker of land ther, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, the aires of wmqhill James Padie for ane aiker of land ther, . . . . .	0 15 0
Item, Agnes Craufuird, weidow, thrie ruidis of land ther, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, James Braidwood, thrie ruidis of land ther, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, John Dougall for his land ther, . . . . .	0 10 0

Provansyd—

Item, Robert Mairshellis for his land ther, . . . . .	5 5 4
Item, the land quhilk was Archibald Gibsounes now Hendrie Dunlopes, . . . . .	0 2 0

Kinclaithe—

Item, Robert Campbell tua aikers land ther, . . . . .	4 0 0
Item, William Craig for ane aiker ther, . . . . .	0 15 0
Item, William Norvall ane aiker ther, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, Androw Conynghame ane aiker ther, . . . . .	0 5 0

Falloues the od aikers and skirtis about the toun that payes  
yeirlie as falloues—

Item, George Louk for that aiker oallit the Goldin Aiker. . . . .	1 6 8
Mair be him for tua aikers in Egilschamis Croft, . . . . .	4 0 0

Item, the aires of the deceist Mr. James Dining, for thrie aikers of land at Cropnestock quhilk of old was wmquhile Thomas Morsounes, . . . . .	£0 12 0
Item, Johne Andersoune, lait provest, for ane half aiker in Dowhill, . . . . .	0 18 0
Item, Robert Marshall ane aiker of land in Crubis, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Robert M'Cuir for that peice land callit the Myllhill, . . . . .	2 13 4
Item, Thomas Mylne for Peit boig and Dassiegrein, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, Johne Flyming for the crooks of Mylnedam, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, Coline Campbell for Pirries boig and all utheris bocht be him frae Johne Andersoune, . . . . .	1 8 0
Item, Androw Park for ane peice grund betuixt the Broomehill and Skellingsmyre, . . . . .	0 2 0

Fallowes the landis above and about Skellingsmyre that payes yeirly to the toun—

Item, the aires of wmquhill George Ross thrie aikers land, . . . . .	0 12 0
Item, James Andersoune in Gorballes thrie aikers of land, . . . . .	1 4 0
Mair be him for thrie dayes work, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, William Liddell half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 4 0
Mair be him for half ane dayes work, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, the aires of wmquhill David Warden ane aiker of land ther, . . . . .	0 8 0
Mair be him for ane dayes work, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, the aires of wmquhill Heugh Watt ane half aiker of land, . . . . .	0 4 0
Mair be him for half ane dayes work, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Mathow Allane ane aiker land ther, . . . . .	0 8 0
Mair be him for ane dayes work, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, the said Androw Park for ane aiker and ane half of land, . . . . .	0 12 0
Mair be him for ane daye and ane half workis, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, James Hinshaw thrie aikers land, . . . . .	1 0 0
Mair be him for thrie dayes work, . . . . .	0 16 8

Fallowes the lands in Hartisfield quhilk payes yeirly as they fallow—

Item, James Stirling for half ane aiker land, . . . . .	0 4 0
Mair for half ane dayes work, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Johne Hall for tua aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 0 0
Mair tua dayes work and ane half, . . . . .	0 16 8



Item, Arthour Luggie ane aiker, . . . . .	£0 8 0
Mair for ane dayes work, . . . . .	0 6 8
Item, William Neilsoune tua aikers land, . . . . .	0 16 0
Mair for tua dayes work, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, Thomas Watterstoune half ane aiker of land, . . . . .	0 4 0
Mair for half ane dayes work, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Mr. Archibald Flyming half ane aiker of land occupyet be the aires and executouris of wmquhill William Allasoune, . . . . .	0 4 0
Mair for half ane dayes work, . . . . .	0 3 4

## Over Old Galloumuir—

Item, the aires of wmquhill Johne Flyming, notar, for ane aiker land ther, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, the aires of wmquhill Johne Bryssoune for tua aikers land ther, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, Johne Gray tua aikers land ther, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, Johne Kilpatrick tua aikers land quhilk was wmquhile George Hutchesounes, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, the aires of wmquhill Patrick Maxuell ane aiker land ther, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, Mr. Archibald Flyming ane aiker and ane half land ther, . . . . .	2 6 8

## Nather Old Galloumuir—

Item, the aires of wmquhill Thomas Findlay tua aikers land, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, Johne Walkinshaw ane aiker ther, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, John Kilpatrick ane aiker land ther quhilk was formerlie wmquhill George Hutchesounes, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, the aires of wmquhill ( <i>blank</i> ) Bogill, buikbinder, ane aiker of land ther, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, James Bornes tua aikers land ther, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, the aires of wmquhill Mr. Johne Baillzie, minister at Cambus- lang, ane aiker land ther, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, the aires of wmquhill George Pollok tua aikers land ther and ane peice att the heid thereof takin off the heid of the land, . . . . .	1 16 8

Falloues the rental of the land in New Galloumuir wherof ilk  
aiker payes yeirlie to the toun for ane dayes work vj s  
viij d., and ilk aiker therof be wast the sick payes yeirly  
viij s., and ilk aiker be eist the same payes four shillings.

Item, Thomas Norvall or Robert Andersoune for sex aiker lands ther, . . . . .	4 8 0
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Item, William Norvall and his successoris for tua aikers and ane half as ane pairt of William Gibsounes landis, . . . . .	£1 6 8
Item, George Broune tua aikers land ther, . . . . .	1 9 4
Item, the aires of wmqhill John Pettigrew thrie aikers land ther, .	2 4 0
Item, Johne Herbertsoun, eldest, eight aikers and ane half land, .	5 16 8
Item, Johne Bryssoun sex aikers and ane half, . . . . .	4 7 4
Item, Johne Killpatrick three aikers and ane half, . . . . .	2 9 4
Item, Johne Younge for ane aiker, . . . . .	0 14 8
Item, Walter Wadrop for half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 7 4
Item, Johne Hall, maltman, ane aiker and ane half, . . . . .	1 2 0
Item, Robert Ross ane aiker land, . . . . .	0 14 8
Item, Johne Gray tua aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 10 8
Item, Robert Somervall ane aiker land, . . . . .	0 14 8
Item, the aires of wmqhill Androw Faulles fyve aikers, . . . . .	2 17 4
Item, Heugh Broune tua aikers land, . . . . .	1 5 4
Item, Johne Boill thrie aikers and ane half now ( <i>blank</i> ), . . . . .	2 5 4
Item, Mathow Wilsoun for ane aiker and ane half, . . . . .	0 16 0
Item, James Braidwood for fyve aikers land, . . . . .	1 15 4
Item, Johne Boyd, maltman, half ane aiker land, . . . . .	0 5 4
Item, William Symson four aikers, . . . . .	2 2 8
Item, Mr. Niniane Hill and Johne Killpatrick tua half aikers, .	0 14 8
Item, the aires of wmqhill George Duncane four aikers and ane half,	2 8 0
Item, James Campbell ane aiker land, . . . . .	0 10 8
Item, Mr. William Wilkie for the landis of Cumlachie, estimat to fourtine aikers, wherof Mareon Dorroch is lyfrenter, . . . . .	7 9 4
Item, John Tennant, tailzeour, half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 5 4
Item, James Selkrig ane aiker, . . . . .	0 10 8
Item, Thomas Mylne half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 5 4
Item, James Armour ane aiker, . . . . .	0 10 8
Item, the aires of wmqhill Robert Craufuird for thrie ruidis, .	0 8 0
Item, James Snodgress thrie ruidis, . . . . .	0 8 0
Item, Thomas Allane tua aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 6 8
Item, Robert Rae half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 7 4
Item, William Andersoun half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 5 4
Item, Johne Biscat ane aiker, . . . . .	0 10 8
Item, Mathow Fausyd thrie aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 17 4
Item, George Bogill in Hutchesoun tua aikers and ane half, . . .	1 8 8

Item, Heugh Fausyd ane aiker land, . . . . .	£0 10 8
Item, Johne Flyming half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 5 4
Item, Androw Conynghame tua aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 16 8
Item, Johne Buchannane tua aikers, . . . . .	1 9 4
Item, the aires of wmqhill Gairner half ane acre, . . . . .	0 7 4
Item, Robert Boyd, maissoune, ane aiker, . . . . .	0 10 8
Item, Johne Cumying half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 5 4
Item, Androw Love thrie aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 17 4

Falloues the rentall of the landis in Girngade hill as they ar  
now in use of payment—

Item, Robert Cameroune ane aiker, . . . . .	0 14 8
Item, James Lochheid, merchant, tua aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 2 8
Item, James Bannatyne tua aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 2 8
Item, Androw Park in Blauchairne ane aiker and ane half, . . . . .	0 16 0
Item, William Neilsoune ten aikers and ane half, . . . . .	6 4 0
Item, Walter Neilsoune fourteen aikers and ane half, . . . . .	9 3 4
Item, James Ramsay half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 5 4
Item, John Grahame four aikers and ane half, . . . . .	2 16 0
Item, the aires of wmqhill Johne Gairner half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 7 4
Item, David Boyd, maltman, ane aiker land, . . . . .	0 10 8
Item, the aires of wmqhill Johne Bryce thrie aikers and ane half, . . . . .	2 3 4
Item, Arthour Luggie tua aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 16 8
Item, Robert Boyd, tailzeour, ane aiker and ane half, . . . . .	1 2 0
Item, Johne Findlay, maltman, tua aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 16 8
Item, William Liddell ane aiker, . . . . .	0 10 8
Item, Robert Gray merchant thrie aikers, . . . . .	1 16 0
Item, Mr. Archibald Flyming half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 5 0
Item, the aires of wmqhill Heugh Watt half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 5 4
Item, Robert Duncane, stabler, ane aiker, . . . . .	0 10 8
Item, Robert Weir thrie aikers land, . . . . .	1 12 0
Item, Mr. William Wilkie for half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 7 4
Item, Johne Thomsoune half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 7 4
Item, Johne Dougall ane aiker, . . . . .	0 14 8
Item, Thomas Raltoune half ane aiker, . . . . .	0 7 4
Item, Johne Hall ane aiker, . . . . .	0 10 8
Item, William Andersoune, merchant, thrie aikers and ane half, . . . . .	1 17 4

Item, the aires of wmquhill John Easdaill for half ane aiker, . . .	£0 5 4
Item, James Sheilles, couper, tua aikers and ane half, . . .	1 6 8
Item, Mr. William Wilkie payes yeirlie for his pairt of the landis callit Broomelandis, . . . . .	0 19 2

Falloues the rentall of the few deities payit for the candilhouses  
whilkis ar buildit on the north end of the rig at the back  
of the flesh mercat, conforme as they wer set out at the  
first fewing and ar now eikit to the rentall befor writtin—

In the first Johne Hoome payes yeirlie for his candilhous being the northmost at the heid of the said rig, . . . . .	1 0 0
Item, William Hoome payes yeirly for his candilhous nixt to his fathers, . . . . .	1 10 0
Item, Johne Bomanno payes yeirlie for his candilhous nixt to the said William Hoomes, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Michaell Gilmour payes yeirly for his candlehous nixt to the said Johne Bomannos, . . . . .	2 10 0
Item, John Watsoune for his Candlehous, . . . . .	3 0 0
Item, William Gilmour for his Candlehous, . . . . .	3 10 0
Summa totalis is . . . . .	£571 14 9

William Gilmour funder other ten elnes, . . . . .	4 10 0
James Gilmour younger, 20 elnes, . . . . .	5 10 0
William Goveane, . . . . .	6 4 0

Memorandum.—Ilk ane of them for thair yairdis payes besyd  
this 4 li.

Falloues the rentall of the few deities of the Grammer  
Scholl—

Item, James Colquhoun for his lands beneth the Wyn heid, . . .	6 0 0
Item, James Elphingstoune, glasnwright, for his landis, . . .	1 6 8
Item, James Pollock for his land for aganies the venall, . . .	1 0 0
Item, George Brounes land in Trongait, . . . . .	0 13 4
Item, Johne Smithes land in Saltmercat, . . . . .	0 6 0
Item, Thomas Mitchellis tenement in Briggait, . . . . .	0 11 0
Hendrie Glenes tenement on the south syd ther, . . . . .	0 11 0

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Item, wmquhill John Belles tenement in Gallowgait, . . . . .	£1 16 8
Item, wmquhill Johne Hepburnes land ther, . . . . .	0 10 0
Item, Mungo Mathies land ther, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, Margat Pattounes land ther, . . . . .	0 3 4
Item, the aires of wmquhill Peter Johnstoune his land above the croce, . . . . .	2 0 0
Item, Mr. James Hamiltoune. doctour of phisickis, his land ther, . .	4 3 4
Item, the aires of wmquhill Patrick Patersoune for ther land in Stockwallgait, . . . . .	1 10 0
Item, Mathow Allanes land ther, . . . . .	0 12 0
Item, William Shawes land ther, . . . . .	0 12 0
Item, Archibald Andersoune's land in Trongait, . . . . .	1 6 8
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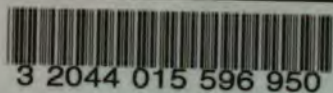
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